

Ontario Line

Queen Station

Construction Liaison Committee

July 9, 2024

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Agenda

Welcome (15 minutes)

- Introductions
- Land Acknowledgement
- Safety Moment
- Actions Items

Presentation (30 minutes)

- York Street Track Construction Update
- OTG Construction Update

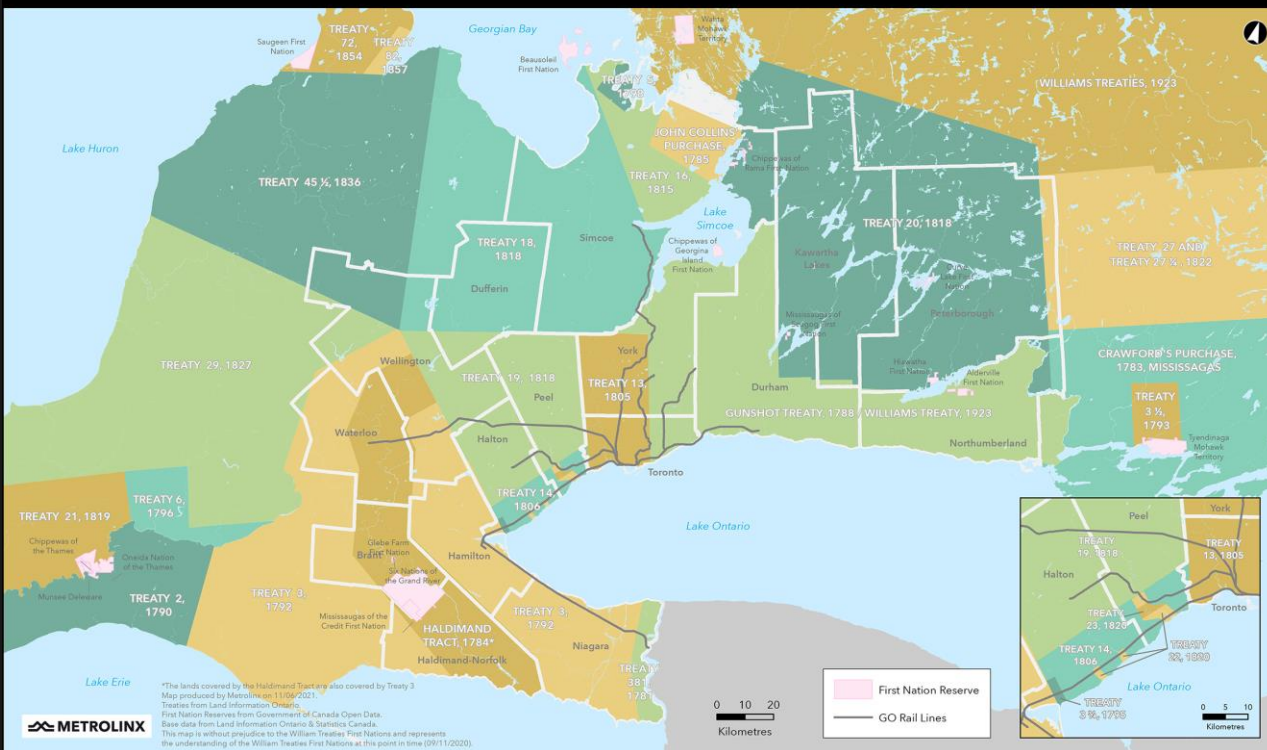
Discussion (15 minutes)

- Questions + Answers
- Contact Us



LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

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

RISK OF TICKS

Understanding Ticks:

- Ticks are small arachnids that attach to the skin of animals and humans to feed on blood.
- They are most active in warmer months, typically from April to November.
- In the GTA, the black-legged tick, also known as the deer tick, is the primary carrier of Lyme disease.

Risks of Tick Bites:

- Tick bites can transmit Lyme disease, which, if left untreated, can cause severe health issues.
- Symptoms of Lyme disease include fever, headache, fatigue, and a characteristic skin rash called erythema migraines.
- Early detection and treatment with antibiotics can prevent serious complications.

Preventive Measures:

- Clothing: - Wear long-sleeved shirts and long pants; Tuck your pants into your socks to prevent ticks from reaching your skin.
- Repellents: Use insect repellent on exposed skin and clothing.
- Stay on Trails: Stick to well-trodden paths and avoid walking through tall grasses, leaf litter, and bushes where ticks are commonly found.
- Regular Checks:-Conduct thorough tick checks on yourself, your children, and pets after spending time in the park; Pay special attention to hidden areas like underarms, groin, and scalp.
- Prompt Removal: If you find a tick, remove it promptly with fine-tipped tweezers; Grasp the tick as close to the skin's surface as possible and pull upward with steady, even pressure, and clean the bite area with rubbing alcohol or soap and water.



PREVIOUS JUNE CLC AND MINUTES ACTIONS ITEMS

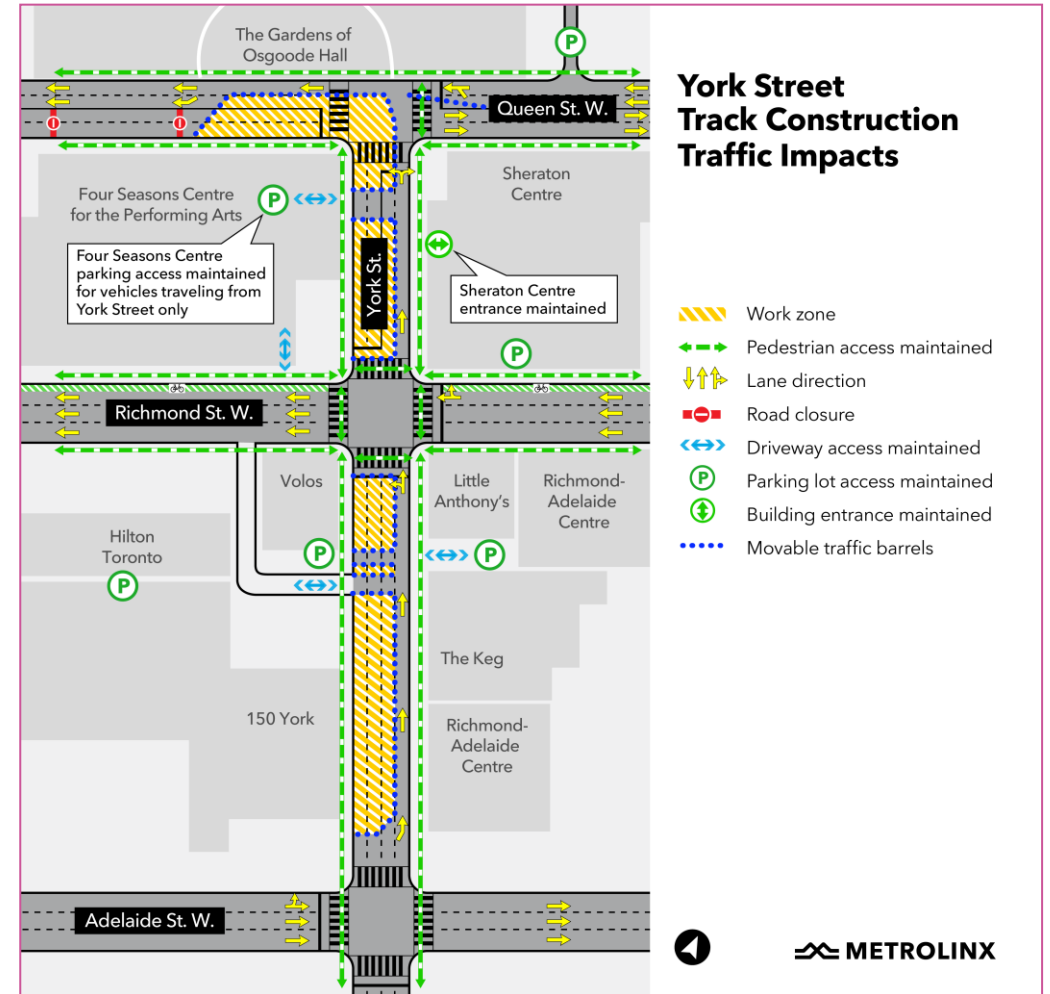
ACTION ITEM	STATUS UPDATE
1. Metrolinx to connect with Holiday Inn Express.	Metrolinx has connected.
2. Metrolinx to provide Downtown Yonge BIA with an update on wayfinding signage planned.	Metrolinx to continue to provide updates as signage is planned.

York Street Trackwork



York Street - Queen and York

- On **July 2**, crews began working on the Queen Street West and York Street intersection to install streetcar tracks.
- One lane westbound on Queen will be maintained at all times.
- This specific phase of work is expected to be completed by the end of **July 2024**.
- One lane northbound on York Street will be maintained at all times.
- No left turns from the northbound lane of University Avenue onto Queen Street West will be permitted during this phase of work.
- No left turns from Queen Street West onto York Street will be permitted.
- A Paid Duty Officer will assist with traffic control and pedestrian safety.
- Click [HERE](#) to read the construction notice.



Advanced Works



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Advanced Utility Works & HBC Basement Modifications Update

Recently Completed Works

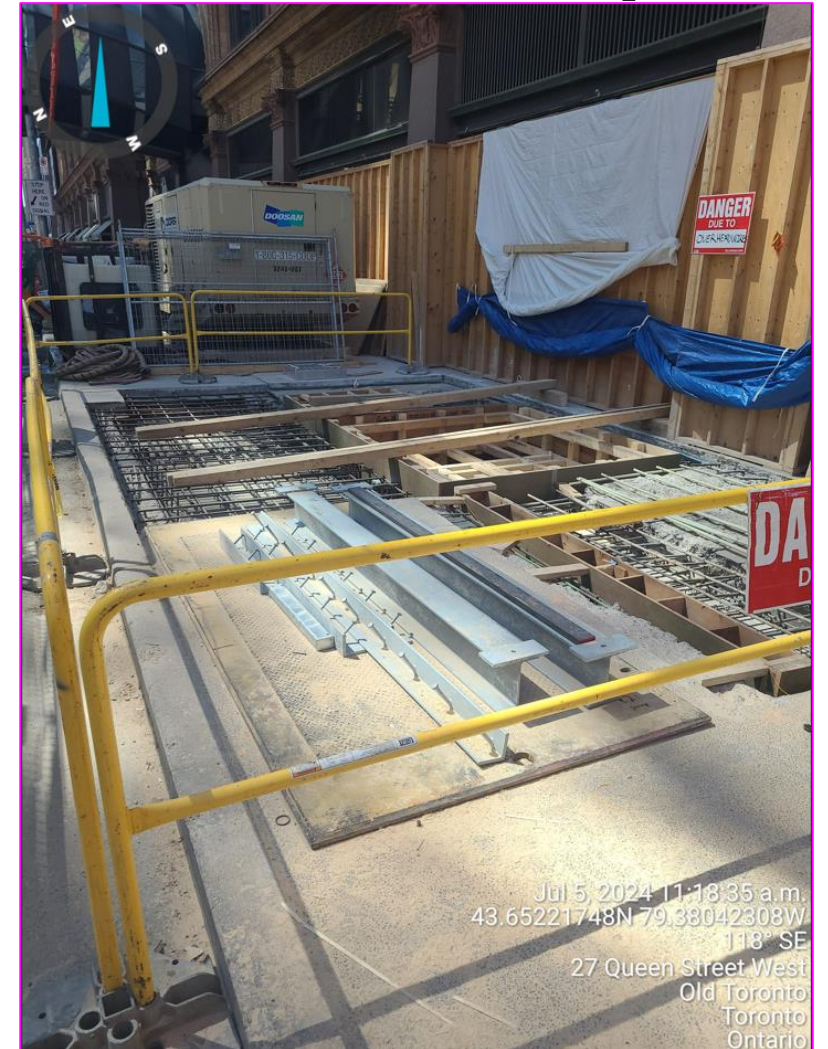
- Bell cables relocation is now complete

On-going Works

- Remaining Hydro and Zayo cable relocation works.
- Hudson's Bay street level work - expected completion by end of July 2024

Upcoming Works

- On-going Hudson's Bay below ground works - expected completion is December 2024.



Hydro vault street-level works in early July 2024

OTG Construction Update





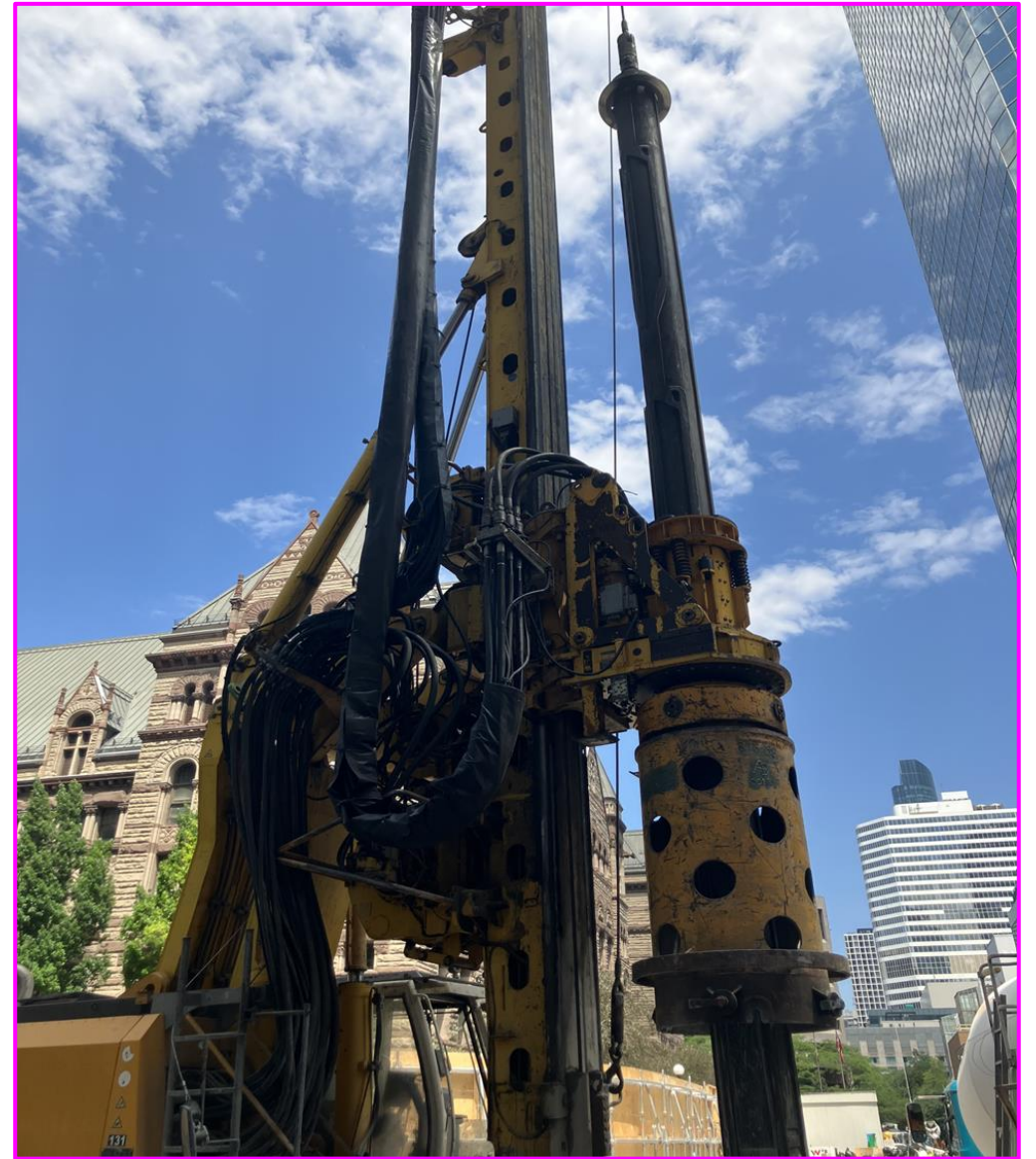
View of the Queen Station west site,
July 2024

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Work in Progress - West

- Pile drilling is underway in the West, near Queen Street West and James Street. This work is ongoing, expected to be completed by the end of December 2024, and hours of work at the West site are weekdays, 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- Hoarding installation is ongoing throughout the Queen site.
- Monitoring device installations for utilities and sewers are ongoing throughout the neighbourhood.
- Note, the pedestrian walkway between the Eaton Centre and Hudson's Bay Centre has remained open facilitate the access as long as possible.



View of the piling machine at the Queen site, June 28, 2024

Work in Progress - East

- Preparation for piling on the east site is underway; a decommissioned bus shelter near 1 Queen Street East has been removed.
- Geotechnical Investigation, hydrovacating to locate utilities underway in the East (Yonge Street to Victoria Street).
- Site preparation, including delivery of materials and equipment, continues in the East.
- Planters in front of 1 Queen Street East are being removed to enable future piling activity in this area.
- Traffic signal changes at the intersection of Queen Street East and Victoria Street are ongoing; signals will be slightly modified at the intersection to allow poles to be removed.
- The sidewalk in front of 1 Queen Street East remains open to pedestrians; further closures have been postponed and are expected to happen in mid-August.



Example of a sewer investigation in progress in the East.

Upcoming Work

Test Pits in front of TTC entrance - West site

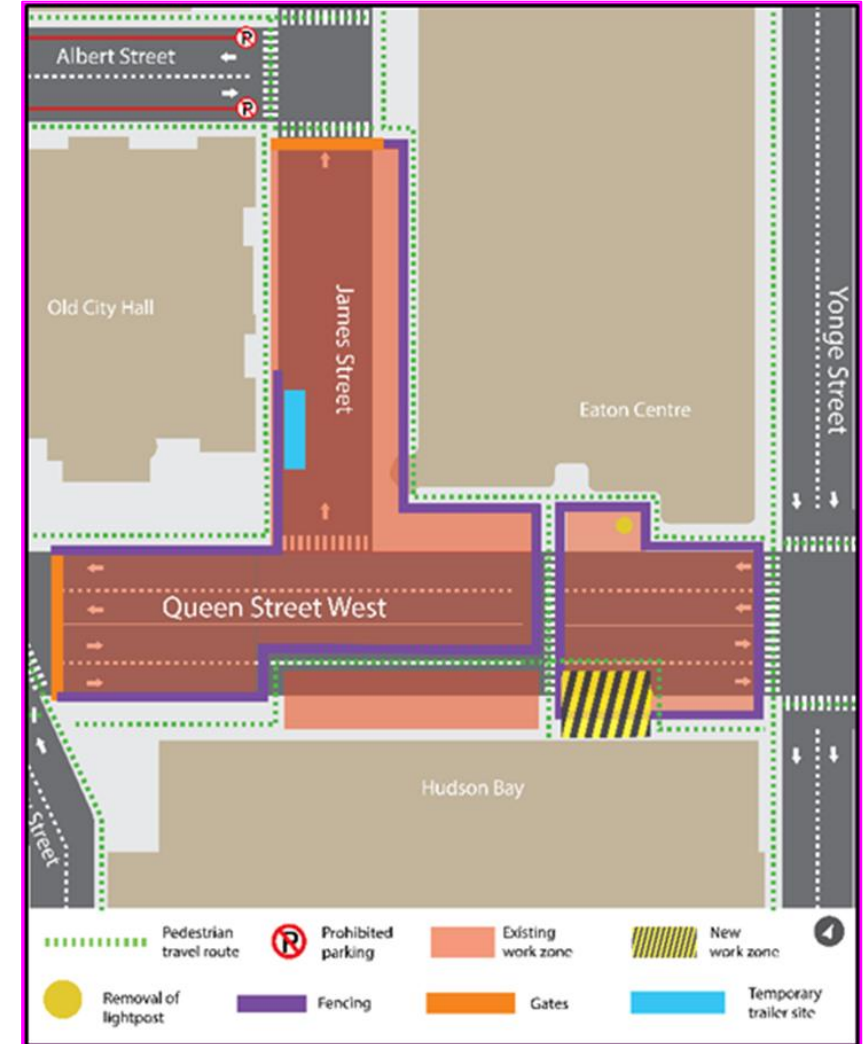
- Teams will be conducting testing in front of the TTC entrance on the south side of Queen Street West, near the Hudson's Bay Centre.
- During this work, pedestrian access will be temporarily modified, pedestrians will be detoured around the work zone.
- The work is expected to take one week to complete the work will take place weekdays from 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Start date to be announced.

Piling - East site

- Upon completion of site preparation and hoarding works, piling is expected to start in the East site. Additional updates on timing to be shared.

Water Main Repair Work

- The City of Toronto will undertake repair work on a watermain at the intersection of Queen Street East and Victoria Street. This work will take place overnight, and the date will be announced.



Map of expected work zone - Test Pits

Major construction milestones to propel the Ontario Line subway forward.

Time	Activity	Details & Purpose
Spring/ Summer 2024	Site Preparation	Preparation of sites for future construction, as lands are provided to OTG.
Spring/ Summer 2024	Hoarding installation	Installation of Phase 1 permanent (plywood) site hoarding.
Summer - early Winter 2024	Piling	Piling work around the perimeter of the future station ensures structural support.

All timelines estimated and subject to change

Discussion

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.

Bi-monthly CLC meetings

- Regular committee meetings to discuss upcoming works and share information.
- Next CLC meeting expected to take place **August 13** (virtual).

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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MONTREAL

Queen

BANK OF MONTREAL

Michael's Hospital

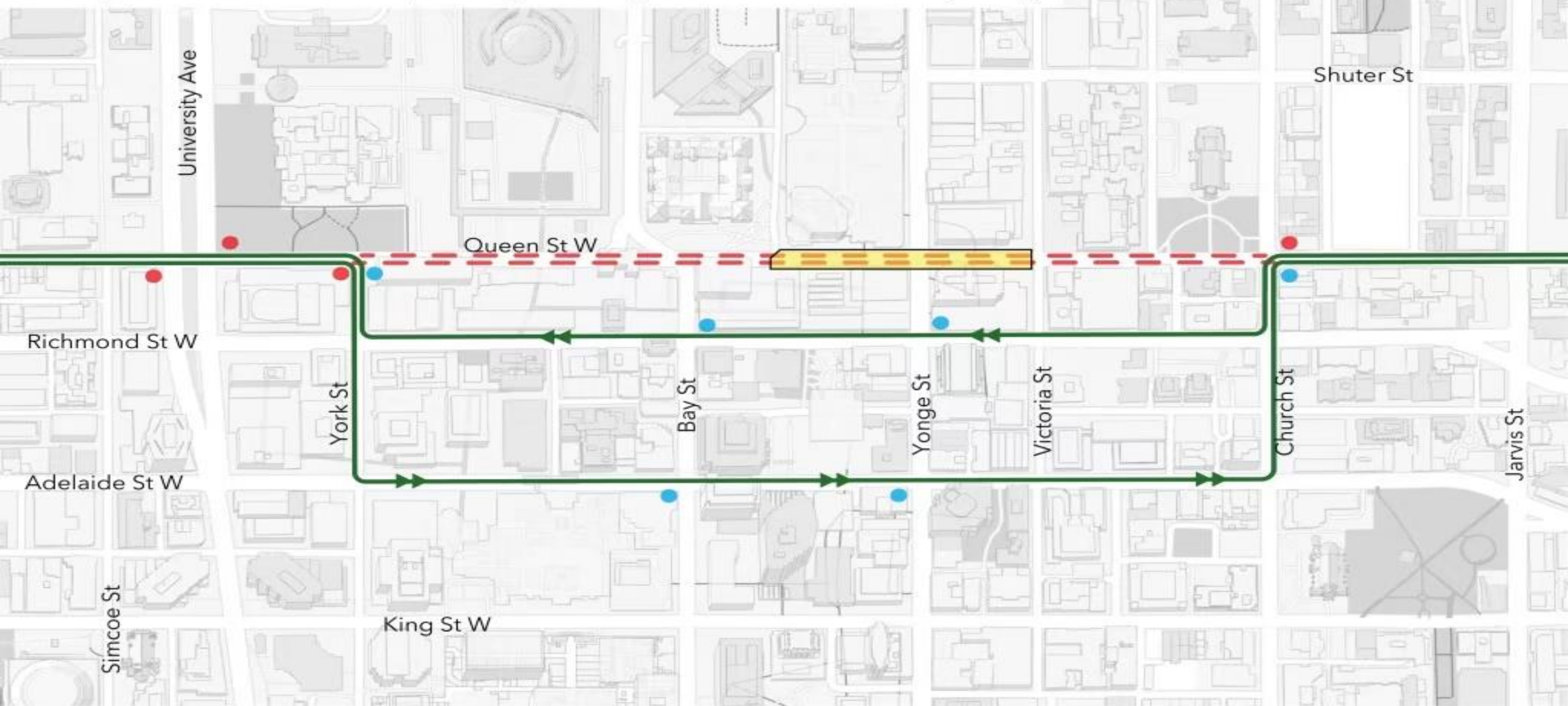
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QUEEN Queen

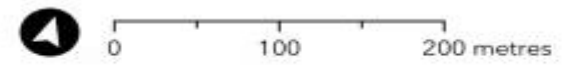
* TTC stop locations and number of stops are subject to change based on future TTC service planning



--- Current streetcar route

— New streetcar route

▭ Closed to vehicle traffic



● Current streetcar stop

● New streetcar stop

Access Points

