## Official Plan Map 4 Review

**Creating a Long-Range Higher-Order Transit Plan** 

May 2025

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### Land Acknowledgement

We acknowledge the land we are meeting on is the traditional territory of many nations including the Mississaugas of the Credit, the Anishnabeg, the Chippewa, the Haudenosaunee and the Wendat peoples and is now home to many diverse First Nations, Inuit and Métis peoples. We also acknowledge that Toronto is covered by Treaty 13 with the Mississaugas of the Credit.



### African Ancestral Acknowledgement

The City of Toronto acknowledges all Treaty peoples – including those who came here as settlers – as migrants either in this generation or in generations past – and those of us who came here involuntarily, particularly those brought to these lands as a result of the Trans-Atlantic Slave Trade and Slavery. We pay tribute to those ancestors of African origin and descent.





### Outline

- What is Official Plan Map 4?
- Why review Map 4?
- How are we reviewing Map 4?
- Next Steps



We are reviewing Map 4: The Higher Order Transit Corridors map.

#### Map 4 lives in Toronto's Official Plan.



- Every city in Ontario is required to have an Official Plan that is adopted by the city's council.
- It sets out the long-term vision for the city to achieve by the year 2051.
- The Official Plan contains policies and maps that guides how we make decisions on what goes where in the city such as parks, houses, shops, apartments, transit, offices, and warehouses.

The Official Plan represents the vision for growth and change within the City!

### What is Official Plan Map 4?

- A map of all the current and planned higher-order transit routes to be completed by 2051.
- Higher-order transit is transit that runs separately from vehicle traffic and includes:
  - Subways
  - Light-Rail Transit (LRTs)
  - GO Transit
- Map 4 helps guide where growth and transit expansion go so people can be near transit in the future.





This is the current Map 4.

### Connections to Map 4 in the Official Plan

#### **Map 5 – Surface Transit Network**

- Map 5 is a map of priority bus and streetcar routes.
- These routes connect to and support higher-order transit corridors in Map 4.



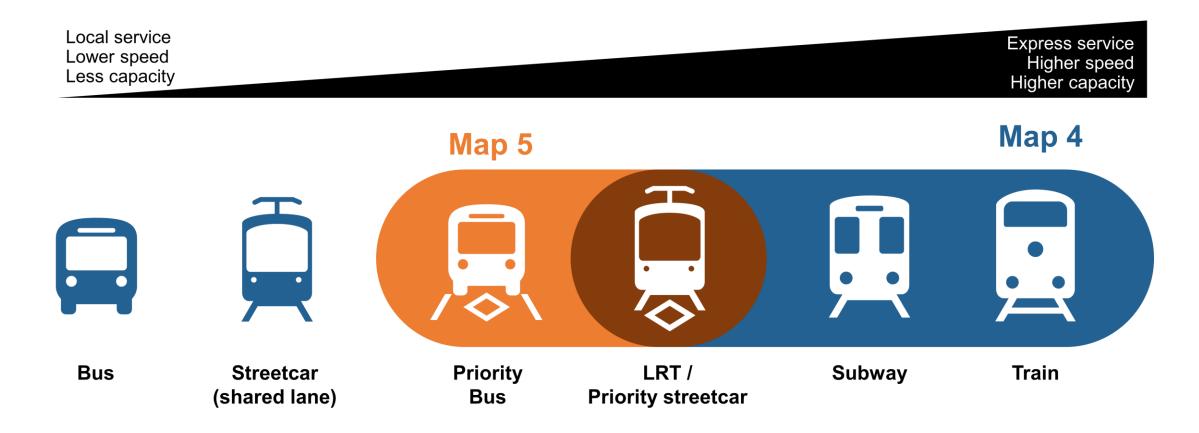
#### **Map 2 – Urban Structure**

- Map 2 shows areas to which growth is directed.
- These include Downtown, Centres (e.g., North York Centre), Avenues, and Employment Areas.





# Transit service is provided through a spectrum of transit





### Spectrum of Transit – On the Ground



- Identifies higher order transit.
- Focuses on guiding future growth and aligning it with transit expansion.





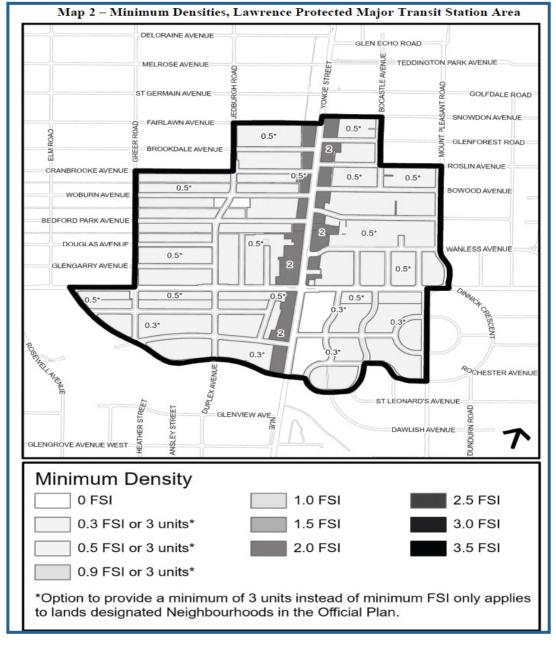
- Identifies everyday priority local transit trips.
- Focuses on moving buses and streetcars more quickly and reliably.



# **Connections to Map 4 in the Official Plan**

#### **Major Transit Station Areas (MTSA)**

- MTSAs are areas within 500-800m walk of higher-order transit stations.
- The province wants more people to be able to live and work within walking distance of the station.
- This allows more homes, jobs, and services near transit.
- MTSAs help Map 4 by focusing growth along key transit routes, creating walkable, transitfriendly communities.





### **Review Process Overview**

The City is reviewing Map 4 in a two-step process.

- Step 1: Refresh includes presenting planned transit updates and seeking feedback from the public about their priorities and needs for future transit.
- Step 2: Full Review includes presenting data analysis and recommendations and seeking feedback from the public about the direction of a 2051 transit plan.



### Step 1: Map 4 Refresh (2024-2025)

#### **Outdated Map**

- Map 4 has not been reviewed in detail since 2002.
- Toronto has grown significantly since then.

#### **Council Direction**

• On March 20, 2024, Toronto City Council directed City Staff to start a review of Map 4.

#### **Begin Refresh**

 City Staff begin preparing a refreshed Map 4 by identifying necessary updates to align with current network and approved plans.

#### Public Consultation (Spring 2025)



• Present planned transit updates and seek feedback from the public on their priorities and needs for future transit.



### Step 2: Map 4 Full Review (2025-2027)

# Implement Feedback (Summer 2025)

Update the proposed Map 4
 Refresh based on feedback.

#### **Council Report (Fall 2025)**

- Prepare recommended Map 4 and associated Official Plan Amendment.
  - Update Report to Council.

#### Begin Full Review (2025-2027)

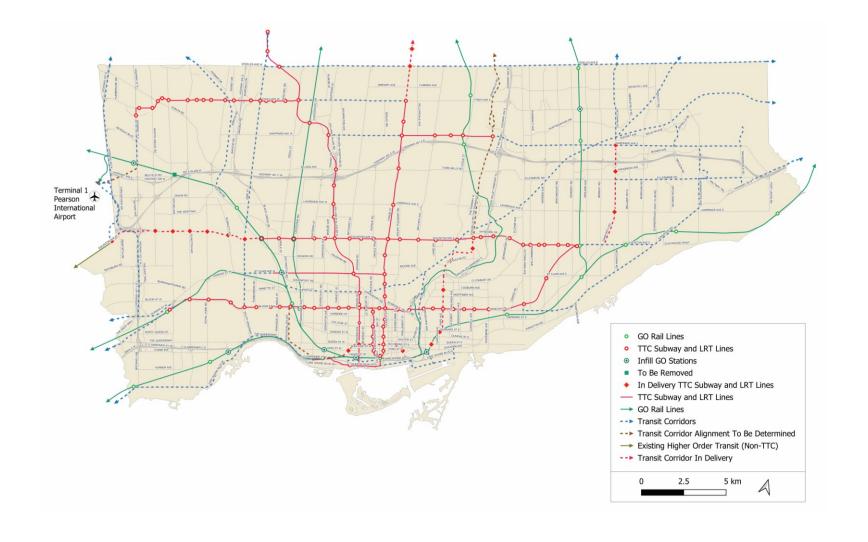
- Conduct extensive analysis to inform the full review of Map 4.
- Public consultation on a comprehensive review throughout 2027.

#### Final Plan (Late 2027)

• Report to Council with New Long-Range Higher Order Transit Plan.



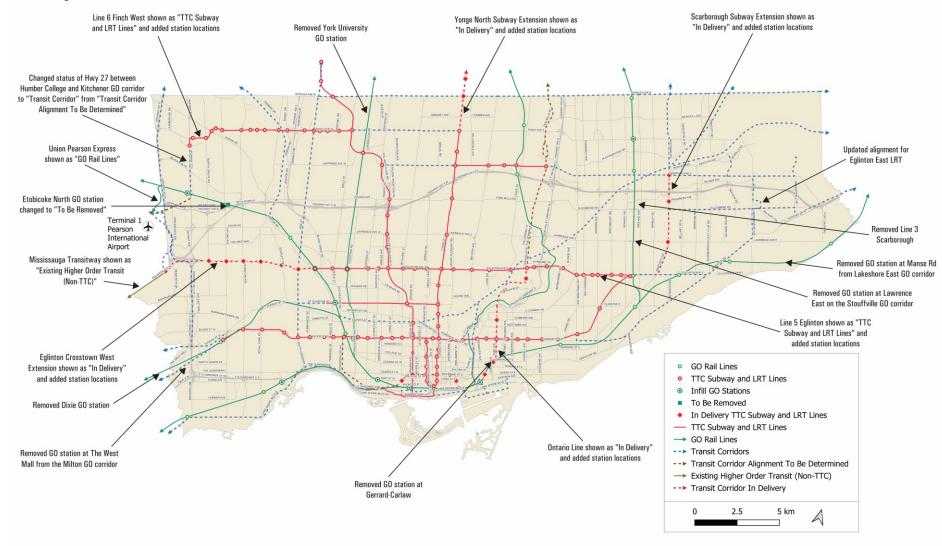
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### We Want Your Input on Map 4

As part of Step 1: Refresh, we are looking for your thoughts on:

- What matters most to you about the future of transit in Toronto?
- Where is better transit access and connectivity needed?
- What should the City think about when planning for future growth, transit and community needs?



### Stay in Touch



Visit toronto.ca/OPMap4Review for more information



Complete the **online survey** by May 30, 2025



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