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PARLIAMENT STREET CLOSURE BETWEEN FRONT & LAKESHORE

Essential gas line replacement work by Enbridge will require a significant closure of Parliament Street between Front Street and Lake Shore Blvd East.

This work will start next **Monday**, **July 31 and continue for an estimated 3 weeks**. To avoid a longer closure period the working hours will be from **7:00 a.m. – 11:00 p.m.**, with most heavy operations ending by 7:00 p.m. nightly.

Unfortunately, during this period there will also be some nighttime hydro work at Parliament Street and Front Street replacing wiring to increase electrical system reliability in our community; this will take place for **approximately 2 weeks between 10:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m.**

Traffic Information:

- Parliament Street southbound will be closed from Front Street to Lake Shore Blvd.
- Mill Street and Parliament Street intersection will have a Paid Duty Officer managing traffic flows of motor vehicles, bicycles, and pedestrians. They will also assist with local access to Distillery Lane.
- The sidewalk on the east side of Parliament Street will remain open to pedestrians between Mill Street and Distillery Lane.
- Parliament Street northbound will be closed from Lake Shore East up to Mill Street. A flag person will be stationed at Distillery Lane to assist with local access to exit onto Parliament northbound.
- We are awaiting details of TTC route changes.
- In addition to temporary road closure and detour signs, the city plans to install some mobile messaging signs in the area.

Detour options to reach the Distillery District:

- From eastbound on Lake Shore Blvd E turn north at Sherbourne St., then east at Front St. and south at Trinity Street or Cherry Street
- From eastbound on Queens Quay E turn north at Jarvis St., then east at Front St. and south at Trinity Street or Cherry Street
- From westbound on Lake Shore Blvd E turn north at Cherry St.
- From southbound on Parliament turn east at Front Street and then south at Trinity Street or Cherry Street

WATERFRONT TORONTO CONSTRUCTION NOTICE

As part of the Quayside project, Waterfront Toronto is preparing for the first step of construction that will extend Queens Quay east to the planned Silo Street, including a new intersection with a realigned Parliament Street. The extension of Queens Quay East will support the future road network and planned light rail transit in the area.

To facilitate this work, the head of Parliament Slip will be filled in and a new dockwall will be constructed. On **August 1, 2023**, the construction team will begin using the parking lot at 333 Lake Shore Boulevard East (on the east side of Parliament Slip) for staging and general site mobilization. Construction of the new dockwall and lakefill will begin in Fall 2023.

TURNING RED

On **Friday, August 4**, Councillor Ausma Malik will be <u>watching Turning Red</u> at Canoe Landing Park (north field). **The event begins at 7:00 p.m., with the movie starting at 8:30 p.m.** It is free of charge, everyone is welcome, and there will be snacks! Please bring your blankets and chairs. Stop by for some popcorn, and enjoy this movie that takes place right here in Spadina-Fort York. <u>Let us know you'll make it</u>.

DAVID CROMBIE PARK AND ESPLANADE & MILL STREET CONNECTION

David Crombie Park is being revitalized to respond to the current and future needs of the community. A conceptual park design was developed through extensive community engagement in Phase One, from 2018 - 2020.

Phase Two is currently underway, where improvements will be made based on the

approved conceptual park design. City divisions are working closely together to deliver the park revitalization alongside cycle track improvements on The Esplanade for a seamless integration of the park and public realm. To learn more or get involved, visit the **<u>Park's website</u>**.

BIKE SAFETY CHECK STATION

Until August 19th, Charlie's Freewheels will be bringing their Bike Safety Check Station to the Summer Saturdays at the Moss Park Market from 11 AM to 2 PM. Their teams of mechanics will perform safety checks and minor adjustments, and provide air and oil to your bike. The service is free for youth under 25, or Pay-What-You-Can for adults over 25.

MEET HISTORICAL REENACTORS IN OLD TOWN TORONTO

On **Saturdays, June through August**, find historic reenactors and artisans in Old Town Toronto. This friendly group tours the area 12 noon to 3:00 p.m. Saturdays, and are happy to chat with you about historic facts, their period specific attire, or snap a selfie.

Their route/timing may alter week-to-week, however, their casual itinerary is:

12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.: St. James Park for a stroll then off to Berczy Park for a picnic.

1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.: Market Street where they demonstrate different things such as quill writing, knitting, whittling, polishing buckles.

2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.: Back through St. James Park, where they just might invite you to partake in a game of croquet.

Thank you to Friends of St James Park for sharing this event with us!



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