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Dear Mayor and Council,

This email is to inform you of some Broadway Subway construction work that will temporarily impact parking, loading zones and temporary curbside patios, on a one- to two-block section of Main Street.

As you know, the Province and its contractor, Broadway Subway Project Corporation, have begun the preliminary work to build the Broadway Subway. As part of this preparation work, the contractor is relocating a sewer line at Main Street and Broadway before construction of Mount Pleasant Station can begin.

Though specific details and timelines are not confirmed, this work is expected to impact northbound traffic on the east side of Main Street between 10<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> Avenues.

As the City is receiving requests for temporary patio permits now, we are alerting businesses along Main Street that the sewer-relocation work will affect traffic, temporary curbside patios, parking and loading zones.

Specific project impacts and timelines are not yet available, but the Province's contractor, Broadway Subway Project Co., is working to finalize and share plans for the area as soon as possible. These plans will show how goods, services, buses and general traffic can still move through this area.

Once the plan is available, City staff will better understand when and for how long this work might impact street use (i.e., traffic, temporary curbside patios, parking and loading zones).

In the meantime, staff will notify the Mount Pleasant BIA and businesses within the impacted area by email (via the BIA). City staff will also contact the six restaurants directly that have applied for spring/summer temporary-patio permits to share as much information as we have at this time.

You may find the following key messages helpful if responding to questions from residents or media:

- As part of construction works for the Broadway Subway, being delivered by the

Province and its contractor, temporary curbside patios along Main Street between 10<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> Avenues will be temporarily removed for a period of time. Staff will work with Broadway Subway Project Co. to minimize the length of time businesses are impacted.

- Unfortunately, major construction projects sometimes result in unavoidable impacts to nearby streets. In this case, curb space is needed to keep goods, services, buses and general traffic moving.
- We do not have specifics yet, but the Province's contractor is working to finalize and share plans for the area as soon as possible. At that time, we will better understand when and for how long this work will impact temporary curbside patios (and traffic, parking and loading zones).
- Temporary-patio permits, provided at no cost to businesses, are a core part of the City's COVID-19 recovery support for restaurants and bars.
- Staff are contacting the six restaurants that have applied for spring/summer temporary-patio permits to share as much information as we have at this time and to minimize impacts, where possible.

Please contact Lon LaClaire, General Manager of Engineering Services, at [lon.laclaire@vancouver.ca](mailto:lon.laclaire@vancouver.ca), if you have any questions.

Best,  
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