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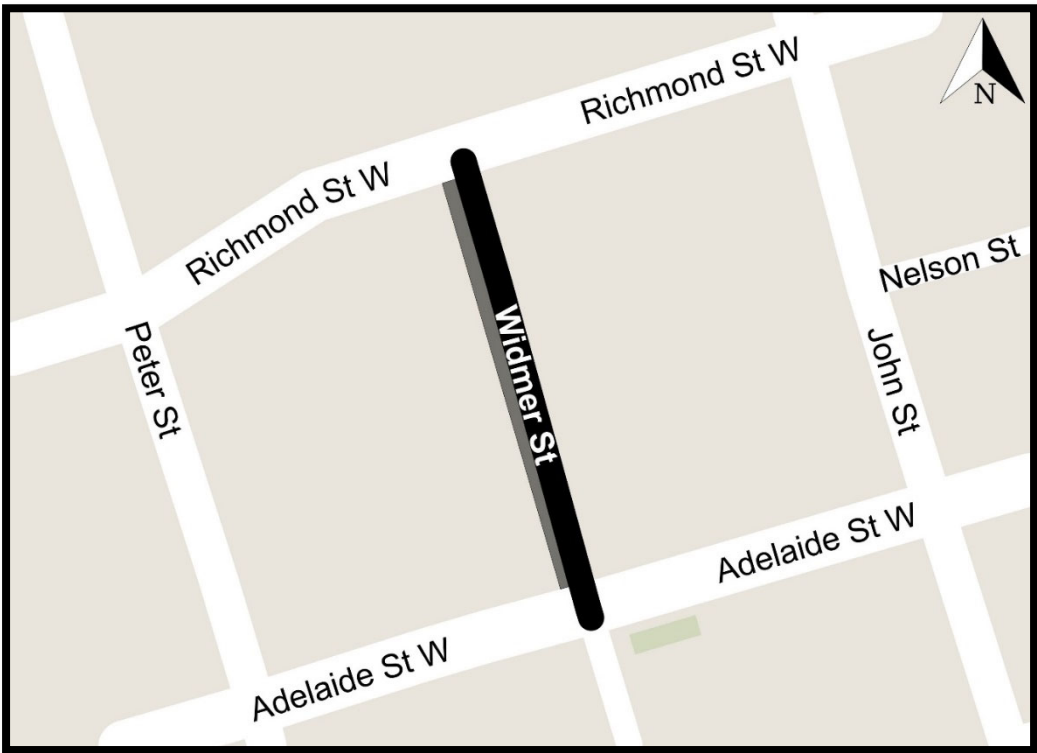
## Watermain Replacement on Widmer Street from Adelaide Street West to Richmond Street West

**Contract:24ECS-LU-03SU**  
**Work Resumes: April 23, 2025 End Date: July 2025**  
*\*Timeline is subject to change.*

The City of Toronto’s construction work on Widmer Street is almost complete. This notice is to inform the local community that the contractor will be returning to site to complete the remaining work in the area. Work is anticipated to resume on April 23, 2025, pending weather and ground conditions.

Residents should expect construction noise in the immediate work zone once work resumes.

### MAP OF WORK AREA












### WORK STATUS-TO-DATE





- The City’s contractor has:
- Completed new watermain installation and street connections on Widmer Street between Richmond Street West and Adelaide Street West.
  - Completed service connections to residential and commercial properties from the old watermain to the new watermain.
  - Temporarily restored concrete, asphalt, and landscaped areas affected by the watermain and sewer installation.

### REMAINING WORK.

- Permanently restore all trenches, concrete curb, and sidewalk that was affected by the watermain and water service installation.
- Milling and paving.

	<b>Work Hours:</b> Work will take place from 7 a.m.to 7 p.m., Monday to Friday, with work after hours and on weekends as required.
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	<p><b>On-Site Communication:</b> There are times when contractors need to communicate with homeowners about what is happening on-site. This could be about driveway access, water shut offs, pre-construction inspections, and site restoration work (landscaping, installing pavers etc.). 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.</p>
	<p><b>Important information for owners of sprinkler systems / heated driveways and private landscaping features.</b> Property owners should remove items located within City property limits (boulevard) to avoid damage.</p> <p>This includes items such as landscaping (plants and pavers), decorative objects, sprinkler systems or heated driveways. If you have a sprinkler system or heated driveway, please contact the <b>Field Ambassador</b> listed below.</p>
	<p><b>Telephone and Internet Services:</b> This work may affect phone and internet cables for individual properties that aren't buried deep below the sidewalk. The contractor will coordinate with utility companies to minimize disruption. Residents who find their service has been disrupted should contact the <b>Field Ambassador</b> <u>and</u> notify their phone or internet service provider.</p>
	<p><b>Water Service Disruptions:</b> From time-to-time, the water supply to your property will be shut-off to complete construction; the contractor will provide notice at least 24-hours in advance. Throughout the work, it is recommended that you temporarily disconnect any water treatment systems (i.e. softeners or filters), water-cooled air conditioners or similar plumbing fixtures. Automatic lawn sprinkler systems may also be affected, therefore, you may need to water manually. In the event you did not receive advance notice, the City may have needed to use an <b>emergency water shut off</b> to complete work.</p>
	<p><b>Road and Sidewalk Access:</b> In order to complete the work in a safe manner, there will be road and sidewalk restrictions within the work zone. Access for emergency vehicles will be maintained at all times.</p> <p><b>Driveway Access:</b> 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><b>Traffic Management:</b> Road users should expect delays and increased traffic on nearby streets. Motorists are reminded that bicycles and cars will be sharing the lane. When driving, please be mindful of vulnerable road users.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Traffic on Widmer Street may be reduced to one lane during construction.</b></li> </ul>
	<p><b>Parking:</b> This project will affect on-street parking. Parking in the active work zone is not permitted as space is needed for construction equipment and materials. If your parked vehicle affects construction work, it will be relocated with no charge to the owner. Please call 416-808-2222 for its location.</p>
	<p><b>Parking Violation Notices:</b> <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"> <li>1. Pay the parking violation (follow instructions on the back of the notice) <u>or</u></li> <li>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.</li> </ol>

	<p>If you do not have a copy of the Construction Notice, please contact 311 to request a copy.</p> <p><b>Please note:</b> 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><b>Accessible Accommodation:</b> 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 <b>Field Ambassador</b> listed below.</p>
	<p><b>Garbage and Recycling:</b> Please follow your normal routine. If required, the contractor will move bins to an appropriate location and return them. <b>Please ensure that you label your bins with your address.</b></p>
	<p><b>Water Flushing:</b> You will see water flushing or running in several areas along this project due to cleaning the new watermain. Before substandard water services are replaced and the new watermain is put into service, the new pipe must meet Toronto Water's servicing and quality standards. <b>Please DO NOT DRINK OR USE THE FLUSHING WATER, it is not potable.</b></p>
	<p><b>Restoration:</b> 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 - April to June and September to October.</p>
	<p><b>Tree protection Zone:</b> Temporary Tree Protection Fencing/Hoarding will only be installed around the Tree Protection Zone (TPZ) based on the type of work. If needed the temporary tree protection fencing/hoarding will be installed prior to working near a tree and will be removed as the work progresses. All required steps are taken to minimize the damage to the trees.</p>

**NEED MORE INFORMATION?**

If you have questions about this construction project, please contact staff listed below.

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General inquiries	311
Website	<a href="https://toronto.ca/Spadina-Fort York">toronto.ca/Spadina-Fort York</a>

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