Union Station Second Platform and Concourse Improvements Project
Update – October 2012

Upcoming Short-Term Traffic Site Restriction Changes

Front Street Closure: Weekend of October 13/14 to December 2012

Front Street from Bay to Yonge: An approximate 100 metre section of Front Street will be closed both ways from just east of Bay Street. This short term road closure is required for the excavation of the underground work area related the east end portion of the new second subway platform. During this closure, Front Street businesses between Bay Street and Yonge Street can be accessed west from Yonge Street. A temporary eastbound “U-turn” configuration near the closure will be provided for motorists. Access to parking at Brookfield Place will remain.

Front Street from York to Bay: Traffic on Front Street, between York Street and Bay Street, will be restricted to local traffic only. One eastbound lane will remain open for access to the Royal York Hotel, Taxis, and VIA passenger pick-up and drop-off. Due to road closures in the area, a “U-turn” configuration on Front Street will be provided just east of York Street for eastbound motorists approaching the construction zone wanting to return westbound.

Front and Bay Intersection Traffic Restrictions: Only east-to-south right turns and north-south straight through traffic movement will be permitted through the intersection during the period from the weekend of October 13/14 to December 2012.

Pedestrian access: East-west pedestrian crossing on the south side of the Bay-Front intersection will be closed.

Existing Long-Term Site Condition

Easy Access: The “Lift” at Union subway station (from the moat level to the station concourse level) has been removed to accommodate upcoming construction phases that will affect space within the concourse area of the subway station. During this project an alternative “Lift” is located at Brookfield Place (directional signs are posted throughout the station). The project includes easier access improvements at Union subway station.

Front Street: Until early 2013, the westerly stairwell entrance/exit at street level on the south side of Front Street leading to the subway station concourse will remain closed. The temporary walkway adjacent to the stairwell walkway will remain open.

Tunnel Pathway to Brookfield Place: Hoarding has been installed in the mid-point of the tunnel pathway to Brookfield Place to facilitate the building of a new automatic entrance, which will serve the east end of the newly expanded subway platform.

Collector booth: One of the two existing Collector booths at Union Station will remain in the vestibule between Royal Bank Plaza and the subway station. Customers may experience longer than usual line-ups when purchasing fare media and are encouraged to purchase tickets, tokens and Metropasses at any TTC collector booth or over 1,200 Authorized TTC Fare Media Sellers in Toronto. Additional pass vending and token machines have been placed in Union Railway station adjacent to the Go Transit sales booths to alleviate potential delays.

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