

Annual Transit Accessibility Information Meeting

Stratford Transit October 18, 2023









Agenda

- Welcome & Introductions
- Housekeeping
- Purpose of Meeting
- Presentation on Transit Accessibility
- Question and Answer Period





Purpose of this meeting

Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA) requires:

- Annual public meeting
- Transit services must be addressed in the City's accessibility plan
- Opportunity to review and provide feedback on the accessibility plan (transit service)





Accessibility Plan

Accessibility Plans

- Accessibility Plans –
 Specialized and
 Conventional
 Transportation Services
- The 2023-2028 Plan is presently being updated and will be made available soon on the City's website under Accessibility



City of Stratford
Multi-Year
Accessibility Plan
2018-2022

This document is available in alternate formats, upon request.





General Requirements for Conventional and Specialized Transit Providers

 Accessibility Equipment (Ramps, Lifts, Kneeling)









General Requirements for Conventional and Specialized Transit Providers

- Emergency Preparedness & Response Policies
- Fares & Support Persons





General Requirements for Conventional Transit

- Fares
- Transit Stops
- Storage of Mobility Aids
- Courtesy and Priority seating
- Service disruptions (PSA, Website, Bus Media)
- On-board announcements





Priority and Courtesy Seating









Technical Requirements for Conventional Transit

- Grab bars, handholds, handrails, stanchions
- Floors & non-slip surfaces
- Allocated mobility spaces









Technical Requirements for Conventional Transit

- Stop requests & emergency response controls
- Audio/Visual Stop Announcements
- Lifting devices, ramps, kneeling bus











Specialized Service Providers – Mobility Bus

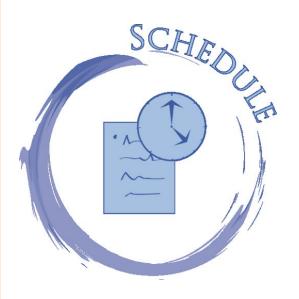
- Categories of Eligibility/Application process
- Emergency or compassionate grounds
- Fare parity
- Visitors
- Origin to destination services
- Coordinated service (referral only)





Specialized Service Providers

- Hours of Service
- Bookings
- Service delays
- Companions (Worker, Support Person, Family Member, Friend)



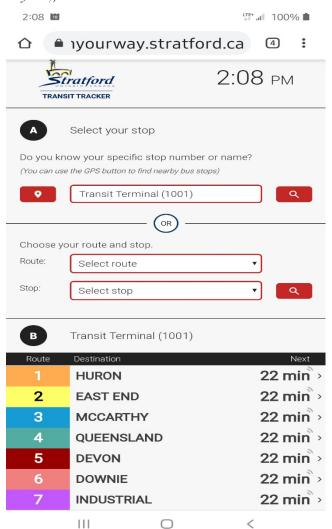


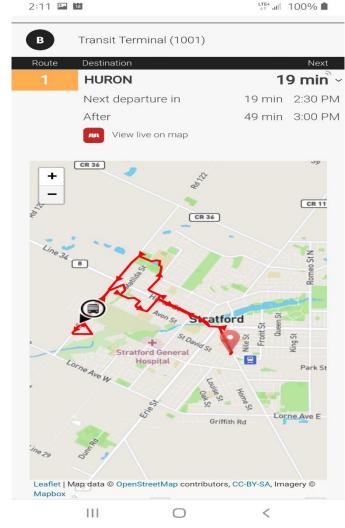
Accessible Solar Powered Lighted Shelter





Technology







Media Screens





Magnus Cards

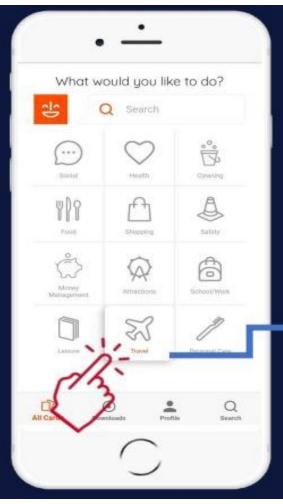
Magnus Cards is a free app that helps autistic and neurodiverse people gain independence and confidence in taking the City's transit services. This app provides a customary deck of cards with a step-by-step guide and positive reinforcement in taking transit services.

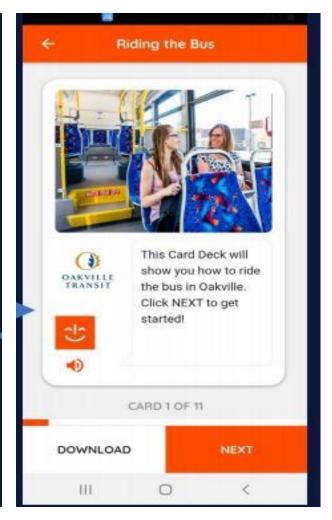






Magnus Cards











Future AODA Requirements and Projects

- No new requirements for transit
- Continue to meet existing legislation
- Annual transit meetings
- Magnus Card app introduction





Response to Input from 2022 Public Meeting

Conventional

- Need more Accessible bus shelters
- Also need to replace aging smaller shelters
- Availability of open spots to book rides is becoming more difficult





Q and A

Question and Answer Period



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