

Installation of towers to protect heritage façade: Queen St West and Spadina Ave

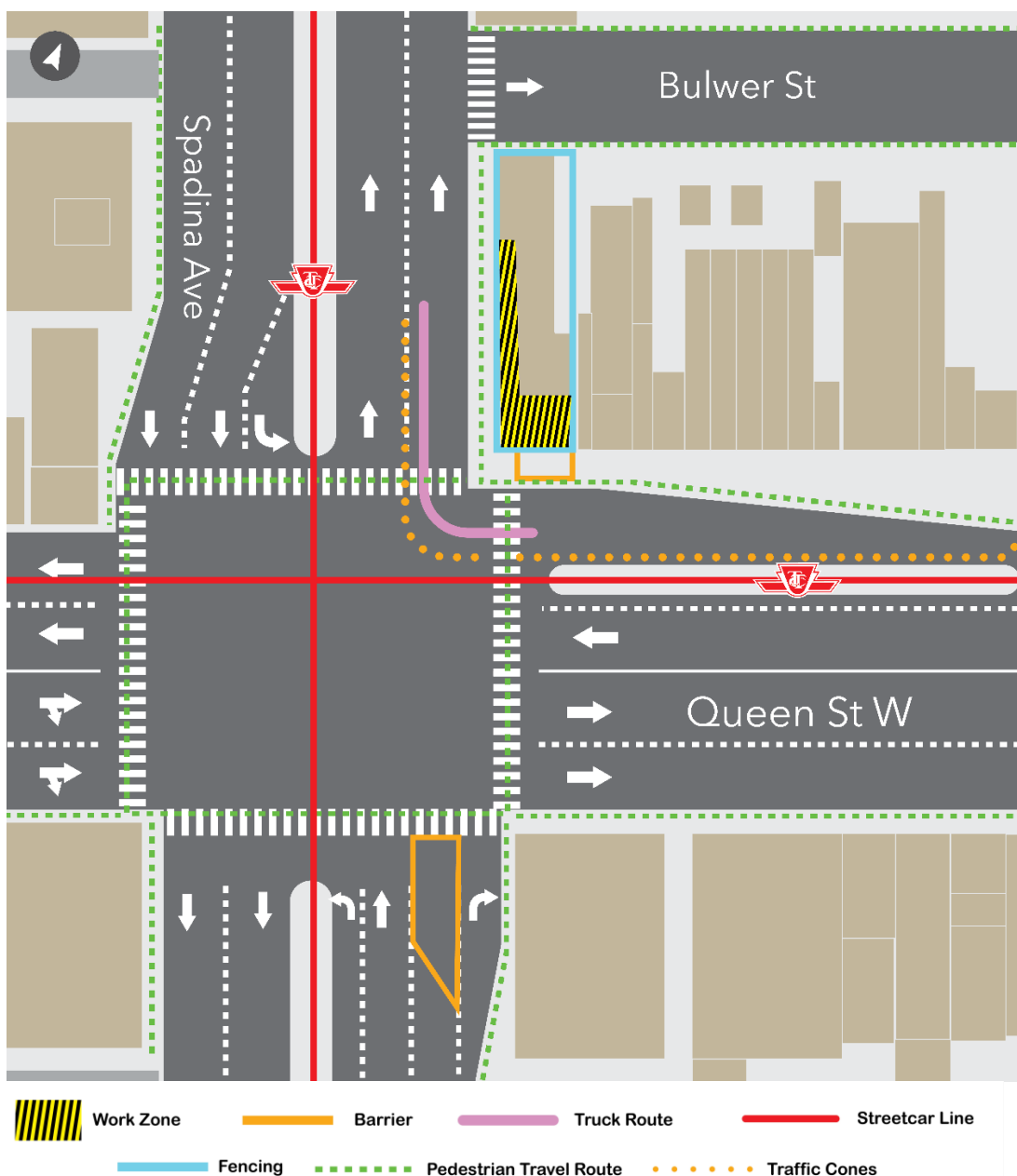
Impacts to Queen Street West and Spadina Avenue

Expected start date: As early as December 18, 2023

Expected end date: January 31, 2024

Hours of work: Weekdays (Monday-Friday), 5 a.m. – 7 a.m. and 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Map of work area:



What is happening?

- To protect the heritage façade of the future Ontario Line station located on the northeast corner of Queen Street West and Spadina Avenue, crews will be installing retention towers.
- Retention towers will safely hold the building façade in place during construction.
- The towers will be delivered to the site via a flatbed truck and unloaded prior to installation.
- Crews will use a telehandler, which is a hydraulic lifting machine that works similar to a crane, to install the towers against the heritage façade on Spadina Avenue and Queen Street West. Support brackets will be used to fix them in place.
- Crews will complete the installation in segments, moving within the location identified on the map throughout the work period.

What to expect

- Work will begin as early as December 18, 2023 and will take place weekdays from 5 a.m. to 7 a.m. and from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. over a period of forty-four (44) days. No overnight or weekend work is expected.
- Area residents and businesses can expect to hear some noise from work equipment, specifically trucks, the telehandler and drills as steel towers are moved and affixed to the building. Crews will take measures to minimize noise impacts wherever possible.
- The lane closures will be reopened by the end of the workday.

Spadina Avenue Lane closures (as noted in the map above):

- The northbound curb lane on Spadina Avenue will be closed on both sides of Queen Street West as indicated on the map above.
- A right turn lane will be maintained on Spadina Avenue onto to Queen Street East for traffic travelling northbound.
- All southbound lanes on Spadina Avenue will remain open.
- Pedestrian access will be maintained with the use of barriers to separate pedestrian passageways from active traffic.
- Signage will be posted advising of the sidewalk and lane restrictions.

Queen Street West intermittent partial closures (as noted in the map above):

- The westbound curb lane on Queen Street West will be closed.
- Pedestrian access will be maintained with the use of barriers to separate pedestrian passageways from active traffic.
- Signage will be posted advising of the sidewalk and lane restrictions. A paid-duty officer will be on site to supervise traffic.

Note:

- All transit services will be maintained during this time.
- All closed lanes will be re-opened after each workday.
- All the necessary construction permits have been obtained.
- Work may be postponed or rescheduled due to unforeseen circumstances.
- For more information about upcoming station work please see metrolinx.com/Ontarioline or sign up for the e-newsletter.

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General hours:

- Mondays, Tuesdays, and Fridays: 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- Wednesdays and Thursdays: 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.