

June 22, 2026

Infrastructure Improvements on Colborne Street from Leader Lane to Church Street, Colborne Lane and Leader Lane

Contract: 25ECS-RD-102LR

Start Date: July 7, 2026 End Date: January 16, 2027

* Please see the table below for specific construction timelines

The City of Toronto is undertaking significant reconstruction work to improve the infrastructure on Colborne Street, Colborne Lane, and Leader Lane. This initiative aims to enhance pedestrian accessibility, beautify streetscapes, and provide additional seasonal patio spaces for local businesses. BIA lighting improvements are also proposed on Colborne Street, and Leader Lane.

Colborne Street Improvements

Colborne Street, extending from Leader Lane to Church Street, will undergo comprehensive reconstruction. The existing roadway will be replaced with concrete unit pavers. A bump-out will be constructed at the northwest corner of the Colborne Street and the Leader Lane intersection and the one-way road segment on Colborne Street will be narrowed to increase the boulevard width for pedestrians and seasonal patio space on the south side.

Colborne Lane Upgrades

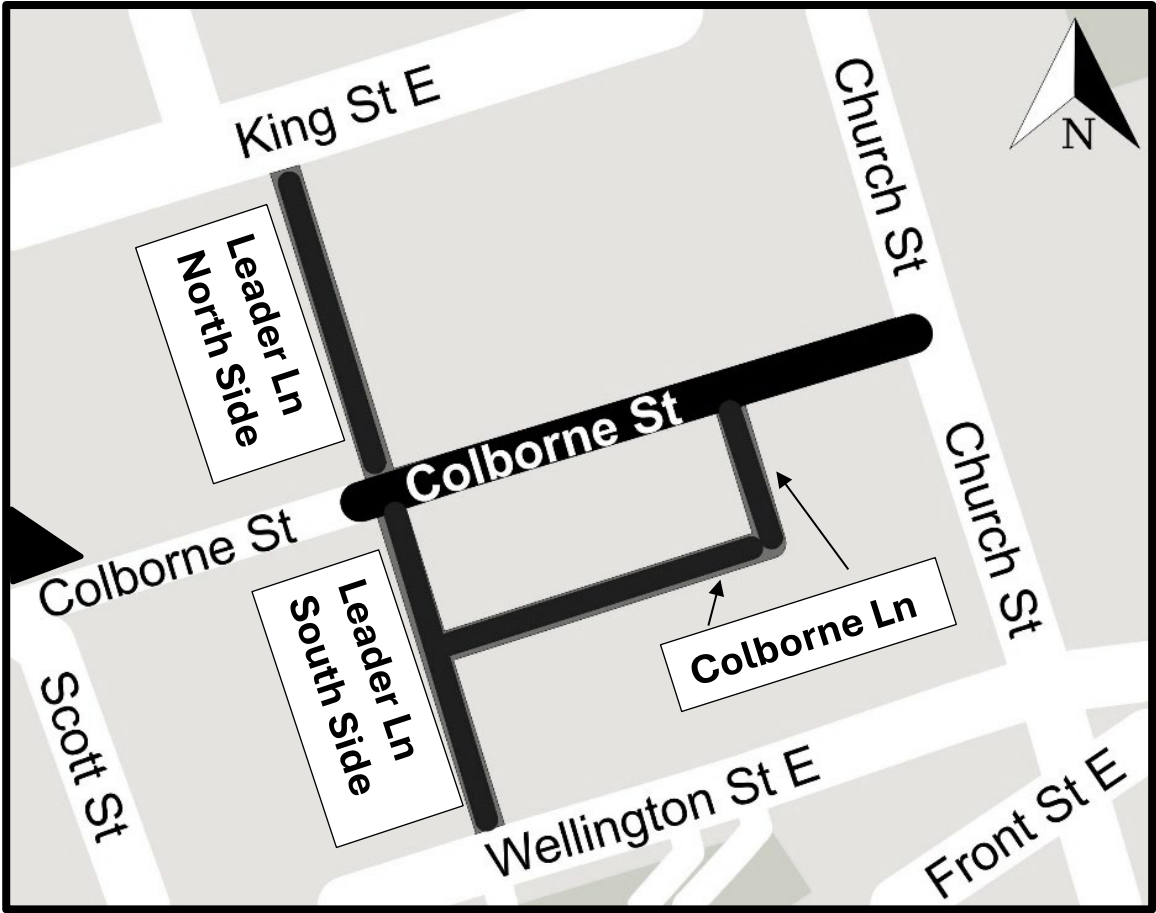
The City will reconstruct the laneway on Colborne Lane with standard concrete paving.

Leader Lane Improvements

Leader Lane from Colborne Street to Wellington Street is planned to be reconstructed with concrete unit pavers and will be permanently closed for vehicular traffic except for emergency and maintenance vehicles. The sidewalk on the east side of Leader Lane from Colborne Street to King Street East will also be replaced with concrete unit pavers.

This project is part of the Council-approved 2025 Capital Works Program to renew aging city roads and sidewalk for current and future needs.

MAP OF WORK AREA



ROAD CLOSURE

In anticipation of the City of Toronto’s infrastructure improvements on Colborne Street, Colborne Lane, and Leader Lane, roads will be periodically inaccessible to vehicular traffic.

	Road and Sidewalk Access: 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. Uninterrupted pedestrian access for businesses and residences will be maintained during construction. Pedestrians shall be separated from the construction activities with appropriate safety measures. Driveway Access: Access/egress to and from the 30 Church Street underground parking garage will be maintained throughout construction. The contractor will notify you of any temporary restrictions to your driveway access.
	Traffic Management: Road users should expect delays and increased traffic on nearby streets. When driving, please be mindful of vulnerable road users. • Work phased to avoid closure of multiple locations at the same time allowing alternate options for vehicle traffic and continuous pedestrian pathways. • Local traffic restrictions are expected, and traffic control persons will be supporting traffic management at road closures.

Please see the table below for the road closure schedule during the construction period. Construction updates will be provided as necessary. Dates may be subject to change.

LOCATION	DESCRIPTION	IMPACT
Colborne Lane (Short Leg) (North/South)	Laneway Reconstruction July 7, 2026 – August 04, 2026 (Weather Permitting)	Full Lane Closure Access to 30 Church Street underground parking garage will be maintained from Colborne Street. Pedestrians, business deliveries, emergency vehicle and garbage collection access will be accommodated.
Colborne Lane (Long Leg) (West/East)	Laneway Reconstruction July 7, 2026 – August 04, 2026 (Weather Permitting)	Full Lane Closure Access to 30 Church Street underground parking garage will be maintained from Colborne Street. Pedestrians, business deliveries, emergency vehicle and garbage collection access will be accommodated.
Colborne Street (North Side) (From Church Street to Leader Lane)	Road Reconstruction and Electrical Work (Street Lighting) July 7, 2026 - January 16, 2027 Intermittent Closure (Weather Permitting)	There will be temporary overlaps with Colborne Lane construction from July 7, 2026, to August 4, 2026. Colborne Street will have partial closures during this time and vehicular traffic will be maintained. After the overlapping period, no vehicular traffic will be permitted on Colborne Street between Colborne Lane and Leader Lane. 30 Church Street underground parking garage

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		access on Colborne Lane will be maintained. Pedestrians, business deliveries, emergency vehicle and garbage collection access will be accommodated.
Colborne Street (South Side) (From Church Street to Leader Lane)	Road Reconstruction and Electrical Work (Street Lighting) July 07, 2026 - January 16, 2027 Intermittent Closure (Weather Permitting)	There will be temporary overlaps with Colborne Lane construction from July 7, 2026, to August 4, 2026. Colborne Street will have partial closures during this time and vehicular traffic will be maintained. After the overlapping period, no vehicular traffic will be permitted on Colborne Street between Colborne Lane and Leader Lane. 30 Church Street underground parking garage access on Colborne Lane will be maintained. Pedestrians, business deliveries, emergency vehicle and garbage collection access will be accommodated.
Northeast corner of Scott Street / Colborne Street intersection	Electrical Work (Street Lighting) Work will be conducted within the duration of July 28, 2026 - January 16, 2027 Intermittent Closure (Weather Permitting)	No impacts to vehicle traffic. Pedestrian access will be maintained. Business deliveries, emergency vehicle and garbage collection access will be accommodated.
Leader Lane / Colborne Street intersection	Road Reconstruction and Electrical Work (Street Lighting) Work will be conducted intermittently within the duration of July 07, 2026 - January 16, 2027 (Weather Permitting)	There will be temporary overlaps with Colborne Lane construction from July 7, 2026, to August 4, 2026. This intersection will have partial closures during this time and vehicular traffic will be maintained. After the overlapping period, intermittent full intersection closures for vehicular traffic will take place until January 16, 2027. Pedestrians, business deliveries, emergency vehicle and garbage collection access will be accommodated.
Leader Lane (South Leg) (From Wellington Street to Colborne Street)	Laneway Reconstruction and Electrical Work (Street Lighting) July 28, 2026 – November 03, 2026 (Weather Permitting)	Full Lane closure No vehicular traffic will be permitted. Pedestrian traffic will be detoured. 30 Church Street underground parking garage access will be maintained from Colborne Street. Business deliveries, emergency vehicle and garbage collection access will be accommodated.

Leader Lane (North Leg) (From Colborne Street to King Street)	Sidewalk replacement with pavers (East side) Work will be conducted within the duration of July 28, 2026 – November 03, 2026 Intermittent Closure (Weather Permitting)	Intermittent Full Lane closure No vehicular traffic will be permitted. Parking garage access will be maintained from Church Street (Shared private laneway). Pedestrians, business deliveries, emergency vehicle and garbage collection access will be accommodated.
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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.

	Work Hours: Work will take place from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., Monday to Friday, with work after hours and on Saturdays if required to expedite the work. There may be some overnight work during Fire hydrant replacement and / or water service replacements.
	Pre-Construction Inspection: Wristen’s Home Specialties Inc. (WHS), under contract to the City of Toronto, will survey all properties within 30 metres of the construction area before construction starts. The inspection will look at the interior and exterior of all properties to verify existing conditions. Although participation is voluntary, the City encourages all homeowners to participate. Without the survey, it will be difficult to confirm any claims of damage caused by construction. Affected properties will receive a separate notice to set up an appointment. All inspection staff will wear photo I.D. and carry photo equipment for this work.
	Site Safety: Workers on site are responsible for the work assigned to them. If you have construction questions or an issue on site – ask to be directed to the Site Inspector. If the Site Inspector is unavailable, contact the Field Ambassador.
	Important information for owners of sprinkler systems / heated driveways and private landscaping features. Property owners should remove items located within City property limits (boulevard) to avoid damage. 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 Field Ambassador listed below.
	Telephone and Internet Services: 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 Field Ambassador <u>and</u> notify their phone or internet service provider.
	Water Service Disruptions: 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 emergency water shut off to complete work.
	Substandard Water Service Replacement: Please take the time to read the attached fact sheet carefully as it contains important information on lead in drinking water and how to prepare for replacement. If you want to replace the private portion-of the water service pipe, the City of Toronto recommends that you obtain several quotes before selecting a contractor. PLEASE NOTE: The City is not able to get involved in any contract to have work done on private property. Property owners are responsible for ensuring contractors do not interfere with the work being done on City property. Learn more at www.toronto.ca/leadpipes.
	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.
	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: 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. If you do not have a copy of the Construction Notice, please contact 311 to request a copy. 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). 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.
	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.
	Garbage and Recycling: The contractor will coordinate with the business owners according to their schedules.
	Water Flushing: 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. Please DO NOT DRINK OR USE THE FLUSHING WATER, it is not potable.
	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 - April to June and September to October.

NEED MORE INFORMATION?

If you have questions about the upcoming work, please contact us.

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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.