

OC Transpo Update Para Transpo, Rail and Bus

Transit Committee

February 13, 2025

GM updates

71,000+ downloads 113,000+ average users per month **Transit App in 2024** 21M+ trips planned 35,000+ users subscribed to push notifications O-Payment: customers can tap their card themselves **Para Transpo improvements** • New 6-metre minibus in service Meetings held to map out projects and initiatives in 2025 **Transit Services' leadership team** New Director of Engineering Services joined team in late 2024 **Bus mural recognizing** Design reflects the City of Ottawa's commitment to equity, **Black History Month** diversity, and inclusion Developed in collaboration with Black History Ottawa, and















the City's African, Caribbean, Black Employees Network



Marko Kroenke Director of Engineering Services

- Licensed Professional Engineer (P.Eng.) in B.C.,
 Alberta, and Ontario; certified engineer in Europe
- More than 25 years' experience in rail and mobility, strong industry connections, and proven leadership
- Consulting work includes high-profile and complex railway engineering projects across Canada
- Began career as Test Engineer at Bombardier Transportation, quickly progressing through various leadership roles including Director of Mechanics and Technology Systems and Chief of Innovation Engineering Systems on a global scale
- Also worked for and collaborated with leading transit stakeholders in Canada and worldwide, including AECOM, Ricardo Rail, and Alstom
- Engaged actively in ASCE, CUTRIC and International Monorail Association
- Marko's leadership approach is both purpose-driven and people-centered, fostering empowered teams and achieving innovative, high-impact results





2022-2024 and the Road Ahead

Transparent and accountable

- Adopted Measure to Manage as our management philosophy: defining and tracking key performance indicators to support decisions based on objective data
- Hosted orientation tours and Stage 2 briefing for new Term of Council to build open relationships with Council
- Introduced OC Transpo's first 5-Year Roadmap to set a vision and priorities to guide our work
- Communicated more frequently and proactively with Council, the media and customers
- Supported robust oversight of rail construction through the Light Rail Sub-Committee
- Quickly responded to the LRT Public Inquiry and led the development of a wholeof-City Action Plan, which was implemented and formally closed
- Used these presentations to provide regular updates on KPIs and better explain the complexity of transit's operations













Customer focused

- Established and held meetings and information sessions with the Transit Advisory Working Group
- Introduced O-Payment and fare-capping
- Launched My Para Transpo
- Procured new Para Transpo minibuses
- Created Para Transpo Talk and held sessions with customers
- Connected with Transit App and introduced multiple real-time information improvements
- Met with our customers, councillors and other stakeholders during Route Review consultations
- Conducted regular customer surveys
- Improved communications to customers during service interruptions













Improving reliability

- Established a centralized recruitment team to coordinate workforce analysis and largescale strategic recruitment campaigns, including hiring more than 800 new bus operators
- Achieved year-over-year improvements in the reliability of our Line 1 rail services, reaching 98.8% service delivery in 2024
- Created a dedicated Engineering Services team to increase oversight and focus on technical and maintenance solutions for bus and rail
- Launched a Zero-Emission Bus Program to realize Council's direction to transform our bus fleet to sustainable fuels
- Conducted a Route Review to match our service with customer demand
- Developed a Bus Maintenance Action Plan with a goal of 99.5% bus service delivery
- Achieved Substantial Completion and Revenue Service on O-Train Lines 2 and 4
- Ran a robust and transparent Trial Running process on Lines 2 and 4 with a service delivery of 99.5%
- Set high standards for important quality of service KPIs; punctuality and reliability













The road ahead

- Building upon the successful phased opening of Lines 2 and 4
- Launching New Ways to Bus in April to align with customer travel patterns and connect to Lines 2 and 4
- Constructing capital works at OC Transpo facilities to replace our aging conventional bus fleet with Phase 1 zero-emissions buses
- Planning ZEB Phase 2 procurement to completely transform our bus fleet
- Replacing our aging Para Transpo fleet with new minibuses
- Introducing customer information improvements in buses, at bus stops and stations, and online
- Opening Stage 2 extensions to expand O-Train east and west
- Continuing with the Bus Maintenance Action Plan to make our bus service more reliable
- Collective bargaining with two major transit unions















Updates: O-Train Lines 1, 2 & 4

Review: weekday off-peak Line 1 service

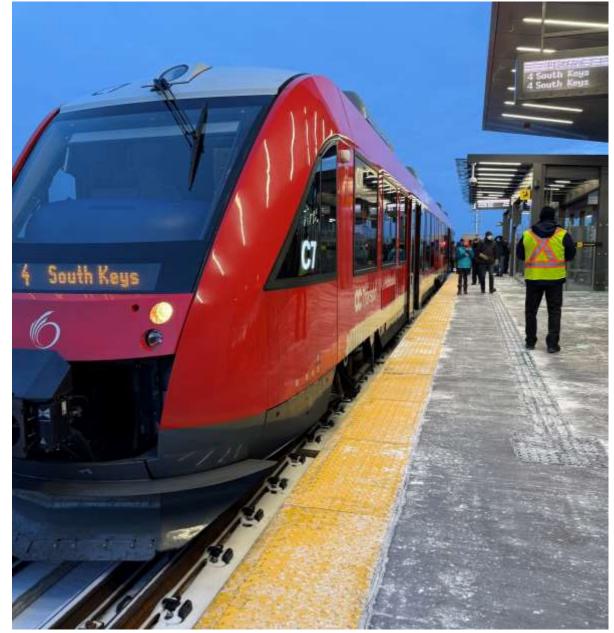
- Weekday off-peak service was adjusted in late August 2024 from every five minutes to every 10 minutes
- Staff conducted 140 field observations in Sept. and Oct. and found that:
 - Customer volume projections were close to actual
 - Customer volume was light 87% of the time
 - A single instance of heavy customer volumes was caused by a temporary train diversion
- Based on the data, sufficient capacity is being provided to meet customer demand
- OC Transpo continues to monitor ridership levels and will adjust service as required











By the numbers – Lines 2 and 4

- More than 300,000 customer trips in first four weeks of operations
- Average of 674 vehicles parked per weekday at Park and Ride lots along Line 2, a 69 per cent increase compared to Fall 2024 prior to the line opening
 - Significant capacity remains available for more vehicles
- Bayview, Carleton and South Keys stations are the top three busiest stations
- Average service delivery for the first month of operations has been 98.5 per cent for Lines 2 and 4 combined
- Successfully expanded the service to six days on January 25



Phased opening – Lines 2 and 4

- Updates to the passenger information display system at stations and on trains
- Resolving minor deficiencies not affecting service delivery
- TNEXT is conducting drills and inspections
- This phase has also allowed for:
 - External partners to complete work without affecting our operations
 - Regular bridge and infrastructure inspections occurring during daylight hours
- This second phase prior to 7-day service allows OC Transpo to stabilize the workforce and focus on ongoing diesel rail operator training



Training summary – Diesel Rail Operators

Total Diesel Rail Operators (DROs) entered training to date	103
Decided to return to Bus Operator position	18
DROs took promotions to other OC Transpo positions	10
New DRO (NDRO) Program success rate	97%
NDRO certifications in progress	20
Total certified DROs available for service	53
Total certified DROs required for 7-day service	66
Final target – certified DROs	76



















Performance indicators



Safety, Regulatory, Training and Development

Safety by the Numbers









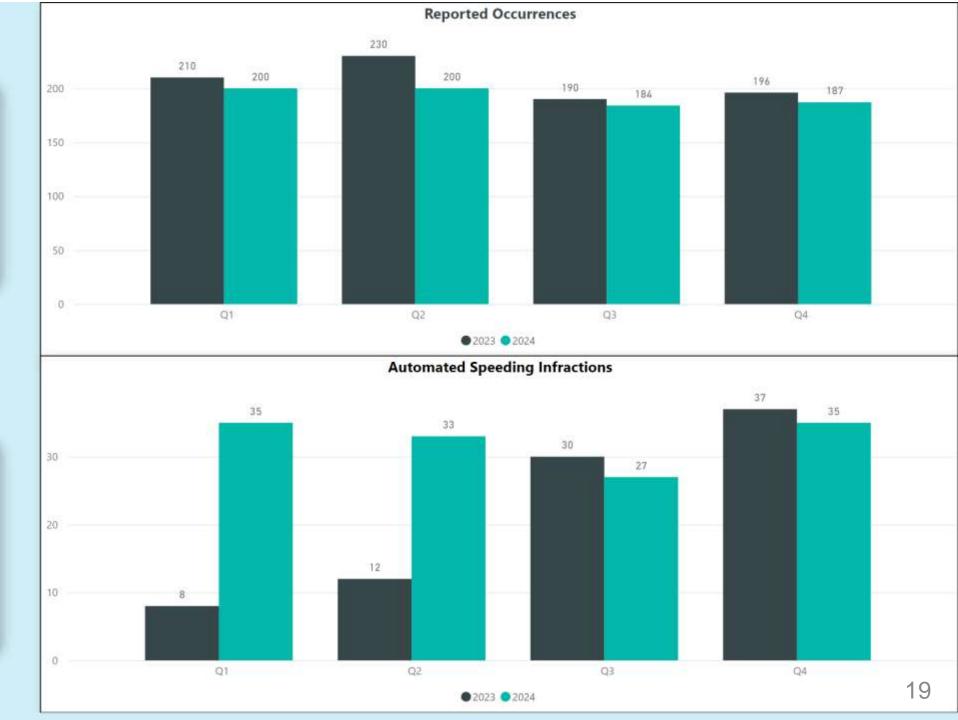






Employee Occurrences 771 Previous Year: 826(-6.7 %) %Change in number of reported Occurrences from previous year





2024 Customer Injury Rate

0.56

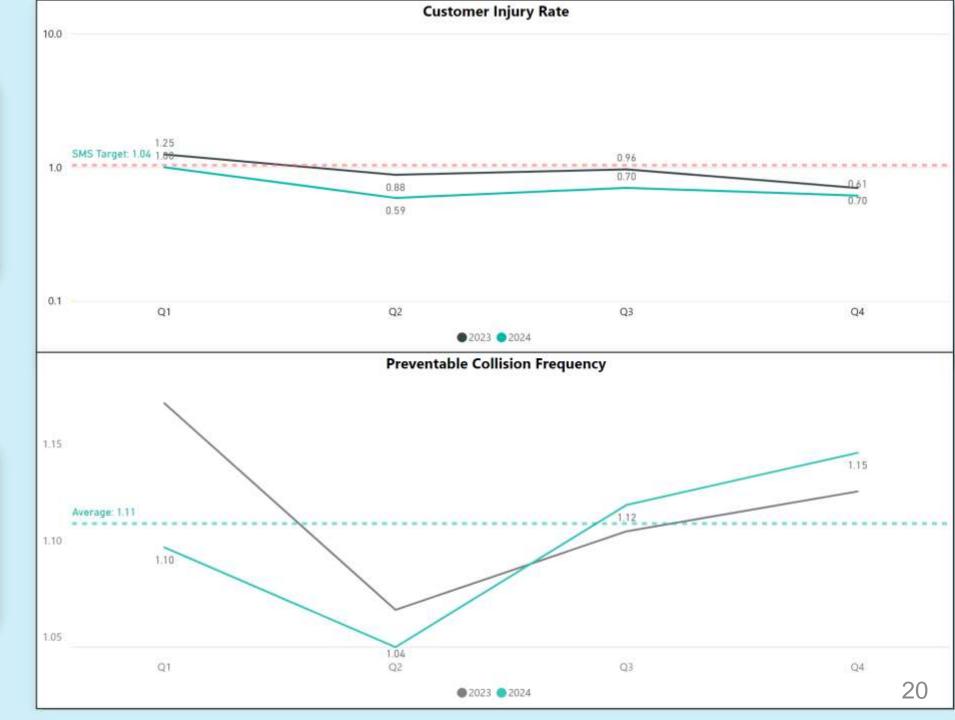
SMS Target: 1.036

Customer injuries per 1M passenger trips

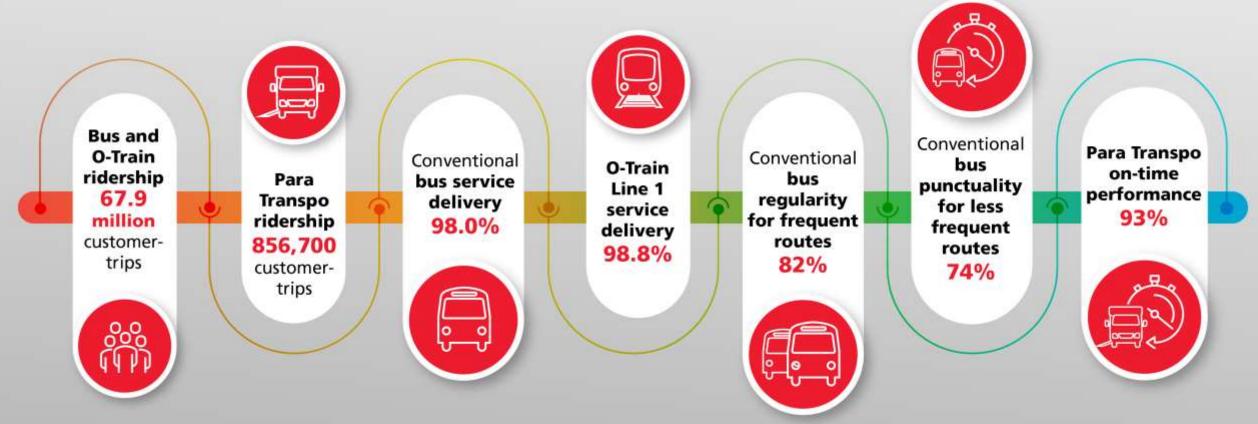
2024 Preventable Collision Frequency

1.14

SMS Target: 0.69
Number of preventable collisions per 100,000
Km Driven



BY THE NUMBERS



Customer pulse



Customers who use Transit App's 'Go' function are periodically asked to complete short surveys during their trip. This survey instrument is called 'Rate my ride' and OC Transpo customers typically submit 200,000+ responses per month. Customers are asked: "How was your trip" and presented with the options of 'Great, Good, Neutral, Not Great and Nightmare' as responses. Customers who say their trip was 'Great' or 'Good' are categorized as 'happy feeling' customers.

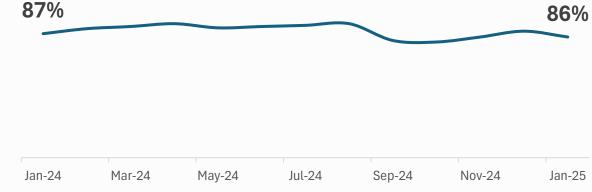


12-month average happy feeling customers

88%

Same as previous month



















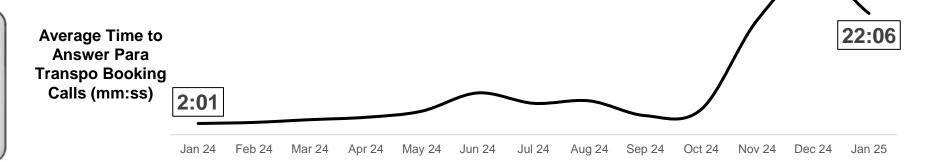
Para Transpo indicators



12-month average wait times for telephone booking line

7 minutes

8 minutes lower than target
1 minute longer than previous month



Most recent month proportion of bookings made online

40%

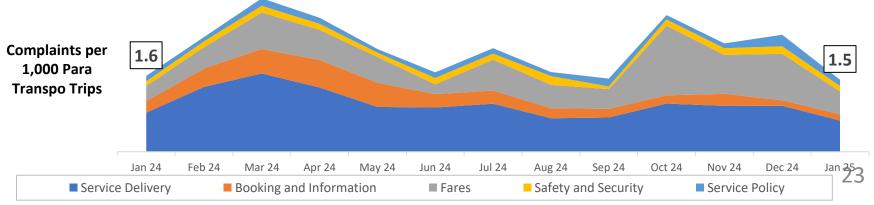
3% higher than previous month 19% higher than same month previous year



2.2

1% lower than previous month





Ridership

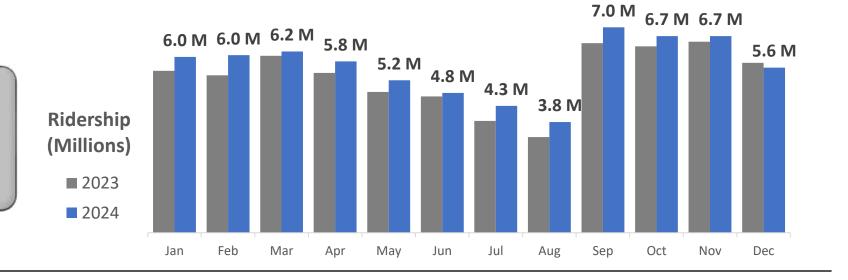


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12-month total ridership

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0.2% lower than previous month 7% higher than previous year

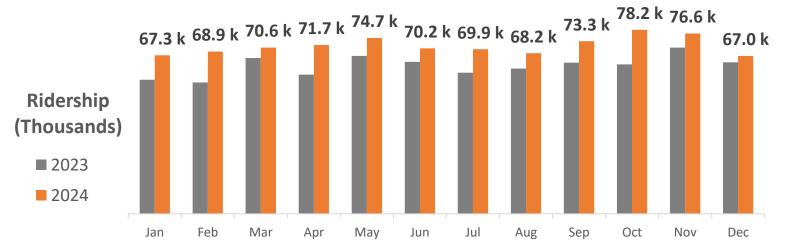


Para Transpo

12-month total ridership

856.7k

0.3% higher than previous month 14% higher than previous year



On-time performance





12-month average Regularity for frequent routes

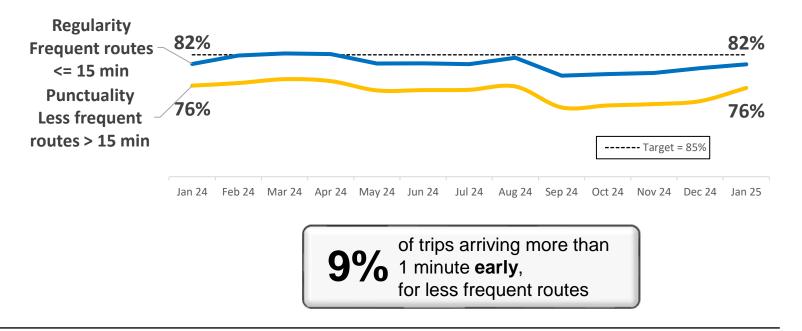
82%

3% lower than target Same as previous month

12-month average Punctuality for less frequent routes

74%

11% lower than target Same as previous month

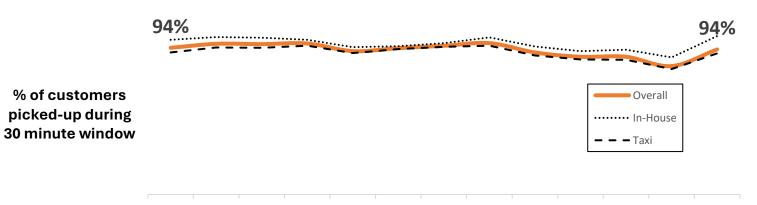




12-month average On-Time Performance

94%

1% higher than previous month



Service delivery





12-month average service delivery

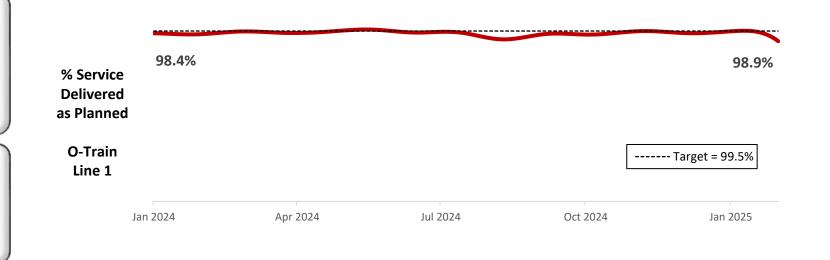
98.9%

0.6% lower than target0.1% higher than previous month

January 2025 average service delivery

98.5%

1.0% lower than target





12-month average service delivery

98.1%

1.4% lower than target0.1% higher than previous month



Jul 2024

Oct 2024

Apr 2024

Jan 2024

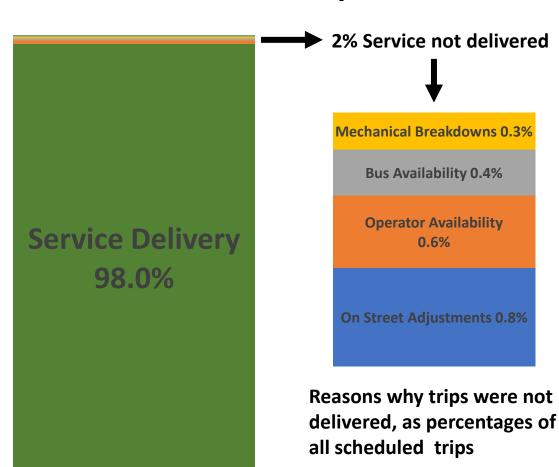
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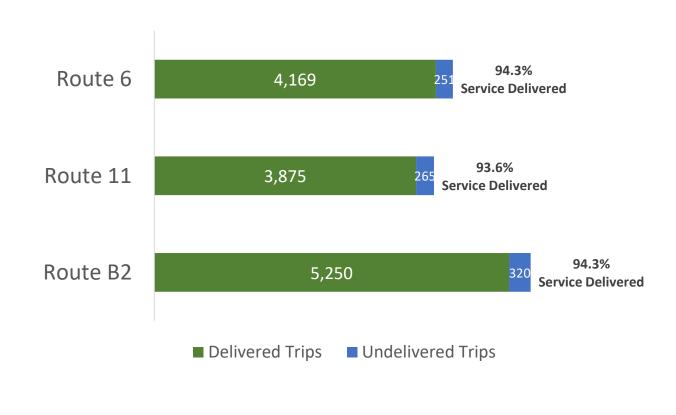
Bus service delivery



Bus Service Delivery Details

Routes with Most Undelivered Trips





January 2025



Bus Fleet Update

Bus fleet update

Conventional bus fleet

- As previously discussed, mechanical reliability of our aging fleet continues to decrease
 - Increase in major structural work; time-consuming repair work
 - Hours of labour per preventative maintenance inspection is significantly increasing

Para Transpo minibus fleet

- Existing minibus fleet has passed expected useful life
- Experiencing similar reliability issues as the conventional fleet













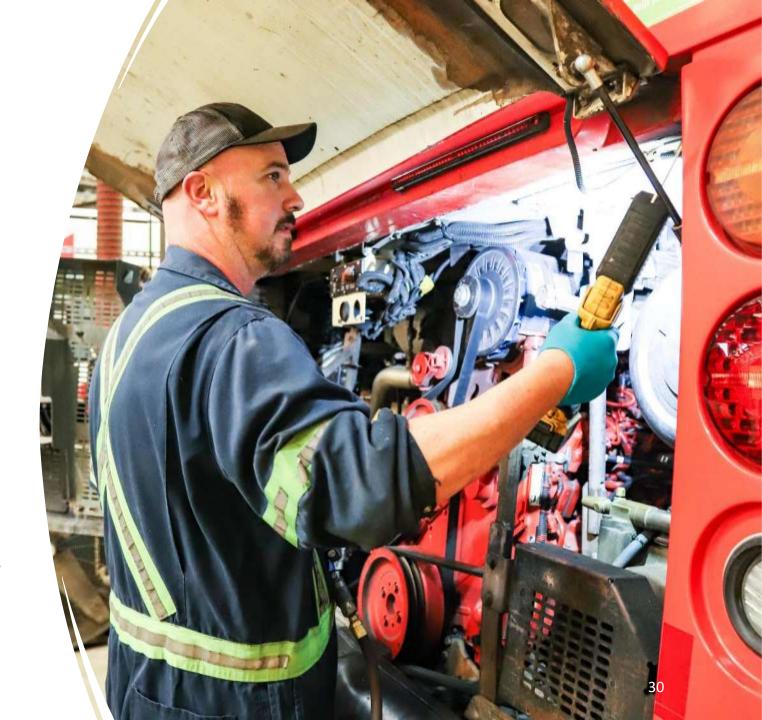
Bus Maintenance Action Plan

Completed work

 Updated preventative maintenance regime to improve efficiency of preventative maintenance inspections

Ongoing work

- Increasing available labour hours by inspecting safety critical items on the buses to be decommissioned as E-buses are delivered
- Pivoting resources to service existing diesel fleets and incoming electric buses
- Implementing a predictive maintenance program with our engineering team to incorporate lessons learned



Bus fleet update

Used diesel articulated buses

- No used buses from Canadian agencies available that meet our criteria
- Looking to international transit agencies
 - Minor adjustments would be required to meet Canadian specification

New diesel articulated buses

 Using the Metrolinx Joint Procurement Initiative and working with New Flyer Industries on the procurement of 40 or more 60-foot diesel articulated buses with tentative delivery of Q4 2026 / Q1 2027











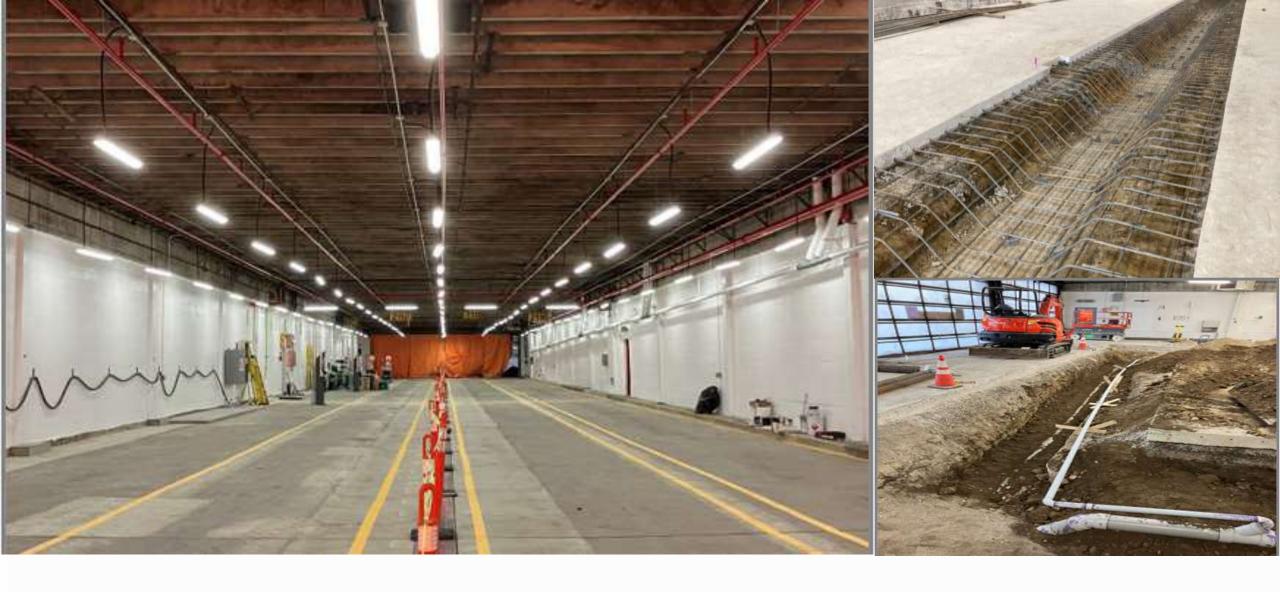




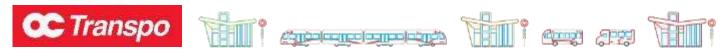








Infrastructure

















Electrical infrastructure

















Bus production



















Testing and commissioning















Bus procurement plan

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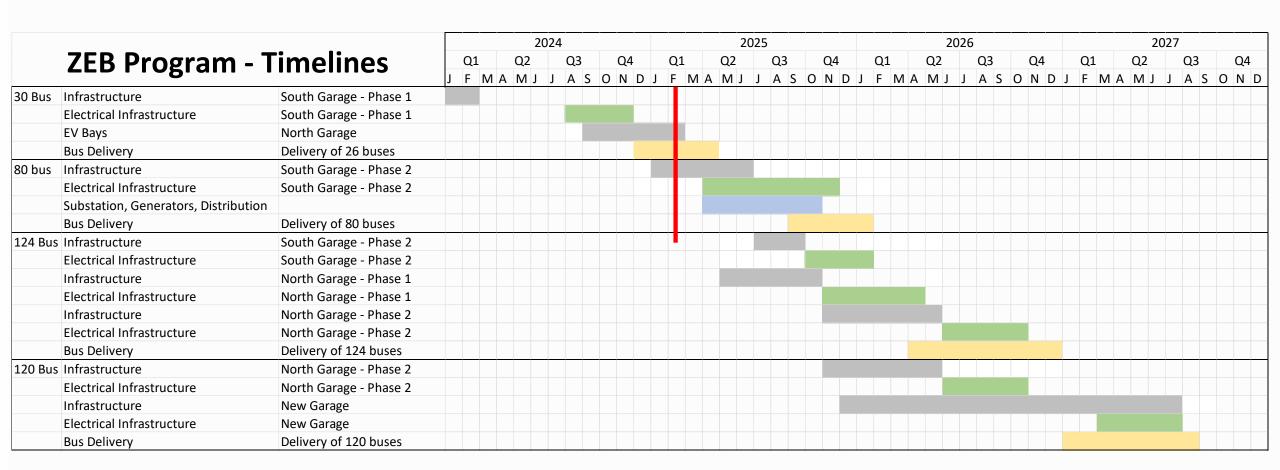








ZEB Program timelines







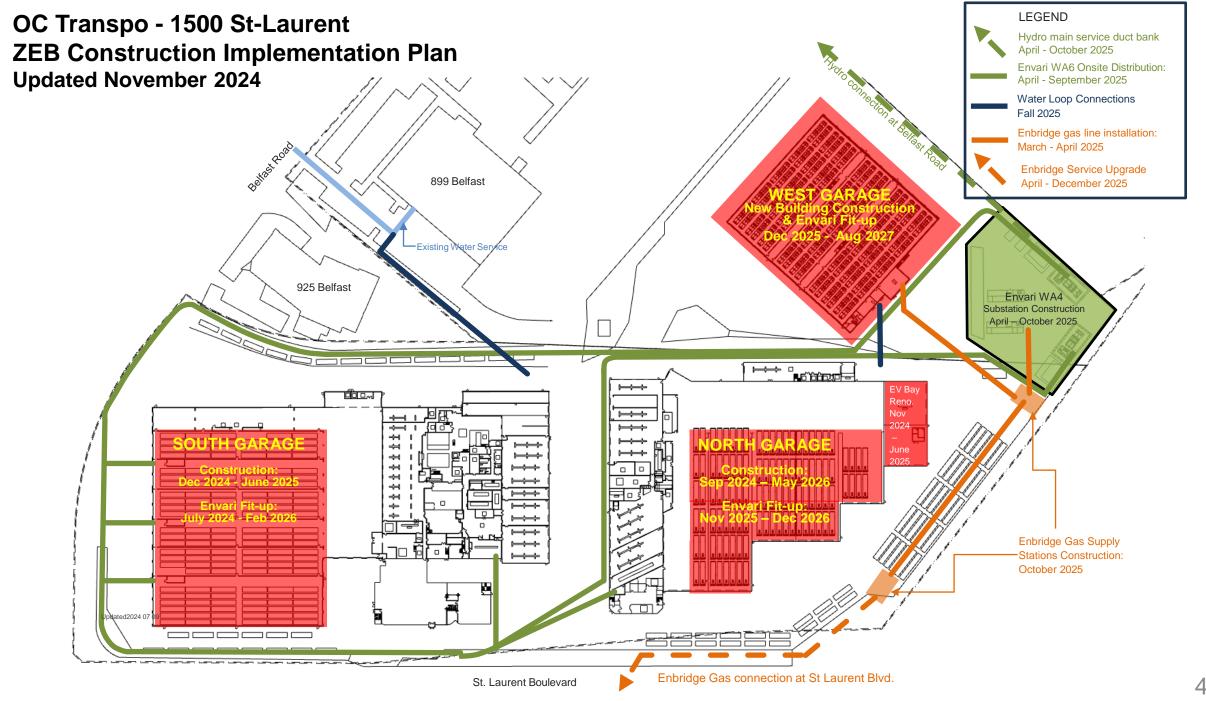




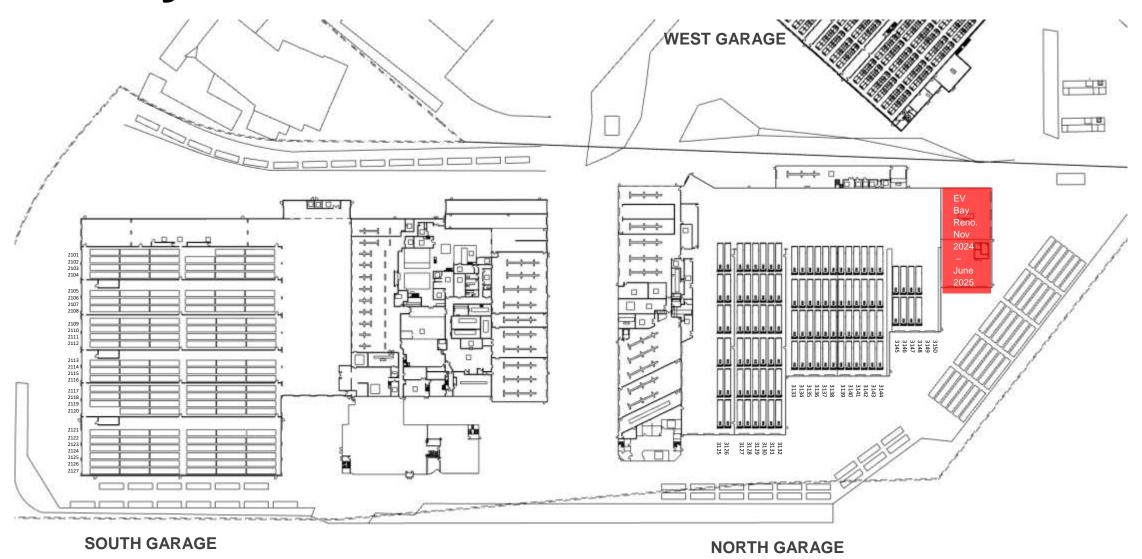




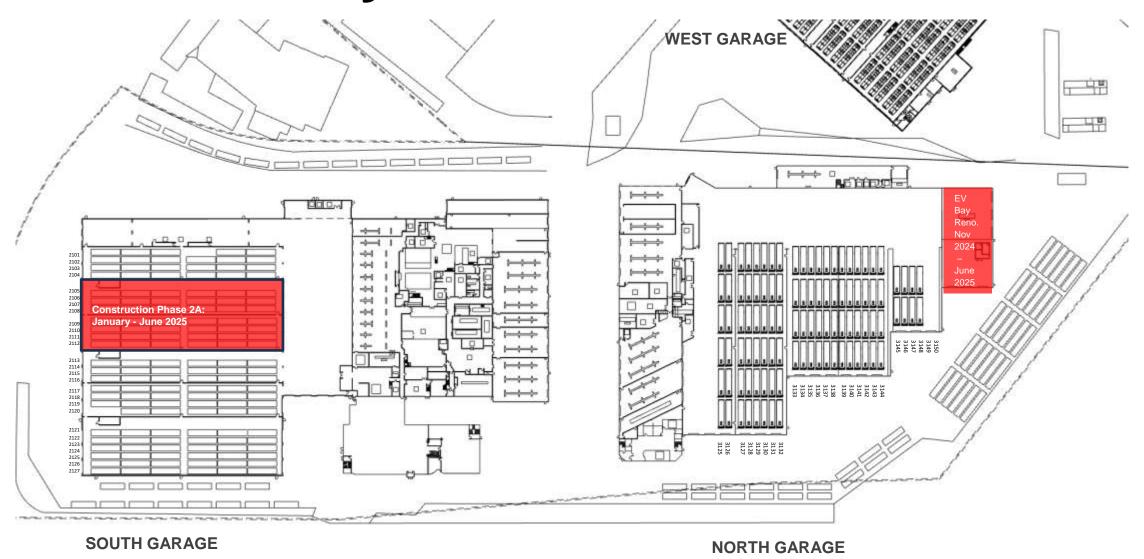




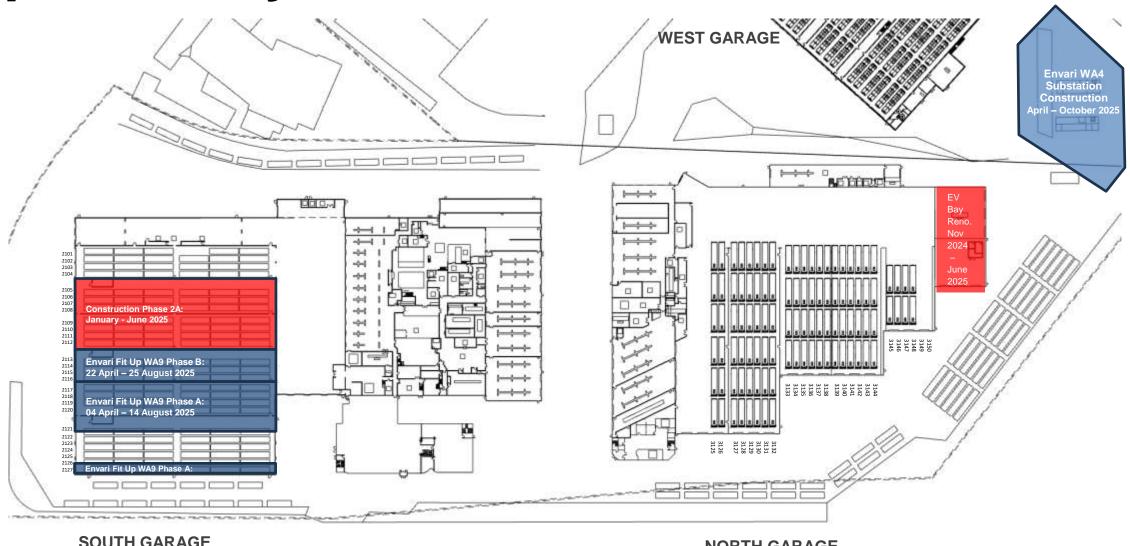
January 2025



End of January to March 2025

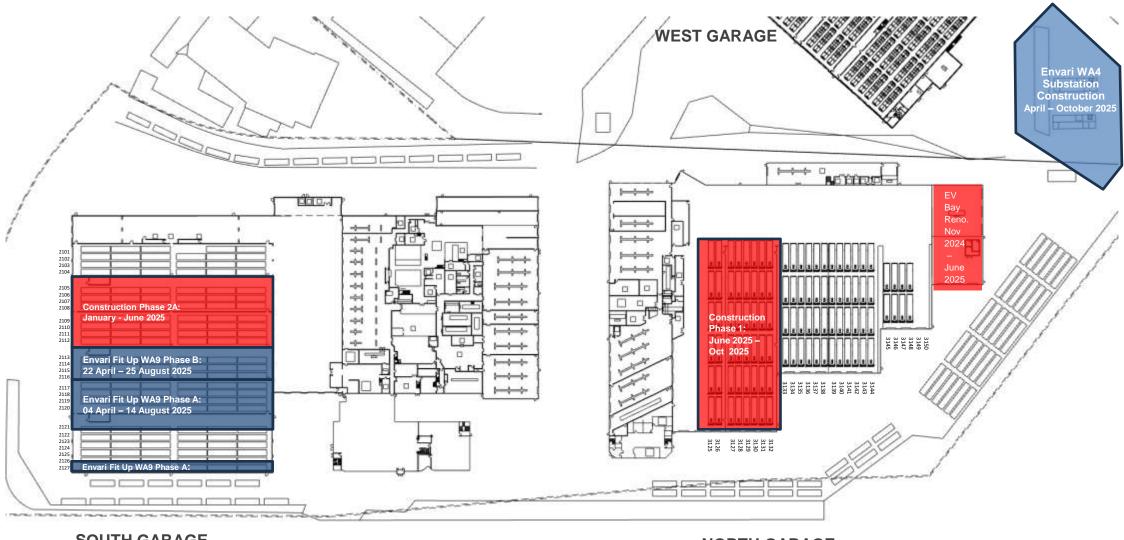


April to May 2025



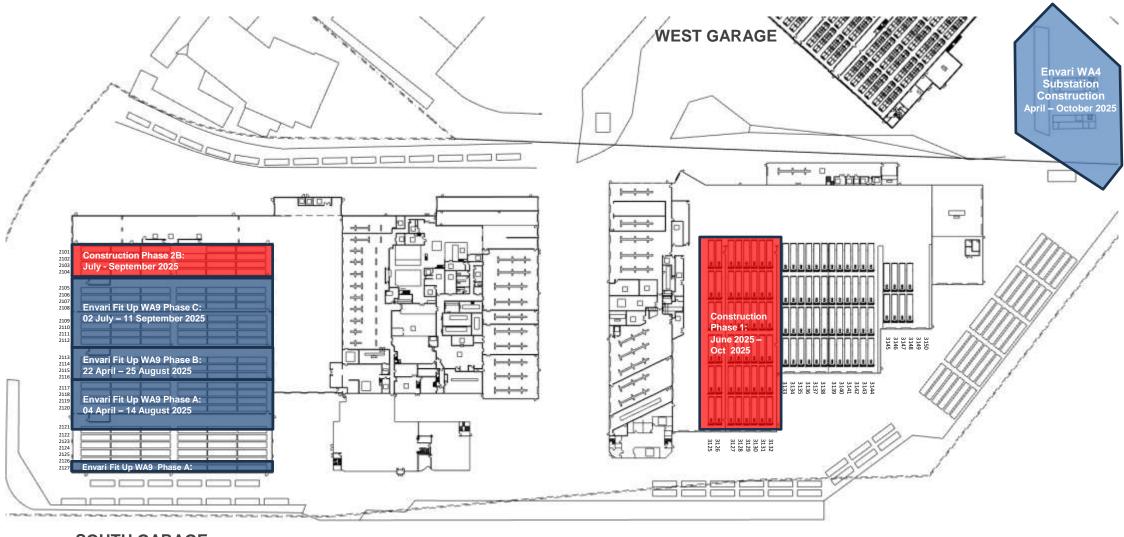
SOUTH GARAGE

June 2025



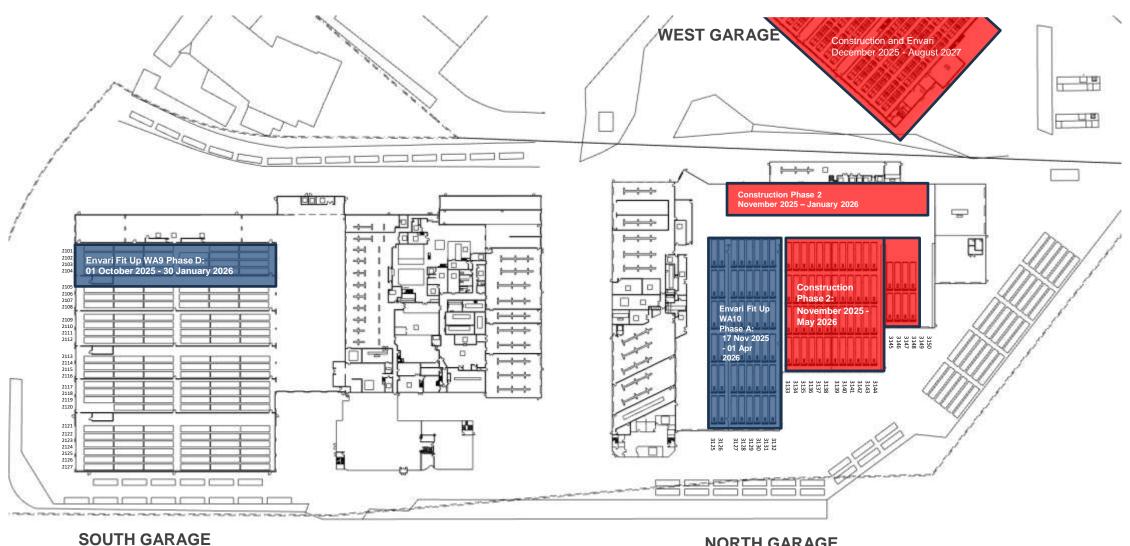
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July 2025



SOUTH GARAGE

December 2025



Questions?