

BECKWITH STREET REVITALIZATION

CONSTRUCTION PROGRESS UPDATE NO.4 ON-GOING

November 25, 2019

Despite the early snowfall and cold weather this year, construction has been moving forward as scheduled. The two manhole structures for the Storm and Sanitary sewers were installed in the intersection of Main and Beckwith Street, and a few additional sections of pipe were placed past the manholes to clear the intersection.



While attempting to support and cross underneath an existing concrete Bell duct, the duct started to show signs of failure and it was deemed unsafe to work underneath. Fortunately, a certified Bell contractor arrived on site that same day to breakout the concrete duct allowing the work to continue.

Enbridge Gas mobilized to the job site for two days to complete the relocation of their gas main, which will now allow the Contractor to proceed with the installation of the large precast manhole structure in front of the Bank of Montreal.

A second crew for Ottawa Greenbelt has joined the work for this fall and has started the watermain installation as well as assisting with the service laterals for the new sewers.



Traffic

Main Street East was re-opened to traffic on Tuesday, November 19th. This closure allowed the Contractor to safely navigate the installation of the Storm and Sanitary sewers through the intersection.

Temporary removal of select parking spaces in the lower block between Main and Chambers will be required as the new watermain is installed. The Contractor plans to stage the work in a manner that will always allow a few parking spaces in this area to remain open.

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UP-COMING

Here are the updated construction activities planned for the next two weeks:

Week of November 25 to 29, 2019:

- The first crew will complete the installation of the large precast manhole in front of the Bank of Montreal. They will also start completing the final Sanitary and Storm sewer connections to the existing infrastructure at Chambers Street.
- The second crew that has arrived will continue with the new watermain, while picking up the service laterals underneath the watermain as required.
- A roadwork crew is scheduled to place asphalt in the Main and Beckwith Street intersection this week.

Week of December 02 to 06, 2019:

- The connection of the Sanitary and Storm sewers to the existing infrastructure at Chambers Street will be completed.
- The watermain installation will be approaching the Main Street intersection, which will be the North limit for the watermain work in 2019

DID YOU KNOW?

Construction trenching and excavation can be hazardous work, and all precautions are taken to ensure the safety of the workers and the worksite.

One particularly dangerous hazard a contractor may be exposed to is cave-ins. Most cave ins occur on jobs like water, gas, electrical and sewer installations.

To protect workers from cave-ins, varying sizes of steel trench boxes are used. Trench boxes provide a safe area for contractors to complete their work.

For more information regarding safe construction practices see the Ministry of Labour Publications:

<https://www.labour.gov.on.ca/english/hs/pubs/publications.php>

