Compensation Chimney

February 10, 2025

Existing Chimney Swift Habitat, 622 King Street East

Expected construction start date: February 18, 2025

What You Need to Know

As part of pre-construction work for the Hamilton LRT project, a stand-alone chimney will be constructed at 789 King Street East (at Stirton Street) to provide a compensation habitat for chimney swifts, one of Ontario's endangered bird species that make their habitat in chimneys. The existing habitat is the chimney of a building at 662 King Street East that will be demolished in late 2025 to make way for Hamilton LRT construction. Chimney Swifts and their nests and eggs have protection under the Migratory Birds Convention Act, 1994 (MBCA) and the Species at Risk Act (SARA) anywhere they are found in Canada. The chimney at 662 King Street East will be maintained for the nesting season, from April to November 2025, to allow for the transition of chimney swifts from the old location to the new one. During this time monitoring will continue.



WHAT TO EXPECT

- Work will involve the use of construction equipment including excavators, bobcats, and dump trucks delivering materials.
- Residents and businesses in the area may hear noise caused by work equipment. Crews will take measures to minimize noise impacts wherever possible.
- During construction dust from trucks and construction equipment is possible.
- Crews will implement mitigations to reduce dust.
- Work may be delayed due to weather conditions or unforeseen circumstances.

HOURS OF WORK

• Weekdays, 8 AM - 5 PM

TRAFFIC & PARKING DETAILS

- On-street parking will remain open to the public.
- Construction crews will park on site.
- There are no road/lane closures expected.
- Short-term traffic interruptions can be expected while trucks and equipment enter and exit work zones.
- There will be no impact to sidewalks.

CONSTRUCTION DETAILS

- Duration of the work will be from Feb 18 April 15, 2025.
- After-hours security will be present between 7:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. to ensure equipment and materials are not tampered with.

TRANSIT INFORMATION

• There will be no impact to transit.

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