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Rehabilitation of Bridges and Elevated Roads Near Eastern Avenue and Adelaide Street East

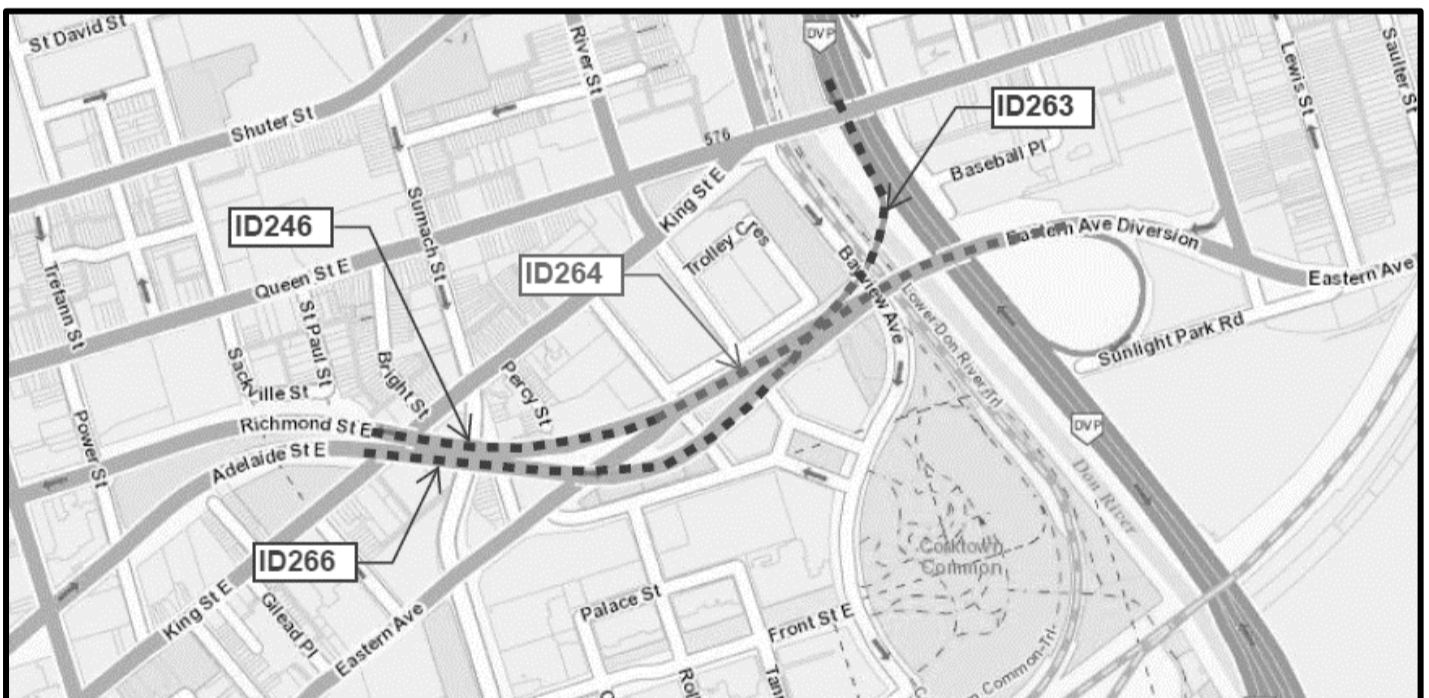
Contract: 24ECS-BE-09SB
Start Date: Early August 2024
Anticipated End Date: Early 2027
**Timeline is subject to change.*

The City of Toronto will rehabilitate the Eastern Avenue Bridge (ID264), the Richmond Street East over King Street East Bridge (ID246), Adelaide Street East over King Street East Bridge (ID266), and the Don Valley Parkway Ramp over the Don River (ID263). This work will ensure that the bridges meet today's standards and remain safe into the future. The work also includes construction of a multi-use trail on the Eastern Avenue Bridge (ID264). The project is part of the Council-approved 2024 Capital Works Program.

Work will be carried out in multiple stages. Vehicle lane restrictions will be in place for all stages of construction. For Stage 1, vehicle lane restrictions will be in place for eastbound lanes on Adelaide Street East and on Eastern Avenue from August 2024 until December 2024. There will also be traffic disruptions to St. Lawrence Street and Lower River Street in 2024. Traffic impacts for the remaining stages of work will be provided in future Construction Updates.

Visit the project web page for the latest information regarding staging and traffic restrictions also to subscribe to receive project updates: toronto.ca/easternadelaidebridges

MAP OF WORK AREA



WORK DETAILS





The City's Contractor will carry out work on the road surface, the bridge structure and under the bridge. Details of work to each bridge are as follows:







- Repair and refurbish the deck of the Eastern Avenue Bridge (ID264) and Don Valley Parkway Ramp over the Don River (ID263) including:
 - Replace the asphalt and waterproofing
 - Repair the concrete deck
 - Replace the expansion joints
 - Reconstruct the deck overhangs, concrete parapet walls and railings, and approach slabs
- Repair and refurbish the underside of all four bridges including:
 - Recoat and strengthen the ends of the steel girders
 - Replace and recondition the bridge bearings
 - Patch repair the deck soffit, piers, abutments, and adjacent retaining walls
 - Replace the drainage system



- Construct a new multi-use trail on the Eastern Avenue Bridge (ID264)
 - Replace the existing sidewalk on the south side of the Eastern Avenue Bridge (ID264) with a multi-use trail. The multi-use trail will be separated from the vehicular lanes by a concrete barrier with steel railing.
 - The City is developing plans to extend this multi-use trail west to Power Street and east to Broadview Avenue as part of future construction contracts for other area projects.

WHAT TO EXPECT DURING CONSTRUCTION

- You may experience dust, noise, and other inconveniences. The City will make efforts to reduce impacts. We appreciate your patience.

	<p>Work Hours: Work is permitted between the hours of 7 a.m. and 11 p.m., Monday to Sunday, including holidays.</p> <p>Overnight Work: Some tasks, including rehabilitation of the Don Valley Parkway Southbound Off-Ramp over the Don River (ID263), jacking of the bridges for bearing replacement, installing and shifting traffic control, and work on Lower River Street, will require overnight work. Timelines for overnight work will be communicated in advance. During these times, construction impacts and noise levels are expected to be similar to daytime construction activities. You may expect that there will be some noise from reversing trucks, jackhammering, and/or loading of materials into trucks for disposal. The City will make efforts to reduce noise impacts specifically during overnight work.</p>
	<p>Traffic Management: Road users should expect delays and increased traffic on nearby main and side streets.</p> <p>Vehicle lane closures will be required to complete the work. At least one lane on Eastern Avenue, Richmond Street East and Adelaide Street East will remain open in each direction.</p> <p>The Don Valley Parkway Southbound Off-Ramp will require a full closure for approximately 5 months to facilitate the completion of the work. This closure has been scheduled for the later half of the construction duration to minimize disruptions resulting from other construction projects in the area. Details regarding the dates and duration of the closure will be provided in advance.</p> <p>Streets below the bridges, including St. Lawrence Street, Lower River Street, Bayview Avenue, as well as the Don Valley Parkway, will experience periodic traffic disruptions throughout the project. These disruptions will not all occur at the same time. All impacted roads will continue to stay open to traffic. Work on these streets will also be done in multiple stages.</p> <p>Access for emergency vehicles will be maintained at all times</p>
	<p>Transit: TTC services will continue to operate as normal. The streetcar routes on King Street and Sumach Street will not be affected.</p>
	<p>Cyclists: This work will impact cycling routes on Bayview Avenue and Lower River Street. The multi-use trail on Bayview Avenue will remain open throughout the work but will be narrowed in the vicinity of the bridges to accommodate construction. Bike lanes on Lower River Street will be closed intermittently through the project, between the hours of 9 p.m. and 6 a.m. People cycling will need to merge with vehicle traffic during these hours.</p> <p>The Lower Don River Trail is currently closed due to the Lower Don River Trail Improvements Project. The bridge work has been coordinated in a manner to minimize impacts to the trail once opened. Further updates will be provided in future Construction Updates.</p>

	<p>Pedestrian Access: In order to complete the work in a safe manner, there will be localized sidewalk detours within the active construction work zone.</p>
	<p>Parks and Trails: Sections of Underpass Park will be closed at various times throughout construction depending on the nature of the work. The work will be staged so that the Underpass Park will not be fully closed at any time.</p> <p>Farmers Market: The construction work will also allow for the Underpass Park Farmers Market to continue to operate.</p> <p>Art Installations: The mirrored art piece “Mirage”, has been removed and safely stored. It will be reinstalled once construction has been completed. Other existing artwork and murals on the bridge piers may also be impacted, as the work involves concrete removal, patching, and the installation of new drain pipes. StreetARToronto, which oversees these murals, will assess the damage of the murals once construction is complete and decide how to restore or replace them.</p>
	<p>Parking: Prior to construction activities, "No Parking" signs will be placed in the work zone. Parking in the active work zone is not permitted. If your parked vehicle is within the construction work zone where "no parking" signs are present, it will be re-located at your expense. If your vehicle is moved, please contact parking control for its location at 416-808-2222.</p> <p>Residents with on-street parking permits in the area impacted by construction will receive additional information regarding parking arrangements before work starts.</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 must 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 include the construction notice and/or other documentation related to parking impacts resulting from construction. <p>If you do not have a copy of the Construction Notice, please visit toronto.ca/easternadelaidebridges or contact the field ambassador at the bottom of this notice to request a copy.</p> <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>On-Site Communication: On rare occasion, Contractors may need to communicate with homeowners about what is happening on-site. Contractor's staff will be identifiable by their high-visibility company branded clothing. If you need to speak with staff on the construction site, please ask for the Site Inspector. Alternatively, please contact the Field Ambassador listed below.</p>
	<p>Pre-Construction Inspection: The City’s Contractor is conducting inspections of properties within 30 metres of the construction area before construction starts. Affected properties will receive a separate notice to set up an appointment for the inspection.</p>

	<p>The inspection will look at the exterior and interior of properties to verify existing conditions. Although participation is voluntary, the City encourages all property owners to participate. Without the survey, it will be difficult to confirm any claims of damage caused by construction. All inspection staff will wear photo I.D. and carry photo equipment for this work.</p>
	<p>Accessible Accommodation: The City's Contractor must ensure safe and accessible walkways and entryways are maintained for everyone during construction. 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, contact the Field Ambassador listed below.</p>
	<p>Restoration: The construction work area will be restored with sod, concrete and/or asphalt where required. Interlocking bricks, flagstone on a granular base, or other similar features that are removed from public and private property during construction will be replaced. Lawn seeding and/or laying of sod will be done as needed during ideal growing seasons only - in the spring (April to June) and fall (September to October).</p>

NEED MORE INFORMATION?

If you have questions about the upcoming work, please contact us and quote **24ECS-BE-09SB**.

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<p>Website</p>	<p>toronto.ca/easternadelaidebridges</p>

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