

August 30, 2016

## Wallace Avenue Pedestrian Bridge Repair Work & New East Stairway Installation.

Contract #: [15ECS-TI-02BE](#)

Wallace Walk by Developer

Expected Start Date: early-September, 2016

Expected End Date: late-December 2016

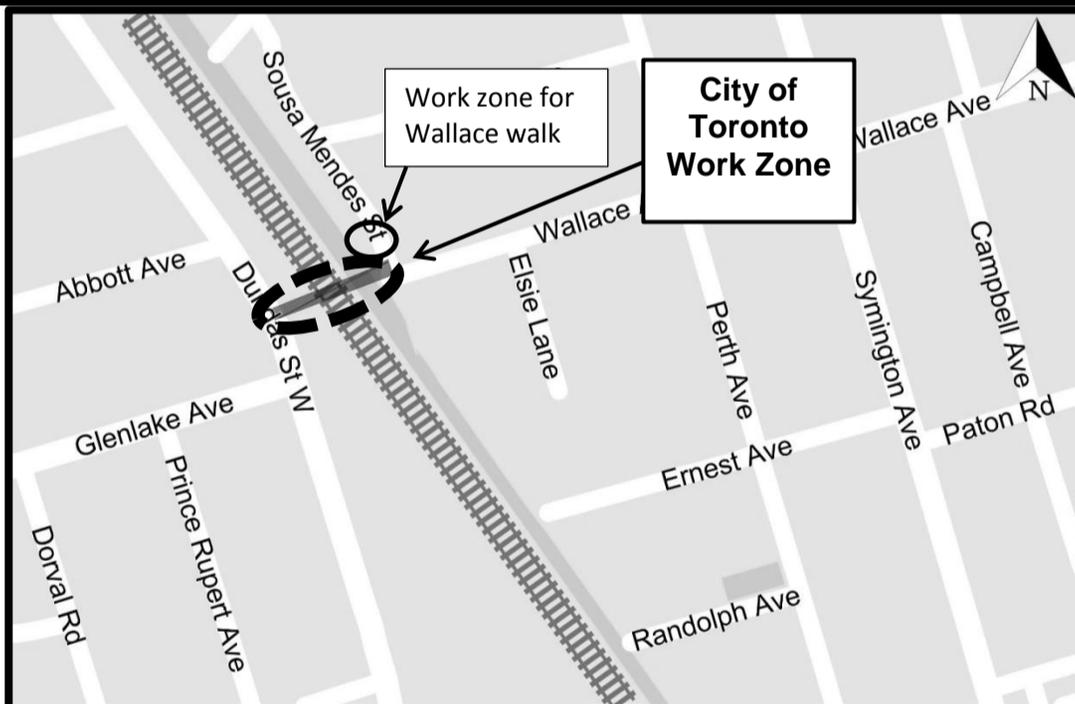
*\*Timeline is subject to change.*

The City of Toronto and the developers of the Wallace Walk Condominium will complete work on the Wallace Avenue Pedestrian Bridge from the week after Labour Day to Mid-December 2016.

The Developers of Wallace Walk will install a new staircase at the east end of the bridge, the City will complete repairs to ensure the rest of the bridge meets current bridge design codes.

This City work is part of the Council-Approved 2016 Capital Works budget and will ensure that the bridge continues to provide the important link to Dundas West Street for the local community. Efforts to keep the bridge open have been part of the planning work in construction delivery and the bridge repairs and stair installation will be delivered in phases. ***Despite these efforts there will be some periods of closure on the bridge.***

### MAP OF WORK AREA



### WALLACE WALK STAIR INSTALLATION WORK DETAILS

Crews from the Wallace Walk team have been working on the land closest to the Condo Development to lay the base work for the new stairwell including installation of posts, platforms, steel work, stair risers pouring concrete in forms and installing railings. Before the last stage of their stair work is complete, the City will then move into complete the repairs described below.

### CITY OF TORONTO REPAIR-WORK DETAILS September to November

Crews working on behalf of the City of Toronto will work in stages to ensure the bridge remains open to pedestrians throughout most of the construction by working on the either north or south side of the bridge and then shifting to the other side of the bridge. The contractor will:

- accommodate the Metrolinx corridor below;
- Erect fencing on the deck and under the east span to separate pedestrians from the work zone;
- Reinforce all truss vertical members, top and bottom handrails, and connections to west-end stairs;
- Add chain-link fence fabric between handrails;
- Replace timber curbs on the entire deck and deck planks at the west end;

- Install bird netting under the east span only

## FINAL STAGE OF STAIR INSTALLATION

Following the City of Toronto work, crews from the Wallace Walk team will return to finalize the last platform to the bridge, connect the platform and stairs to the bridge and demolish the old staircase. To complete this work, there will be no access to the bridge for 10 days.

Further notice will be distributed and signage posted before the stair installation takes place in late December or January 2017.

## WHAT TO EXPECT DURING CONSTRUCTION

- You may experience dust, noise and other inconveniences. The City will make efforts to reduce impacts. We appreciate your patience.

	<p><b>Work Hours:</b> Some of the City of Toronto work on the west and centre spans of the bridge will take place during non-train hours, defined by Metrolinx from <b>2:00 a.m. to 5:00 a.m.</b></p> <p><i>If possible, the contractor will replace the deck planks at this time, the bridge may be closed overnight for this work – signs will be posted in advance of this work and at either end of the bridge.</i></p> <p>Majority of the work will take place from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, with work after hours and on weekends as required.</p> <p>Due to the location and work schedules available, there may be an apparent lack of activity. These times are accounted for in the work schedule and work should be completed in December.</p>
	<p><b>Bridge and Pathway Access:</b> In order to complete the work in a safe manner, the bridge width available to pedestrians will be reduced. Also, there will be some hoarding installed along the pathway below the east span. Signs will be installed to help pedestrians around the work zone. Pedestrians will have to alternate the side of the bridge they use based on the work zone location alternating between the north and south sides.</p>
	<p><b>Traffic Management:</b> Traffic should not be impacted by this work. Residents of Wallace Avenue may notice the presence of construction traffic (vehicles, materials etc.) near the east span of the bridge.</p>
	<p><b>Restoration:</b> The construction work area will be restored with sod and/or asphalt where required. Concrete sidewalk damaged or removed during construction will be restored.</p>

## NEED MORE INFORMATION?

If you have questions about the upcoming work, please contact us and quote **Contract # 15ECS-TI-02BE**.

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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.