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**Mayor Susan Fennell's**

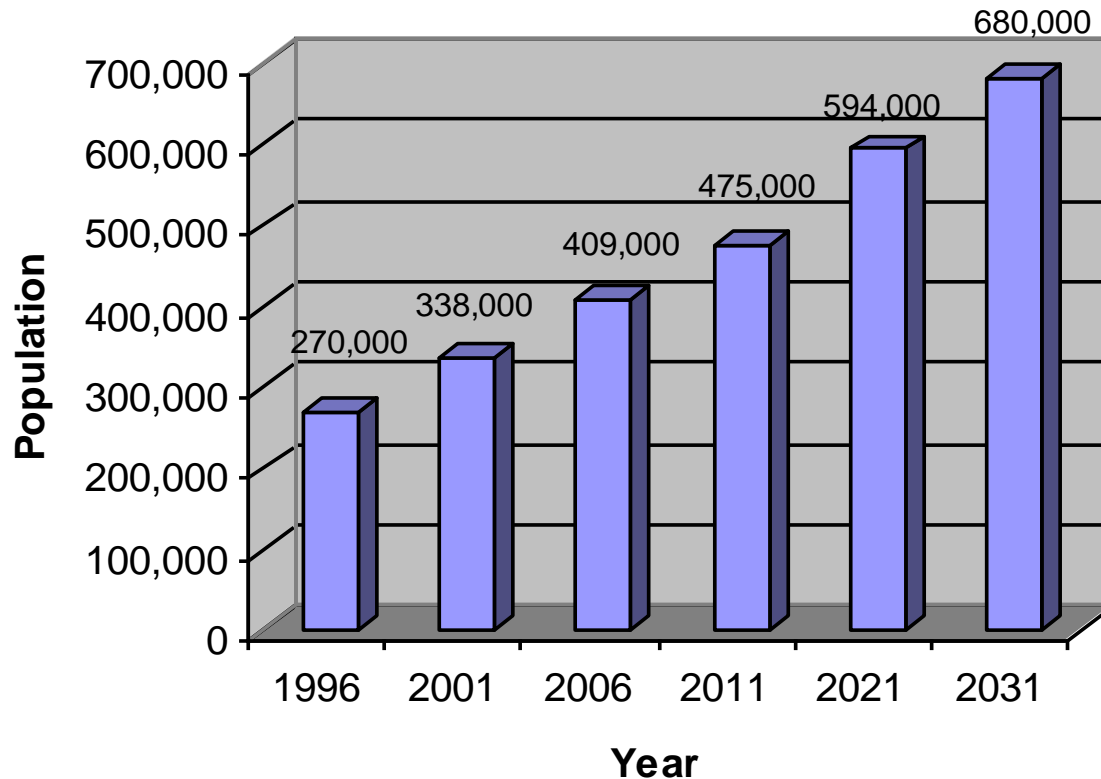
## ***Town Hall Meeting on Transportation***

**October 23, 2002**

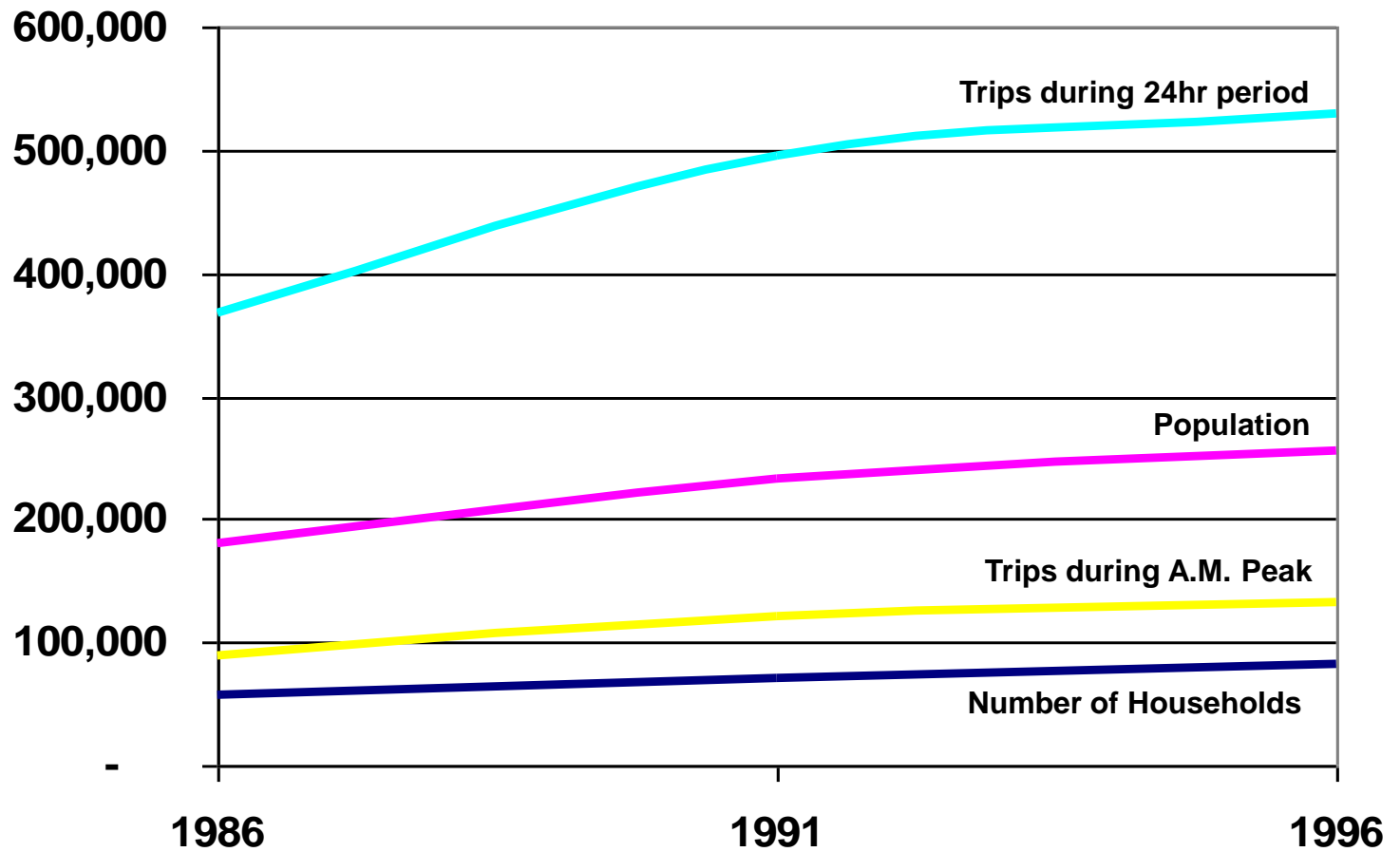
***“Help us unlock traffic gridlock”***

## ***Presentation Outline***

- **Growth in Brampton**
- **Existing transportation conditions**
- **The City's current initiatives**
- **Proposals by other agencies**
- **The City's Transportation & Transit Master Plan (now underway)**
- **Invitation for ongoing public comment**



- Brampton is growing!
- Brampton is projected to experience significant population growth to the horizon year of 2031
- With growth in population comes growth in jobs, in traffic and in transit

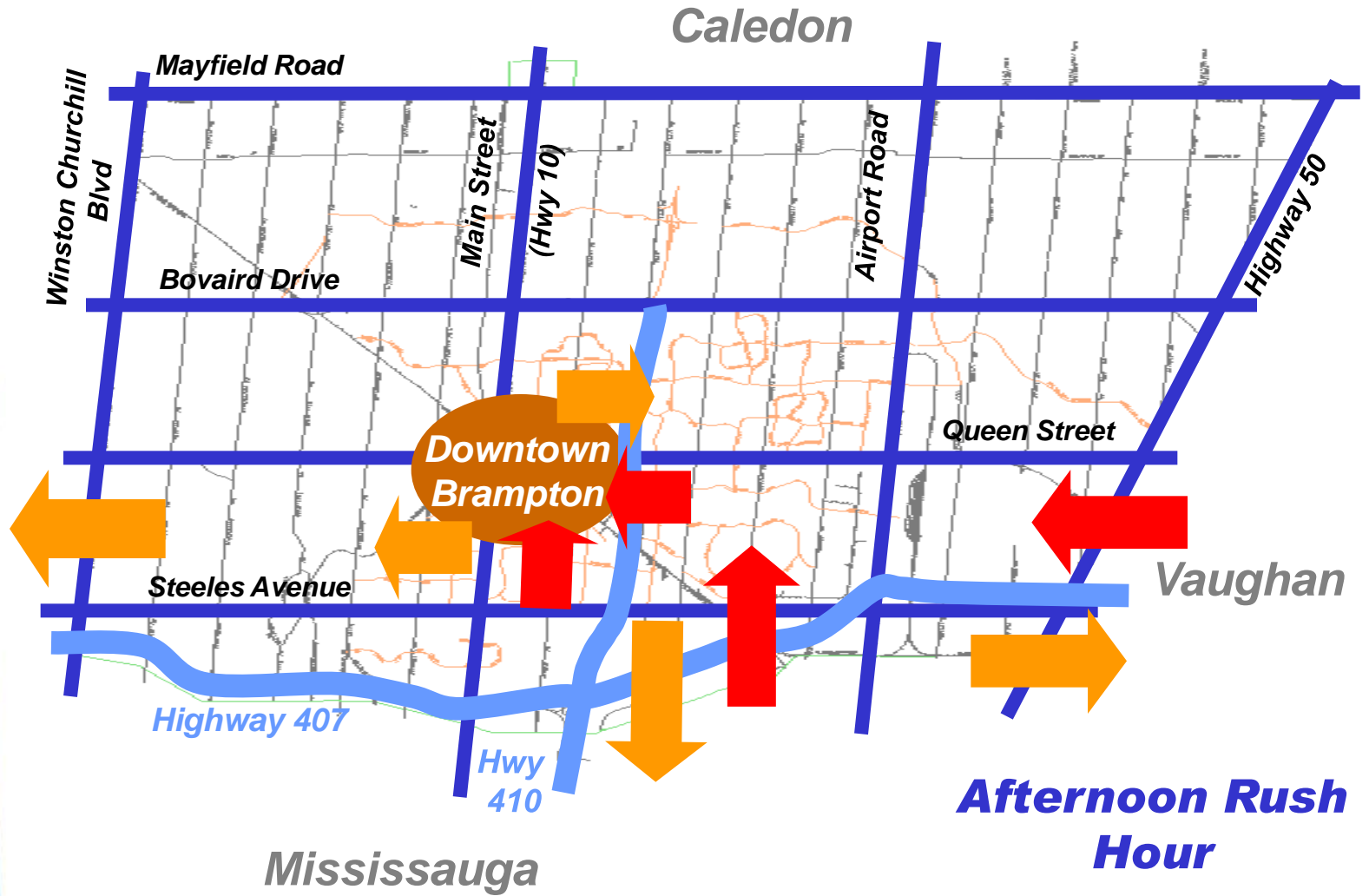


- Traffic is growing faster than the population
- Commercial traffic has also been growing

## ***Current Traffic Conditions***

- **There are very high traffic volumes on some key roads and highways;**
- **Connections to Vaughan and Mississauga are very heavily travelled;**
- **Commercial areas are very busy on weekends as well;**
- **The following map highlights some areas of concern...**

## Existing Areas of High Traffic Demand

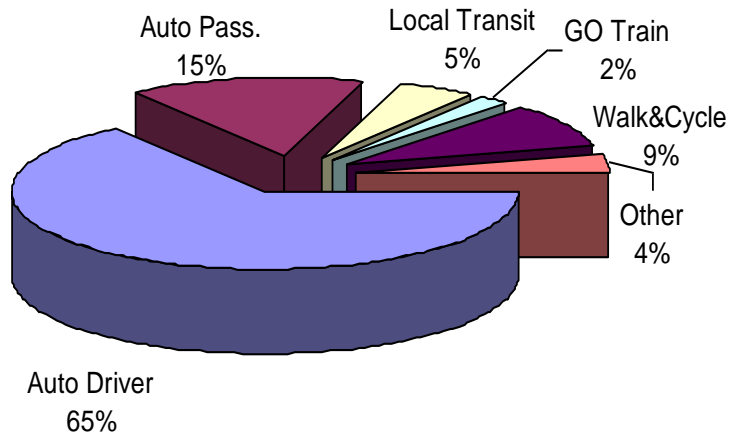


## ***Brampton Depends on Cars***

- This means new roads and increased emphasis on public transit;
- 80% of trips to and from the City are made by automobile;
- Focusing on accommodating cars has worked for the City up to date;
- However, as the City grows, the transportation system must adapt to changing needs

## Why are there so many cars on the road?

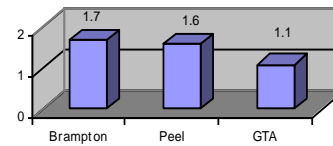
### Modal Split - Trips Made by Residents of Brampton (a.m. peak period)



Residents of Brampton are highly dependent on the automobile for travel

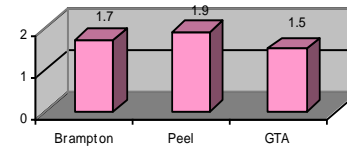
80% of trips during the morning peak period are made by car

### Vehicles per Household



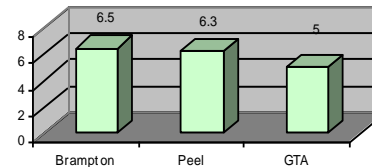
Brampton has more vehicles than average across the Greater Toronto Area

### Drivers per Household



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### Trips per Day



Brampton has more trips per day than the GTA average and more than Peel Region residents on average

## ***The City is Addressing Transportation Needs***

- **Official Plan Review**
- **Growth Management Program**
- **Capital budget coordination**
- **Transportation & Transit Master Plan**
- **York / Peel Boundary Area Transportation Plan**
- **Lobbying senior government for new roads**

## ***Current City of Brampton Transportation Projects***

- **20 New transit buses**
- **New Shoppers World transit terminal**
- **Road improvements:**
  - **Chinguacousy Road**
  - **Highway 7**
  - **Highway 50**
  - **Queen Street**
  - **Castlemore Road**



## ***Why do transportation improvements sometimes lag behind growth?***

- **The City must finance road improvements from charges on new development**
- **However, these funds only become available after the development actually begins**
- **Brampton is limited by provincial planning regulations**

## ***What are the transportation challenges?***

- **Coordinating road and transit improvements with development growth**
- **Securing additional sources of funding from senior governments**
- **Shifting more travel demands to public transit and alternate modes**
- **Shifting to non-truck movement of goods (i.e. rail)**
- **Promoting transit and gaining support for it in the community**

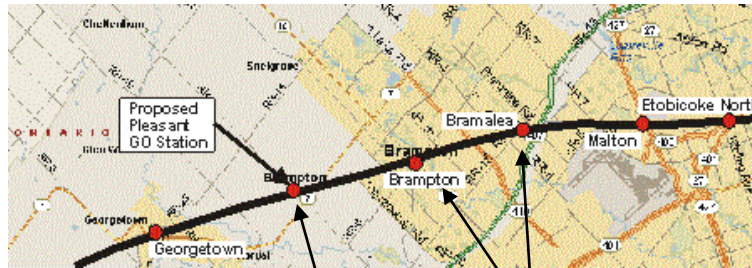
## ***What is already planned?***

***Other agencies also have plans to help address some of the transportation issues...***

## Highway Improvement Plans



## Major Transit Service Plans



- MTO has plans for busways and other transit improvements across the GTA
- York Region is planning a rapid transit system which may extend into Brampton
- **Pearson Airport rail link:**
  - The federal government is entertaining proposals now on ways to introduce a rail link
  - Would connect to the Georgetown GO Rail line, which passes through Brampton
  - Would improve access to Pearson Airport and Union Station from Brampton

***These plans won't solve all the transportation issues.***

***So we need to add our own "Made in Brampton" ideas.***



## Idea #2: Reserved road lanes to move more people



### Potential Applications

- McLaughlin Road
- Dixie Road
- Kennedy Road
- Re-stripe or widen roadways
- Lanes can be exclusively for buses or also for High Occupancy Vehicles

## Idea #3: Express Bus Services



### Potential Applications

- Queen Street, Main Street, Bovaird Drive

## Idea #4: Higher Order Transit



### Potential Applications

- Hwy 407
- Hwy 10
- Queen St.



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## ***The City is initiating a Transportation & Transit Master Plan Study to address these issues***

**The Transportation & Transit Master Plan will...**

- **develop a long-term (2031) transportation vision & plan**
- **define the long-term integrated road & transit network**
- **identify supportive policies & programs**
- **present an implementation & funding strategy**
- **define a performance monitoring & review process**

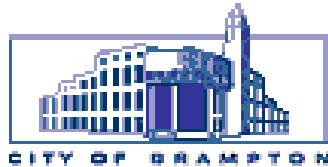
## ***How can I be involved?***

Public input will be sought throughout the study, via...

- **Newspaper notices & articles**
  - **Public opinion survey**
  - **Public meetings**
  - **Project web site**
  - **Newsletters**



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# ***Thank you for attending the Mayor's Town Hall Meeting!***

What are your comments,  
concerns or ideas?



**What are the  
major  
transportation  
issues?**

**What do you  
see as key  
transportation  
solutions?**

**How can we reduce  
dependence on the  
automobile and make  
transit more  
competitive?**

***Please fill in your comment sheets!***



**Brampton**