

Installation of retention towers to protect heritage façade: King Street West and Bathurst Street

Short-term lane impacts to King Street West and Bathurst Avenue

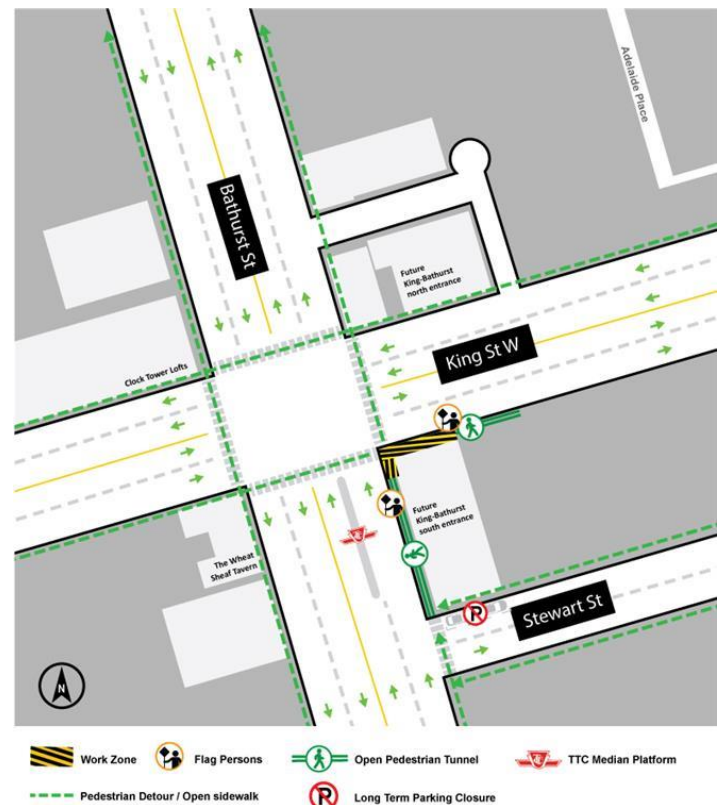
Expected start date: As early as January 15, 2024

Expected duration: Up to five (5) days

Hours of work: Weekdays as early as 5 a.m. to 5 p.m.

What is happening?

- To protect the existing building's heritage façade for the future Ontario Line station located on the southeast corner of King Street West and Bathurst Street, crews will be installing retention towers.
- Once installed the retention towers will safely hold the building façade in place as the rest of the station is constructed around and beneath it.
- Components of the towers will be delivered, piece by piece, to the site. Once assembled, the retention tower creates an external, vertical support structure.
- The retention tower components will be hoisted off a truck, by crane, and assembled around the future south station building, at 663 and 665 King Street West.



About the Ontario Line

- 15.6-kilometre subway line that will make it faster and easier to travel within Toronto and beyond.
- 15 stops and more than 40 connections to other transit, including GO train, subway, LRT, streetcar, and bus lines.
- Less than 30 minutes from one end of the line to the other.
- 28,000 fewer cars on the road each day.

What to expect

- Work will begin as early as January 15, 2024 and is anticipated to be completed over a period of 5 days. No overnight or weekend work is expected.
- Tower deliveries will take place weekdays from as early as 5 a.m. to 5 p.m. to minimize traffic and pedestrian disruption.
- 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.
- Materials will be delivered via flatbed trucks on King Street West, taking place early in the mornings, to limit traffic impact. Once delivered via trucks, cranes will lift the retention wall components into the site, and traffic will not be affected.

King Street West Lane closures:

- Pedestrians on King Street West will be briefly stopped by designated flag persons, while the deliveries and offloading of retention tower components are occurring. The temporary pedestrian walkways will otherwise remain open during retention tower installation.
- The eastbound curb lane of King Street West will be closed as tower components are offloaded.
- The TTC stop for the eastbound 504/508 streetcar at King and Bathurst has been moved east of its regular location and will not be affected. Westbound 504/508 streetcars will not be affected.

Bathurst Street Lane closures:

- Pedestrians on King Street West will be briefly stopped by designated flag persons, while the deliveries and offloading of retention tower components are occurring. Pedestrian walkways will otherwise remain open during retention tower installation.
- The parking lane on Stewart St has been removed for the duration of the construction.
- There will be no impact to the 511 Bathurst Streetcars.

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