

New Toronto Courthouse



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Request for Proposals (RFP) Update: Design Presentation Meetings

As announced in the last newsletter, the “RFP Open” phase for the new Toronto Courthouse kicked off on October 31, 2016 with the release of the RFP to two pre-qualified proponents. Since then, the two teams have been developing designs based on information provided to them in the Project-Specific Output Specifications (PSOS), which formed part of the RFP.

This stage of the NTC project includes a series of confidential “Design Presentation Meetings” (DPMs). This is an opportunity for the proponents to present their respective designs to the ministry and Infrastructure Ontario (IO). Following each DPM, the MAG and IO project team host justice participant sessions to review the designs and obtain feedback on submissions.

The justice participant sessions take place over two days:

- Day 1: MAG’s project team presents the two submissions and highlights any areas that require justice participant comments.
- Day 2: Justice participants review the submissions (drawings, models, etc.) in more detail and provide comments to the MAG/IO project team. The comments are reviewed by the MAG/IO project team prior to being provided to the proponent teams, who use the information to further develop their designs.

To date, there have been two rounds of DPMs, with the third scheduled in the spring.



“Picturing the Ward” hoarding art at NTC site
December 2016

Environmental Features of the NTC

Like Ontario's other AFP courthouses, the NTC will be designed and built to meet the Canada Green Building Council's Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) standards.

One of the requirements for a LEED rating is an energy management system, which involves setting goals to decrease the consumption of energy, and performing a monthly analysis of energy consumption in order to meet energy targets.



The courthouse's energy conservation features will include the selection of energy efficient mechanical and electrical systems, such as heating and ventilation equipment; utilization of outdoor air to balance heating or cooling requirements; motion-sensitive lights; motorized systems that lower blinds automatically as the sunlight increases; and a building-wide automation system that monitors energy consumption and adjusts for a constant temperature throughout the occupied areas of the building.

Because the NTC will be the first high-rise courthouse in Ontario, we expect to implement innovative environmental measures beyond those achieved in our previous AFP facilities.

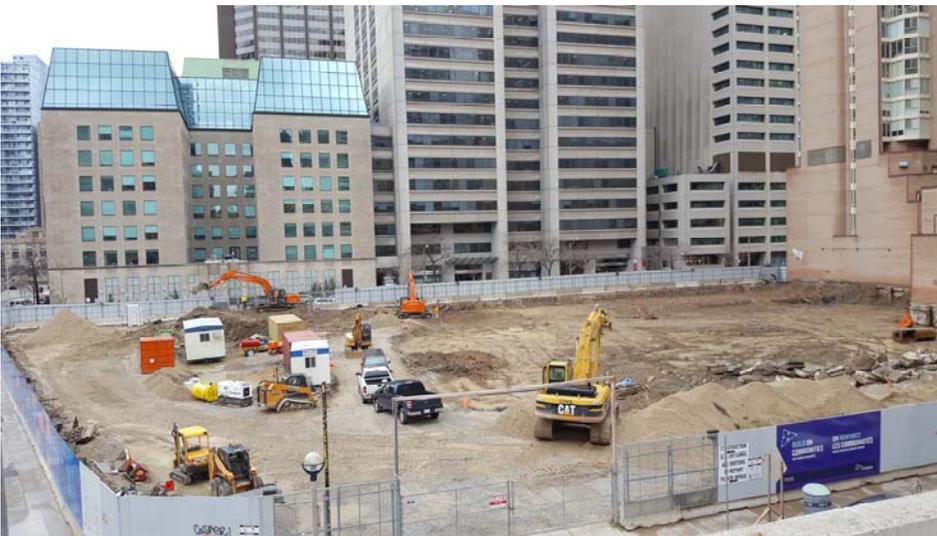
City Hall Artifact Exhibit

As mentioned in the previous NTC newsletter, tens of thousands of artifacts, mostly from the late 19th and early 20th centuries, were recovered from the new Toronto courthouse site during an extensive archaeological excavation. As part of the ongoing heritage interpretation efforts for the site, Infrastructure Ontario (IO) and the City of Toronto have developed a unique partnership to create opportunities to share some of the artifacts and their stories in four display cases at City Hall. The first exhibit, which opened on February 23 and will run for six to eight months, features a selection of artifacts that speak to Toronto's earliest Black history, including foundation stones from the British Methodist Episcopal Church, which was founded by five African-Americans who fled slavery and came to Canada by the Underground Railroad. Other items on display include a plate inspired by Harriet Beecher Stowe's novel, *Uncle Tom's Cabin*, and a 19th century Black doll's head. Visit the exhibit between 7:30 a.m. and 9:30 p.m. on weekdays and 8 a.m. and 6 p.m. on weekends.



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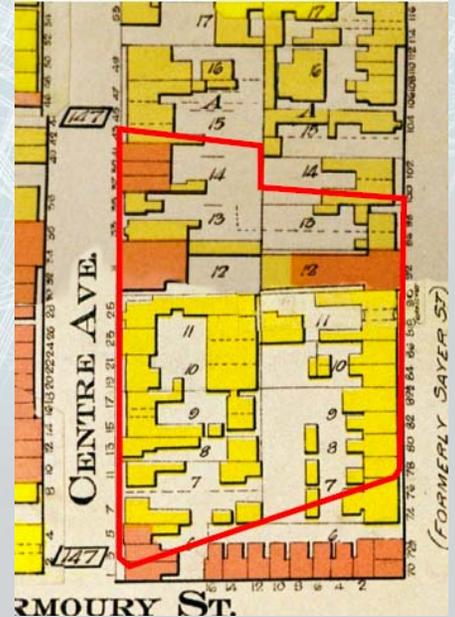
- Remedial activities to ready the site for construction continue and include removal of any debris and some excavation work.
- The construction work related to upgrading the water main on Armoury Street is expected to start in fall 2017. The intent is to increase capacity to meet the NTC's needs.



March 1, 2017



March 13, 2017



1913 Goad's Fire Insurance Map, showing NTC site

Ask Us!

Your questions are important to us.

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