TORONTO Construction Update Notice

November 25, 2026

Watermain Replacement and Streetcar Track Renewal on King Street West from Dufferin Street to Close Avenue

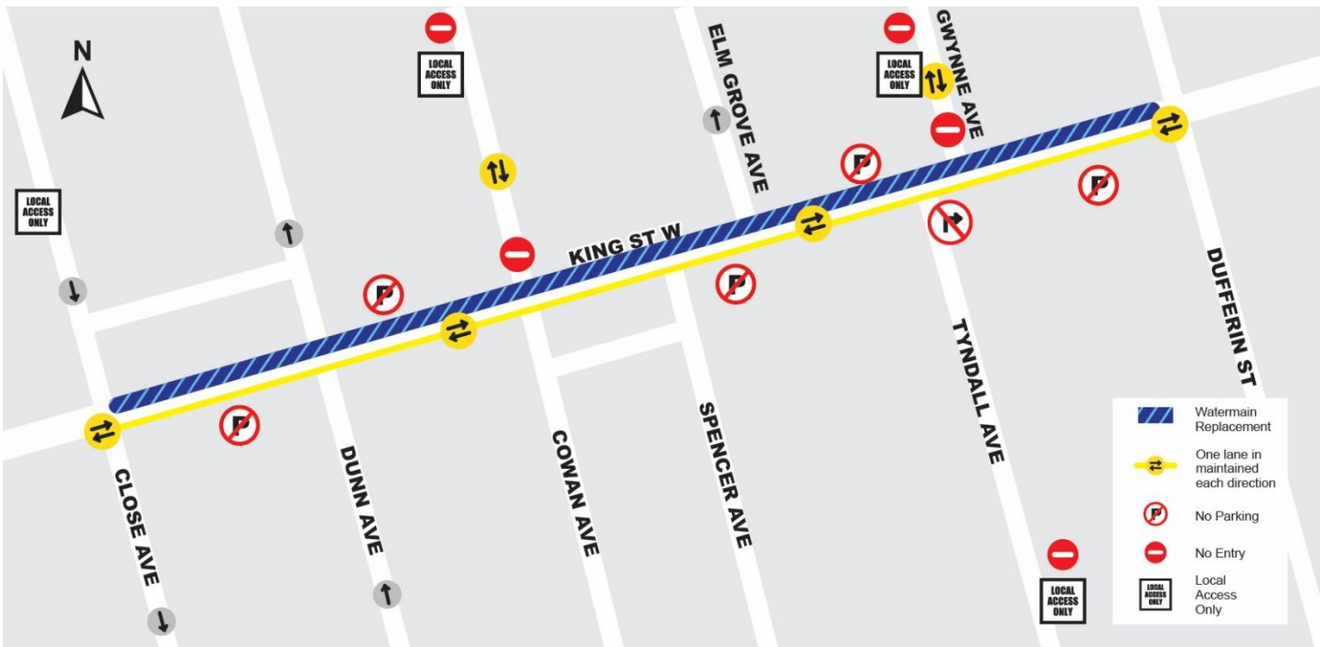
Contract: 26ECS-RD-08SW
Start Date: November 23 2026 End Date: Fall 2027
**Timeline is subject to change.*

The City of Toronto has started work to replace the 139-year-old watermain that runs on the north side of King Street West from Dufferin Street to Close Avenue. After completing the north side, the City's contractor will begin watermain replacement on the south side of King Street. Starting in spring 2027, the City and the Toronto Transit Commission (TTC) will renew the aging streetcar tracks from Dufferin Street to Close Avenue.

There will be road restrictions as part of this project. During the first two phases of work, one vehicle lane will be maintained in each direction on King Street through the work zone.

This work is required to bring the track infrastructure to a state of good repair, improve water distribution and reduce the risk of watermain breaks. **Subscribe to receive construction updates by email at toronto.ca/KingClose.**

PHASE 1 CONSTRUCTION MAP



Visit the project web page to view construction maps for future phases of work.

CONSTRUCTION PHASES

Phase / Timing / Location*	Travel Impacts*
Phase 1 – November 2026 to February 2027 Crews will replace the watermain that runs on the north side of King Street West between Dufferin Street and Close Avenue.	• At a minimum, one travel lane will be maintained in each direction on King Street between Dufferin Street and Close Avenue. • **No access to/from local streets from King Street to Melbourne Avenue while watermain work is completed across these intersections (approximately five days)** North side: Cowan Avenue, Gwynne Avenue South side: Dunn Avenue, Spencer Avenue, Tyndall Avenue **Temporary two-way access will be maintained on these streets from Queen Street and Springhurst Avenue.** • No parking or stopping on King Street through the work zone • TTC streetcar service on King Street replaced by buses. Visit ttc.ca for service details.
Phase 2 – February 2027 to May 2027 Crews will replace the watermain that runs along on the south side of King Street West between Dufferin Street and Close Avenue.	
Phase 3 – May 2027 to June 2027 Crews will replace the watermain on King Street West crossing the intersections at Dunn Avenue and Spencer Avenue.	

Please share this notice with the property owner or tenants and post in a common area

Phase 4 – June 2027 to July 2027 Crews will replace the streetcar tracks and concrete track margin on King Street West between Dufferin Street and Close Avenue	• At a minimum, one lane in one direction will be maintained in one direction on King Street between Dufferin Street and Close Avenue. • TTC bus and streetcar service will detour around the work area.
Phase 5 – July 2027 to August 2027 Crews will complete road resurfacing, sidewalk repairs and restoration in the work area.	• At a minimum, one travel lane will be maintained in each direction on King Street between Dufferin Street and Close Avenue. • Temporary closures of sidewalks will be required. Pedestrian detours and signage will be in place.

**Phasing, timeline and travel impacts are subject to change.*

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: Watermain work (Phase 1, 2, & 3) will take place between 7 a.m. and 7 p.m., Monday to Friday, with late work or weekend work when needed. Track replacement work (Phase 4) will take place 24hrs a day, 7 days per week.
	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. In the event you did not receive advance notice, the City may have needed to use an emergency water shut off to complete work.
	Property owners should remove items located within City property limits to avoid damage, including sprinkler systems and private landscaping features. This includes items such as landscaping and decorative objects. If you have a sprinkler system or heated driveway, please contact the City of Toronto contact listed below.
	Driveway Access: The contractor will notify you of any temporary restrictions to your driveway access in advance. If your property has two entrances, one entrance will be kept open at all times.
	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.
	Garbage and Recycling: Please follow your normal routine. If required, the contractor will move bins to an appropriate location and return them. ***Please ensure that you label your bins with your address.***
	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 City of Toronto contact listed below.







MORE INFORMATION:

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TTC Community Liaison	Michael Vieira, 437-551-4609, KingStreetTrackRenewal@ttc.ca
Deaf, Hard of hearing and Hearing impaired service	Telecommunications Relay Service (TRS) Dial 711 (24/7)
General inquiries	311
Websites	**toronto.ca/KingClose** **ttc.ca/KingStreetTrackRenewal**

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