Chesswood Drive Road Safety Improvements Project

The City of Toronto is resurfacing Chesswood Drive, from Sheppard Avenue West to Champagne Drive beginning in Fall 2022 with completion in 2023. As part of the Chesswood Drive resurfacing project, new and improved pedestrian crossings, new sidewalks, raised cycle tracks, and improved roadway widths for large vehicles will be implemented.

The Chesswood Drive project was approved by City Council in June 2021.







Project Overview

As part of the Chesswood Drive road resurfacing project, the following improvements will be made:

State-of-Good Repair: Roadway asphalt will be removed and replaced with new asphalt. Curb adjustments at key locations will be made to facilitate safer truck movements. Existing sidewalks will be reconstructed to meet accessibility requirements. The sidewalks will be widened to 2.1m, where possible in conflict with large trees or utilities.

DUKE Heights BIA features: New Business Improvement Area (BIA) branded benches, bike racks and waste bins will be added where possible.

Intersection Safety Improvements: A new signalized intersection is planned at Chesswood Drive and Champagne Drive. Curb radii reductions and enhanced pavement markings will improve safety at all intersections along the corridor.

New Sidewalk: A new sidewalk will be installed on the east side of Chesswood Drive from Vanley Crescent (south intersection) to 20m south of Champagne Drive.

Raised Cycle Tracks: Raised uni-directional cycle tracks will be installed between Champagne Drive and Sheppard Avenue West. This project has no impact to motor vehicle lanes. The cycle tracks will provide a connection to the Finch Hydro Corridor Trail through proposed bikeway projects on Champagne Drive and Alness Street.

TTC Bus Stop: TTC bus stops will be consolidated and upgraded. The bus stops on both the west and east side of Chesswood Drive between Steeprock Drive and Vanley Crescent (south intersection) are planned to be removed because they are located mid-block with no safe crossing. The four bus stops between Vanley Crescent (south intersection) and Vanley Crescent (north intersection) are proposed to be consolidated and upgraded to two stops with transit shelters and concrete bus pads.

What Does This Change Mean for You?



One motor vehicle travel lane in each direction and turn lanes will remain in place

The lane widths will be increased along some curves to accommodate turning movements for large trucks. There will be no reductions in any of the lane widths.

All laneway and driveway access will remain unchanged, some curb radii changes will be made within the public right of way per the City's curb radii guidelines for large trucks.



A new sidewalk will be installed on the east side of Chesswood Drive between Vanley Crescent (south intersection) and Champagne Drive.

New DUKE Heights BIA branded benches, bike racks and waste bins will be added to the streetscape.

Raised uni-directional cycle tracks on both sides of the street will be installed.

The cycle tracks will be physically separated from motor vehicle lanes and the sidewalks, which will reduce conflicts with motor vehicles and people walking, and provide a safer experience for all road users.

What to Expect Before Construction

Work crews will mark sidewalks and curbs requiring replacement and the locations of underground utilities, such as gas, water and cable so that the construction work does not interfere with these utilities.

Affected properties will receive a Pre-Construction and Construction Notice before work begins with more information about the work. The notices will include details on the construction staging and traffic management.

Property owners should remove items located within City property limits (boulevard) to avoid damage.

During construction, the contractor will notify you of any temporary restrictions to your driveway. If your property has two entrances, one entrance will be kept open at all times.

Need More Information?

Please visit the project website to view additional images and maps. Project Website: **toronto.ca/Chesswood**

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