

Danforth Upgrades: Main Street to Victoria Park Avenue Public Information Meeting

Tuesday, April 22, 2025 (7 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.)



Meeting Agenda

- Project Overview and Timeline
- Project Scope: Watermain and Sewer
- Project Scope: Road Resurfacing
- Project Scope: Complete Streets
- Construction Impacts and Mitigation
- Questions from Attendees



Adjourn 8.30 p.m.



Project Overview & Timeline



Project Overview

Upgrades are required to sections of the watermain, storm sewer and sanitary sewer along Danforth Avenue between Main Street and Victoria Park Avenue. The watermain upgrade provides a once in a 25–50-year opportunity to make significant changes to the road, including safety and public realm improvements.





Projected Project Timeline

Construction duration is expected to be approximately 1 year

Fall 2025

Underground construction (watermain and sewer replacement)

Spring 2026

Aboveground construction (Resurfacing, bikeway construction, state of good repair)



Summer 2025

Tender and award construction contract

Winter 2025

Underground construction work will continue through the winter

Fall 2026

Project completed

* Schedule is subject to change



Project Scope Watermain and Sewer



Watermain and Sewer

Segment 2: 50m west of Sibley Ave to Victoria Park Ave Segment 1: Main St to Dawes Rd Watermain Replacement Watermain Replacement Sanitary Sewer Replacement Storm Sewer Replacement Segment 1 Segment 2 Ave. Sibley Ave Barrington Eldon Ave Thyra Danforth Ave. Dawes Rd. Main St. Kelvin Ave. **Lutrell Ave** Victoria Trent Ave.



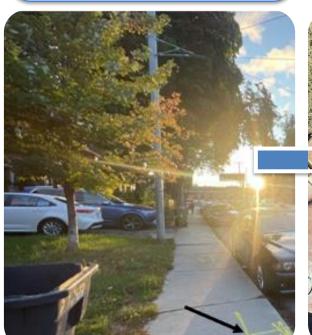
Watermain and Sewer Replacement

The watermain and City-owned portion of substandard water services will be replaced.

- 1. Locate underground utilities (gas, electric)
- 2. Dig a trench

3. Install new watermain and/or sewer

4. Trench temporarily backfilled by the end of the day





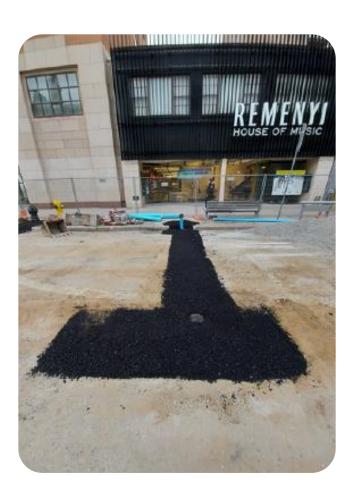






Watermain Service Connections





- Localized excavations to connect watermain to water service
- Short-term watermain shuts will be coordinated with properties
- Temporary restoration to be completed following the water service connection



Project Scope Road Resurfacing



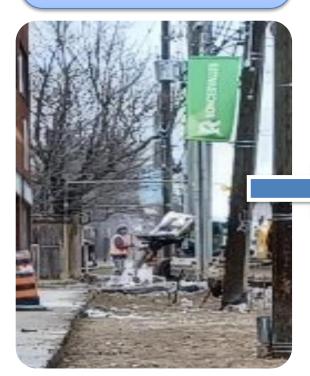
Sidewalk Repairs

Certain sections of sidewalk in the work area will be replaced (as required)

1. Chip and remove old concrete

3. Access while concrete sets for 24 hrs

4. Sidewalk opened









Road Resurfacing

The road asphalt between curbs will be replaced

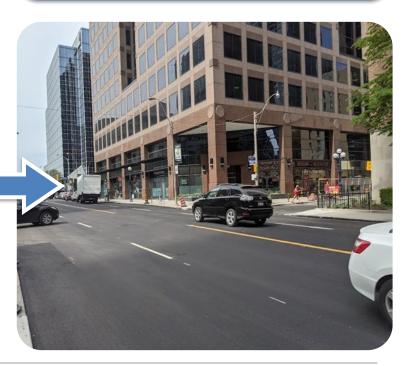
1. Grind and removal old asphalt

2. Lay down top layer of asphalt

3. Paint road markings, restore and re-open the road to traffic/parking









Project Scope Complete Streets Upgrades



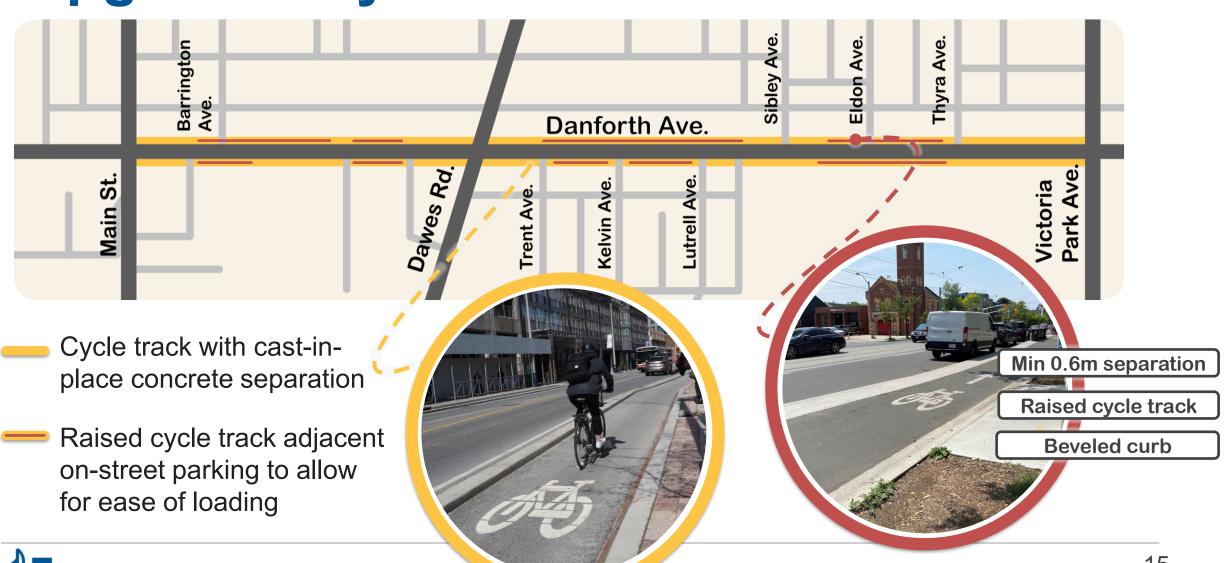
On-Street Parking & Loading



The planned design maintains existing parking and includes the addition of 5 on-street parking spaces (in addition to the 15 spots added Summer 2024). Existing wheel-trans loading zones can now be also be used for commercial loading in these locations, following feedback from the community and wheel-trans.

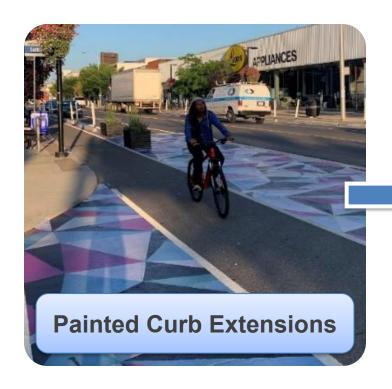


Upgraded Cycle Track



Upgraded Curb Extensions

Some painted curb extensions will be replaced with concrete or planted ones, to enhance pedestrian safety while ensuring vehicle turning space.



Existing Condition



Planned Condition



Upgraded Curb Extensions



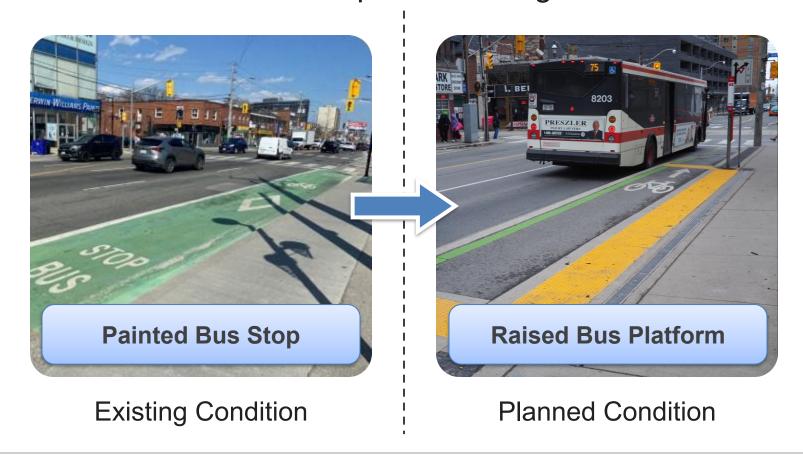
Upgraded Crossings



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Upgraded Bus Stops

Painted bus stops will be upgraded to raised platforms at stops where a raised platform will still allow for vehicles to pass an idling bus.





Emergency Services & Solid Waste



Toronto Fire, EMS, Solid Waste pickup and Wheel-Trans pickups will continue to be provided at the current level of service.

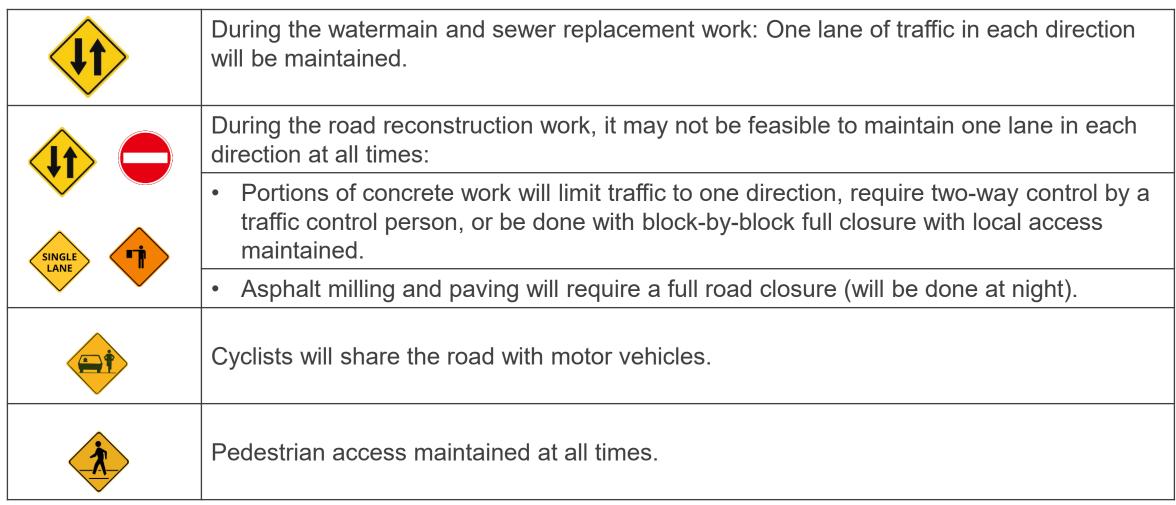
Toronto Fire, EMS and Solid Waste and Wheel-Trans are engaged in the design process and are providing feedback that is being incorporated into the design to meet their requirements.



Construction Impacts and Mitigation



Expected Traffic Impacts





Tools to Manage Traffic

To help manage traffic flow during construction, the City will:

- Install portable variable message and advisory signs
- Deploy Paid Duty Officers at key signalized intersections
- Assign Traffic Agents to support movement through busy areas
- Provide advance public notification about traffic impacts





Expected Impacts to Businesses



Work hours and excavation

 Construction hours are 7 a.m. to 11 p.m. Monday to Saturday. There will be some night work involved for the watermain work in order to minimize the impact of water service disruptions and for resurfacing work to minimize traffic impacts



Parking

Parking will not be permitted in work area. As work progresses, Parking will be allowed again.



Waste collection

- Service will continue as per the City's scheduled dates.
- Where necessary, the contractor will bring waste bins to a designated spot for collection and return the empty bins to the appropriate address each week



Dust Control

The contractor will take the necessary steps to reduce dust caused by construction, i.e. concrete wetting.



Support for businesses

Support Local Businesses signage can be installed along construction fencing



Emergency Services

Access for Paramedics, Police and Fire Services, will be maintained at all times



Maintaining City Services

Have a delivery? Moving? Work taking place at your home?

- Temporary walkways will ensure pedestrian access to properties for mail carriers and delivery people.
- Where necessary, signage will be installed to direct delivery people around the work areas.
- Residents who live near a work area and are planning to move, planning major renovations, or expecting delivery of large items should contact the Field Ambassador in advance.





Preparing for Construction

Pre-condition Inspection

- A third party will carry out inspections of properties close to the road work to document property conditions prior to construction
- Inspection is voluntary but recommended
- Results useful to substantiate claims for damage caused by construction

Objects in the Right-of-Way

 Landscaping features, fencing, or other physical objects on properties and located in the City's Right-of-Way, may need to be removed before construction to avoid damage



Example of road reconstruction



Community Engagement: Construction

- A dedicated Field Ambassador has been assigned to this project and will actively engage with the community throughout construction.
 - Proactive outreach is already underway to understand local business needs and plan for them.
- The Field Ambassador's contact information will be widely shared, and they will be highly responsive to public inquiries.
- Pre-construction and construction notices will be distributed in advance of work starting.
- Additional updates will be shared during construction, including for overnight work or water service disruptions.
- Dedicated project page: toronto.ca/danforthupgrades



Next Steps

- Construction is expected to start Fall 2025 with completion in Fall 2026.
- The Field Ambassador team will be continuing with public outreach during the pre-construction phase to understand the specific needs of each business/property within the project limits.
- A Construction Notice and Pre-Construction Notice will be mailed out before construction starts. The Notices will provide residents with more detail about the scope of work, work hours, road and sidewalk access, traffic management, parking, garbage and recycling.



Thank You!

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