

Ontario Line

Osgoode Construction Liaison Committee - Meeting #7

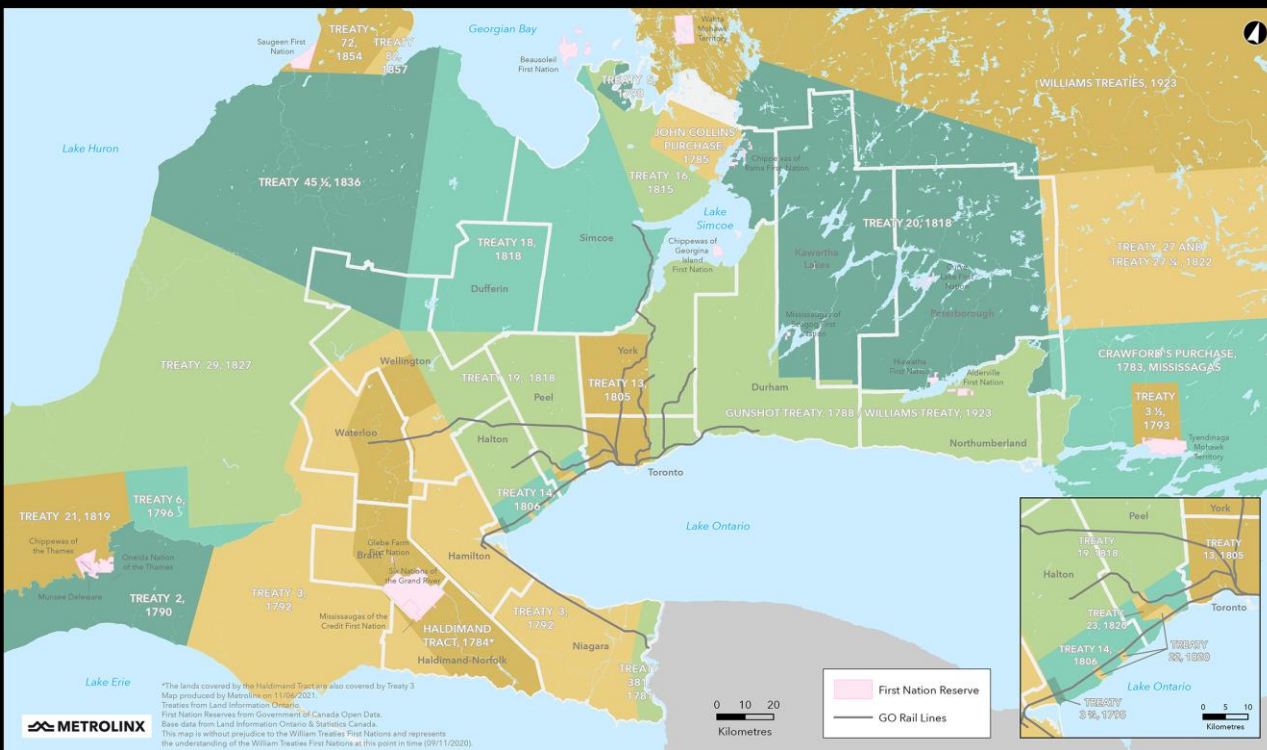
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Land Acknowledgment

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 Moment

Winter emergency preparedness

Power Outages

Be prepared to be self-sustaining for a **period of three days**.

- A supply of drinking water
- Food items and snacks including baby formula + food
- Necessary medications supply
- Warm clothing, blankets
- Flashlights + extra batteries
- Charged power bank(s) to charge mobile phones

- Ensure your loved ones who may have accessibility or mobilization limitations also have the above supplies on hand.



Agenda

Welcome (5 minutes)

- Introductions
- Land Acknowledgement
- Safety Moment

Presentation (25 minutes)

- Action items recap
- Construction updates
 - York Street Trackwork
 - Station Construction

Feedback and Discussion (20 minutes)

- Construction notices



PREVIOUS CLC MINUTES AND ACTION ITEMS

ACTION ITEM	STATUS UPDATE
<p>1. Metrolinx to provide more information/rationale surrounding the design of the station and greenspace considerations.</p>	<p>Metrolinx and OTG are working on the station's design, with no fixed timeline for finalizing the ground-level headhouse. The station aims for a minimalist, heritage-respecting design. The dimensions are not yet confirmed, however as discussed these are approximately 17x17 metres and a setback from the City's right of way between 2 to 2.5 metres, as shown in the shared drawings.</p>
<p>2. Metrolinx during the next CLC (February 28, 2024), to confirm if there will be obstructions to the laneway which runs east from Duncan and west from Simcoe Street.</p>	<p>The laneway that runs east from Duncan and west from Simcoe Street will remain open.</p>
<p>3. Metrolinx to coordinate with the City of Toronto on future CLC dates.</p>	<p>Future CLC dates have been sent to the City of Toronto. Meeting dates for the rest of the year are noted at the back of the presentation.</p>

York Street Trackwork

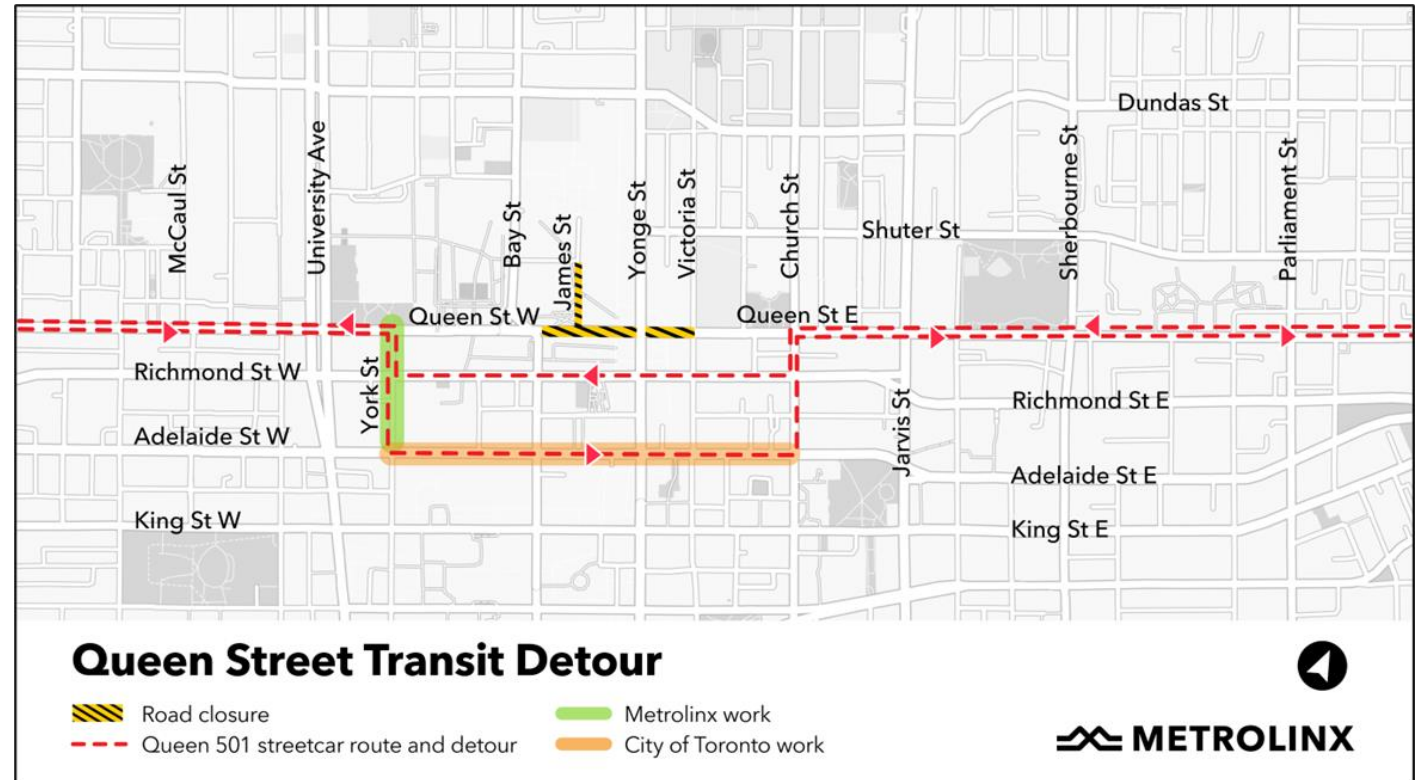
York Street Trackwork

Update on York Street track work

The City of Toronto, TTC and Metrolinx continue to work on the construction of the 501 Queen streetcar diversion.

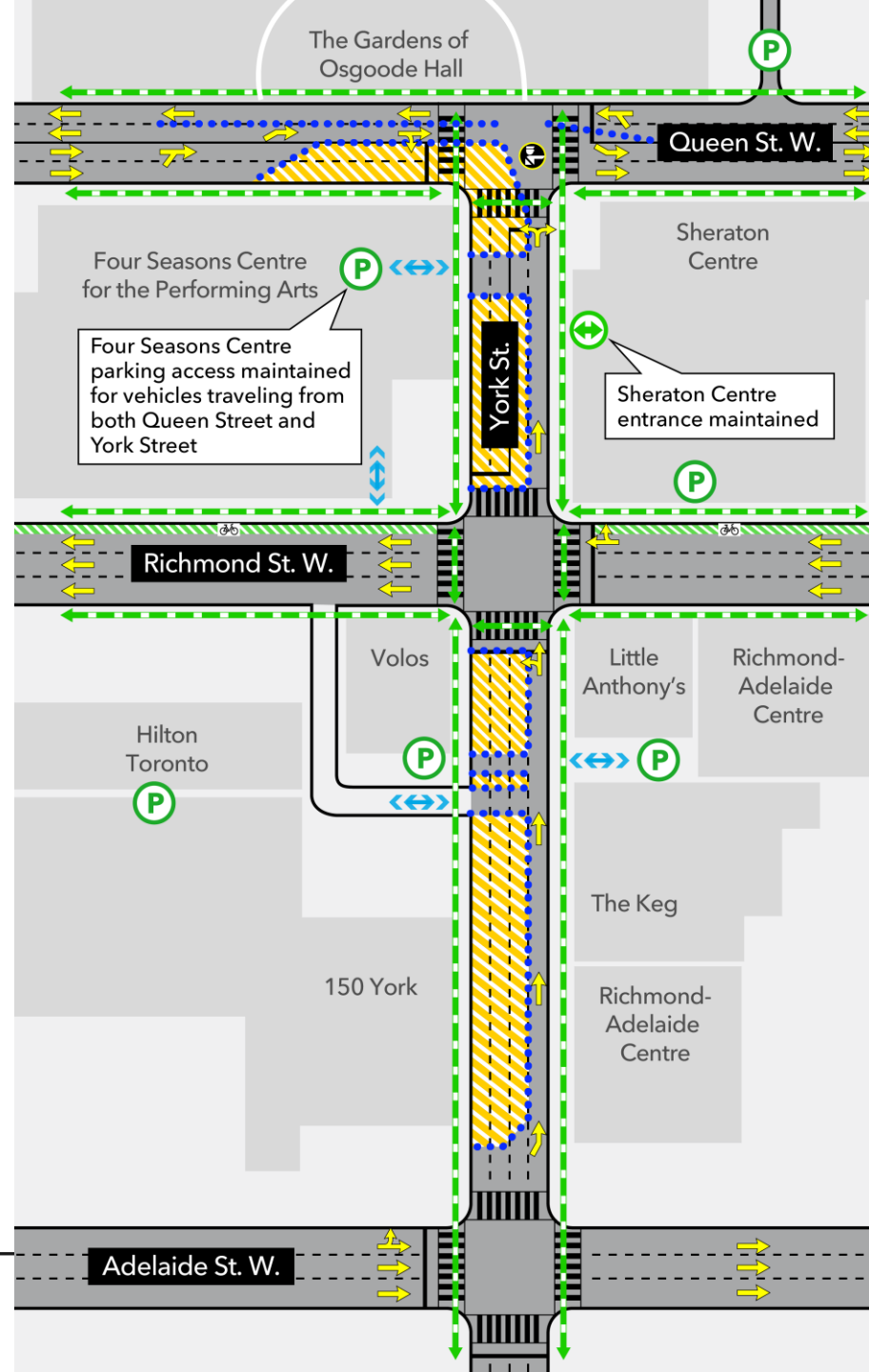
Metrolinx is delivering roadway and utility work to facilitate the Queen streetcar detour on York Street from Queen Street West intersection to north of Adelaide Street West intersection.

City of Toronto is delivering track, roadway and utility work for the Adelaide Street portion. Work is well underway.



YORK STREET - UPDATE

- Crews will soon shift the work zone and occupy an additional lane on Queen Street (refer to graphic).
- A paid duty officer is on site to help safely direct traffic and pedestrians.
- Access to the all driveways and parking garages is being maintained.
- One lane northbound on York Street is being maintained at all times.
- This phase of work will last approximately two weeks.
- More information on construction progress, as well as impacts and mitigations, will be shared in the coming weeks.



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
- Paid duty officer



Station Construction

Construction Update

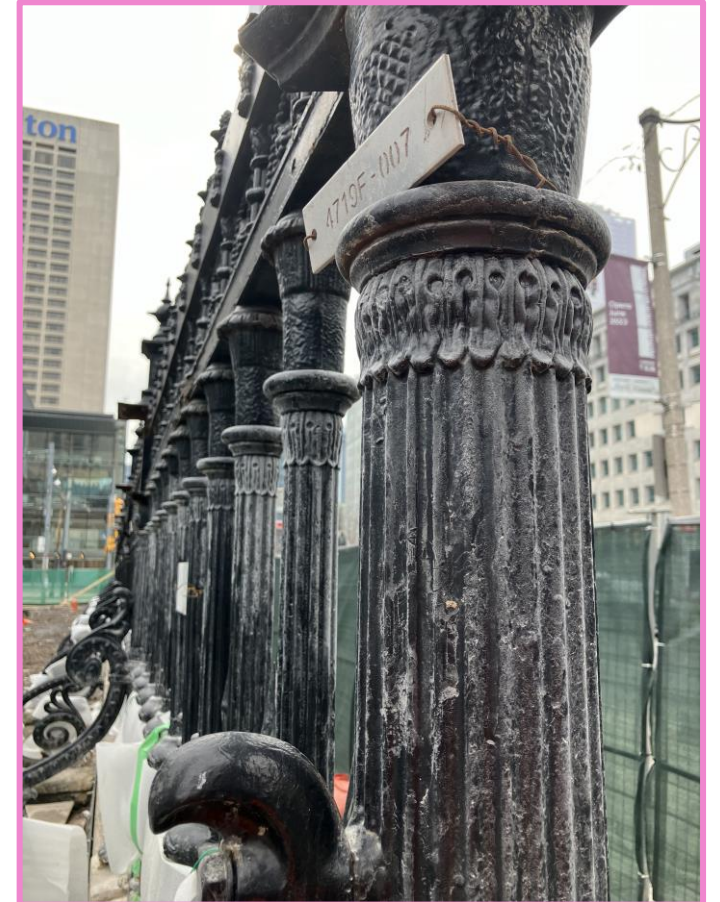
Future North Station Entrance

Recently Completed Work

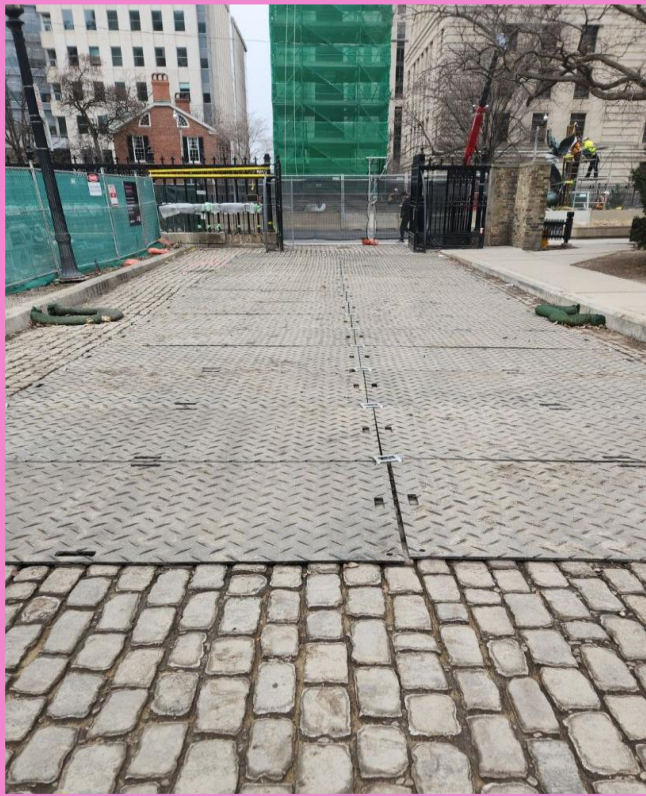
- Heritage fence and stone removal is about 50 per cent complete.

Work in Progress / Coming Soon

- Crews are preparing the future station site and laydown area for the next phase of construction, including ground preparations and installing Tree Protection Zones (TPZ).
- Cobblestone path has been protected and work to remove and preserve cobblestones is expected to start in March 2024.
- The heritage fence removal is expected to be completed in the next week or two.
- New construction gate installed. Heritage gates will be removed mid-March.



FOCUS ON THE FUTURE NORTH STATION ENTRANCE



Cobblestone path protection mats



New construction gate installed, heritage gate (behind) to be removed



Heritage fence work along University Avenue

Construction Update

University Avenue Median

Recently Completed Work

- Work to preserve and remove the South African War Memorial is nearing completion.
- The Victory Statue was preserved, removed and transferred to storage for the duration of the project last week. Three small statues were preserved, removed and transferred to storage for the duration of the project in early February.
- Obelisk is being dismantled and stored for future reinstatement.
- Crews are removing the heritage stones one by one for preservation and storage.
- Additional dismantled and salvaged such as:
 - Stones forming the fountain
 - Tree planters and cladding
 - Vegetation planters and cladding
 - Concrete pavers, bricks and stone stairs on the ground of the median



FOCUS ON THE SOUTH AFRICAN WAR MEMORIAL



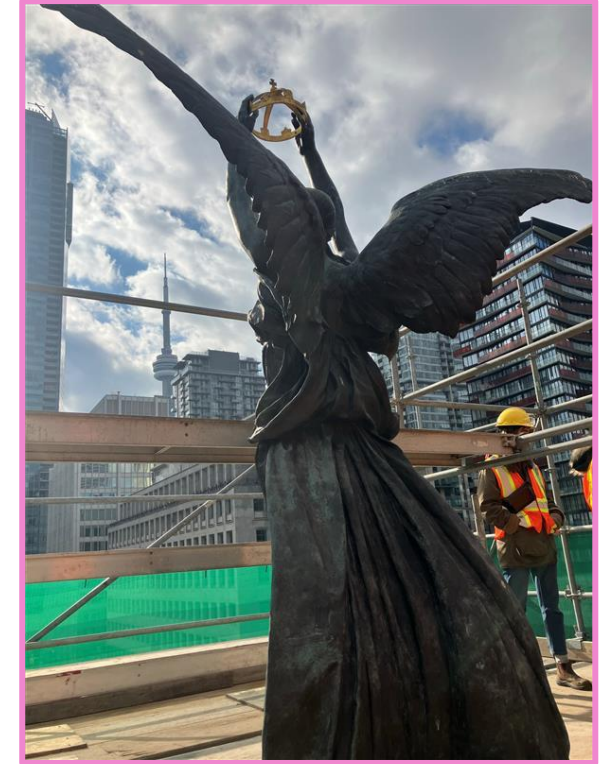
Small statues wrapped and ready for transfer after removal



Scaffolding installed to prepare for removal of Victory Statue



Close look at the Victory Statue prior to removal



The Victory Statue prepared for removal

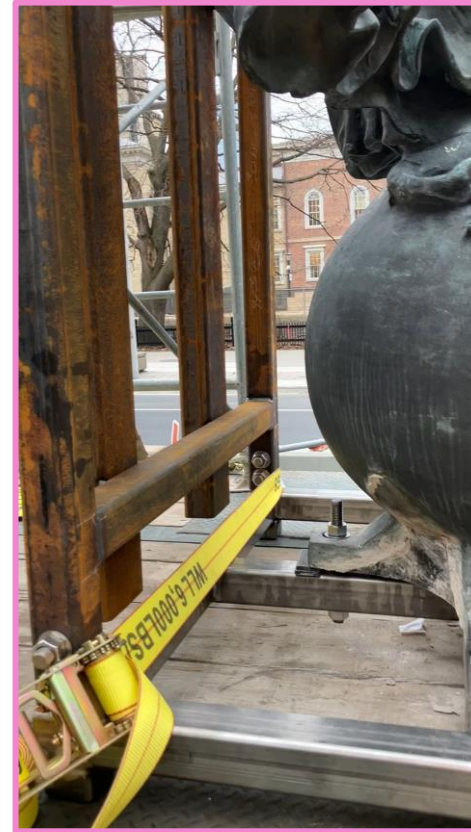
FOCUS ON THE SOUTH AFRICAN WAR MEMORIAL



Removal of the Victory Statue in progress - the statue was lifted on to a truck by crane



Video of the Victory Statue fixed to a special transport cradle for a safe transport



Video of the Victory Statue secured on the truck transportation



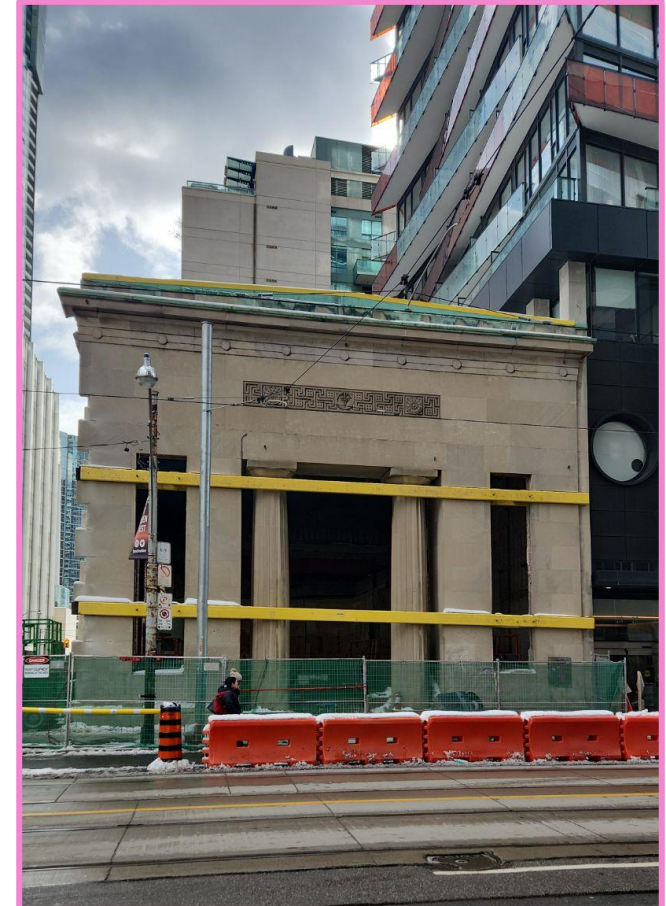
Installation of Victory Statue on transport cradle before transportation

Construction Update

Future South Station Entrance

Work in progress / coming soon

- Heritage façade retention is ongoing, while interior abatement work is complete.
- Approximately 70 per cent of the work is now complete.
- Crews are preparing to panelize, protect and move the east-facing wall in mid-March.
 - Wall will be secured and removed in one piece; then crews will place it on rails and roll it south on Simcoe Street, where it will be stored for the duration of the project in front of 168 Simcoe Street.



FOCUS ON THE FUTURE SOUTH STATION ENTRANCE



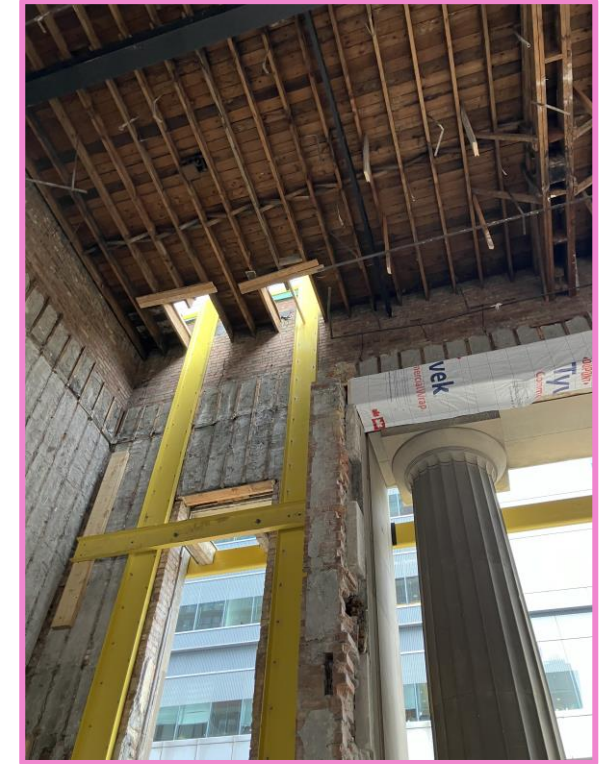
View of future South entrance site



Inside view of the north façade of the building



Inside view of the heritage columns



Inside view of heritage works

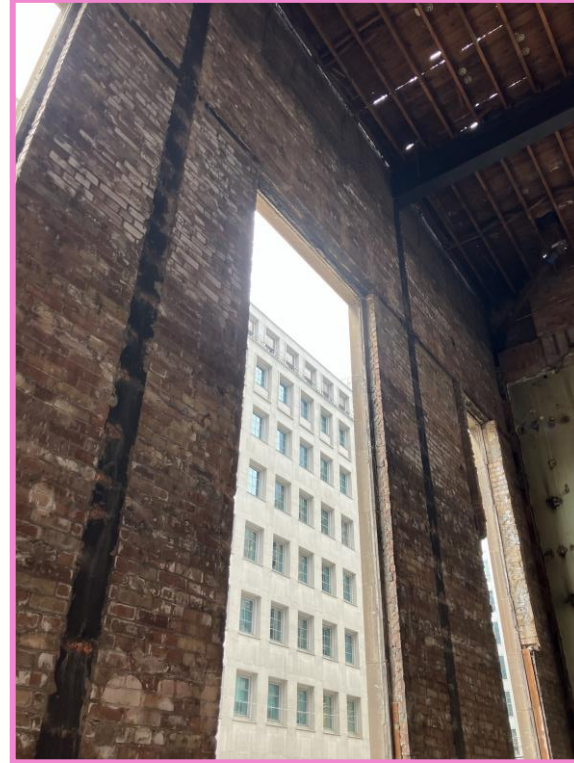
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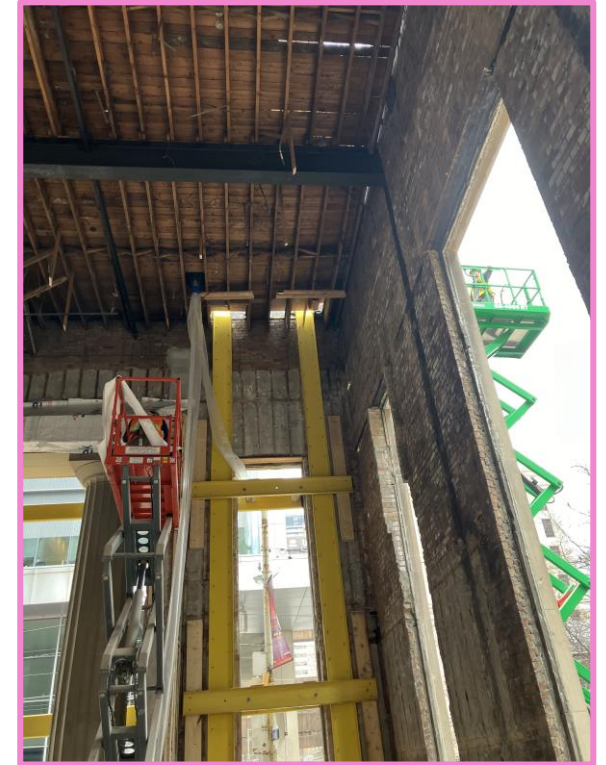
View of the basement



Metallic beam to support the roof top, in the basement



Interior view of the façade to be preserved



Interior view of a retention tower used in preservation

CONSTRUCTION LOOK AHEAD

Timing	Activity	Location	Details & Purpose
Winter-early Spring 2024	Heritage Façade Protection + Retention Works	South site	Initiate preservation and retention works at future south station site
	Site Preparation	Laydown site (West of Osgoode Hall)	Prepare laydown area, including fencing installation, tree removal and cobblestones protection and ground preparation
	South African War Memorial	Median	Heritage preservation and removal works
	Tree Removals, Protection + Pruning	Median + North sites	Removal as well as protection and pruning of identified trees
	Heritage Fence + Cobblestone Removal	North site	Heritage preservation and removal works
	Heritage Demolition	South site	Removal of East façade wall
Spring 2024	TTC Entrance Closure	Northeast site	Permanent closure of University & Queen West Entrance, Northeast corner: entrance will be demolished
Late Spring- Summer 2024	Construction Piling	South + North sites	Install piles to support future excavation of site
	Instrumentation + Monitoring Investigations	Various	Ongoing, multiple sites throughout Osgoode neighbourhood

Feedback and Discussion



Artist's rendering – subject to change

Community Engagement

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Staying connected during construction

Construction notices and updates

- Prepared and distributed prior to new / impactful construction works; contact us to be added to the distribution list.

Monthly CLC meetings

- Regular committee meetings to discuss upcoming works and share information.
- Next meeting: March 27, 2024
- *COMING SOON*: Piling @ Osgoode Information Session – Spring 2024

In-person and virtual consultation with residences and businesses

- Our door is open: share any feedback and concerns with us.

News, progress and information shared in the Ontario Line newsletter

- Sign up for regular updates and information

We Are Here For You

Metrolinx will keep 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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Upcoming Osgoode CLCs in 2024

- March 27
- April Info Session - Date TBD
- May 22
- June 26
- July 24
- August 22
- September 25
- October 23
- November 27



