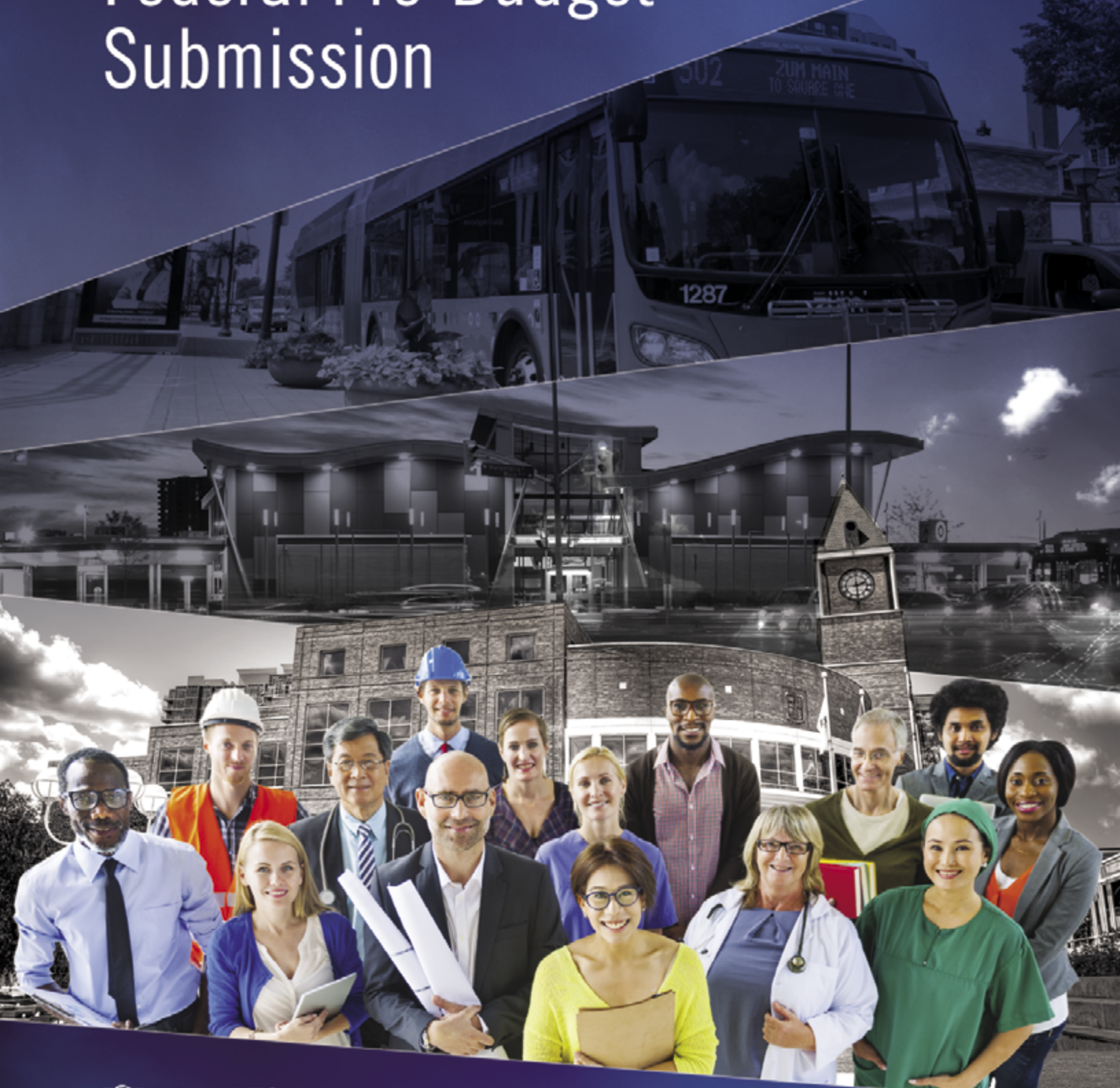


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# MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR



As one of the youngest and fastest-growing cities in Canada, the City of Brampton is home to 650,000 people and is projected to grow to 900,000 people by 2040.

Brampton's economy has diversified into a robust economic engine with a focus on advanced manufacturing, food and beverage, innovation and technology, logistics and health and life sciences. Being a key contributor to the provincial and national economy, Brampton is committed to the creation of quality jobs and investment, leading to the development of a complete, smart and healthy community.

Brampton has planned for a number of exciting, strategic initiatives – projects to create jobs and build a community that is connected, sustainable and innovative. We are advocating for our fair share of investment to drive these projects forward. This includes collaborative efforts with stakeholders in important areas of health care, public transit, infrastructure and technology.

Our City is transforming itself into a world-leading, 21st century community. We are looking forward to partnering with senior levels of government to realize the enormous potential of our city and its residents, and the associated economic and social benefits to both the province and the nation.





# TRANSIT



# TRANSIT FUNDING

Brampton Transit is one of the fastest growing transit systems in Ontario with ridership significantly outpacing the population growth. Brampton's ridership growth of 18% and 14%, year-over-year, in 2017 and 2018, respectively, is unprecedented compared to the average increase in Ontario of less than 1% and the national average increase of 1.5% (as per the Canadian Urban Transit Association 2017 Data).

The Federal - Provincial Integrated Bilateral Agreement provides Brampton's public transit system with a total proposed allocation of \$350M, over 10 years through the Public Transit Stream. In addition, with the municipal estimated contribution of \$125M, the total funding for the program would be \$475M from all three levels of government.

Key proposed Brampton Transit projects for funding to be received through the Public Transit Stream:

- Building a new transit storage facility to allow the City to keep growing and maintaining current and future fleet requirements;
- Purchasing additional buses to accommodate demand;
- Investing in future Züm Bus Rapid Transit service (Airport Road Extension to Pearson International Airport, Chinguacousy Road and Bramalea Road);
- Investing in new technology to ensure continued safety and efficiency; and
- Building a Mobility Hub in downtown Brampton.



**Funding allocation of the Public Transit Stream from the Province to municipalities was based on 100% ridership that used outdated, 2015 CUTA ridership data. Combined, this puts rapidly growing transit systems and smaller municipalities at a disadvantage, where as the Federal distribution to Provinces was based on 70% ridership and 30% population, much like the Provincial Gas Tax, which is a fair funding model.**



# TRANSIT AT A GLANCE

## RIDERSHIP OUTPACING POPULATION GROWTH

2010-2018

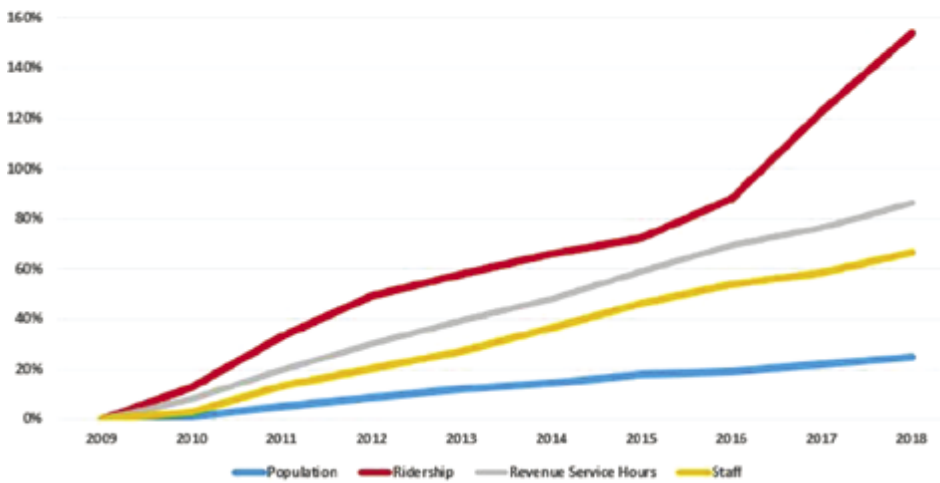


↑ 23% Population

↑ 126% Ridership

2018 Ridership: **31.2 Million**

Percentage Growth in Population, Ridership, Staff and  
Service Hours since 2009



# Hurontario-Main Street LRT

The Hurontario-Main Street Light Rail Transit (LRT) will be an integral part of the overall GTHA transportation network connecting Brampton Transit, including Brampton Züm, as well as GO Transit's Kitchener, Milton and Lakeshore West rail lines, Mississauga MiWay, and the Mississauga Transitway along Highway 403, and supporting Canada's Innovation Super Corridor.

On December 5, 2018, City Council unanimously passed a motion that the LRT route on Main Street to the Brampton GO station be restored as part of the Brampton Transit Network Plan, including an underground tunneling option.

The underground tunnel would help preserve Brampton's heritage district just south of Downtown Brampton and minimize impact on residents. Previous cost estimates for an underground tunnel option are being updated which may cost as much as \$1.2 billion.

**The City or Brampton requests Metrolinx work collaboratively with the City to advance the LRT extension on Main Street to Downtown Brampton.**

**It is essential that the City receive a fair share of funding for Brampton Transit, including the LRT on Main Street to keep up with the population growth and high demand for transit service.**

## GO Transit

The City of Brampton welcomes any commitments from the Province for improvements to two-way all-day GO train service on the Kitchener GO line, as long as they do not disrupt the many Brampton residents who use this service each and everyday. With more than 200,000 people commuting between Waterloo Region-Kitchener-Guelph-Halton Hills-Brampton-Toronto, demand for increased GO service is very high.

Demand for this service by Brampton commuters on the Kitchener GO line is rapidly growing. This is also demonstrated by the parking challenges at GO Transit stations in Brampton. The City has been continuously receiving complaints regarding overflow of parking on adjacent City streets.

Further solutions are required to address these issues in the immediate and medium/long-term. Investing in a well-connected regional transit network including two-way all-day GO train service will greatly improve mobility between Brampton and the other municipalities along Canada's Innovation Super Corridor supporting economic growth, job creation and development.

**The City requests that Metrolinx:**

- 1. Find a temporary solution for parking overflow issues at GO Transit stations in Brampton;**
- 2. Expedite Regional Express Rail service (Two-Way All-Day GO) west of Bramalea GO to Mount Pleasant GO and beyond to Kitchener-Waterloo by finding a solution to address capacity constraints in the corridor, particularly for the section currently in CN ownership.**

# INFRASTRUCTURE





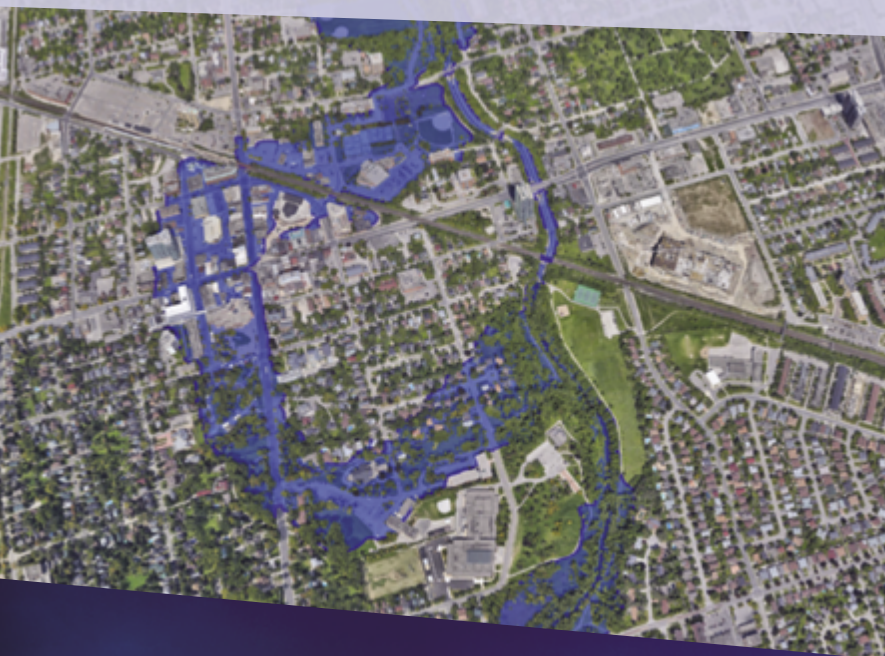
# RIVERWALK

Riverwalk is a catalytic project that will recapture the beauty and ecological function of the Etobicoke Creek, while creating a vibrant public space that provides a distinct identity for the City. The project also allows for removing the flood risk and possibly the SPA designation from 31 ha of the downtown Brampton area allowing for new development opportunities. Current estimates indicate a transformative impact of the project including potential for 2,700 new housing units, 2,100 new jobs, and \$119 million annual revenues.

In summer 2018 the City of Brampton submitted an expression of interest (EOI) application for \$105 million in funding through the Disaster Mitigation & Adaptation Fund. Riverwalk was deemed eligible, however due to high demand only projects starting in 2019 and 2020 were selected. The City's EOI application was retained and will be considered in the second intake expected in Fall 2019.



City of Brampton is looking for the Federal and Provincial governments to help advance this transformational project by providing funding and streamlining the approval processes.





# CYBERSECURITY





## Cybersecure Catalyst/Innovation Hub

The City of Brampton is committed to working with Ryerson University and Sheridan College towards bringing the University into the downtown core. Digital technologies and the internet are increasingly important to innovation and economic growth, and good cyber security is critical to Canada's competitiveness, economic stability, and long-term prosperity. As the first step, we are working towards bringing Ryerson University-led Cybersecure Catalyst in downtown Brampton to connect with more businesses across the City, and make them aware of the initiative and establish a network..

## The Pilot Incubation Hub

The Pilot Incubation Hub will play a significant part of the cybersecurity ecosystem. Along with the Cybersecure Catalyst, Incubation Hub and Chang School it is the City's intention to come together as one collaboration and innovation ecosystem. Ryerson is asking the Federal government for \$25 million over 5 years. It is estimated that Ryerson will required approximately \$500,000 to \$1 million plus annually to run the Zone. These are important steps, as the City and Ryerson continue to work towards Ryerson Campus in Brampton.

## Ask:

The City fully supports Ryerson and other partners in establishing an innovation and collaboration one in downtown Brampton that will include Cybersecure Catalyst, Innovation Hub and Pilot Incubation Hub (Ryerson Run) and requests the Federal and Provincial governments partner with Ryerson, the City and other partners, and provide the necessary funding to realize this exciting vision.





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