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Watermain Replacement & Streetcar Track Reconstruction on Wellington Street from York Street to Church Street

Contract: 17ECS-TI-04SP

Expected Start Date: Spring 2017

Expected End Date: Fall 2017

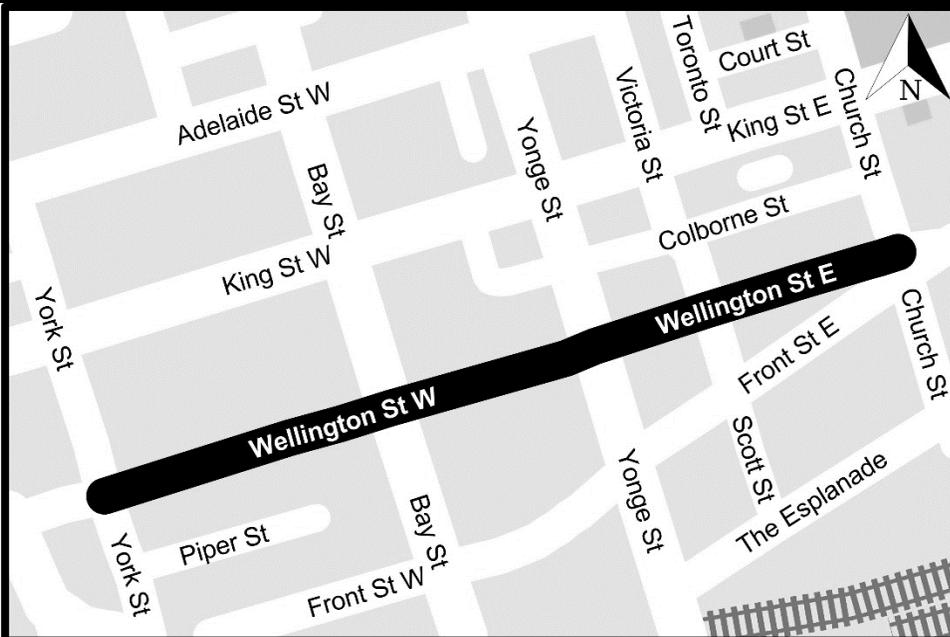
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Beginning this spring, the City of Toronto will be working on Wellington Street between York Street and Church Street replacing the watermain and upgrading the City-owned portion of substandard water services. When the watermain work is completed, the City will remove the existing streetcar tracks from just west of Yonge Street into the intersection at York Street, and reconstruct the westbound track only.

The water service is the underground pipe that brings water to your property and is owned by you and by the City. The part you own is from your building to the end of your property, the part the City owns is from the end of your property to the watermain.

This project is part of the Council-approved 2017 Capital Works Program to improve water distribution, reduce watermain breaks and to bring the track infrastructure to a state of good repair.

MAP OF WORK AREA



WORK DETAILS

For this project, crews will:

- Replace sections of the watermain and complete connections to other existing watermains.
- Remove the existing streetcar track and reconstruct the westbound only track from just west of Yonge Street into the intersection at York Street. The streetcar overhead along this stretch has already been upgraded.
- Partially reconstruct sections of curb and sidewalk as well as completing streetscape work from York Street to Yonge Street.
- Restore the road area where watermain work was completed.



Extended & Overnight Hours: The work hours on this project are 7:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. with work on weekends if necessary. It will be necessary for excavation activities to extend to 11 p.m. during weekend work at some Wellington Street intersections, i.e. Bay Street and at York Street.

The TTC track reconstruction phase of this project will involve periods of late evening and overnight work. The overnight rail work by TTC may consist of moving new rail into position, rail installation and rail welding / grinding.

	<p>In addition, some streetcar overhead wiring work will be performed overnight, as required. After-hours work by TTC is required to support the daytime construction and complete the project as quickly as possible.</p>
	<p>Traffic Management: Efforts have been made to manage traffic in the area for the safety of workers, road users and residents. These efforts include adding Local Access signs, revising traffic signal times. Road users should expect delays and increased traffic on nearby main and side streets.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wellington Street will see lanes reduced to one lane; The intersection of Wellington St & Bay St will be closed for 5 days when the tracks are being reconstructed. The intersection of Wellington St & York St will be closed for 9 days when the streetcar tracks are being reconstructed. Construction Updates will be provided before each closure.
	<p>TTC Service:</p> <p>503 Kingston Rd streetcar route: buses are currently running on this route, and will maintain regular routing on Wellington Street through the work zone.</p> <p>121 Fort York-Esplanade bus route: buses will maintain regular routing on Wellington Street through the work zone.</p> <p>During the streetcar track work at the intersections of Wellington/York and at Wellington/Bay St., buses on the 503 Kingston Rd, 121 Fort York-Esplanade, 6 Bay and 72 Pape routes will be diverted around the closures.</p> <p>visit ttc.ca for detailed transit information</p>

WHAT TO EXPECT BEFORE CONSTRUCTION

- Work crews will mark the locations of underground utilities, such as gas, water and cable so that the construction work does not interfere with these utilities.
- Affected properties will receive a Construction Notice approximately two weeks before work begins with more information about the work.
- Work in the boulevard in front of commercial properties is expected. This work includes removing and replacing driveways, municipal sidewalks and grassed boulevards, where necessary. The City is not responsible for damage to any privately owned items on City property.
- Property owners should remove items located within City property limits (boulevard), such as landscaping and or decorative objects before work starts.

 	<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.</p> <p>Driveway Access: The contractor will notify you of any temporary restrictions to your driveway access. If your property has two entrances, one entrance will be kept open at all times. 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>Accommodation: Residents that require accommodation must contact the project manager to arrange for access during construction.</p>
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MORE INFORMATION:

If you have questions about the upcoming work, please contact us.

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Thank you for your patience. Building a great city takes time. Better infrastructure for all of us is worth the wait.