

Queen Construction Liaison Committee

November 14, 2023



Agenda

Welcome (5 minutes)

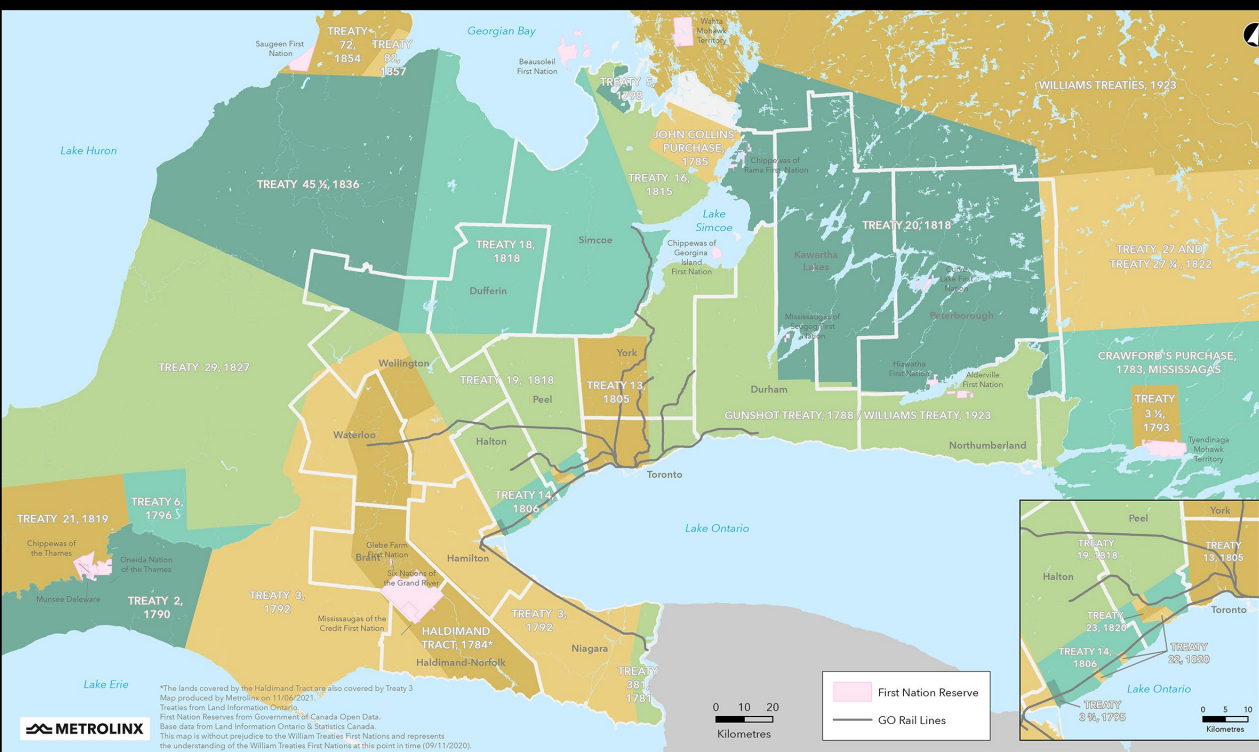
- Introductions
- Land Acknowledgement
- Housekeeping
- Action Items
- **Presentation (20 minutes)**
- Advanced Works update
- HBC hydro vault relocation
- York Street track construction
- OTG - Utility investigations

Discussion (35 minutes)



Land Acknowledgment

Treaties and Reserves in the Greater Golden Horseshoe



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

Be ready for winter with the right tires and emergency kit

1. Winter Tires are Designed for Cold Weather

If you're a driver, it's important to ensure your vehicle is safe during snow, slush and ice season. Clear ice and snow from your windshield and mirrors. Make sure your car is equipped with winter tires; they're specifically designed and engineered for use in cold temperatures (7 C or lower), so they can physically spread out (the treads) and keep a better grip to the road.

2. Winter Driving Throws Hazards at You.

Winter weather can change in a hurry, if it's snow, ice or whiteout conditions, you should be "ready for any moment". Keep a safe distance and keep your eyes on the road.

3. Ensure you're ready for an Emergency.

Gloves, hats, phone battery charger pack, a blanket, first aid, hand and feet warmers and emergency pilons stored in your trunk can come in handy in case of a roadside pullover or emergency.

4. When in Doubt, Take Transit or Stay Home

If you're not confident in your winter driving ability, don't leave it to chance. Take transit or stay home.



PREVIOUS CLC MINUTES AND ACTION ITEMS

ACTION ITEM	STATUS UPDATE
1. Metrolinx to provide an update on the sidewalk construction activity	To be provided during CLC presentation
2. Metrolinx to provide an update on the graffiti cleaning efforts	To be provided during CLC presentation
3. Metrolinx to investigate the removal of the shelter for the streetcar stop	To be provided during CLC presentation

Advanced Works



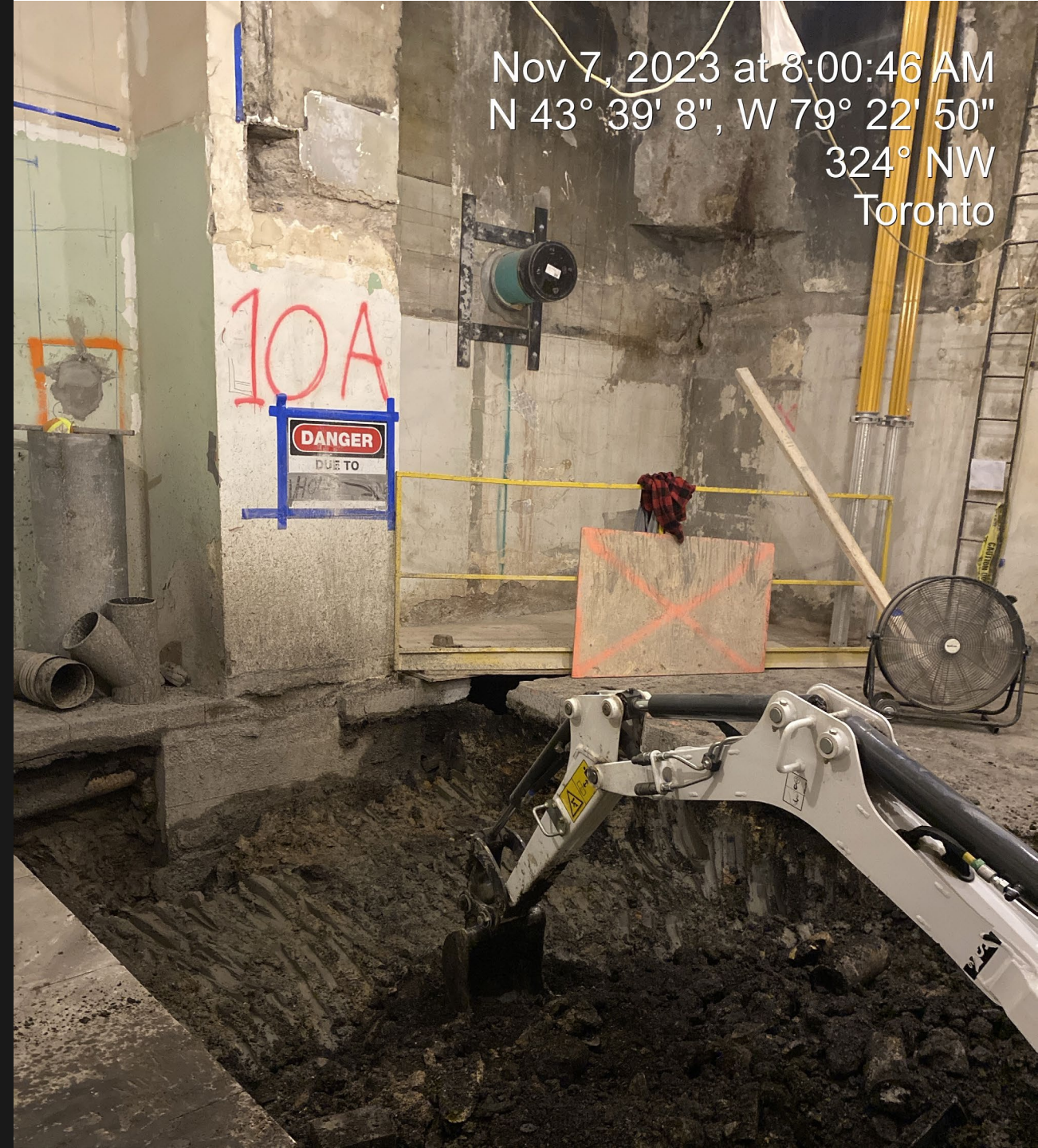
Advanced Work Update

- Progress continues with the sewer work on Queen Street West. Watermain work is expected to start mid November 2023 and will continue into December 2023. This work will take place at night to avoid sidewalk and pedestrian impacts.
- Sewer and watermain work is currently underway. Crews are working day and night shifts to accelerate the completion date.
- Clearway is currently working on installing new telecom utilities and a sewer bypass system across Yonge Street at the intersection Of Queen Street, work is expected to be completed by December 2023.
- OTG is on site conducting utility and pre-construction work ahead of transitioning to the Queen site.



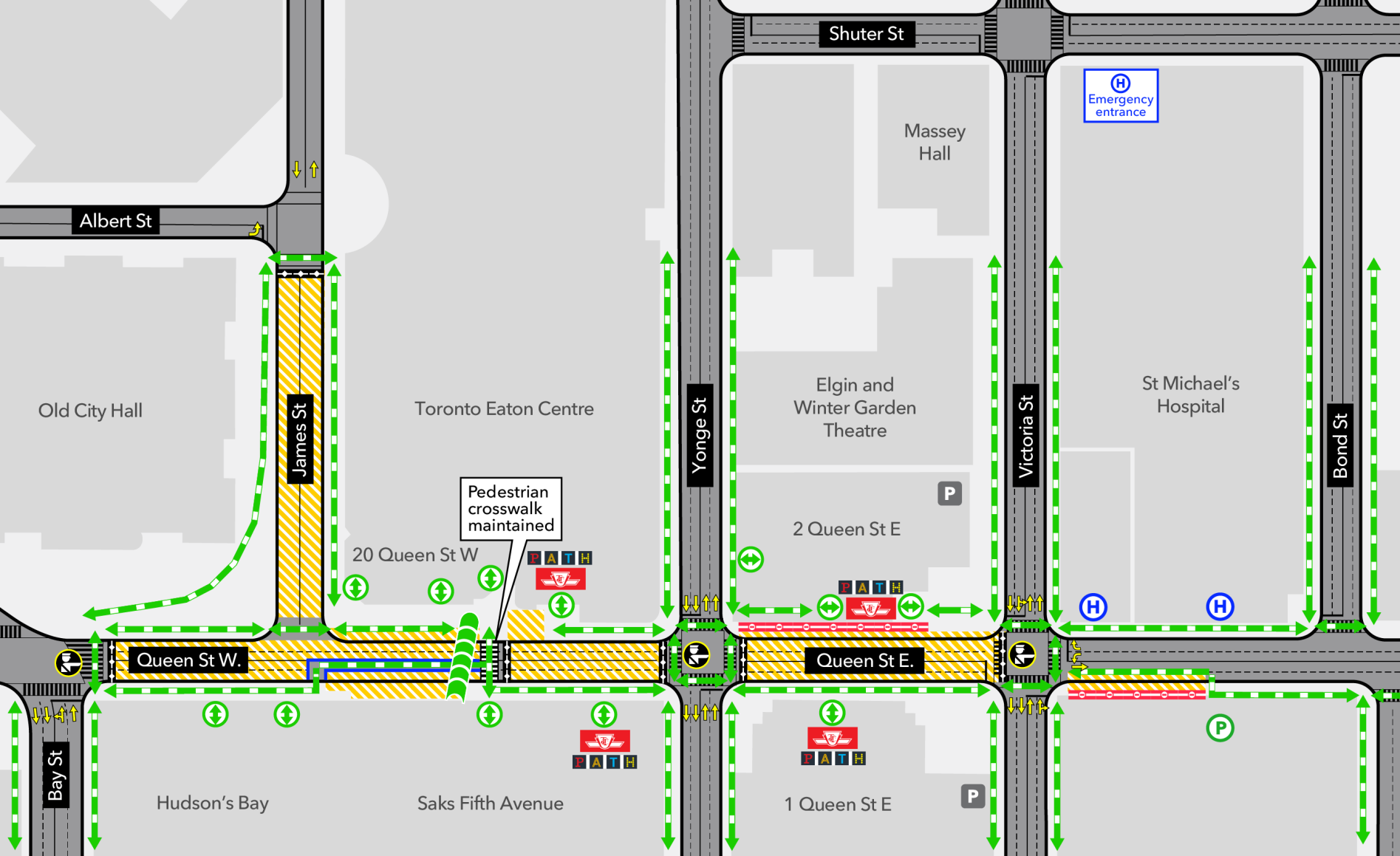
HBC Basement and Hydro Vault Modifications

- Crews continue working to relocate existing underground hydro vaults including access modifications at street level, as well as basement modifications within the HBC building.
- Work is taking place above and below ground and is expected to be completed in Q1 2024.
- Street-level vault relocation work has begun requiring a portion of Queen Street to be closed from west of Hudson's Bay entrance and in front of Hudson's Bay store front.
- Pedestrian access has been maintained via the closed Queen Street roadway (see graphic on next slide).



Nov 7, 2023 at 8:00:46 AM
N 43° 39' 8", W 79° 22' 50"
324° NW
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Queen Street Pedestrian and Traffic Impacts - Current state



Queen Street Pedestrian and Traffic Impacts

- Work zone
- Pedestrian access maintained
- Pedestrian bridge maintained
- Temporary sidewalk closure
- Pedestrian safety barrier
- Lane direction
- TTC subway entrance
- Public parking lot access maintained
- Private parking lot access maintained
- Hospital access maintained
- Supervised/locked gate
- Paid duty officer
- Building/TTC entrance maintained
- Toronto PATH entrance maintained

Note: There will be modifications to pedestrian access routes throughout the project. Wayfinding signage will be installed to provide direction.

Queen Street - Signage and Housekeeping

- Fence banner signage near Bay and Queen was temporarily removed to accommodate the City's Remembrance Day signage.
- Graffiti on Metrolinx project signage cannot be cleaned, as such, all tagged banners have been removed.
- Metrolinx Communications team is planning to install updated wayfinding and project signage to accommodate the new fencing configuration, as well as options for using different sign material with anti-graffiti coating
- Graffiti removal efforts for jersey barriers are ongoing as necessary.



Signage configuration as of October 2023.

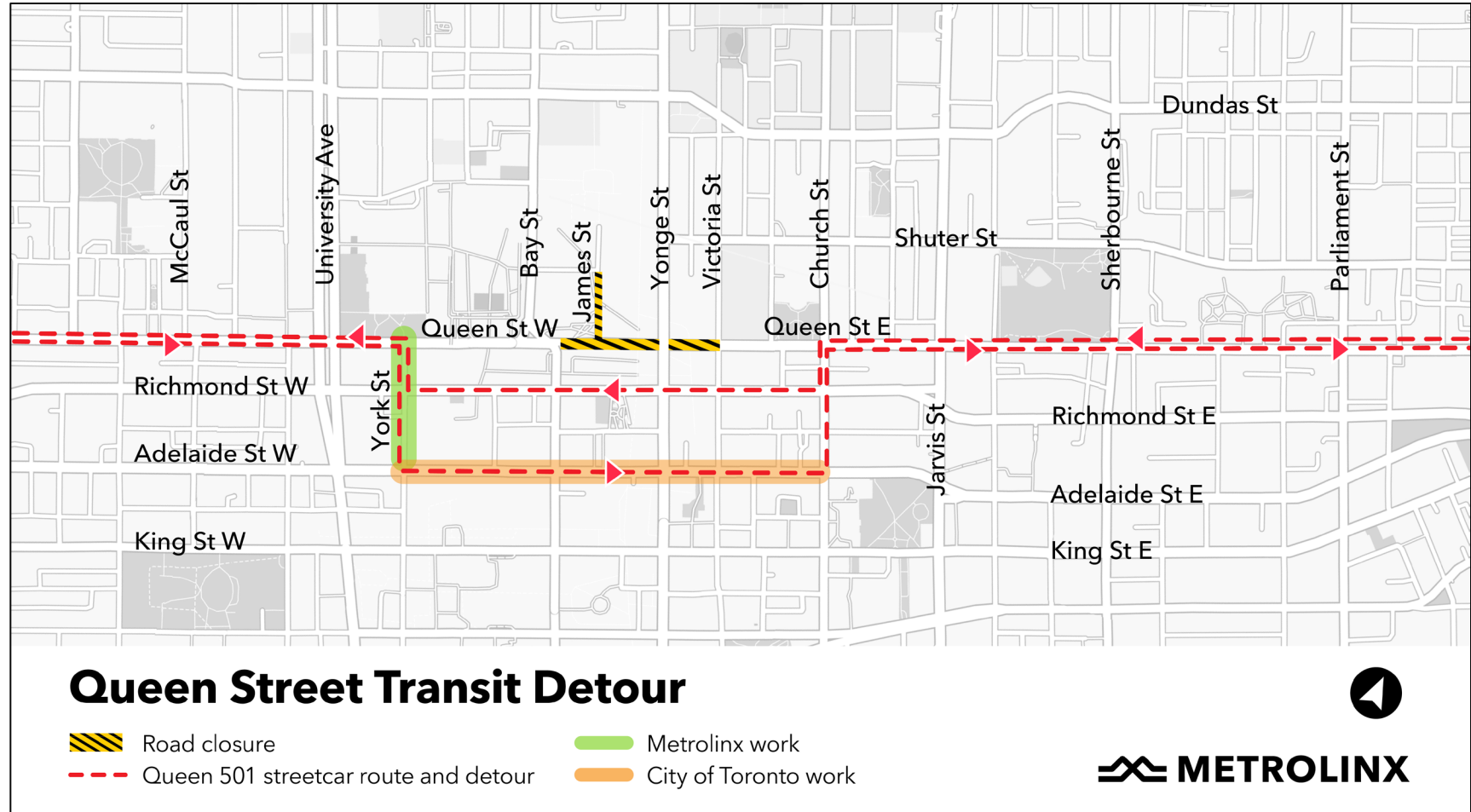
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York Street Track Construction



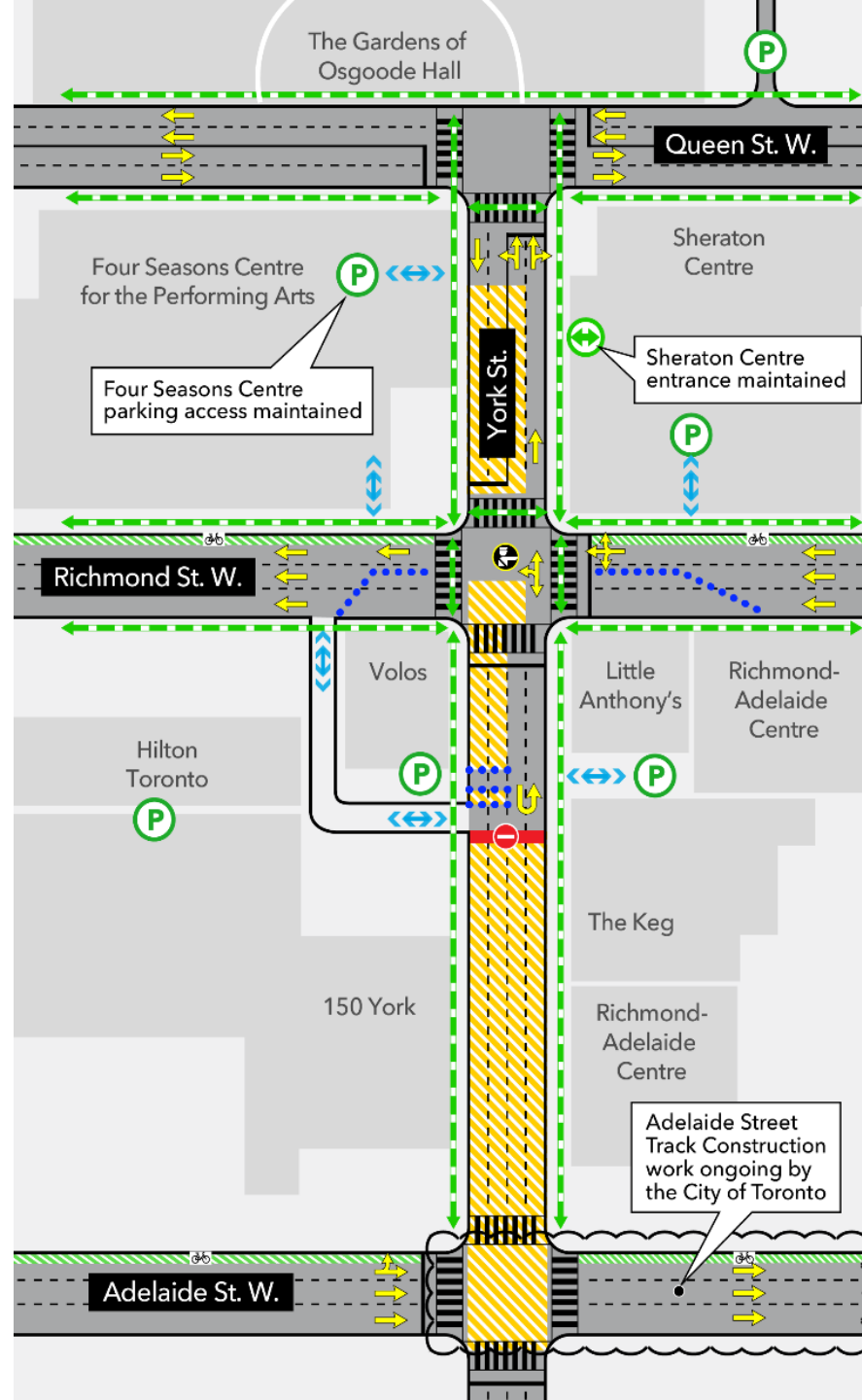
York Street Track Construction | Began October 2023

- The City of Toronto, TTC and Metrolinx are proceeding with the construction of the 501 Queen streetcar diversion.
- Metrolinx is delivering roadway and utility work to facilitate the Queen streetcar detour on York St. from Queen St. W. intersection to north of Adelaide St. W. intersection.
- City of Toronto is delivering track, roadway and utility work for the Adelaide St. portion. Work is well underway.



York Street | Stage 1

- The York Street project will be conducted in four stages, Stage 1 is currently underway (see map)
- This stage is expected to take approximately 8-12 weeks to complete
- One westbound traffic lane will remain open on Richmond Street at the intersection of York Street and Richmond Street.
- A paid duty officer will be on-site 24/7 to safely direct traffic.
- Local traffic will be permitted to make a left-hand turn onto York Street from Richmond Street to access parking and laneways.
- A U-turn along York Street south of Richmond will be allowed through the facilitation of a paid duty officer.



York Street Track Construction Traffic Impacts Stage 1

- Work zone
- Pedestrian access maintained
- Lane direction
- Driveway access maintained
- Parking lot access maintained
- Building entrance maintained
- Movable traffic barrels
- Paid duty officer
- Road closure

Note: Existing bike lane on Richmond Street West will be maintained throughout construction.





Chamber construction at Richmond Street and York Street intersection



Hoarding and fencing staging facing southbound at York Street.

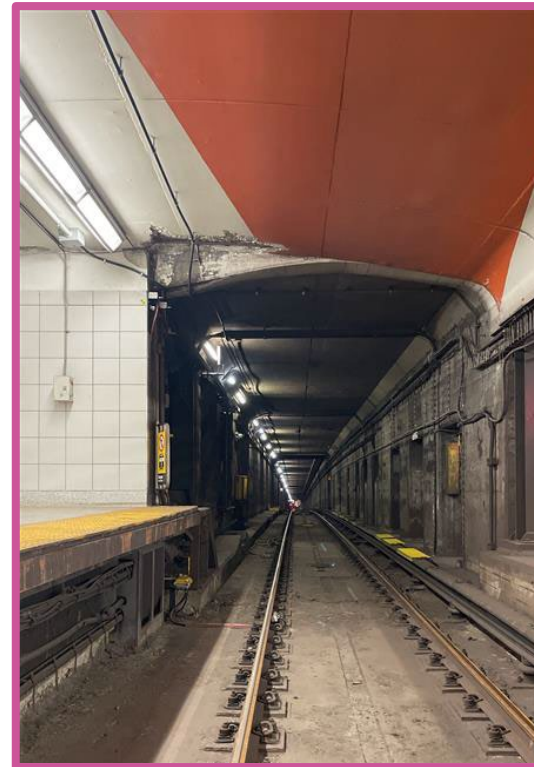
Construction Update (OTG)

Current OTG Work

Utilities Investigations and Monitoring Works

Recently completed work

- Utilities Investigations along Yonge Street, Victoria Street.
- Installation of monitoring devices along Yonge Street .
- Pre-construction condition surveys at neighboring buildings.
- Monitoring surveys at Queen TTC station.



Completed OTG Work

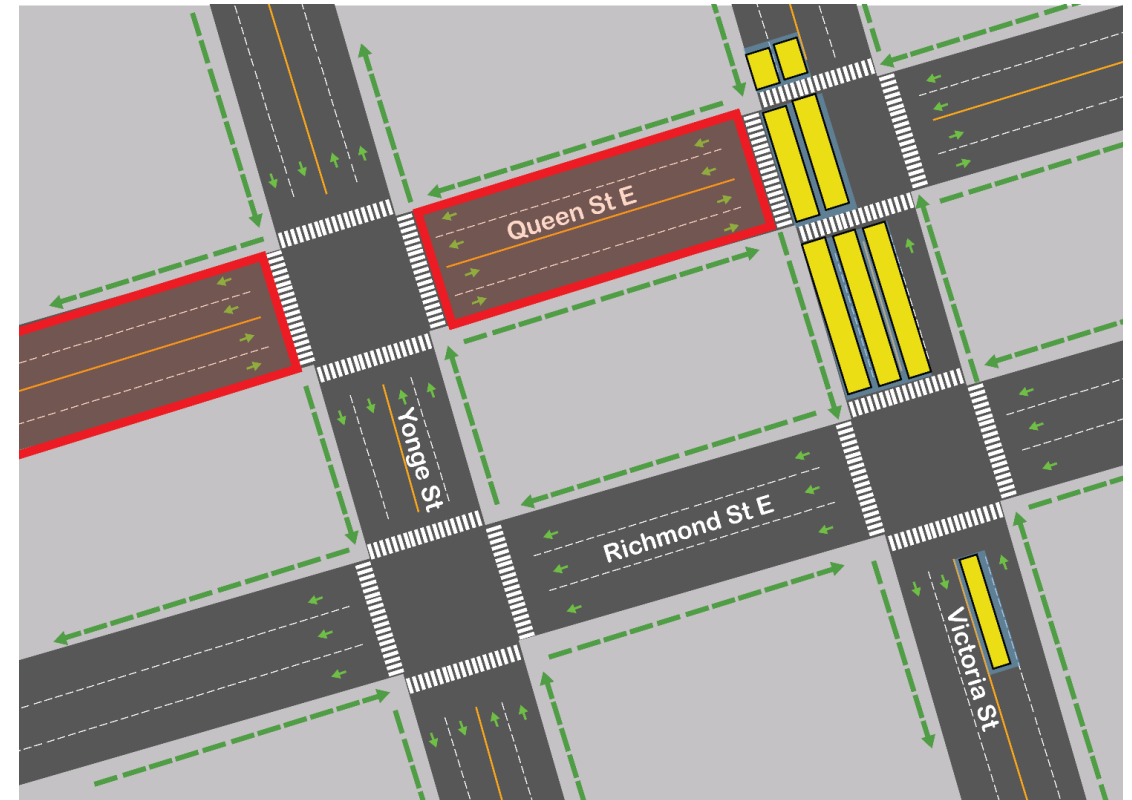
Utilities Investigations

Utilities investigations on Victoria Street (overnight, completed)

Expected End Date: November 30, 2023

Planned work hours: 9 p.m. to 5 a.m.

- Crews surveyed utilities and conducted sewer inspections in the areas shown in yellow on the map.



Upcoming OTG Work

Utilities Investigations

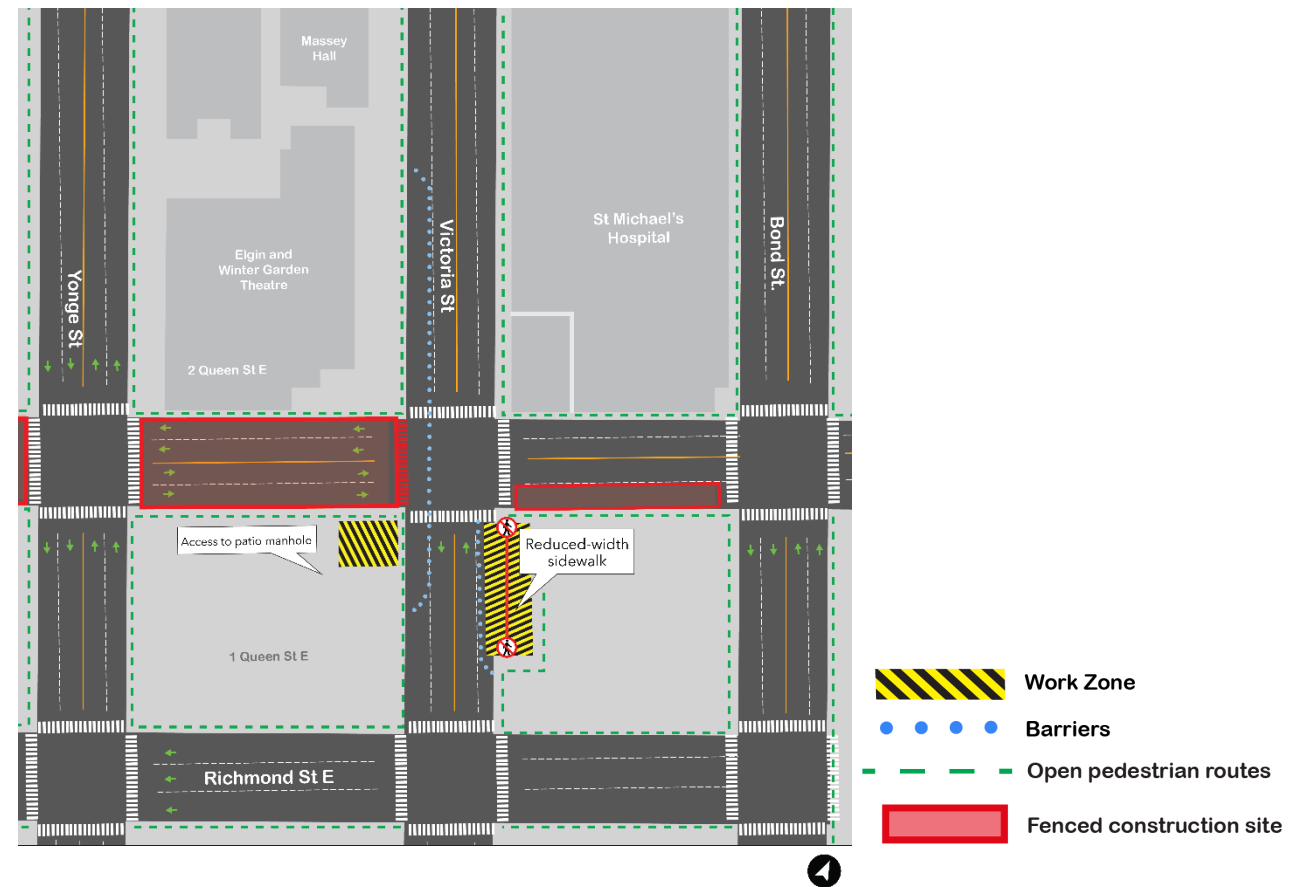
Investigative utilities testing at 1 Queen Street East + Victoria Street

Expected Start Date: OTG coordinating start date before end of November

Expected duration: One day

Hours of work: Weekdays 7 a.m. to 5 p.m.

- Test is performed by dropping dye in a drain in the patio of 1 Queen Street East and conducting a visual inspection in a manhole in Victoria Street.
- This test is expected to confirm assumptions of the connection of different pipes in the area.
- Manholes will be closed as soon as the work is completed.



Upcoming OTG Work

Monitoring

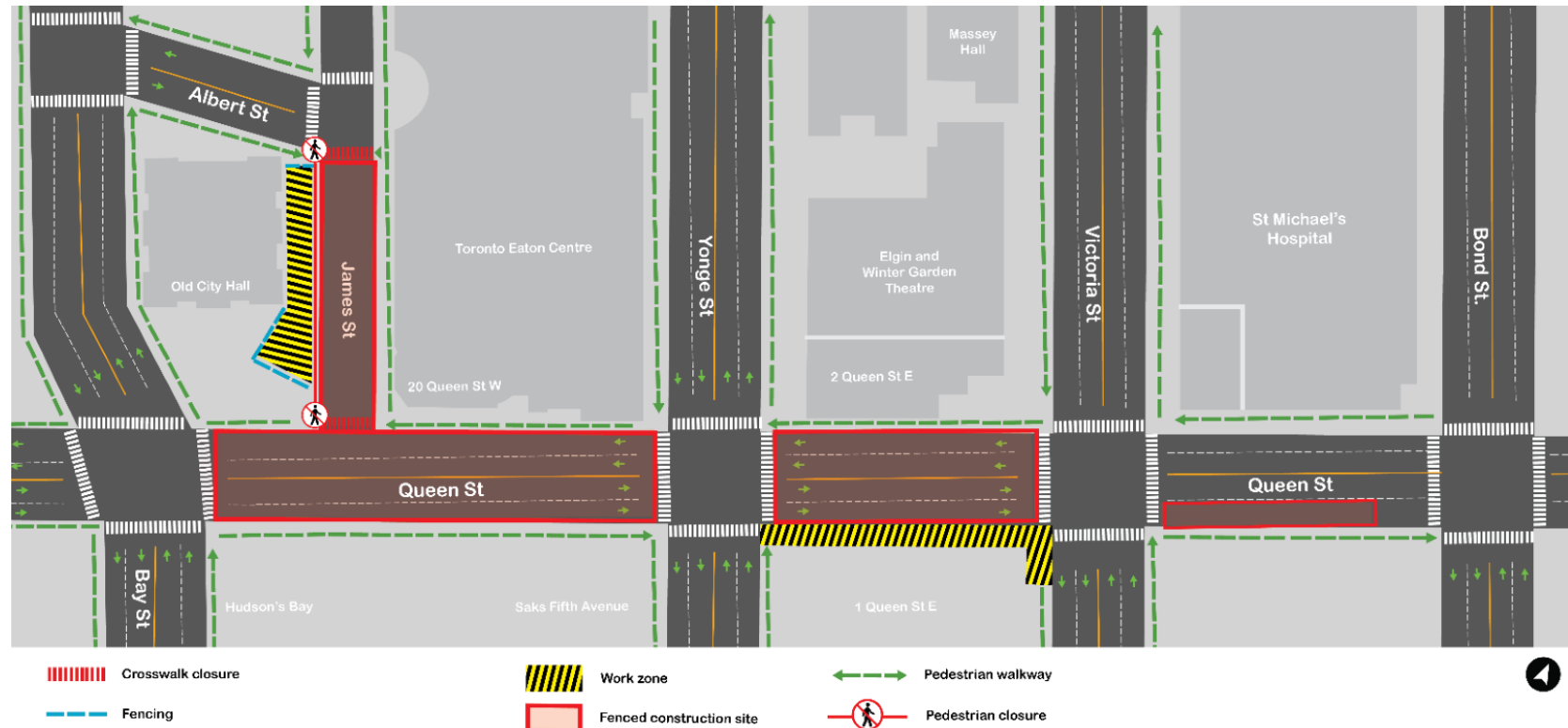
Installation of monitoring devices on Victoria Street and James Street

Expected Start Date: TBC - Being coordinated

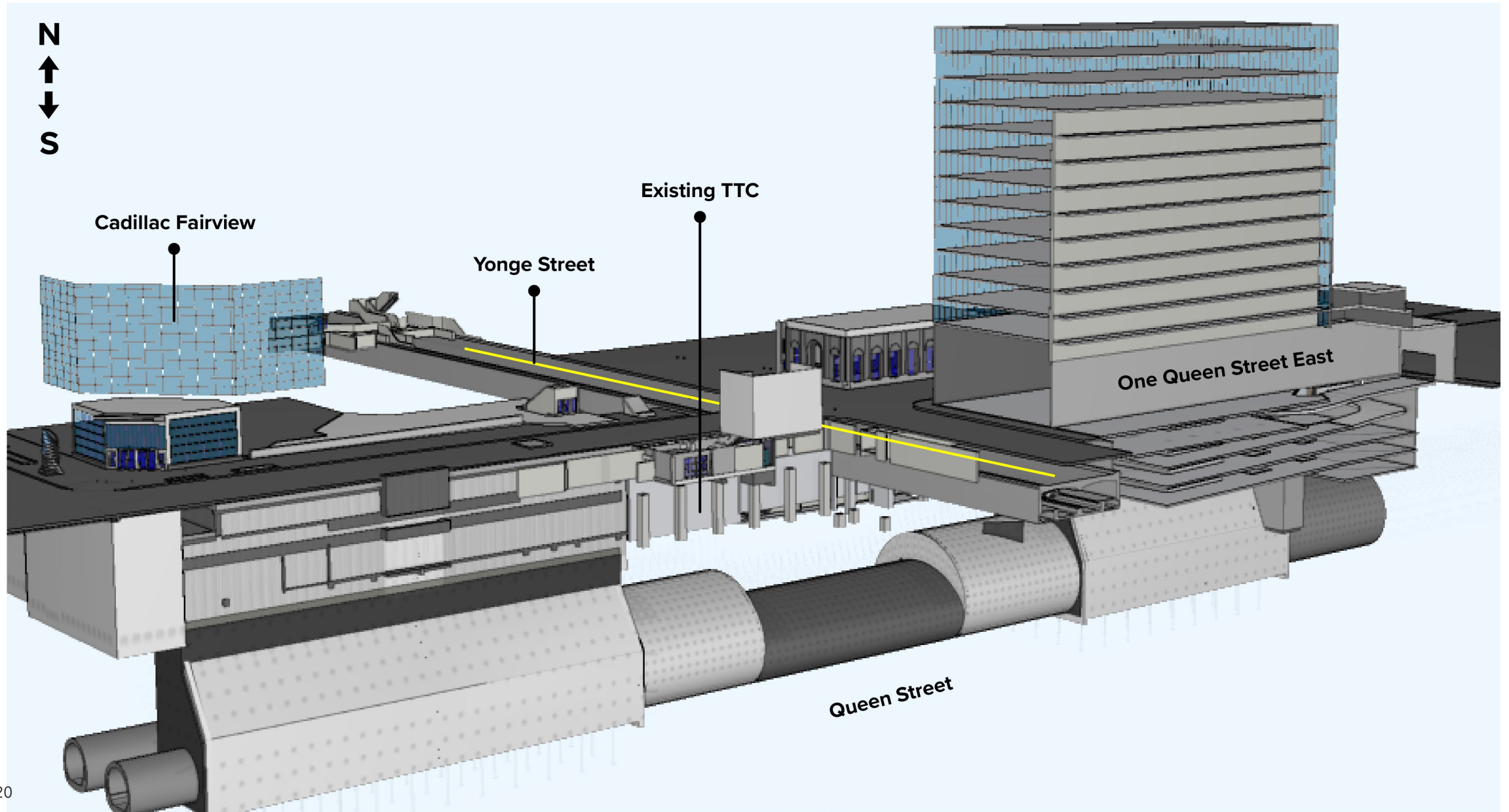
Expected End Date: Up to December 29, 2023

Planned work hours:

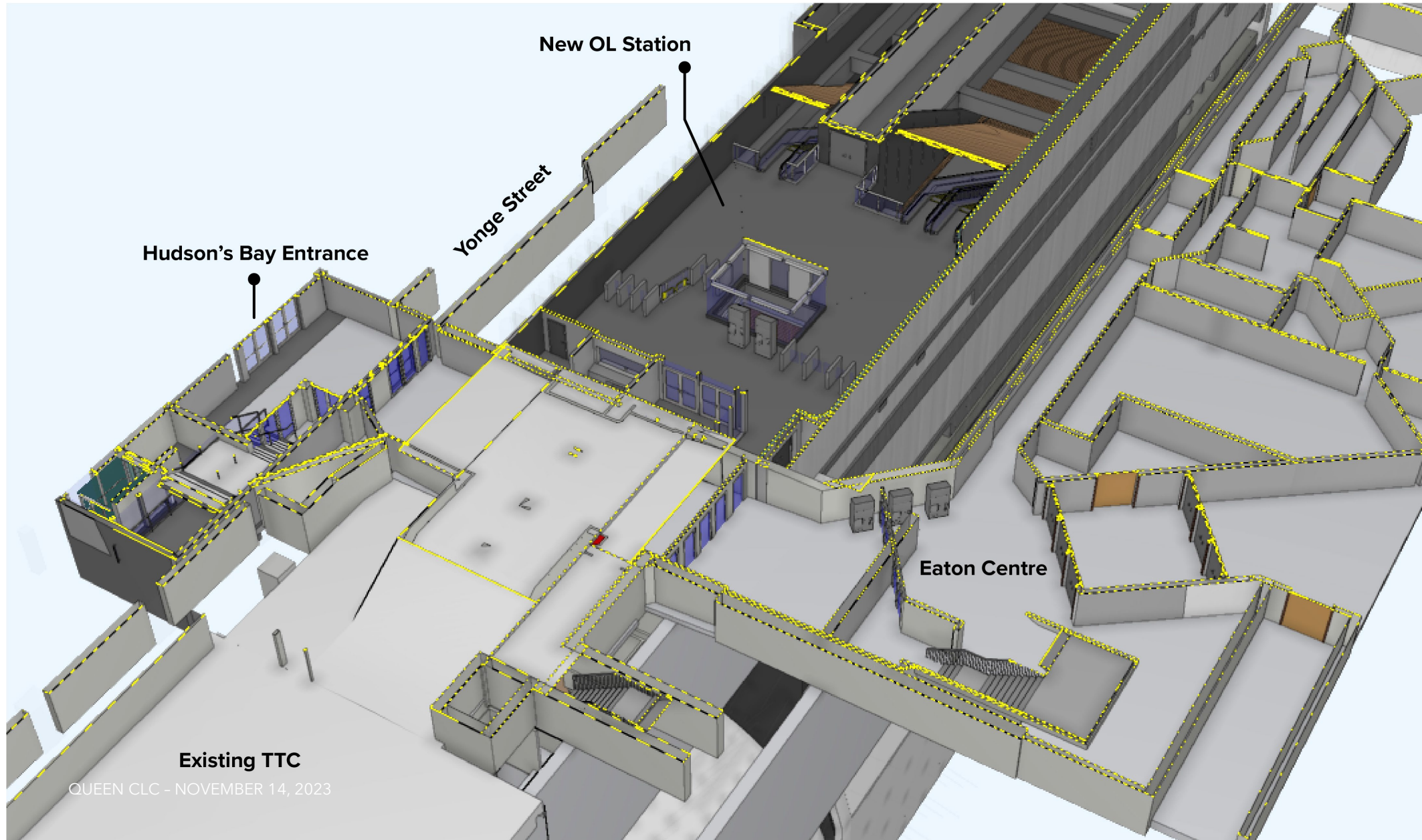
- Queen Street East: Select Friday and Saturday's overnight from 10 p.m. to 5 a.m.
- James Street: Weekdays: daytime from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. or overnight from 9 p.m. to 5 a.m., as required



QUEEN UNDERGROUND LOOKING NORTHEAST

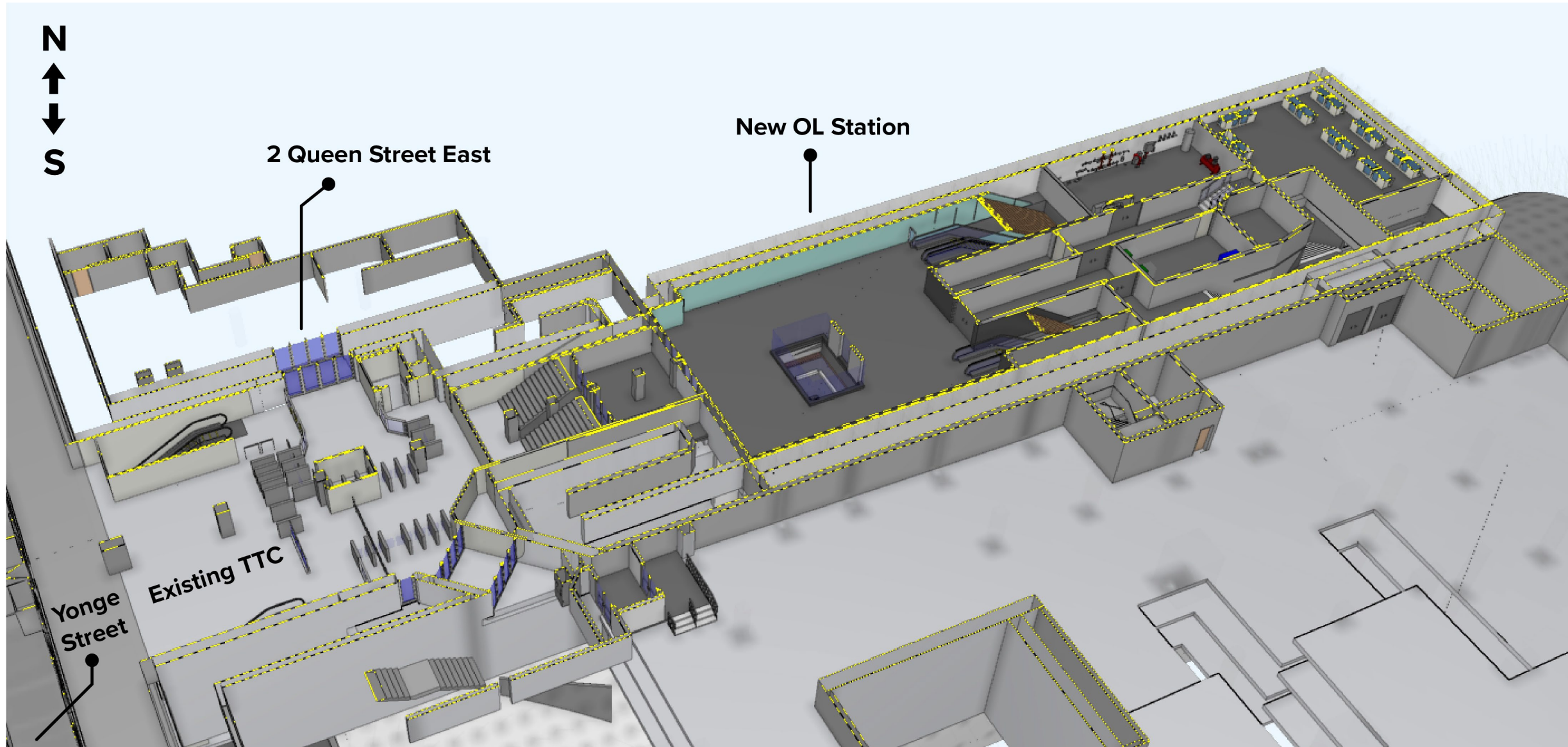


WEST QUEEN



QUEEN CLC - NOVEMBER 14, 2023

EAST QUEEN



Queen/Yonge: Community Outreach

Construction Liaison Committees

- November 14
- January/February 2024
- Bi-monthly CLC meetings

Business Community

- Direct business outreach and canvassing
- OTG to schedule calls with FDBIA and DYBIA

Community Outreach

- Virtual and in-person open houses
- Pop-ups within the community and in residential building lobbies
- In-person and virtual consultation with residences and businesses

Community Notification

- Physical and digital distribution of construction notices
- Canvassing high impact areas
- News and information provided in the Ontario Line newsletter

We Are Here for You

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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