

March 2, 2026

Watermain Bypass on Macpherson Avenue

Contract: 23ECS-LU-04TT

Expected Start Date: March 4, 2026 Expected End Date: March 31, 2026

**Timeline is subject to change.*

In February 2025, the City started work to replace the transmission watermain along Rowanwood Avenue, Thornwood Road, Chestnut Park and Roxborough Street. This included a temporary bypass of the watermain on Macpherson Avenue. In May 2025, work on Macpherson Avenue was paused due to unexpected underground conflicts that would have significantly expanded the work zone.

Originally, the watermain was relocated to support the work on Macpherson Avenue. The City is now preparing to restore the watermain work on Macpherson Avenue and return the watermain to its original location.

Work to assess options for the new reception shaft location is still underway and construction of the transmission watermain remains on hold. Additional notice will be provided before this work resumes.

MAP OF THE AREA



WORK DETAILS

The City's Contractor will:

- Excavate the road and dig a trench to access and install the new watermain connection.
- Resurface the road around the watermain trench.

Restoration of the road, sidewalk and landscaping will be completed at a later date.

WHAT TO EXPECT DURING CONSTRUCTION

- You may experience dust, noise and other inconveniences. The City will make efforts to reduce the impacts. We appreciate your patience.
- The City will not be responsible for damage to any privately owned items on City property.

As work resumes, residents may notice:

- Reinstallation of construction fencing and materials within the project site
- Return of construction crews and equipment
- Localized traffic and pedestrian impacts in the immediate area

	<p>Work Hours: Work will take place from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., Monday to Friday, with work after hours and on weekends as required.</p>
	<p>Traffic Management: Road users should expect delays and increased traffic on nearby main and side streets. Motorists are reminded that bicycles and cars will be sharing the lane. When driving, please be mindful of vulnerable road users. Efforts have been made to manage traffic in the area for the safety of workers, road users and residents.</p> <p>Traffic on Macpherson Avenue will be reduced to one lane at Yonge Street.</p>
	<p>Road and Sidewalk Access: To complete the work in a safe manner, there will be road and sidewalk restrictions within the construction work zone. Access for emergency vehicles will be maintained at all times.</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>Pedestrians: The work may require temporary sidewalk restrictions; however any necessary sidewalk closures will alternate in each direction to ensure pedestrian access is maintained during construction.</p>
	<p>Parking: 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>Parking Violation Notice: <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 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

	<p>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> <p>If you do not have a copy of the Construction Notice, please contact 311 to request a copy.</p> <p>Please note: Violation notices cannot be cancelled if vehicles are parked in illegal parking spots (e.g. 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>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, inform the contact listed below.</p>

We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause and appreciate your patience. Your cooperation and understanding are appreciated as we work to enhance the community's water system.

NEED MORE INFORMATION?

If you have questions about the upcoming work, please contact us and quote the contract number.

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