

Ontario Line Subway

Queen Station Construction Liaison Committee

February 13, 2024

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Agenda

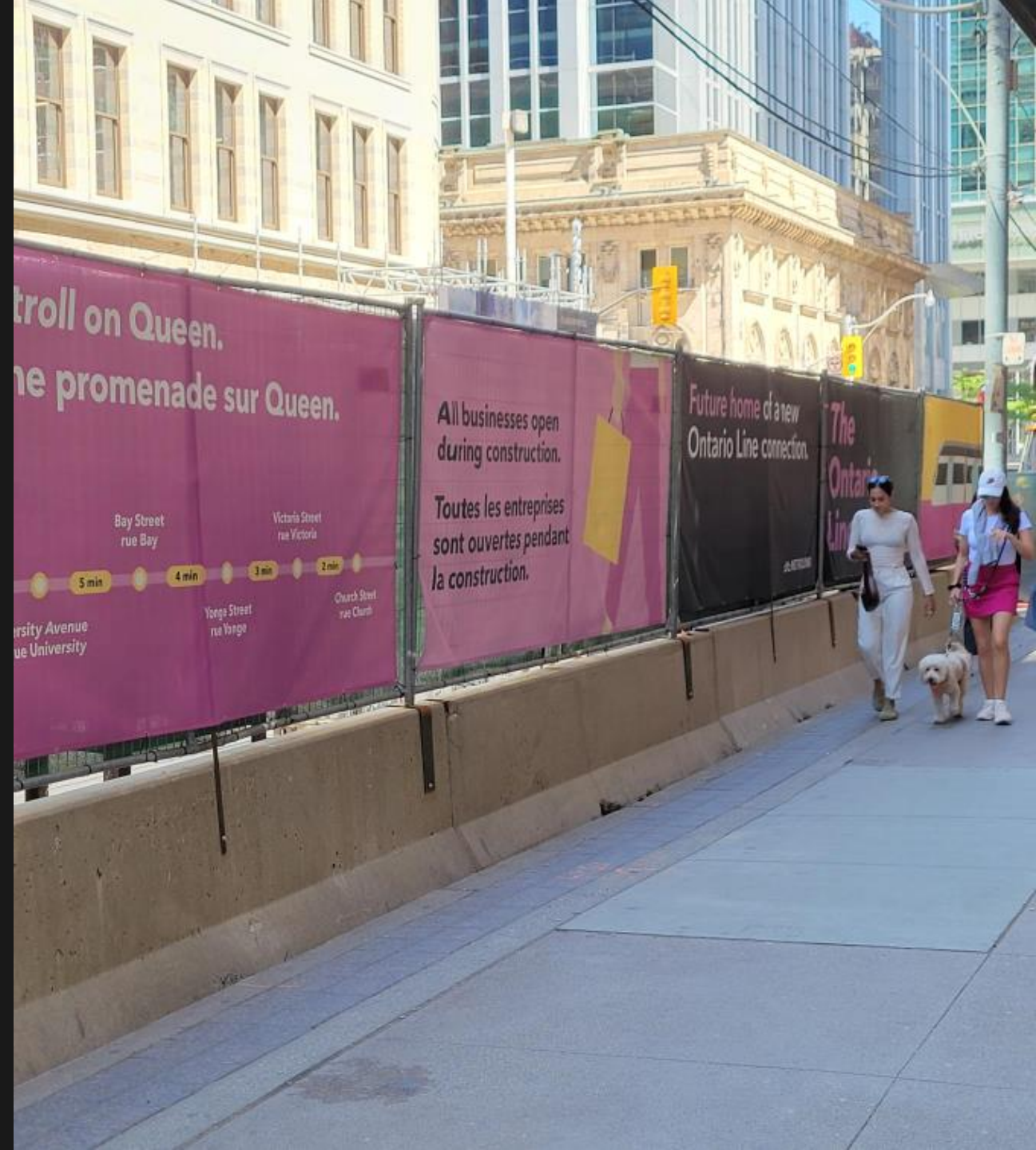
Welcome (10 minutes)

- Introductions
- Land Acknowledgement
- Safety Moment

Presentation (25 minutes)

- Advanced Works update
- HBC hydro vault relocation
- York Street track construction
- Queen Street signage
- OTG Construction Update

Discussion (25 minutes)



Land Acknowledgment

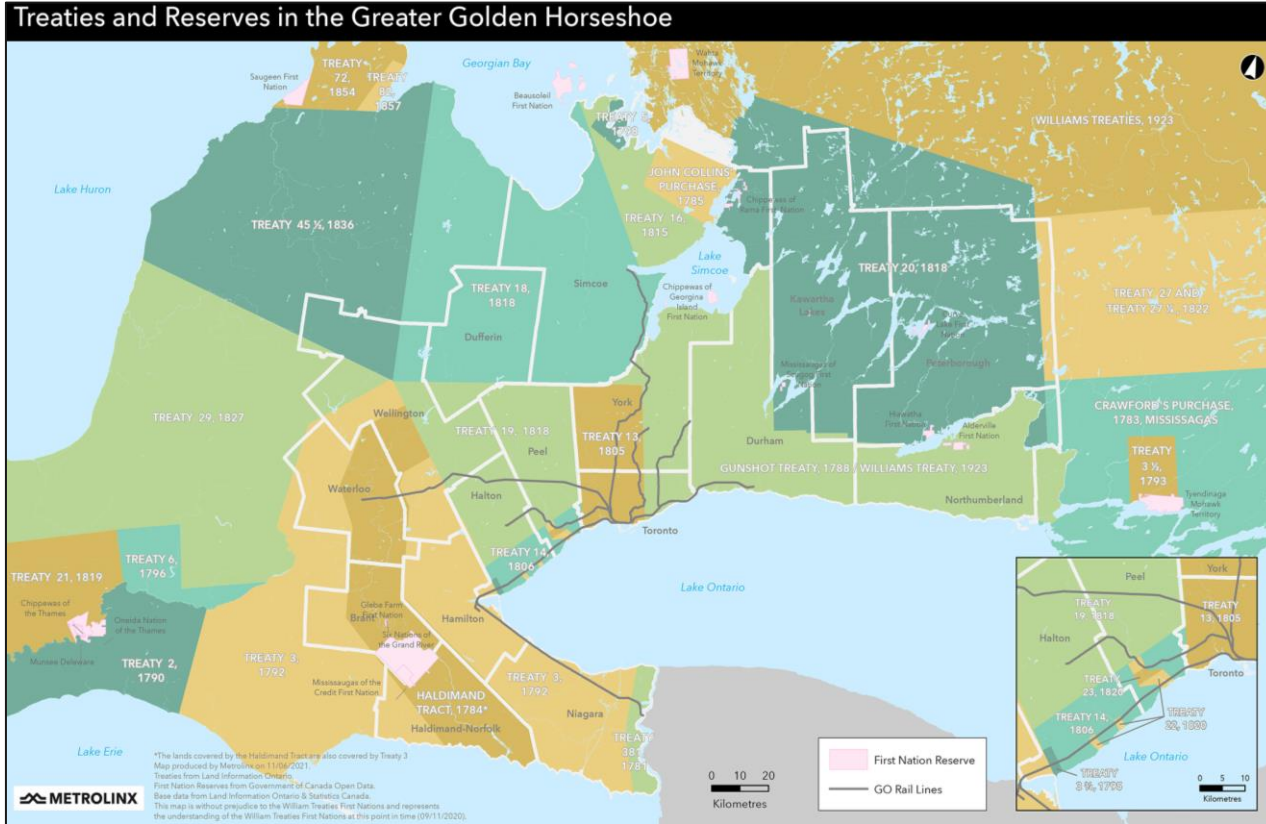
Let us take a moment to acknowledge we are on lands that have been, and continue to be, home to many Indigenous Peoples including the Anishnabeg, the Haudenosaunee and the Huron-Wendat peoples.

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

Give yourself time and space when walking or biking near active construction.

Active construction sites are busy places, and never static. It's important to stay alert when you're passing through.

- A warm **coat, hat, and toque can go along way to avoid frostbite.** Temperatures can fluctuate during the day, so even if you don't need a toque & gloves when you head out, you're better to have them packed in your coat or bag, in case you need them.
- Keep kids warm. **It's better to be overdressed than underdressed,** when kids are heading out to school or play. Waterproof boots, snowpants and gloves keep kids warm and safe, rather than reapplying wet clothing at recess. Avoid winter gear that absorbs ice and water, like cotton mittens or basic running shoes.
- **Ground conditions can be slippery,** and ice can be hidden under snow, so make sure to wear boots or shoes with proper grip.
- Visibility can be low for drivers, so **give yourself space when crossing the road.** Brightly coloured clothing helps as well.



Advanced Works



Advanced Works Update

Recently Completed Works

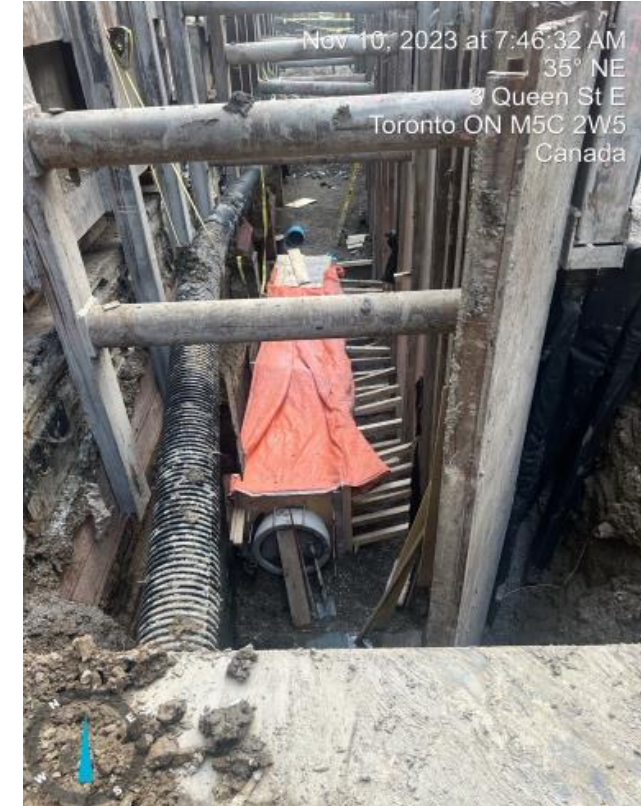
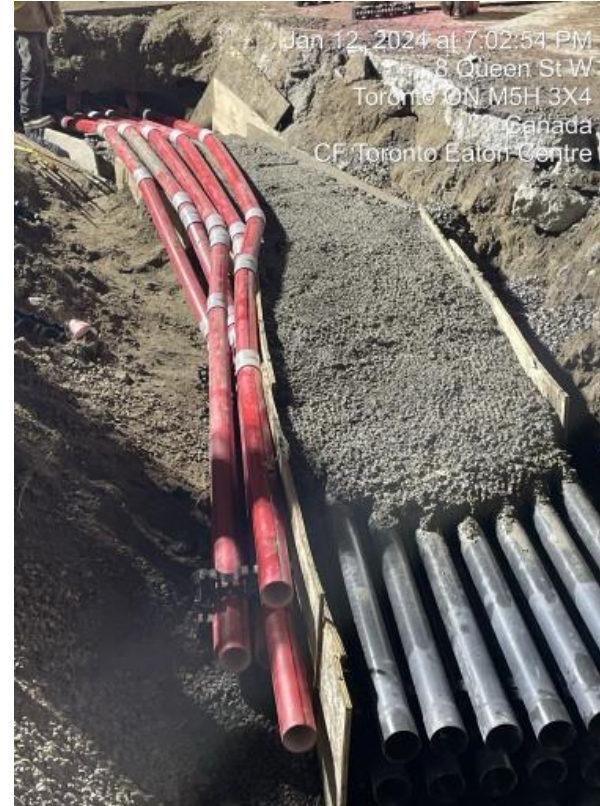
- All sewer work on Queen Street East and West
- Hydro and telecom duct banks on Queen Street West

On-going Works

- Watermain connections at Queen Street East and West
- Hydro chamber construction at Queen Street and Victoria Street

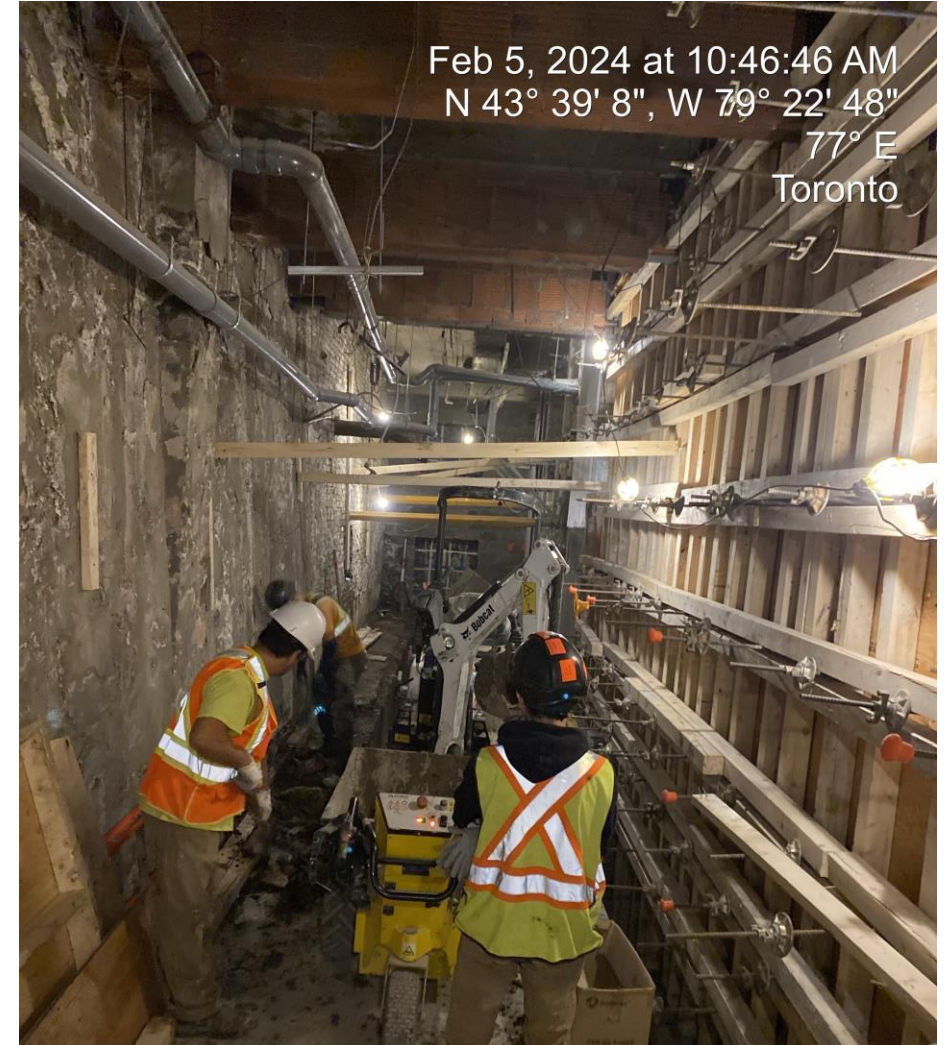
Upcoming Works

- Hydro and telecom duct banks Queen Street East
- Enbridge Gas main relocation



HBC Basement and Hydro Vault Modifications

- Crews continue to make **good progress** on relocating 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 October 2024**.
- Street-level vault relocation work has begun requiring a portion of the Queen Street sidewalk in front of Hudson's Bay to be closed. **This work is expected to be completed in May 2024**.



Queen Street Replacement Signage

- Metrolinx is planning to replace the damaged/removed wayfinding and project signage to accommodate the new fencing configuration.
- These signs will include project information and contact information (see example) printed on coroplast with an anti-graffiti coating.
- Graffiti removal for jersey barriers is ongoing as necessary.
- Signage installation is expected in **3-4 weeks**.

English



French

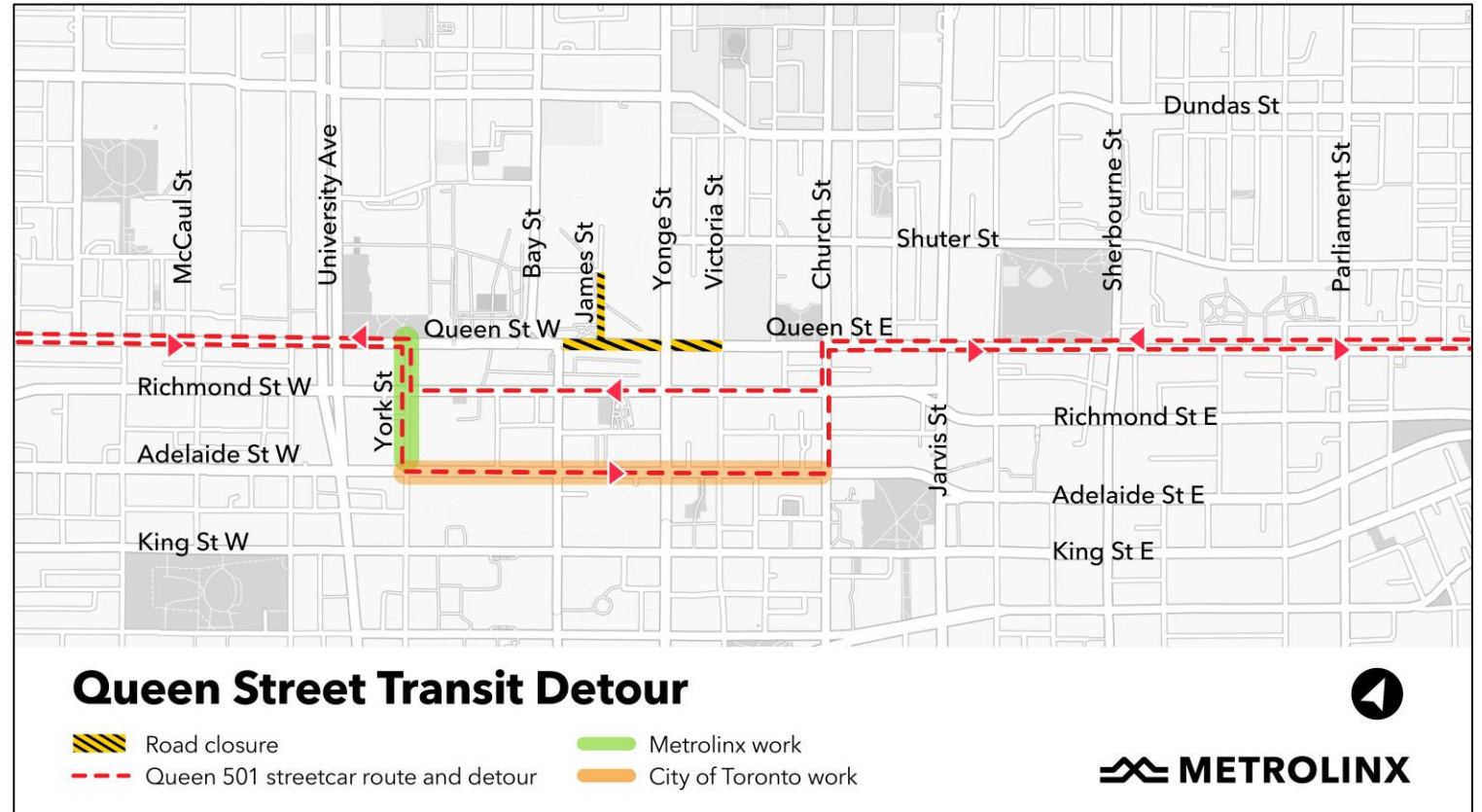


York Street Track Construction



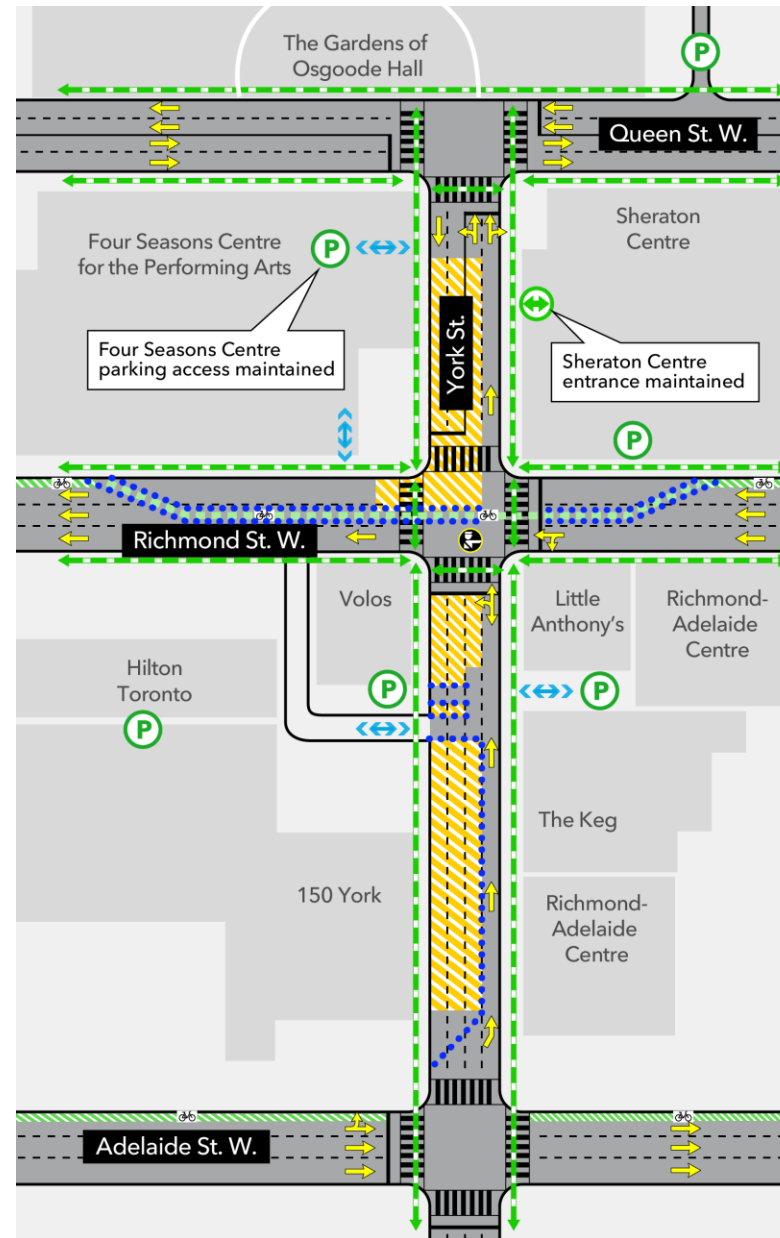
York Street Track Construction | Began October 2023

- The City of Toronto, TTC and Metrolinx continue to work on the construction of the 501 Queen streetcar diversion.
- Metrolinx is delivering roadway and utility work to facilitate the Queen streetcar detour on York Street from Queen Street West intersection to north of Adelaide Street West intersection.
- City of Toronto is delivering track, roadway and utility work for the Adelaide Street portion.



York Street | Update

- Work on the underground hydro chamber located on the south side of Richmond Street was **completed in late December 2023**.
- Crews are now working on the underground hydro chamber located on the north side of Richmond.
- This phase of work is expected to be **completed by March 2024**.
- To accommodate this phase, there has been a temporary modification to the existing bike lanes on Richmond Street West (see blue dotted lane on map).
- A paid duty officer will be **on-site 24/7** to safely direct traffic.



York Street Track Construction Traffic Impacts

- Work zone
- Pedestrian access maintained
- Lane direction
- Driveway access maintained
- Parking lot access maintained
- Building entrance maintained
- Movable traffic barrels
- Temporary bike lane
- Paid duty officer

Note: The dedicated bike lane on Richmond Street West will be maintained throughout construction via the temporary conditions shown on this map.



York Street | Fence Signage Installed January 2024



OTG Construction Update

OTG Construction Updates

Recently Completed Works

- Tree Removals: Four trees have been removed on James Street and four trees on Queen Street East.
- Utility and sewer investigations: Monitors installed on Victoria Street

Ongoing works

- Pre-construction condition surveys (within private properties)
- N&V monitors installation (within and outside private properties)
- Instrumentation Monitoring: Ongoing on Queen Street, from Bay Street to Victoria Street

Upcoming works

- Well Decommissioning on Queen Street West
- TTC feeder relocation



Geotechnical monitors to ensure teams know what's underground before starting to build.

Photo Credit: OTG

Community Engagement

Staying connected during construction

In-person and virtual meetings with residents and businesses

- Our door is open: share any feedback and concerns with us and your ideas about how we can connect with more members of the community.

Bi-monthly CLC meetings

- Regular committee meetings to discuss upcoming works and share information.

Construction notices and updates

- Distributed before new or impactful construction works and posted online; contact Metrolinx to be added to the email distribution list.

News, progress and information shared in the Ontario Line newsletter

- Sign up for regular updates and information

Next Queen CLC Meeting: April 9, 2024

We Are Here for You

Metrolinx commits to keeping the community, residents and businesses informed by providing project updates, seeking input and feedback, while addressing questions and concerns effectively and quickly.

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