



INFORMATION BULLETIN #5

Dunlop Street Corridor Improvements
Contract 2019-083T

June 8, 2020

In light of recent developments related to the COVID-19 pandemic, the project team is monitoring and assessing impacts to the overall project schedule.

At this time, construction has been able to advance the construction schedule for the Dunlop Street improvement project. With an additional crew available and reduced traffic downtown, they have been able to progress sooner than anticipated.

The City is ensuring that the safety of city staff and contractors is always maintained. Construction workers are limiting contact with each other and additional hand sanitizers and wipes are available. No meetings are being held inside construction trailers; site meetings are being conducted via teleconference. City staff and inspectors are also following physical distancing and sanitizing protocols.

Construction Timelines

Stage 1 – originally scheduled for March to July 2020 **ALMOST COMPLETE**

Stage 1 is nearing completion. Trees and plants have been installed from Mulcaster St. to just before Owen St.

Soil cell installation is also nearing completion (these below ground

cells allow the growth of the tree roots that will be planted). Curb and sidewalk work from Owen St. to Clapperton St., including Meridian Square, is ongoing. Pole bases and electrical installation is ongoing as well.

The Owen St. intersection work is nearing completion and the intersection is expected to open by approximately June 15, weather permitting.

The work between Owen St. and Clapperton St. is expected to be completed by mid-July.

Stage 3 – originally scheduled for Sept. to November 2020 **ANTICIPATED TO BE COMPLETE BY MID-JULY**

Dunlop St. from Mary St. to Maple Ave., including the intersection of Maple Ave., remains closed. This work is anticipated to be completed by mid-July. By allowing this additional closure, Arnott can advance the construction schedule.

The Mary St. intersection will stay open until the Owen St. intersection has re-opened. The Mary St. intersection closure is anticipated to start around June 15, once the Owen St. intersection is open. The Mary St. intersection closure will likely be complete by mid-July.

On June 15, the fencing will be extended to west of Bayfield St. and east of Toronto St. Both the

Toronto Street intersection and the Bayfield/Clapperton (Five Points) Intersection will remain open. By extending the fencing, this will allow the Contractor to progress their work more quickly in this area.

Removal of existing infrastructure between Maple Ave. and Mary St. are complete, as well as watermain work in this area.

Storm sewer installation is nearing completion in this section and soil cell installation has begun.

To assist with access and traffic flow downtown, Mary St. from Dunlop St. to Ross St. is a two-way street. There will not be on-street parking available while Mary St. is a two-way street. Mary Street will be a two-way street until the project is completed in October. Impacted patrons can use nearby municipal parking on Maple Ave. There is pedestrian access to Mary St. through the parking lot adjacent to the LCBO.

Due to the closure of the Maple Ave./Dunlop St. intersection, detour Barrie Transit routes will be in place. Routes 1, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 100 will be on detour. Visit the City's transit page at barrie.ca/TransitNotices for updated information.



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Stage 2 – originally scheduled for July to Sept. 2020

ANTICIPATED TO BEGIN IN MID-JULY

The Five Points intersection closure, the Toronto St. intersection closure and the associated work on Dunlop St. in this area is anticipated to begin mid-July and be complete by mid-October.

Will my services be affected?

Sanitary sewer, hydro and gas services should not be affected by the construction, barring any unforeseen circumstances. However, it is possible that there may be times when communication services (telephone, internet and/or cable TV) are disrupted. If you experience a service disruption at any time, please report it to your service provider immediately so that service can be restored.

Your water service might be interrupted to complete work on the watermain. Notice of the timing of the water interruption will be provided.

Curbside garbage collection will not be affected during construction. On your normal curbside collection day, place all garbage, organics, recyclables and yard waste materials at the front of the property as usual by 4:30 a.m. The construction contractor will remove these items and take them outside of the construction zone for pickup by the City's waste contractor. Garbage cans, green bins and recycling boxes will be returned to the property. Mark your address on all containers.

Access to properties

There will be a full road closure on Dunlop St. and surrounding side streets in the active work areas. The work area will always maintain pedestrian traffic.

Detour signage and Arnott's safety 'ambassadors' are on site during working hours to help direct motorists and pedestrians.

Pedestrian access to businesses will be maintained as much as possible throughout the duration of the construction. If you have any questions regarding access to your business during construction, please contact Nicole Maurice.

Parking

There is two free hours of parking in the Chase McEachern Way lot (including 15 Bayfield lot) and in the Maple Ave. Central lot. Users must use the Pay n' Display machine to print a free two-hour receipt and place it on their dashboard to be eligible.

On May 12, the City designated all on-street parking spaces along Dunlop St. from Poyntz St. to Toronto St. as "loading only zones." This change limits parking to 10 minutes or less and will help maintain traffic flow in the area. The change is in effect until further notice.

Accessibility Requirements

If you have any accessibility requirements or if wheelchair access is required, please advise Arnott's Public Relations Officer.

Emergency Services

Access for emergency vehicles will be maintained at all times.

Safety

The contractor is required to conduct their work in a safe manner, including fencing of deep excavations.

Overall impact

Downtown businesses will have more attractive and accessible storefronts, along with improved patio functionality. There will be more trees and new planters that will help reduce road pollutants from stormwater run-off. Overall, there will be an improved and more accessible pedestrian experience with wider sidewalks, rolling curbs and new interlock stone.

Additional information during the COVID-19 pandemic

Many downtown Barrie businesses are offering curbside pickup or takeout/delivery service. Find participating businesses using the BIA's [interactive map](#).

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