

January 8, 2016

Via E-mail

Councillor Fletcher
Ward 30 – Toronto-Danforth
Toronto City Hall
100 Queen Street West
Toronto, Ontario M5H 2N2

Dear Councillor Fletcher,

I am writing in follow-up to my November 30, 2015, letter to provide you with a more detailed schedule for the repairs that will take place on the Ship Channel Bridge.

As per my previous letter, work to restore the bridge to be fully operational commenced the first week of January with the installation of a bubbler system under the bridge to prevent ice formation. Going forward, key dates to note are as follows:

- Week of January 18 – The bridge will be closed to marine users in order to begin repairs to the east side of the bridge. One-lane vehicular access will continue to operate as it does now with traffic control lights provided by PortsToronto. Pedestrians and bike users travelling along the east side of Cherry Street on the Martin Goodman Trail will be slightly detoured to travel over the west side of the bridge. Clearly marked signage indicating this detour will be posted.
- Week of January 25 to week of February 22 – Repairs to the east side of the bridge will be completed. Access to marine users will remain closed, while vehicular traffic will continue to flow as normal. Pedestrian and bike users will continue to be detoured to the west side of the bridge.
- Week of February 22 – The current lane open to vehicular traffic will be switched to the east side of the bridge to allow for repairs to be completed to the west side of the bridge. Pedestrian and bike access will return to normal on the east side of the bridge.

All repairs to the bridge are anticipated to be completed by the week of March 14, 2016, with the bridge returning to its full operational capacity in time for the opening of the St. Lawrence Seaway. Two-way vehicular traffic will resume at this point.

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As always, our goal is to minimize any impact of the restoration of this public roadway on the people who live and do business in the area while restoring the bridge back as efficiently as possible.

Should you have any questions during the period of repairs or at any time, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



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Chief Executive Officer

cc Mr. Michael Kraljevic, TPLC, President & CEO
Mr. David Stonehouse, Waterfront Secretariat, Director