

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

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RENSEIGNEMENTS IMPORTANTS

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INFORMAÇÃO IMPORTANTE

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INFORMACIÓN IMPORTANTE

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TIN TỨC QUAN TRỌNG

Xin hãy dịch sang tiếng Việt

May 23, 2024

Dear Resident and/or Business Owner,

RE: Update on the Maple Tree Square Repairs and Upcoming Water Street Pedestrian Zone Pilot

This past March, the City began work in Maple Tree Square to replace damaged brick pavers and asphalt patches with new brick pavers. This July and August, Water Street will be transformed into a vibrant pedestrian zone with public seating, expanded patios, local Nations art and storytelling, vending and community activations.

Preparations for the Pedestrian Zone Pilot are well underway, and we look forward to welcoming visitors to the neighbourhood, and the soon-to-be-complete Maple Tree Square.

Maple Tree Square Repairs: June Completion

Construction is progressing well in Maple Tree Square and we expect the work to be completed in June. Exact timing for completion is weather dependent and further updates will be provided in the coming weeks.

Thank you for your patience as we complete these critical repairs.

Coming Soon: Water Street Pedestrian Zone Pilot (July and August 2024)

During the pilot, sections of Water Street and Maple Tree Square will be closed to vehicles to allow visitors a safe and comfortable environment to enjoy the neighbourhood, take in performances, shop, and dine in the heart of Gastown.

As we work towards the transformation of Water Street into a vibrant space for walking, local businesses, culture, community-building, biking and rolling, here are a few of the exciting elements we are working on:

- Places for people to gather and socialize, with plenty of colourful public seating and planters.
- Supporting local businesses to expand into and activate the street with expanded patios, merchandise displays and vending opportunities.

- Art installations and storytelling courtesy of the xʷməθkʷəy̓əm (Musqueam), Skwxwú7mesh (Squamish), and səliłwətaʔt (Tsleil-Waututh) First Nations.
- Supporting community activations to create draws for both locals and visitors, for example live music, performances and interactive activities.
- Increasing daily and nightly cleaning to help keep the pedestrian zone area clean and inviting.
- A peer-based community ambassador program to check in with businesses and provide outreach and referral services to people experiencing homelessness or other unmet social needs.
- New Mobi by Rogers Public Bike Share Stations by Alexander Street and Carrall Street, and Cambie Street and Cordova Street.

See a map of the pedestrian zone on page three of this letter. You can also view the map at vancouver.ca/gastown.

Get Involved in Pedestrian Zone Community Activations and Events

Local businesses, community organizations and residents are encouraged to bring their creative ideas to life in the pedestrian zone. This can include community gatherings and dialogues, art and cultural events, live music, shared market stalls, workshops and other activities. Applications for the pedestrian zone "Open Streets Permit" are now open and available to local businesses, organizations and residents at no cost.

Learn more, get involved and apply now at vancouver.ca/open-streets-permit.

Traffic Changes and Parking

Local access for residents, deliveries, visitors and customers will be maintained on all "Car-Light" blocks. In designated "Car-Free" blocks, vehicle access will be restricted. View a map of the traffic changes and parking zones at vancouver.ca/gastown.

Questions?

More details will be shared in early June as we get closer to the Water Street Pedestrian Zone. Have a question or feedback to share? Get in touch with our team at gastownpublicspaces@vancouver.ca.

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Sincerely,

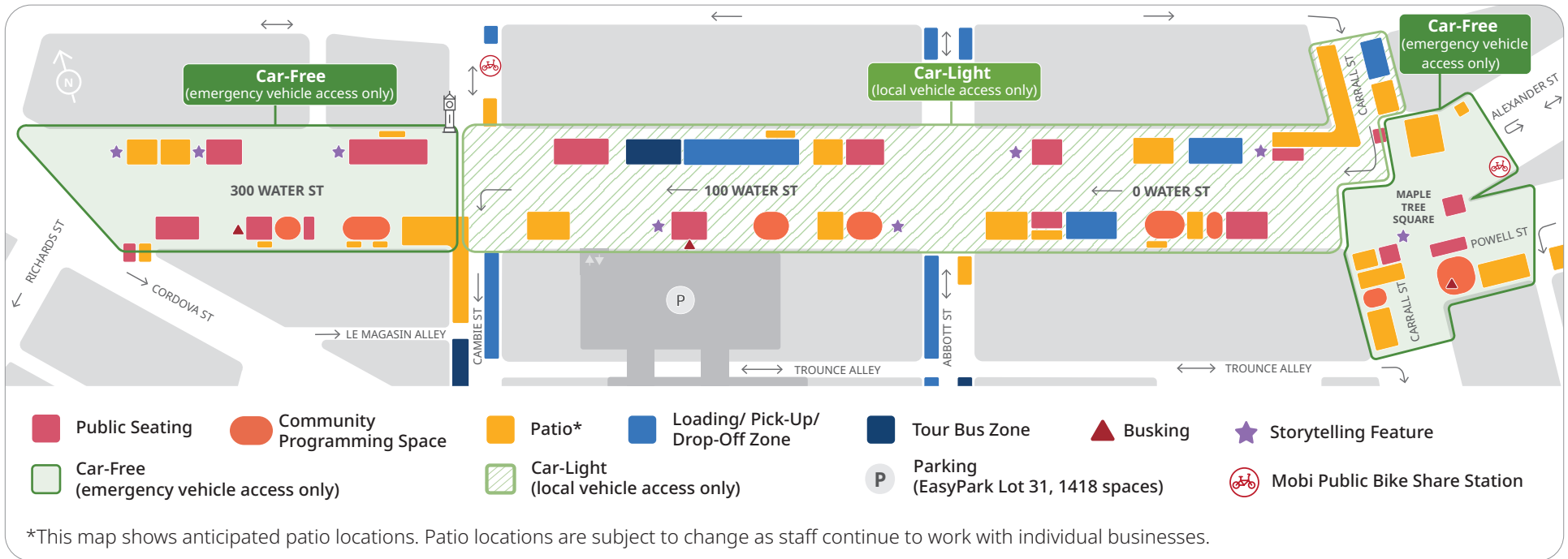


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Water Street Pedestrian Zone Pilot

July and August 2024



Variety of public seating and planters



Storytelling features



Flex space with movable furniture for community programming and events



Dedicated space to support businesses' patios and merchandise displays