

## **Queen Station** Construction Liaison Committee

December 10, 2024





### Agenda

### Welcome (15 minutes)

- Introductions
- Land Acknowledgement
- Safety Moment
- Actions Items

### **Presentation (30 minutes)**

• OTG Construction Update

### **Discussion (15 minutes)**

Community Engagement



### LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

First Nation Reserve GO Rail Lin ->>> METROLINX

### 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 - COMMUNITY SAFETY AROUND CONSTRUCTION**

### Get ready for winter weather: ensuring a safe commute around the future Queen station

#### 1. Keep Sidewalks Clear and Accessible

• Our team ensures pedestrian pathways around the site remain clear of snow and ice. Please follow posted detour routes for your safety.

#### 2. Watch for Changing Conditions

• Winter weather can make surfaces slippery. Wear proper footwear and stay alert near construction areas.

#### 3. Maintain Visibility

• With shorter daylight hours, lighting is in place. Be mindful of marked crosswalks and pedestrian signals.

#### **4. Respect Construction Barriers**

• Barriers are set up to protect you. Avoid cutting through restricted areas for your safety and ours.

### 5. Be Patient with Delays

• Winter conditions can slow progress.



Shovel in action cleaning snow

### **NOVEMBER CLC ACTION ITEMS**

	ACTION ITEM	RESPONSE	STATUS
1	<b>Metrolinx/OTG</b> to provide update on the sandbags along Bay Street.	Sandbags will continue to be used by the Metrolinx and OTG teams for temporary signage. Signage expected to be in place permanently will be secured by other methods (i.e. bolts)	Complete
2	<b>Metrolinx</b> to share geotechnical investigations with the properties affected, if relevant.	Metrolinx will continue to liaise with individual properties, as required.	Complete
3	<b>Metrolinx</b> to share plans for signage on the east side of Queen, as available.	Updates on plans for signage around the Queen sites will be shared as available.	In progress

## **Advanced Works**



### **Advanced Utility Works & HBC Basement Modifications Update**

### **On-going Works**

- Toronto Hydro cable relocation works between Bay Street and Yonge Street, remains ongoing.
- Hudson's Bay below ground works expected completion is January 2025.



Mechanical Works in the Basement

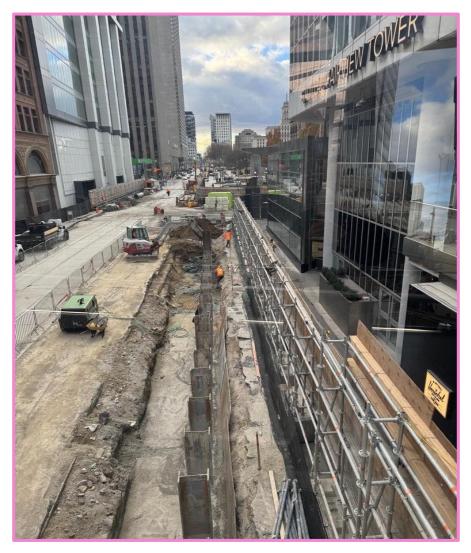
## OTG Construction Update



## Update on current work

### At the west site:

- Piling activity is ongoing, with expected completion by early 2025.
- Crews are installing piles around the site as access and coordination permit.
- Crews are installing the capping beam as they complete pile sections, which will support the station box integrity during excavation.
- Utilities relocation work is ongoing to make way for the future station site footprint.



Piling work in progress at the west site - December 2024

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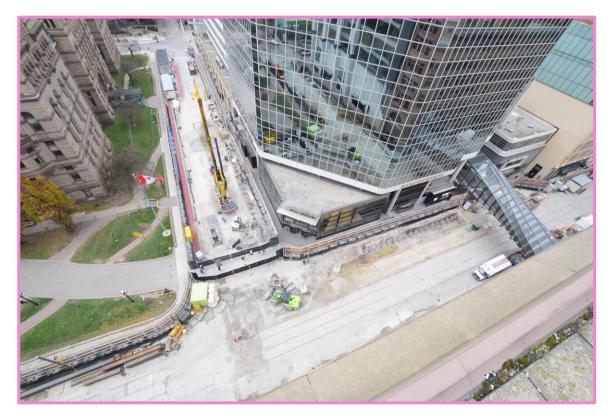
### At the east site:

- Piling activity is ongoing, with completion expected in early 2025. Capping beam installation will follow sequentially.
- Construction of the piling platform on the south portion of Queen Street is progressing and is scheduled to complete in December 2025.
- Utilities works for the future site footprint, including the relocation of water, sanitary, and storm sewers, will continue into 2025.
- Recent watermain work impacted 27 Queen Street East and 105 Victoria Street. A second phase of watermain work is expected January 2025. Stakeholders will be notified in advance.
- Instrumentation and monitoring works are complete, with potential additional work in early 2025.



Watermain work underway at the east site

### **Temporary crosswalk at James Street**



Piling work in progress at the east site - December 2024

- For approximately two months, crews will open a temporary crosswalk to allow pedestrians to cross James Street.
- The crosswalk is expected to be open:
  - Weekdays from 5:00 p.m. until 11:00 p.m.
  - Saturday, Sunday and statutory holidays from 8:00 a.m. until 11:00 p.m.
- This crossing will remain closed to pedestrians during all other times, including overnight.
- Crosswalk opening may be delayed or cancelled due to unforeseen circumstances.
- Flaggers will be onsite to safely direct pedestrians.

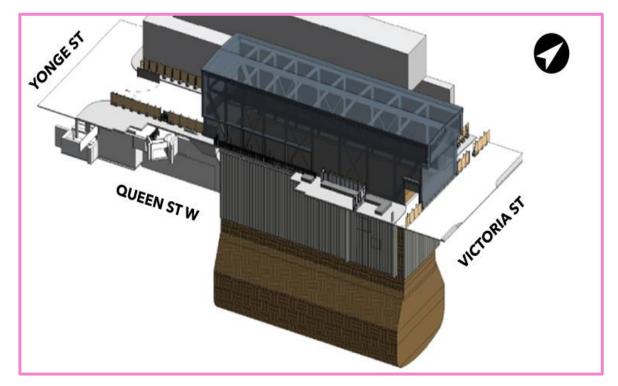


### Upcoming work: excavation preparation

In the coming months, crews will prepare both station sites for excavation, including utility work, site prep, deliveries and capping beam installation.

### At the east site:

- An acoustic shelter will be built. The structural frame will be installed first, followed by cladding.
- A portion of the south sidewalk on Queen Street East will be closed during installation, with additional closures communicated as needed.
- An overhead crane will be installed inside the shelter for excavation support. Once complete, only the exterior cladding will be visible from the street.



Artist rendering of acoustic shelter; subject to change.

#### **Construction milestones to move the Ontario Line forward**

Time	Activity	Details & Purpose
Fall 2024	<ul> <li>Utilities work, including relocating, removing and testing</li> </ul>	Relocate, remove and testing of utilities in the west and east sites (various work zones, as required)
Fall 2024 - Mid-2025	<ul> <li>Piling</li> <li>Excavation preparation at the west site</li> </ul>	Continuation of piling and start of the excavation preparation works including capping beam works.
Early 2025 - Mid 2025	• Excavation preparation at the East site (including acoustic shelter and crane installation)	Excavation preparations works, including the installation of the capping beam, acoustic shelter, and overhead crane.

\*All timelines estimated and subject to change

### Discussion

## **Community Engagement**

# **Keeping You Informed**

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.

**Next CLC meeting:** This will be our last meeting for 2024. Our next meeting will be in early 2025, date to be announced.

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