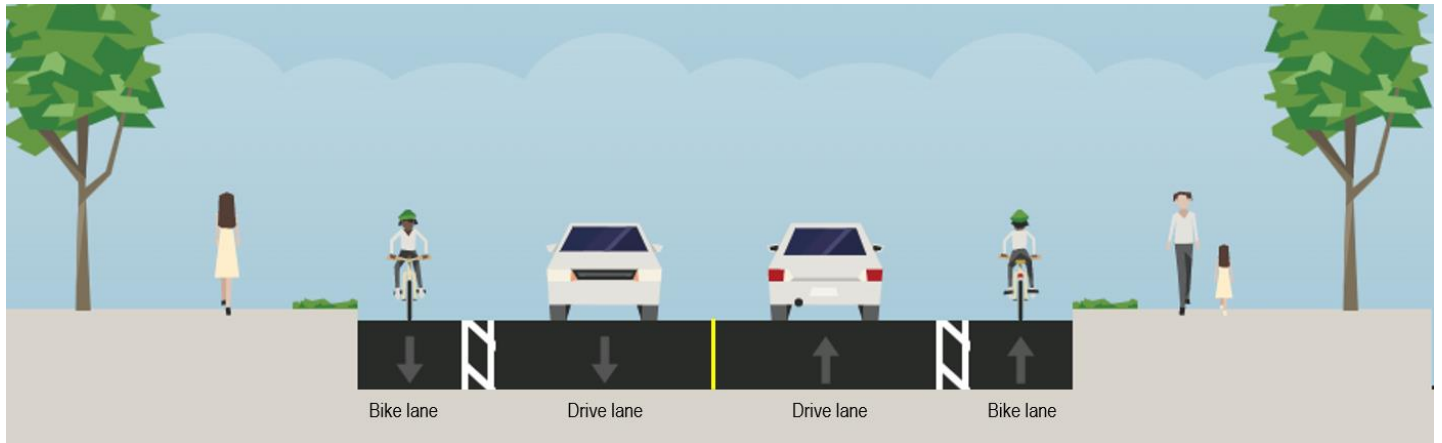


October 26, 2022

Installation of Willowdale Avenue Cycle Tracks from Empress Avenue to Maplehurst Avenue

Start Date: November 1, 2022

**Timeline is subject to change based on weather.*



The City of Toronto is preparing to extend the existing Willowdale Avenue cycle tracks further south to just north of Sheppard Avenue East. In early November, residents can expect new pavement markings and changes to parking on Willowdale Avenue and on some side streets. The changes will include:

- Cycle tracks with painted buffers added on both sides of Willowdale Avenue between Empress Avenue and Maplehurst Avenue
- Removal of left turn lanes at Spring Garden Avenue
- Removal of all existing parking on the both sides of Willowdale Avenue between Empress Avenue and Maplehurst Avenue
- Removal of Toronto Parking Authority parking on the east side of Willowdale Avenue between Hollywood Avenue and Maplehurst Avenue
- New on-street parking opportunities on the south side of Hollywood Avenue and the north side of Greenfield Avenue just east of Willowdale Avenue

Following a public consultation process undertaken from November 2021 to January 2022, the Willowdale Avenue cycle tracks and other associated changes were approved by City Council in April, 2022 (IE28.7).

The City is working to make travel by bike safer and more inviting, which helps ease congestion on streets and transit, creates a cleaner environment, and promotes physical activity. Learn more about this project and how it is co-ordinated with the Sheppard Avenue East Road Resurfacing at toronto.ca/SheppardAvenueEast and about cycling in Toronto at toronto.ca/cycling

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT COVID-19 AND CONSTRUCTION WORK

During construction, the contractor is responsible for the Health & Safety on site under the Ontario Occupational Health and Safety Act and is expected to implement COVID-19 mitigation practices. For more information on the City's response to COVID-19 please visit toronto.ca/covid-19.

WORK DETAILS










The City will make efforts to reduce the impacts of noise and other inconveniences. We appreciate your patience.

During installation, the City's contractors will complete the following work:

- Remove existing pavement markings;
- Install new pavement markings, and
- Install new signage, as required.

Precast curbs and flexible posts (bollards) will be added to the painted buffers at a later date.

WHAT TO EXPECT DURING INSTALLATION

	<p>Parking and Loading: Parking in the active work zone is not permitted due to space requirements for construction equipment and materials. If your parked vehicle affects installation, it will be relocated with no charge to the owner. If your vehicle is moved, please contact parking control for its location at 416-808-2222. Changes to the parking by-laws will be signed.</p>
	<p>Work Hours: Noisy work will be limited to daytime hours as much as possible. Weekday work will take place mostly in the off-peak hours/evenings to limit traffic disruptions.</p>
 	<p>Road and Sidewalk Access: In order to complete the work in a safe manner, there will be temporary partial lane closures within the installation work zone.</p> <p>Driveway Access: The contractor will notify you of any temporary restrictions to your driveway access. If your property has two entrances, one entrance will be kept open at all times.</p> <p>Side Street Access: Turns through the work zone will be restricted and signed.</p> <p>Emergency Services: Access for emergency vehicles will be maintained at all times.</p> <p>Transit: TTC buses will continue to operate.</p>
	<p>Cyclists: If travelling on Willowdale Avenue, please share the traffic lane in the active work zones.</p>
	<p>Parking Violation Notices: <u>Please ensure you park in a legal parking spot at all times.</u> If parking enforcement is called to a street, officers will issue a yellow parking violation notice (ticket) to vehicles in violation of parking by-laws. If you receive a yellow notice during this construction work, please do one of the following within 15 days of the notice date in order to avoid additional fines or records being kept of non-payment:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Pay the parking violation (follow instructions on the back of the notice) or 2. File a Parking Violation Dispute with the City online, by mail, or in person (follow instructions on the back of the notice). As part of the dispute process, you may submit a copy of this notice. <p>Please note: Violation notices cannot be cancelled if vehicles are parked in illegal parking spots (i.e. in front of a fire hydrant or in No Parking zones).</p> <p>In an effort to reduce ticketing due to construction, please exercise patience with neighbours who are experiencing construction impacts and may need to temporarily park on your street.</p>
	<p>Garbage & Recycling: Please follow your normal routine. If required, the contractor will move bins to an appropriate location and return them. Please ensure that you label your bins with your address.</p>
	<p>Accessible Accommodation: The City's contractor must ensure safe and accessible walkways and entryways are maintained for everyone during installation. Any temporary access disruptions will be communicated as soon as possible. If you experience a disruption, have a specific access need or related accommodation request, please inform the Project Manager listed below.</p>
	<p>On-Site Communication: There are times when contractors need to communicate with homeowners about what is happening on-site. This could be about driveway access, or site restoration work. The contractor's staff will be identifiable by their high-visibility clothing and will follow relevant COVID protocols. If you need to speak with staff on site, please ask for the Site Inspector and respect public health directions for reducing the spread of COVID-19.</p>

NEED MORE INFORMATION?

If you have questions about the upcoming installation, please contact us:

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General inquiries	311
Website	toronto.ca/SheppardAvenueEast

For assistance reading this flyer, please call 311.

**Thank you for your patience. Building a great city takes time.
Better infrastructure for all of us is worth the wait.**