

**The Ontario Line
Lakeshore East Joint Corridor
Early Works
Construction Liaison Committee**

May 4, 2023

Land Acknowledgement

Let us take a moment to acknowledge we are on lands that have been, and continue to be, home to many Indigenous Peoples including the Anishnabeg, the Haudenosaunee and the Huron-Wendat peoples.

We are all Treaty people. Many of us have come here as settlers, as immigrants or involuntarily as part of the trans-Atlantic slave trade, in this generation, or generations past.

We acknowledge the historic and continued impacts of colonization and the need to work towards meaningful reconciliation with the original caretakers of this land.

We acknowledge that Metrolinx operates on territories and lands covered by many treaties that affirm and value the rights of Indigenous communities, Nations and Peoples.

We understand the importance of working towards reconciliation with the original caretakers of this land. At Metrolinx, we will conduct business in a manner that is built on a foundation of trust, respect and collaboration.

Safety Moment

With construction about to get underway in the rail corridor, near streets and sidewalks. If you are walking near construction areas, please stay safe.

Here are a few ways to help you keep safe:

- Follow construction signs to help you navigate the site safely.
- Do not trespass construction sites and safety fencing/gates set up for work zones.
- If driving, please slow down to keep construction works safe, obey flag persons and remember to be on the lookout for cyclists, pedestrians, and the elderly
- Do not interrupt workers when they are working.
- If walking with children near work zones, please hold their hands.



Agenda

✓ Welcome (15 minutes):

1. Land Acknowledgement
2. Safety Moment
3. Introductions / Opening Remarks
4. CLC Overview/Terms of Reference

✓ Project Update (30 minutes):

1. 24/7 Call Number (416-202-5100)
2. Complaints Protocol
3. Works to expect in 2023
4. Start of work between Queen and Dundas Streets
 - Access Roads
 - Bridges Work
 - Traffic Management

✓ What's Next (5 minutes)

✓ Q&A (35 minutes)

✓ Wrap up (5 minutes)



Construction Liaison Committees (CLC)

Construction Liaison Committees (CLCs) provide open, two-way communication and sharing of information before and during the construction of the Ontario Line project. The CLC will focus on the impacts, issues and areas of concern for resolution related to the Ontario Line construction within the Riverside/Leslieville neighbourhoods. The full Terms of Reference will be shared with the CLC via email.

- The CLC will meet regularly as construction activities get underway
- CLC frequency is flexible, depending on schedules/availability and critical construction work
- Metrolinx will work with stakeholders to develop meeting agendas
- Meetings will last 60 - 90 minutes, depending on the agenda
- Metrolinx to chair the CLC with support from the project contractor
- Project contractor will participate and lead the construction updates
- Action items/issues/complaints to be logged for resolution

Construction Liaison Committee (CLC)

Community representatives



- Elected officials
- Community groups/residents
- Residents' groups/associations
- Tenant representatives
- BIAs
- Business owners

City of Toronto



Project team members



- Metrolinx—representatives from Subways Sponsors Office, Design Division, Community Engagement, Project Teams and Contractor/Project Co.

Who Does What?



A division of CRH Canada Group Inc.

Responsible for construction delivery, establishing the construction schedule, determining construction plans and the care and control of construction sites.



Contribute subject matter expertise regarding City policies, requirements, permits and procedures.

Ensure key City and community interests are noted and addressed through application design reviews and permits.

Work with partners to minimize negative impacts on residents and the environment.

Monitor construction sites for safety and adherence to City standards and bylaws.



Overarching accountability for entire project, strategy and content approvals, building relationships and understanding needs of the community.

Oversight of construction contractors to ensure compliance with contractual obligations, including work schedules, adherence to acceptable noise levels, traffic management plans and permit conditions.

Construction Liaison Committee Members



Community Members

- Riverside BIA
- Leslieville BIA
- WoodGreen Community Services
- Lakeshore East Community Advisory Committee
 - Shelley Kline (Lead)
 - Tony Whitaker
 - Rosemary Waterston
 - Catherine Riddell
 - Stephen Davies
- Fontbonne Ministries
- Saulter Street Brewery
- Bonjour Brioche Bakery
- Tabule Restaurant
- Jimmie Simpson Recreation Centre (City of Toronto)

Elected Officials (or designate)

- MP Julie Dabrusin
- MPP Peter Tabuns
- Councillor Paula Fletcher



- Transit Expansion Division
- Parks, Forestry and Recreation
- Transportation Services



- Ontario Line Community Engagement
 - Mark Clancy
 - Katiana Moussa
 - Louis Vatr
- Ontario Line Project Sponsor
- Capital Projects Group
- Traffic and Transportation
- Other project teams as required
- Dufferin Construction (Contractor)

CLC Code of Conduct



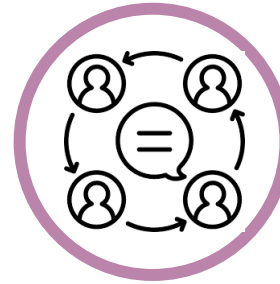
Participate fully, openly, and transparently in discussions, while also creating an environment where all members are encouraged to contribute and share their views.



Participate in a respectful manner towards other CLC members by using appropriate language.



Keep requested agenda and discussion items within the mandate and scope of the Construction Liaison Committee.



Represent their community's diverse perspectives and interests.



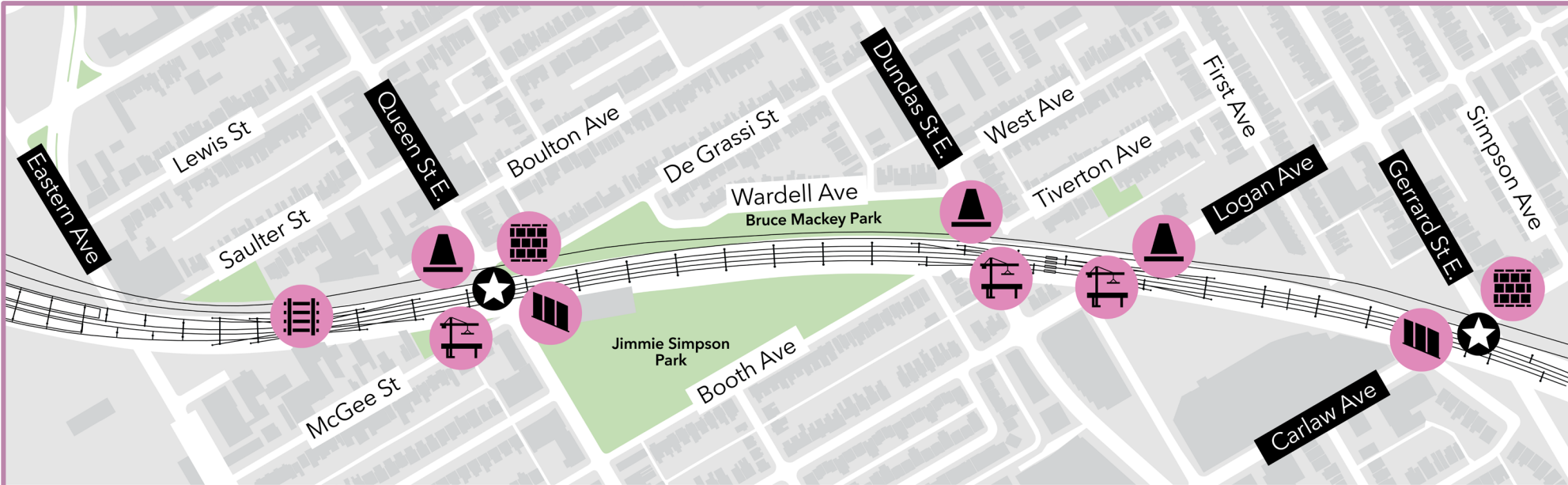
Maintain confidentiality of sensitive issues, when requested by participants.



Commit to equity, diversity and inclusion by supporting the participation of the whole community regardless of race, gender, class, sexuality, age or ability.








Ontario Line Project Update Lakeshore East Joint Corridor Early Works Construction

Summary of Lakeshore East Joint Corridor Early Works



Lakeshore East Joint Corridor Early Works Scope of Work Summary



-  Future station
-  Utility relocations along Queen Street, Dundas Street, Logan Avenue and the surrounding side streets.
-  Upgrade to the rail corridor, including excavation of the existing embankment, installation of new drainage infrastructure, installation of pre-cast concrete retaining walls and backfill of the corridor.
-  Removal of existing and construction of new GO Bridges at Queen Street East, Dundas Street East and Logan Avenue. Construction of two new Ontario Line bridges at Dundas and Logan.
-  Realignment of the existing GO tracks, construction of a fourth GO track, and preparation works for eastbound and westbound Ontario Line tracks.
-  Construction of noise barrier walls to mitigate the impact of the railway on adjacent properties.
-  Construction of retaining walls for the construction of the Ontario Line Stations: Riverside-Leslieville and Gerrard stations



What to Expect in 2023 | Update

Construction Preparation

(Late April 2023 -
Early 2024)



April 2023 - Early 2024

Mobilization and site set-ups including:

- Establishment of site laydown at 10 Dickens Street
- Construction of vehicle access points to the rail corridor at Eastern Avenue, Queen Street & Dundas Street.

Works adjacent to Jimmie Simpson Park

- Existing wall demolition: June 2023
- New retaining wall: Fall 2023
- Installation of noise barrier wall: 2024

Works will occur from within the rail corridor and a fence will be established to segregate the work zone.

Buildings Demolition

(Summer 2023)



Underway

Start of interior demolition and abatement:

- 240 First Avenue
- 353 and 359-361 Eastern Avenue

May and June 2023*

Hoarding and demolition works:

- 240 First Avenue
- 242 First Avenue
- 359-361 Eastern Avenue
- 353 Eastern Avenue

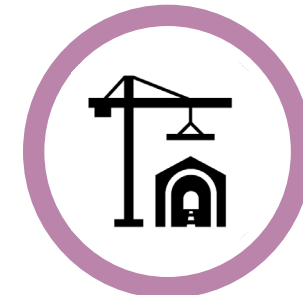
Summer 2023*

Hoarding and demolition works:

- 356 Eastern Avenue (Access Storage)
- 2 Paisley Avenue

Bridges Redevelopment

(Starting Summer 2023)



July to August 2023

Eastern Avenue, Dundas and Logan Bridges redevelopment:

- Demolish eastern portions and construct to new standards and specifications

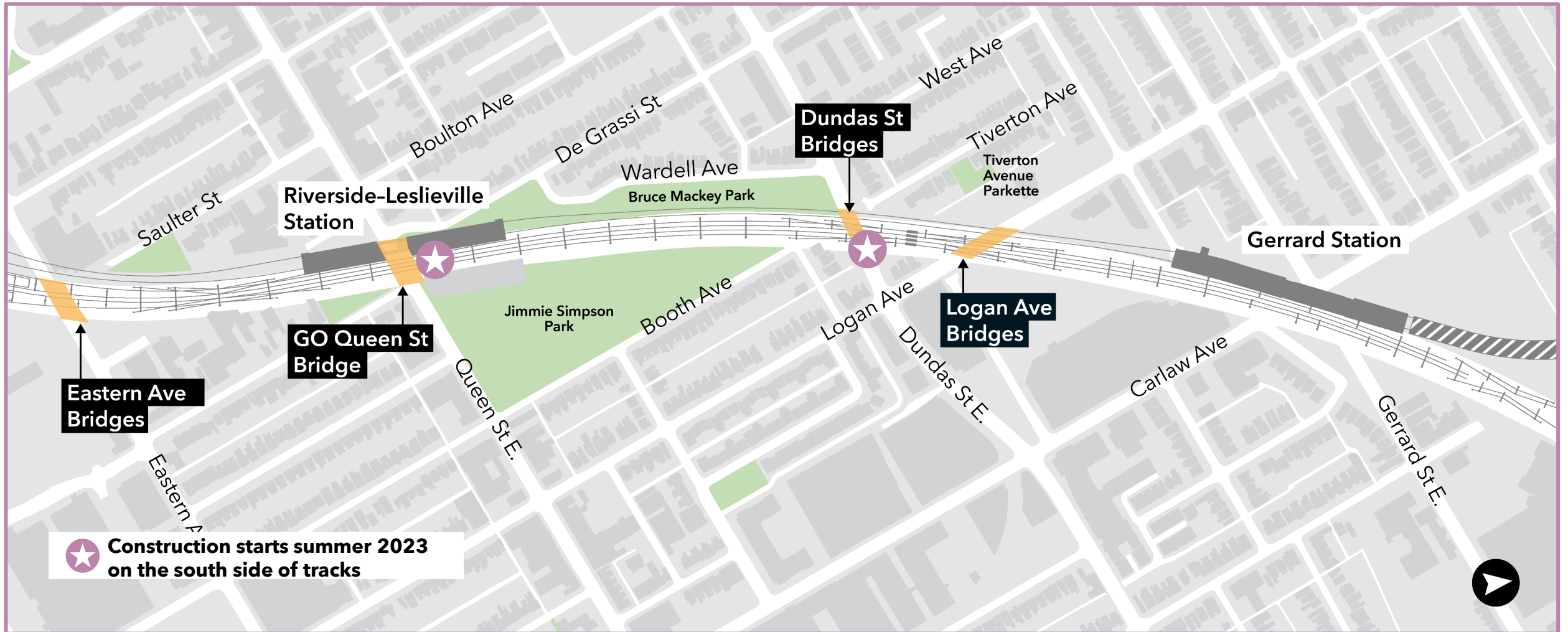
Fall 2023 (Date TBD)

Queen Street Bridge redevelopment:

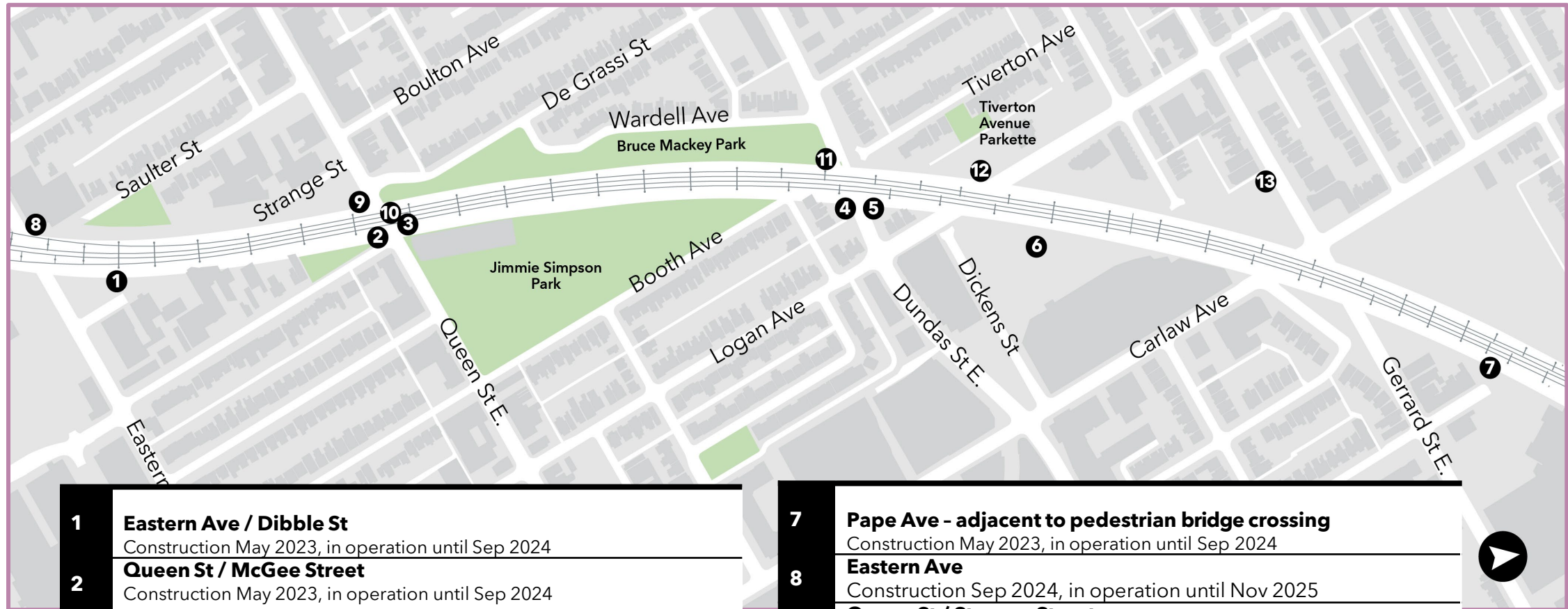
- Strengthen western portion to facilitate track realignment. Demolish eastern portions and construct to new standards and specifications.

*Buildings will be demolished once permits are approved. Dates are subject to change.

Overview | Bridges Redevelopment



Overview | Rail Corridor Vehicle Access Points



1	Eastern Ave / Dibble St Construction May 2023, in operation until Sep 2024
2	Queen St / McGee Street Construction May 2023, in operation until Sep 2024
3	Queen St (access road into rail corridor from Queen Street) Construction in June 2023, in operation until Sep 2024
4	Dundas Street south side behind Paisley Ave Construction May 2023, in operation until Sep 2024
5	Dundas Street / Logan Laneway Construction in May 2023, in operation until Sep 2024
6	10 Dickens Street Construction May 2023, in operation until Nov 2025

7	Pape Ave - adjacent to pedestrian bridge crossing Construction May 2023, in operation until Sep 2024
8	Eastern Ave Construction Sep 2024, in operation until Nov 2025
9	Queen St / Strange Street Construction Sep 2024, in operation until Sep 2025
10	Queen St / De Grassi Street Construction Sep 2024, in operation until Sep 2025
11	Dundas St Construction Sep 2024, in operation until Nov 2025
12	Logan Ave Construction Sep 2024, in operation until Nov 2025
13	Gerrard Street Construction Jan 2024, in operation until Mar 2025

Jimmie Simpson Park | Retaining and noise walls installation

- Install construction fencing approximately 2m from the existing retaining wall and fence to separate construction area from the park amenities in June 2023.
- Remove existing retaining wall in June 2023.
- Starting in summer 2023, install a new retaining wall using a T-wall system made of precast concrete. A noise barrier will also be installed. The wall designs were informed by a public consultation process and selected following a design competition.
- Details on the outcome of the design competition will be shared with the community in June 2023.
- Demolition of the existing retaining wall and construction of the new retaining wall and noise barrier will occur from within the rail corridor and be secured and safely segregated from park users.
- The park will remain open to the community during construction.
- Construction duration: June 2023 to July 2024.



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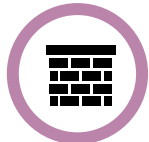





Construction Overview

Lakeshore East Joint Corridor

Bridgeworks

Construction Noise and Vibration Mitigation | Best Practices

Metrolinx is committed to proactive mitigation and continuous monitoring of noise and vibration levels to ensure compliance with the Ontario Ministry of Environment, Conservation, and Parks requirements.

-  **Maximum noise and vibration levels** for **daytime** work and **night-time** work specified in contracts.
-  Keep equipment in **good working order**.
-  Use localized movable **noise barriers/screens** next to sensitive receivers or where allowable limits may be exceeded.
-  **No idling**, unless required for equipment.
-  **Vehicle and equipment management:** Fans and generators with silencers/enclosures, muffling devices, broadband back up alarms, rubber dampers, and ban impact piling.
-  **Access roads and routes** for trucks specified. Trucks will not be permitted in school zones from 8:00 to 9:00 am and from 3:00 to 4:00 pm
-  Establish baseline noise and vibrations levels before construction; Continuous noise and vibration **monitoring** during construction.
-  Coordinate work activities to **avoid simultaneous construction noise impacts** where possible.

Queen Street East Bridge Redevelopment in 2023

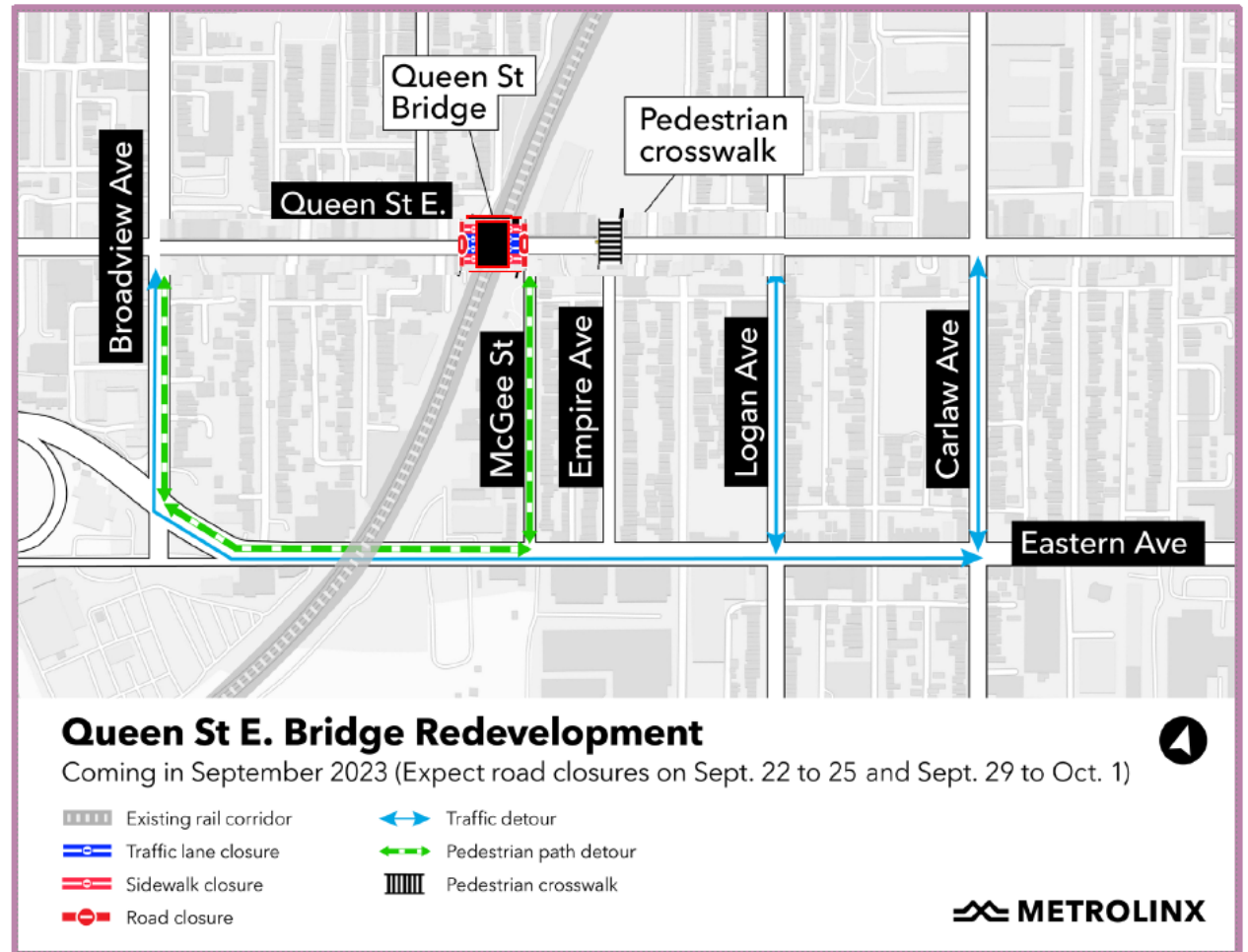
Redevelopment of the Queen Street East railway bridge will occur in three phases; two begin in 2023.

Phase 1 - Spring and Summer 2023

- Reinforcement of the existing bridge piers
- Utility works
- Partial bridge deck demolition and replacement, requiring a full weekend closure (Aug. 11-13) of Queen Street
- Temporary traffic control measures will be in place
- Queen Street open to local traffic only. No traffic permitted near Queen Street bridge to allow work to be done safely.

Phase 2 - Fall 2023

- Demolition of the east side of the bridge.
- Start of construction of the new east portion of the bridge.
- Two full weekends closures (Sept. 22 - 25 & Sept. 29 - Oct. 1) of Queen Street to safely demolish and remove sections of the bridge.
- Temporary traffic control measures will be in place.
- The sidewalk will be open to McGee Street on the east and De Grassi Street on the west.
- The road diversion for through traffic will be between Logan and Broadview. Local traffic will still be able to access up to the bridge. The road will be completely closed at McGee Street on the east and De Grassi Street on the west.



User Experience at Queen Street Bridge in 2023

(intermittent lane closure on both sides of Queen Street)



PEDESTRIANS

Sidewalk access maintained. Expect full sidewalk closures on select weekends and alternating sidewalk closures from De Grassi Street to Empire Avenue; no Café TO impact



AUTO & CYCLIST

Full road closures on select weekends requiring detours; alternating lane closures between Boulton and Empire Avenues.



STREETCAR

Streetcar service to be replaced with buses from Sept. 3 to Oct. 8. TTC stops between Broadview and Carlaw will be relocated.



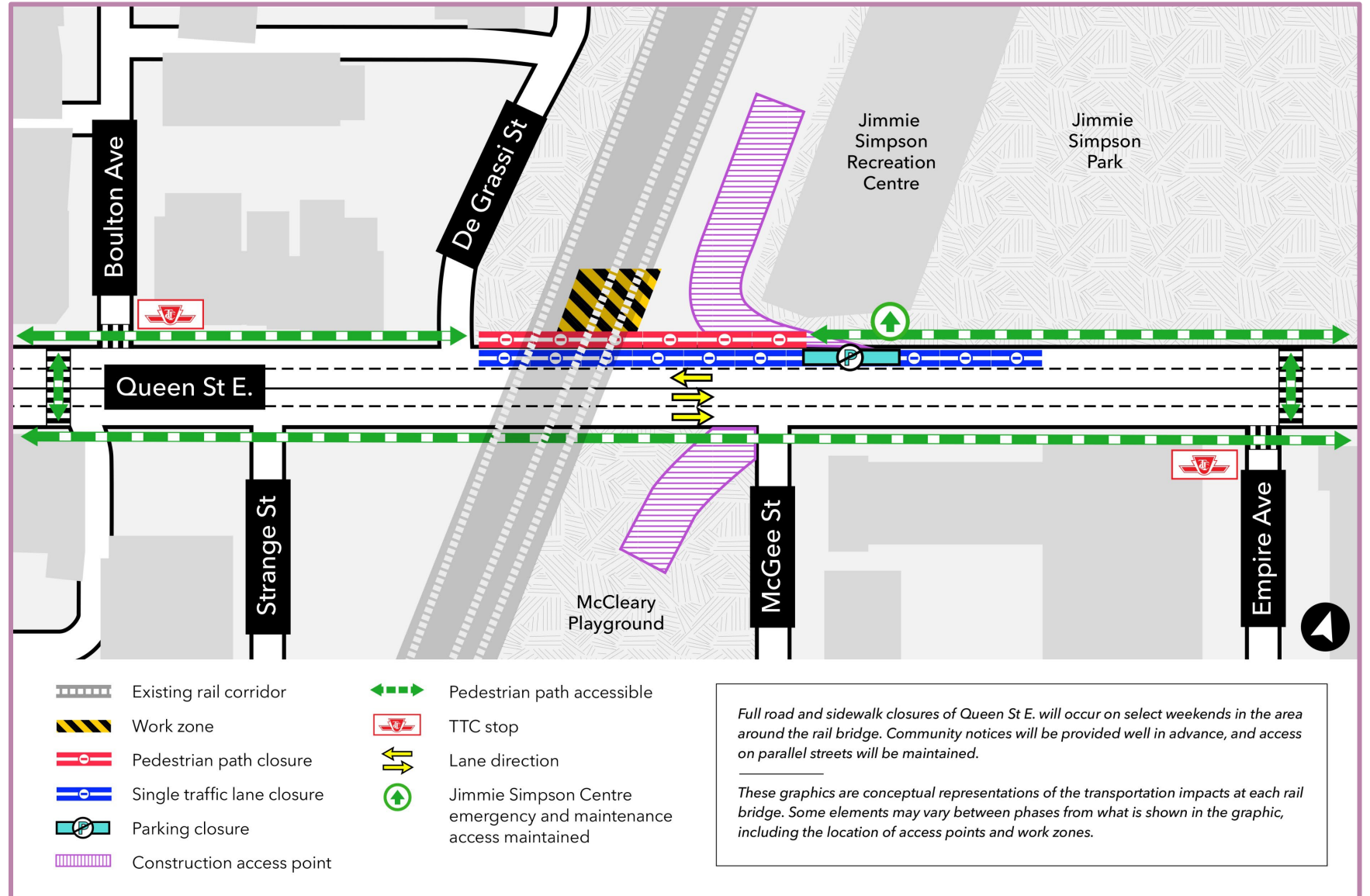
ON-STREET PARKING

Some parking spaces will be temporarily closed on Queen Street between McGee and Empire



DELIVERIES/ACCESS

Access points maintained along Queen Street East.



Dundas Street East Bridge Redevelopment in 2023

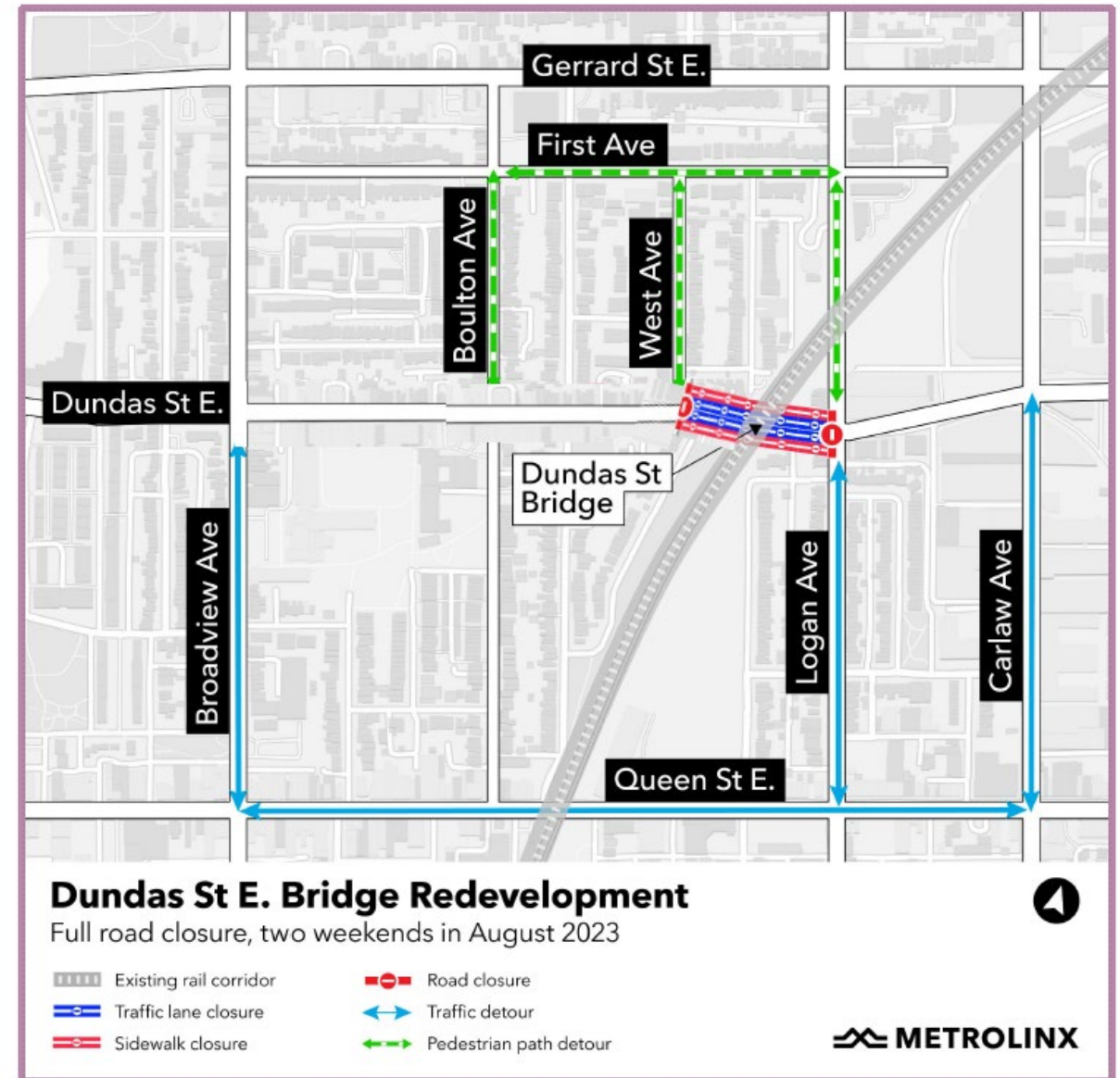
Redevelopment of the Dundas Street East railway bridge will occur in three phases, two of which begin in 2023.

Phase 1 – Spring/summer 2023

- Utility works

Phase 2 – Summer/fall 2023

- Bridge deck demolition.
- Abutment and central pier demolition and rebuild to new standards and specifications.
- Temporary traffic control measures in place.
- In August, up to two full weekend closures on Dundas Street to safely demolish and remove bridge deck.
- The sidewalk will be closed in the immediate vicinity of the bridge only at Logan in the east and West Ave at the west of the bridge.
- The road diversion for through traffic will be between Logan and Broadview. Local traffic will still be able to access up to the bridge.
- The road will be completely closed at Logan Ave on the east and West Ave on the west.



User Experience at Dundas Street East Bridge in 2023



PEDESTRIANS

Sidewalk access generally maintained. Full sidewalk closures on two weekends in summer 2023 on Dundas Street and pedestrian signage showing detours.



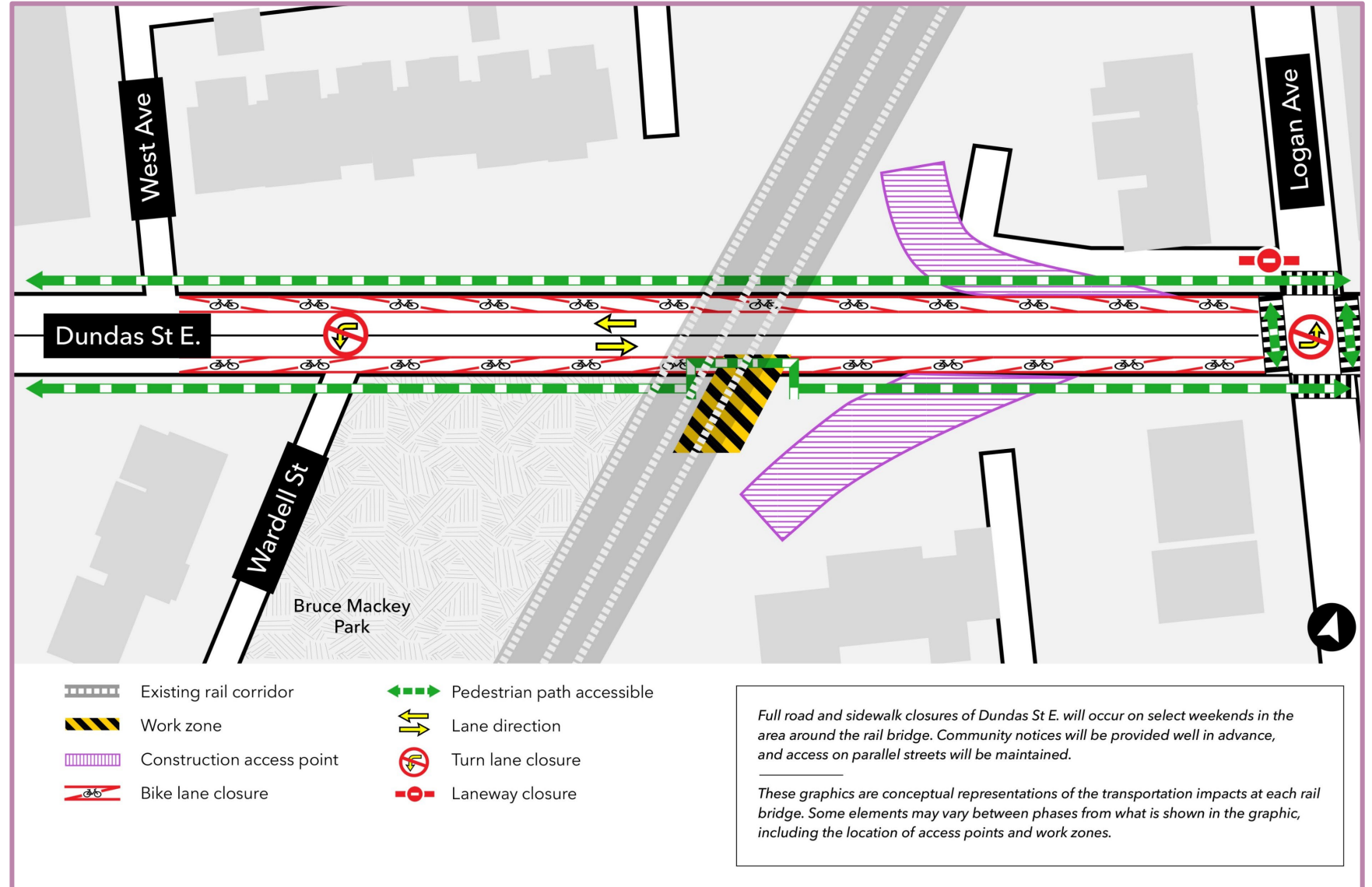
AUTO & CYCLIST

Bike lanes closed and lane shifts from Wardell Street to Logan Avenue starting in summer 2023 to accommodate construction. Start dates and duration of lane shifts will be communicated in advanced to the public. Full road closures on two weekends in summer (from Friday at 8 pm to Monday at 6 am); left turn closures at Logan Avenue and Wardell Street.



DELIVERIES/ACCESS

Property access maintained.



Logan Avenue Bridge Redevelopment in 2023

Redevelopment of the Logan Avenue railway bridge will occur in three main phases, two of which begin in 2023.

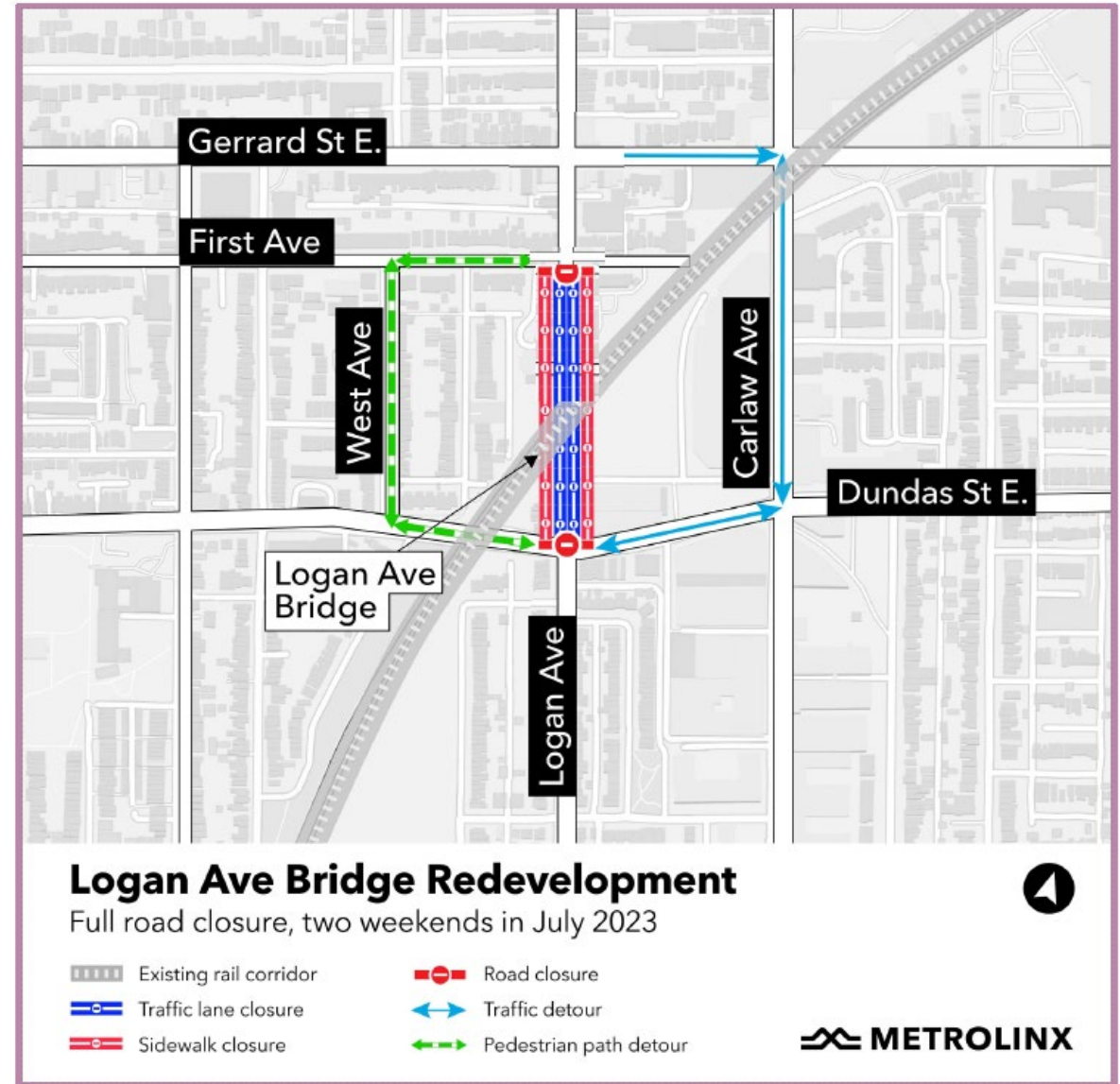
Phase 1 – Spring/summer 2023

Utility Works

Phase 2 – Bridge deck removal and abutments reconstruction on south portion of bridge

In summer and fall 2023, expect:

- Bridge deck demolition
- Abutment demolition and rebuild to new standards and specifications
- Temporary traffic control measures
- Up to two full-weekends closures on Logan Avenue to safely demolish and remove bridge deck.
- Local traffic access maintained. Traffic not permitted near bridge to allow work to be done safely.
- Sidewalk closed from First Ave in north to Dundas Street in south.
- Road diversion in place from Gerrard to Dundas Street, local traffic can still access through to First Avenue.



User Experience at Logan Avenue Bridge in 2023



PEDESTRIANS

Sidewalk access generally maintained. Full sidewalk closures near bridge on select weekends and short-term alternating sidewalk closures on Logan Avenue. Use of pedestrian directional signage.



AUTO & CYCLIST

Intermittent bike lanes closures and detours during weekend road closures; full road closures from Dundas Street to First Avenue on weekends in summer 2023 (from Friday at 8pm to Monday at 6am); expect detour at Carlaw Avenue via Gerrard Street.



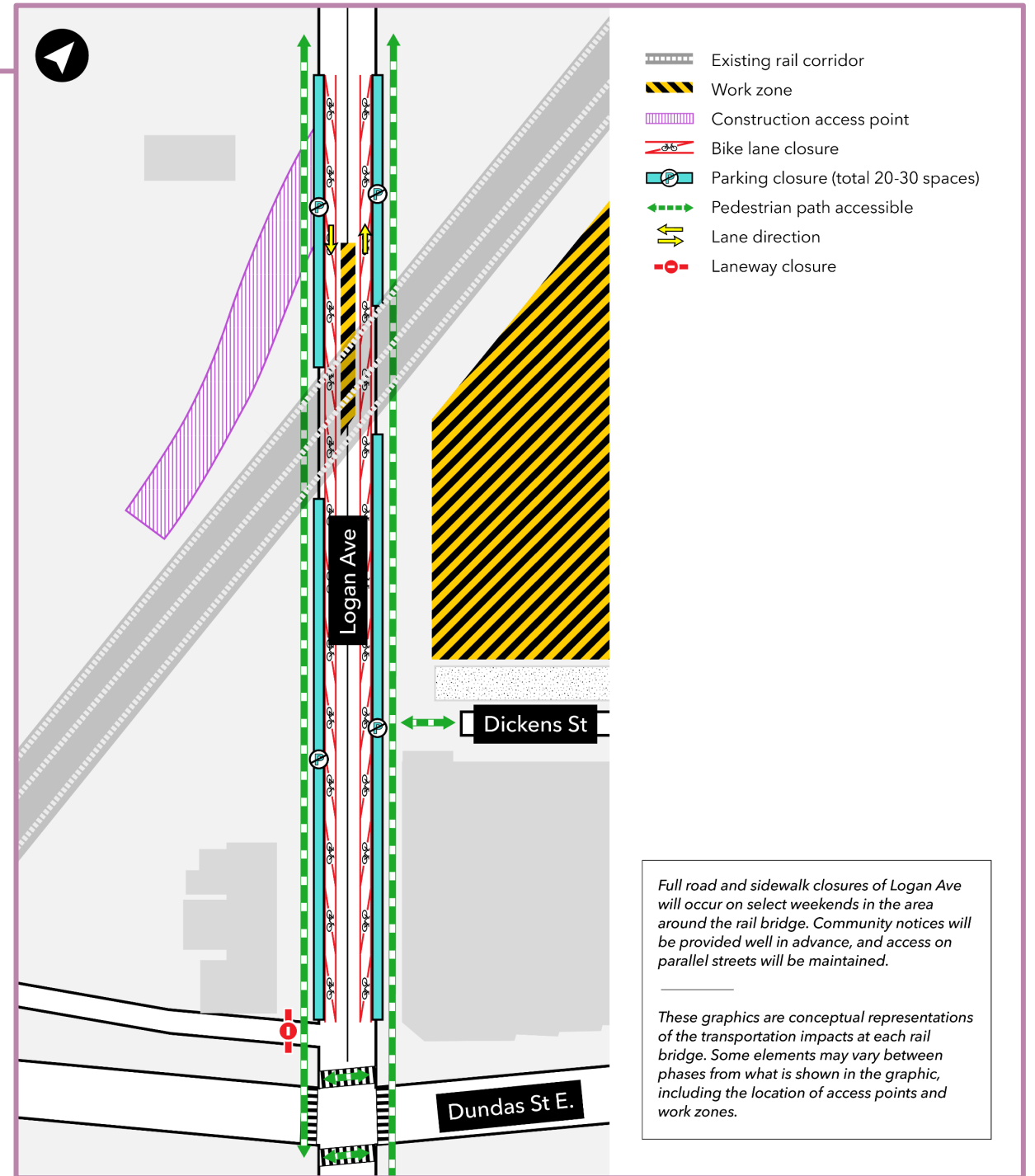
ON-STREET PARKING

25 new parking spots will be added to Dickens Street and after some parking spaces on Logan Avenue will close starting May 2023.



DELIVERIES/ACCESS

Property access maintained. Access to laneway from Logan Avenue to close in 2024.



Business Supports

Mitigation | Best Practices



Effective hoarding and signage placement to facilitate detours.

Providing advance notice and alternative route information, as well as effective way-finding.



Thoughtful site plans to ensure business continuity.

Proactive engagement about upcoming plans to learn about potential issues and concerns to consider ahead of any work.



Respond to neighborhood concerns to resolve reasonable complaints in a timely manner.

Coordinate with other major projects and events affecting the neighborhood.



Traffic analysis and modeling to assess impacts and mitigations for all projects in the area.

Outlines all anticipated transportation and transit impacts, ensure ongoing coordination with City, TTC and other projects.

**excludes unplanned emergency work*



Identify and communicate public or private parking impacts well in advance.

Construction workers will comply with parking bylaws and any project impacts, along with proposed alternatives, will be communicated well in advance.



Surveying businesses so programs can be tailored to meet their needs.

Working collaboratively with local businesses to ensure a fulsome understanding of business and customer needs.



Metrolinx is committed to maintaining business continuity during construction by:

- Funding local marketing and events through the **BIA Annual Funding** Program along the Ontario Line alignment.
 - Application guidelines to be provided to BIAs in May/June 2023
- Construction plans are developed in collaboration with the City, including emergency services and TTC, to help minimize impacts to traffic, transit, properties, businesses, residents, pedestrians and all road users.
- Collaborate with BIAs and local businesses on ways to help minimize impacts during planned road closures.
- Coordinating cumulative traffic impacts of all projects with the City of Toronto's Transportation Services, TTC and third parties working in the area.
- Maintaining open lines of communication via construction liaison committees (CLC's) and other stakeholder meetings to support planning and advanced notice so issues and challenges are addressed promptly.
- During the Ontario Line station construction phase, ensuring the constructors develop a robust **business supports strategy**, in consultation with the BIAs, which includes '**shop local**' campaigns, marketing and advertising.



What's Next and Wrap Up

Next Steps – 2023

CLC Next Steps

- Metrolinx to:
 - incorporate feedback from CLC into material before sharing with the broader community.
 - share recording of CLC meeting and action items with CLC members.
 - share Complaint Tracking Log at upcoming CLCs.
 - post the presentation and meeting recording publicly onto our website.
- All members to provide feedback on Terms of Reference.
- Schedule next CLC meeting – to be determined.

Key Construction Activities Commence

- Start construction on access roads for the south side rail corridor.
- Begin installation of construction hoarding at Jimmie Simpson for the removal of the existing retaining wall and upcoming installation of new retaining walls and noise barriers.
- Continue building demolitions.
- Begin reconstruction of bridges in the joint rail corridor, as noted.

Next Steps – 2023

Community Outreach and Engagement

- 24/7 construction hotline in operation as of May 1, 2023 (416-202-5100)
- Resident Town Halls
 - Francis Beavis Manor at 369 Pape Avenue – April 28, 2023
 - McCleary Towers at 444 Logan Avenue – May 2
 - Fontbonne Ministries at 790 Queen Street East – May 3
- Distribution of detailed construction notices for access roads including traffic management plans (lane/sidewalk/bike lane closures) May 2023
- Develop communications plan for planned Queen Street East closure
- Joint Corridor Design Excellence Competition community reveal – June TBC
- Community Open House to provide details on construction activities / winning design reveal – June 2023
- Continue canvassing businesses to share project information and gather insights – May/June 2023
- Community pop-up information booths across the joint corridor – May to September 2023
- Ongoing community canvassing and outreach to speak with residents



Contact Us

Metrolinx will keep the community, residents and businesses informed by providing project updates, seeking input and feedback, and addressing questions and concerns effectively and quickly.

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Questions and Answers



Appendix

Summary of Lakeshore East Joint Corridor Early Works

