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SLNA Newsletter

Next SLNA Mtg. Jan. 29

The next SLNA Community Meeting will happen on Wednesday, January 29 at 7 p.m. (meeting registration begins at 6:30 p.m.). Location: 115 The Esplanade, enter code "246".

[Download Meeting Agenda.](#)

St. Lawrence Market's operating hours changing this March

Hours of operation at the City of Toronto's St. Lawrence Market South (the main building) will change for a one-year pilot project starting March 15, 2020. Operating hours under the pilot project (effective March 15, 2020):

Open

Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.
Saturdays from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Sundays from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Closed

Mondays

Some holiday dates will vary during the pilot project. 2020 holiday hours will be posted on <http://www.stlawrencemarket.com/> by the end of January. The St. Lawrence Market Saturday Farmers Market will continue to operate with existing hours every Saturday year-round from 5 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Gardiner Expressway Noise Issue

On Friday, January 10 the City of Toronto hosted a meeting at the St. James Cathedral Parish Centre for residents of the St. Lawrence, Distillery District and neighbourhoods surrounding the Gardiner Rehabilitation work on the section east of Sherbourne. See further details below (and City of Toronto update attached).

MEDIA COVERAGE:

[Toronto Star - Tory Announces Weekend Halt to Gardiner Work](#)

[CBC - Sleepless in Toronto](#)

[Overnight Work on the Gardiner to be Temporary Halted](#)

[Globe and Mail Coverage](#)

SLNA Newsletter (Jan 14./2020) Attachment

City of Toronto Gardiner Update

CONSTRUCTION UPDATE (JANUARY 13 - JANUARY 19, 2020)

The City of Toronto is committed to providing timely updates to residents within the vicinity of the Gardiner Expressway Rehabilitation construction work zone. This notice provides details of upcoming construction activities that may be disruptive.

The dates indicated above are anticipated based on the current construction schedule and are subject to change as a result of schedule changes, weather or unforeseen circumstances.

If you have any concerns with the noise levels you experience, please let us know at gardinerrehab@toronto.ca or calling 416-338-2930 and provide us with a description of the noise, date and time of the noise.

CONSTRUCTION NOISE UPDATE

Over the weekend, senior staff with the City's Engineering and Construction Services Division and the contractor Aecon discussed alternative strategies to deliver overnight work in a way that is less impactful. Based on these conversations, the contractor will begin to conduct a series of core drilling tests. The previous trial was incomplete because it did not take place over a long enough duration and was interrupted by inclement weather. Testing will start tonight at 11 p.m. on a section of the Gardiner deck just east of Sherbourne Street. While hoe-ramming may still occur prior to 11 p.m., we can confirm that no hoe-ramming will take place while the core drilling tests occur between 11 p.m. and 7 a.m.

The City has also hired its own noise consultants to provide additional noise monitoring for the project. The City has contacted property managers and residents to determine if they will permit the installation of the noise monitors on their buildings at the locations identified by the City's noise consultant and are currently firming up two locations, which we hope to finalize shortly. In the meantime, the City's noise monitoring consultant will be on hand to monitor the noise of tonight's construction work in real-time via hand-held monitors until permanent locations are finalized. In the event that noise levels exceed our thresholds of 75dBA, the noise consultants will ensure the City's site inspectors and the contractor cease operations of the core drilling.

The City is also following up on the current placement of lights and has instructed the contractor to turn the light down, and away from the condo buildings. The brightness of the LED lights are also being reviewed.

Please note that all efforts are being made to reduce the noise impacts overnight and we will strive to communicate the results of tonight's testing by tomorrow afternoon.

REPLACEMENT OF THE SHERBOURNE/JARVIS OFF-RAMP

Crews continue to form and install reinforcing steel on the ramp. Construction work is expected to be less disruptive and will be completed during daytime hours only from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. Construction noise associated with ramp construction will include hammering, sawing, drilling, chipping, backup alarms and other machinery noises.

GARDINER EXPRESSWAY STRATEGIC REHABILITATION FROM CHERRY TO PARLIAMENT STREETS

Crews continue to form and install reinforcing steel and form barrier walls during daytime hours only between 6 a.m. and 6 p.m. Construction work will include hammering, sawing, drilling, chipping, backup alarms and other machinery noises.

GARDINER EXPRESSWAY STRATEGIC REHABILITATION FROM PARLIAMENT TO LOWER SHERBOURNE STREETS

Crews will begin the removal and replacement of the Gardiner Expressway deck this week. Construction will continue to occur overnight and during daytime hours. Starting January 13, 2020 until January 19, 2020, the Contractor will complete nightly tests of the core drilling method between 11 p.m. and 7 a.m. to test the effectiveness of this method in completing construction in less impactful manner. Hoe-ramming will not take place during the core drill tests between 11 p.m. and 7 a.m. Real time noise monitoring will be completed by the City's third-party noise consultants during this time.

Construction work is taking place around-the-clock. Noise will include chipping, hammering, core-drilling, saw-cutting, drilling, backup alarms and other machinery noise.

GARDINER EXPRESSWAY STRATEGIC REHABILITATION FROM LOWER SHERBOURNE TO LOWER JARVIS STREETS

Crews will prepare the Gardiner Expressway deck to remove and replace sections of the Expressway overnight and during daytime hours.

Construction work will begin taking place around-the-clock. Noise will include chipping, core-drilling, saw-cutting, backup alarms, discarding concrete into loading trucks and other machinery noise. Starting January 13, 2020 until January 19, 2020, the Contractor will complete nightly testing core-drills between 11 p.m. and 7 a.m. Real time noise monitoring will be completed by the City's third-party noise consultants during this time.

ANTICIPATED ROAD CLOSURES

PARLIAMENT STREET AND LAKE SHORE BOULEVARD EAST INTERSECTION CLOSURE

Access to Parliament Street north of the Gardiner Expressway from Lake Shore Boulevard East may be closed for the weekend starting at midnight on January 18. Advanced signage will be

provided, and motorists, cyclists, and pedestrians will face a detour around the closure. The intersection will re-open at 5 a.m. on January 20.

LAKE SHORE BOULEVARD LANE CLOSURES

Westbound lanes on Lake Shore Boulevard East between Cherry and Jarvis Streets will be reduced to one lane during off-peak hours from 10 a.m. - 3 p.m., Monday to Friday, 10 p.m. - 5 a.m., Sunday to Thursday, and 7 a.m. - 7 p.m., Saturday and Sunday.

Please note the noise associated with each construction activity may vary depending on the type of construction work taking place and a person's proximity to the construction activity.

We apologize for the inconvenience and thank you for your patience during construction