

September 30, 2016

Watermain Replacement & Road Reconstruction Lansdowne Avenue from south of Dundas Street West to Rideau Avenue

Contract: 16ECS-TI-20SP

Expected Start Date: June 13, 2016

Expected End Date: September 15, 2016

New End Date: November 4, 2016

**Content/dates subject to change.*

The City of Toronto has been working to replace the watermain on Lansdowne Avenue from south of Dundas Street to Rideau Avenue, and on the Lansdowne Avenue East Branch up to Shirley Street since June of 2016.

The progress on this project was delayed by unfavourable water testing results (more details below). Thank you for your patience during this project.

WORK DETAILS

To date the City's contractor has installed the new watermain.

Now that the new watermain is in service, crews will:

- Replace City-owned service pipes that do not meet City standards (from the watermain to the private property line).
- Reconstruct the sidewalks and road to complete the project.

WHAT TO EXPECT DURING CONSTRUCTION

- You will experience dust, noise and other inconveniences.
- Property owners should remove items located within City property limits (boulevard or front yard), such as landscaping and / or decorative objects.
- The City will not be responsible for damage to any privately owned items on City property.

	<p>Work Hours: Work will typically take place from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Monday to Friday and 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. on Saturday.</p>
	<p>Why Did Water testing take so long?</p> <p>The City's first priority is to ensure that all of pipes and the water flowing through the pipes meet the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change (MOECC) drinking water quality standards. Before a new watermain can be put into service, the City tests the water at an accredited lab to ensure it is safe to drink.</p> <p>This involves taking two samples, 24 hours apart, and having them tested to ensure they meet stringent drinking water quality standards -- these standards are set by MOECC. If a test result fails to meet the standard, crews work as quickly as possible to rectify the situation and the action taken depends on the situation.</p> <p>There are a number of reasons why water quality samples taken from new pipes can fail and this can include contamination during sampling or insufficient disinfection of the pipe and sometimes hot weather can make sampling more difficult as it affects the chemistry of disinfection, but it's not always the case. Once corrective action has been taken, the City will return to take more samples for testing. When two consecutive samples are found to meet the MOECC's drinking water quality standards, the watermain can be put into service. We apologize, but the water quality testing process can take time.</p>

	<p>Traffic Management: Efforts have been made to manage traffic in the area for the safety of workers, road users and residents. Road users should expect delays and increased traffic on nearby main and side streets.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Southbound traffic will only be maintained details below for local access to the supermarket plaza located at the south west corner of Lansdowne Avenue and Dundas Street. • Lansdowne Avenue will be closed in the southbound direction from Dundas street West to Rideau Avenue for the entire project. • Northbound traffic on Lansdowne Avenue will be maintained at all times.
	<p>47 Lansdowne Bus Route</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Southbound buses on the 47 Lansdowne route will be diverted via, south on Lansdowne Avenue, east on Dundas Street West, south on Dufferin Street, west on Queen Street West, north on Macdonell Avenue, east on Seaforth Avenue and north on Lansdowne Avenue to regular route. • Northbound service will be maintained. <p>Visit: ttc.ca for accurate schedule information</p>
	<p>Alternate Cycle Routes: Cyclists travelling southbound on Lansdowne between Bloor and College Streets and will be diverted west to St. Helen's Avenue via Lumbervale Avenue, then west on to Dundas Street West and south on Sorauron Avenue. Cyclists travelling northbound on Lansdowne Avenue between Rideau Avenue and Dundas Street West will be required to merge with traffic.</p>
	<p>Road and Sidewalk Access: In order to complete the work in a safe manner, there will be road and sidewalk restrictions within the construction work area. Access for emergency vehicles will be maintained at all times.</p> <p>Laneways: Laneways and driveways that serve businesses in the area will remain accessible for deliveries or service</p>
	<p>Parking: Parking in the active work zone is not permitted. If your parked vehicle affects the construction work, it will be re-located with no charge to the owner. Please contact parking control for the location of your vehicle at 416-808-2222.</p>
	<p>Garbage & Recycling: Please follow your normal routine. If required, the contractor will move bins to an appropriate location and return them. <u>Please ensure that you label your bins with your address.</u></p>

NEED MORE INFORMATION?

If you have questions about the upcoming work, please contact us and quote Contract **16ECS-TI-20SP**

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