

College Promenade Streetscaping Project Frequently Asked Questions Contract # 17ECS-TI-17SP

When Will Construction Start?

The start date for Construction is June 19, 2017.

How is the work being staged in 2017?

In 2017, work is being staged block by block. There may be a second block used to store materials for the work taking place. But as much as possible, machinery and materials are being stored within the block where work is taking place.

During Phase 1, work will start on the south side at Rusholme and progress east. Phase 1 work will include the parkettes on the south side of College Street. When the work is complete on the south side, the contractor will then move to the north side of the street. Then complete all outstanding work, including the parkette work, in one phase.

On the south side, one half of the existing sidewalk will remain open. Work will take place in smaller sections on the south side. So, fencing is being staged differently. Bridges are being used to allow access to residences and business. The bridges will only be in place while the base concrete is being poured for the pavers. City staff and affected businesses will pre-arrange access interruptions before the planned disruption.

How is access to business being maintained?

Access to businesses is being maintained at all times during construction. Except for a short duration (few hours), when concrete is being poured and unit pavers are being installed. The work on the south side of College St. will involve removing the sidewalk in half-widths. Then reconstructing the unit paver base in half widths. This will ensure that access is always maintained. There will be instances where this option is not workable. City Staff and the Contractor will work with those specific businesses to determine a suitable time for this work. The sidewalk is being constructed beside business / apartment doorways occasionally. Wooden ramps are being provided for access.

How is access being maintained at the medical building and the YMCA?

Access to the medical centre at 815 College and YMCA is being maintained at all times. Work directly in front of the entrance doors is being done at an agreed time with the owner and Contractor.

How is fencing being placed around the work areas?

As described above, construction will proceed from west to east. Underground electrical work is being followed by sidewalk reconstruction on each block. There will be access along the sidewalk at all times, except when placing unit pavers. During this time, pedestrians can use the closed lane on College Street.

How, when and where is garbage being collected?

Businesses / residents will put out garbage according to the regular schedule. As well as use the regular containers or tags. Unless work is taking place within a block. In this case, the Contractor will make sure Solid Waste can pick up the containers and labelled bags at the end of the nearest block.

Affected residents and businesses will get garbage pick-up notices before work starts on their block. Residents and businesses are responsible for labeling their bins with the appropriate addresses.

Who are the Staff Contacts during this project?

During construction, the first point of contact is the Senior Project Engineer,
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The on-site inspector can deal with construction-related concerns. Concerns such as fencing locations, site cleanliness, noise, garbage pickup and other issues that may come up during construction. The inspector will work with the contractor to address concerns or with the Senior Project Engineer to follow up with the contractor.

At no time, are members of the BIA to raise concerns with the contractor or crews on site. All matters must be brought to the inspector for proper documentation in their daily log and management. Regular site meetings with the Project Engineer should allow for issues to be addressed in a timely fashion. In emergency water or other situations, 311 should be called as 311 can dispatch the appropriate staff to the site to address the issue.

How do I report emergencies?

Report construction-related emergencies immediately to the Construction Inspector/Contractor's representative on site by calling 311. Also call 311 for water or other road emergencies. Report criminal concerns, health emergencies or fires by calling 911.

What street furniture is being removed and when is it going to be restored?

On the south side of College Street from Rusholme to Shaw Street, the contractor is removing all City owned:

- benches,
- garbage containers,
- and TTC bus shelters.

Bike posts are being removed as construction moves and are being replaced with the work. There may not be many items to remove on the north side since the work is being scheduled in shorter sections.

All street furniture will be re-instated once the project is completed. The timing for the reinstallation of street furniture varies. We are working with Transportation Services to get an installation time frame.

What parking arrangements are being made?

Work on the south side is being staged in smaller sections, so all north side parking is being maintained. To ensure there is enough room on the street for two lanes of traffic, there will be no parking on to the north side of active work zones. When work moves to the north side, we will work to ensure that south side parking is re-instated. The City is working to see if alternate arrangements for nearby lots can be accessed during construction also. These details will be communicated when confirmed. Visitors, business owners and residents are being expected to abide by all parking regulations. The City will not reimburse individuals for tickets issued during construction.

Where will temporary litter bins be placed?

Garbage bins are being maintained on the north side of College Street during construction. Temporary litter bins are typically not provided during construction.

Does this project affect TTC streetcar service on College Street?

506/306 Carlton route: From June 18 to October 14, 2017, a shuttle bus service will replace streetcars on College Street between Bathurst Street to Dundas Street West.

Will some addresses / locations have different arrangements for parking access?

On-street parking on College Street will resume on the north side during Phase 1 and on the south side during Phase 2. With the exception of parking across from the active work zone.

What happens if the contractor finds the unexpected underground?

If anything unexpected is found underground, the Contractor will not proceed with work in the nearby area. The element would be inspected and nearby soil tested for contaminants. The Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change (MOECC) regulations need to be followed in this situation. Working with the BIA, the design for some elements will be complementary to work that has been done on the north side. The new design will not use the same depth of sidewalk removal though.

How should businesses plan deliveries?

Businesses will continue to receive store deliveries. Delivery vehicles are not to stop within the areas where work is occurring though. The City will work to provide a work

delivery plan and schedule. This is so affected businesses can adjust their delivery schedule when work is in front of their location. During those times, deliveries should occur before or after construction hours before 7:00 A.M or after 11:00 P.M. When deliveries are being scheduled, the business owner should contact the inspector.

More Information

College Street Projects www.toronto.ca/collegest

TTC Service Diversions information:

[http://www.ttc.ca/Service Advisories/Route diversions/index.jsp](http://www.ttc.ca/Service_Advisories/Route_diversions/index.jsp)