



Fairfield-Gonzales Community Association

TRANSIT ENGAGEMENT



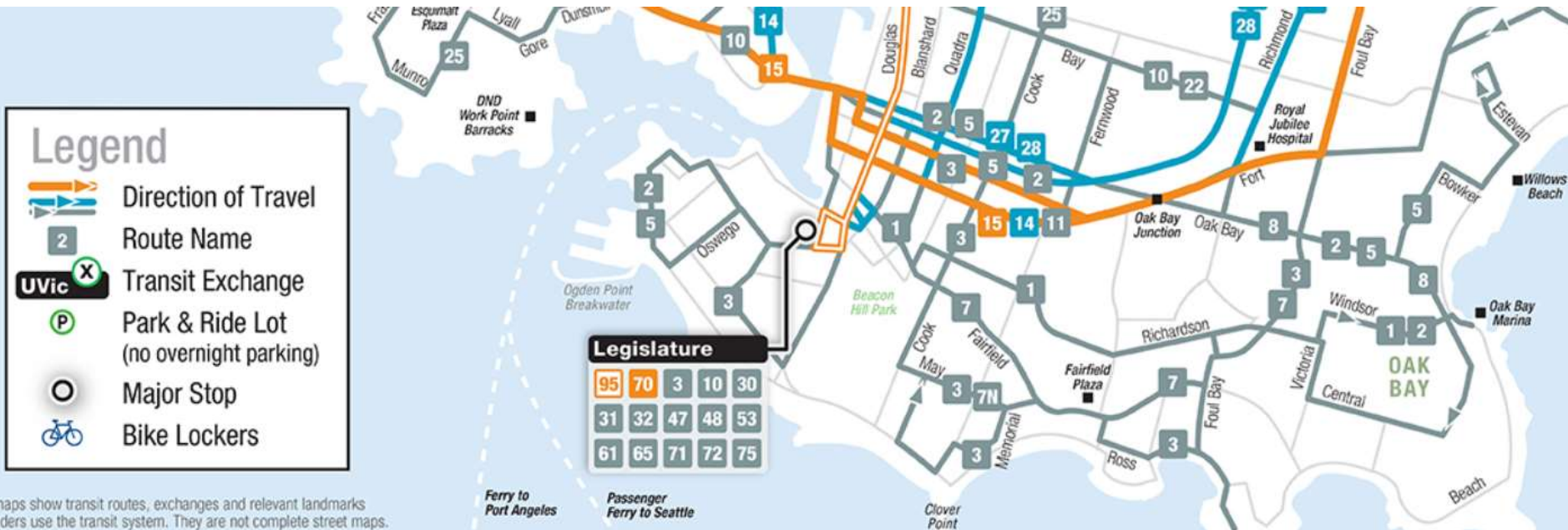
Overview

- Help BC Transit better understand your needs
- Learn how transit investment decisions are made
- The relationship between effective transit and land use

Existing Transit Network

The following routes serve the Fairfield-Gonzales area:

- Route 1 South Oak Bay / Downtown
- Route 3 James Bay / Royal Jubilee
- Route 7 UVIC / Downtown



FGCA Survey

Feedback from the FGCA through their 2023 transit survey:

1. Improve service on Route 7
2. Improve connections to BC Ferries and Victoria Airport
3. Improve frequency for Route 3, particularly in the south
4. Reassess Routes 1 and 3 to see if there are ways to increase coverage and frequency within community
5. Improve accessibility to transit

Survey – Key Themes

- Frequency
- Coverage
- Connections

We Want to Hear from You

- Has the survey missed anything?
- Does anything require elaboration?

Key themes

Frequency

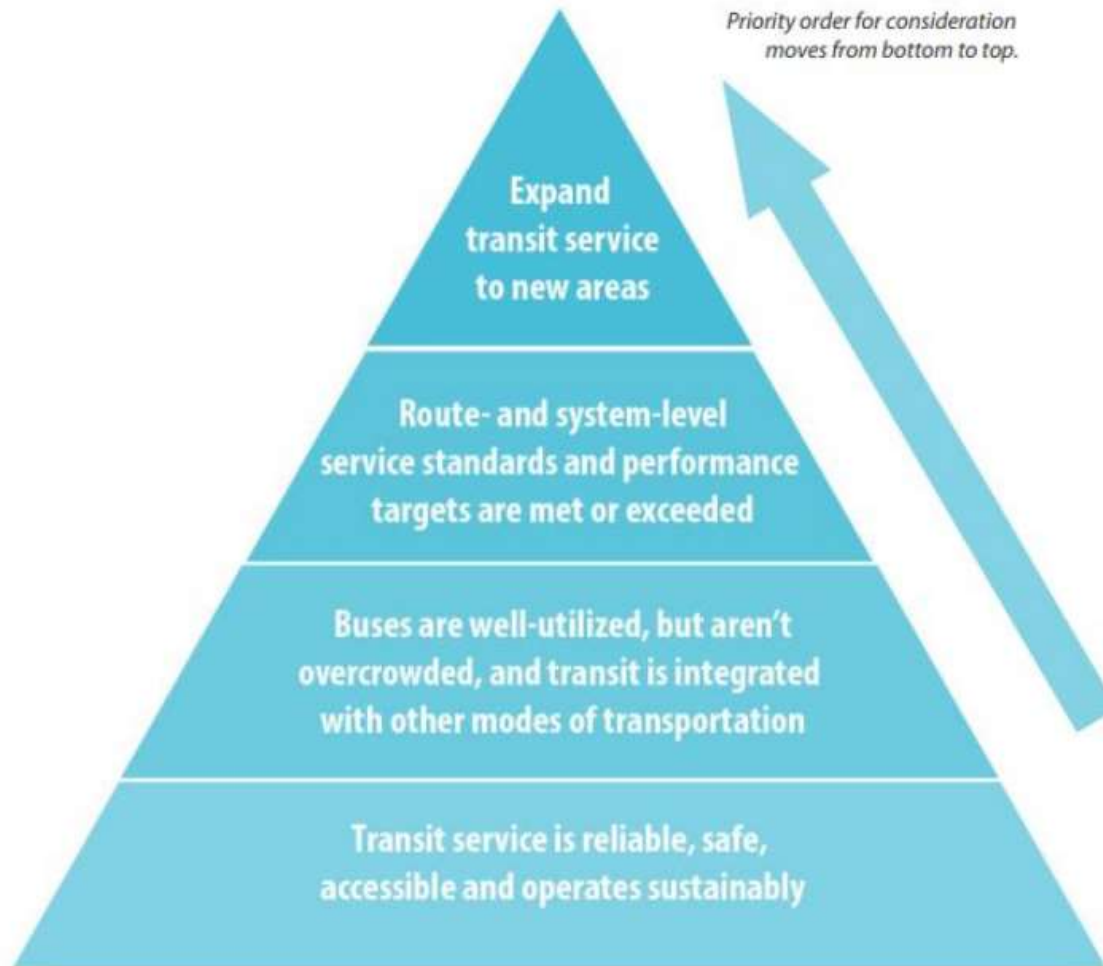
Coverage

Connections

Possible Limiting Factors

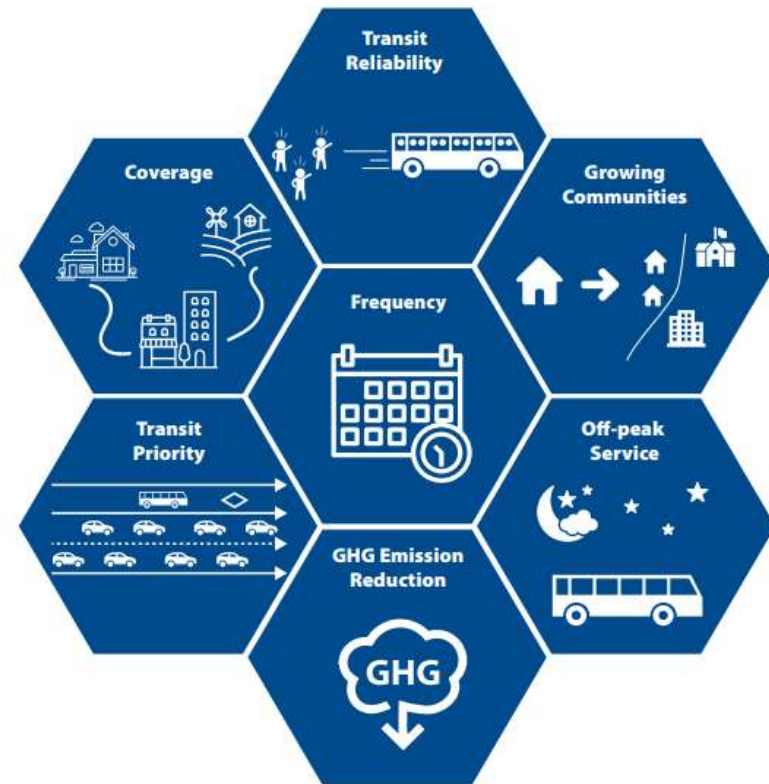
- Transit Service Investment
 - Available expansion resources
 - Competing priorities
- Strategic planning
 - Some improvements require further planning work
- Infrastructure Requirements
 - Some service improvements require improved transit infrastructure

Transit Service Investment Decisions

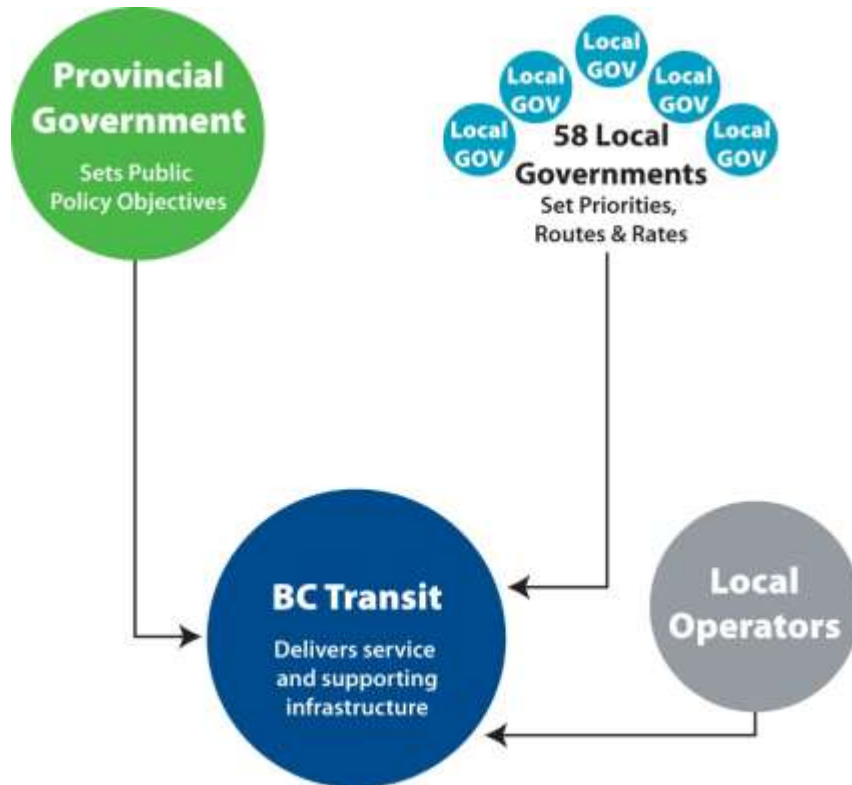


Transit Evaluation Process (TEPs)

- Service reliability
 - On-time performance
 - Passenger pass ups / crowding
- Ridership performance
- Population & employment density
- GHG emission reduction
- Coverage / access and alignment with service standards



System Operates Through Partnership: BC Transit's Model



Victoria Regional Transit Commission

- Plans community, establishes transit priorities and routes
- Sets service levels and approves budgets
- Set fares
- Provide local tax subsidy

BC Transit

- Turns VRTC priorities into transit operating and capital plans
- Works with Province to access funding
- Operates Victoria conventional service
 - Custom Transit operated via contracted service provider
- Manages capital program

Service Investment Challenges and Constraints

- Limited expansion funding
 - Requires both VRTC and Province approval
- Rapid ridership growth and traffic congestion
- Labour shortages
- Vehicle maintenance challenges

Service Performance

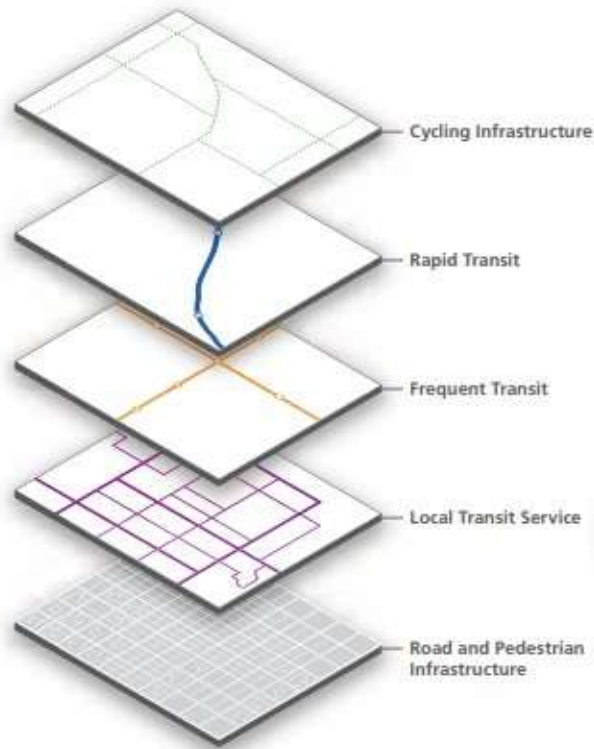
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Effective Transit - Network

Network Integration



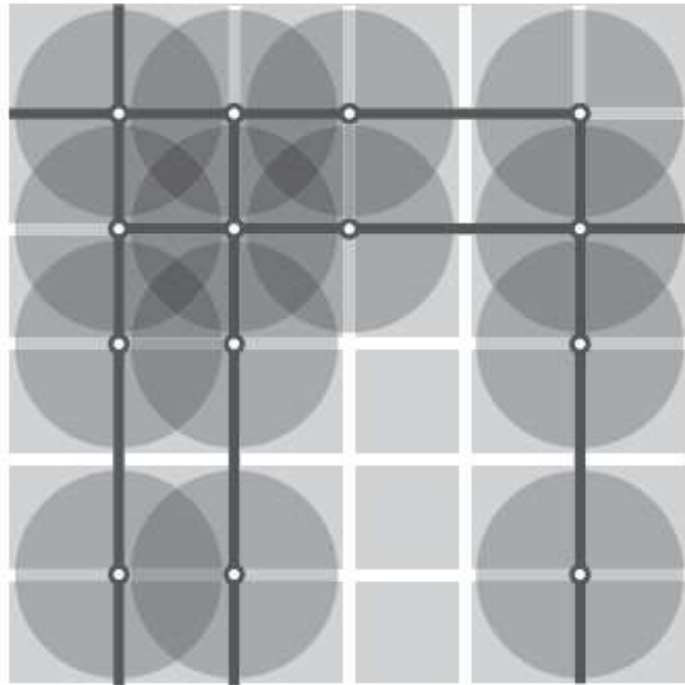
Be a transit network that is greater than the sum of its individual parts, recognizing complexity and interconnectedness between modes and service types



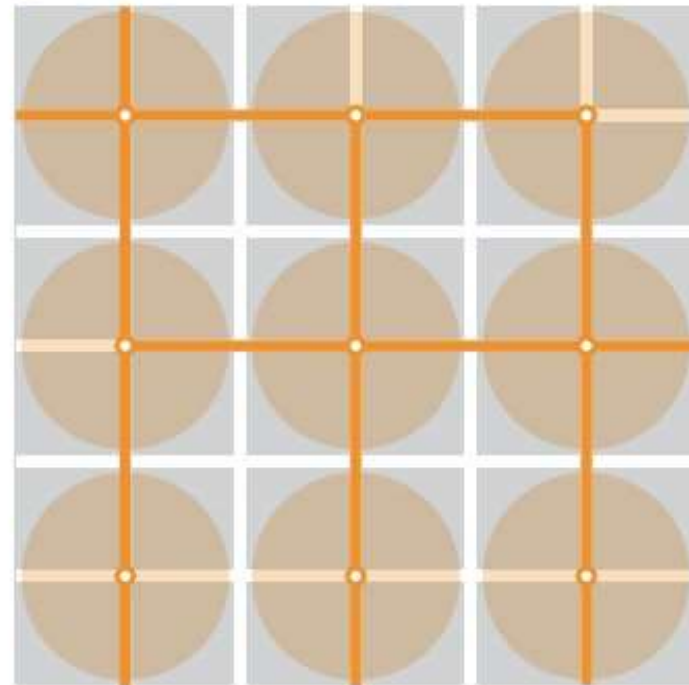
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Avoid duplication or competition between transit services

● 400m or 5-minute walk



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Effective Transit - Routes

Be as direct, simple, consistent and legible as possible



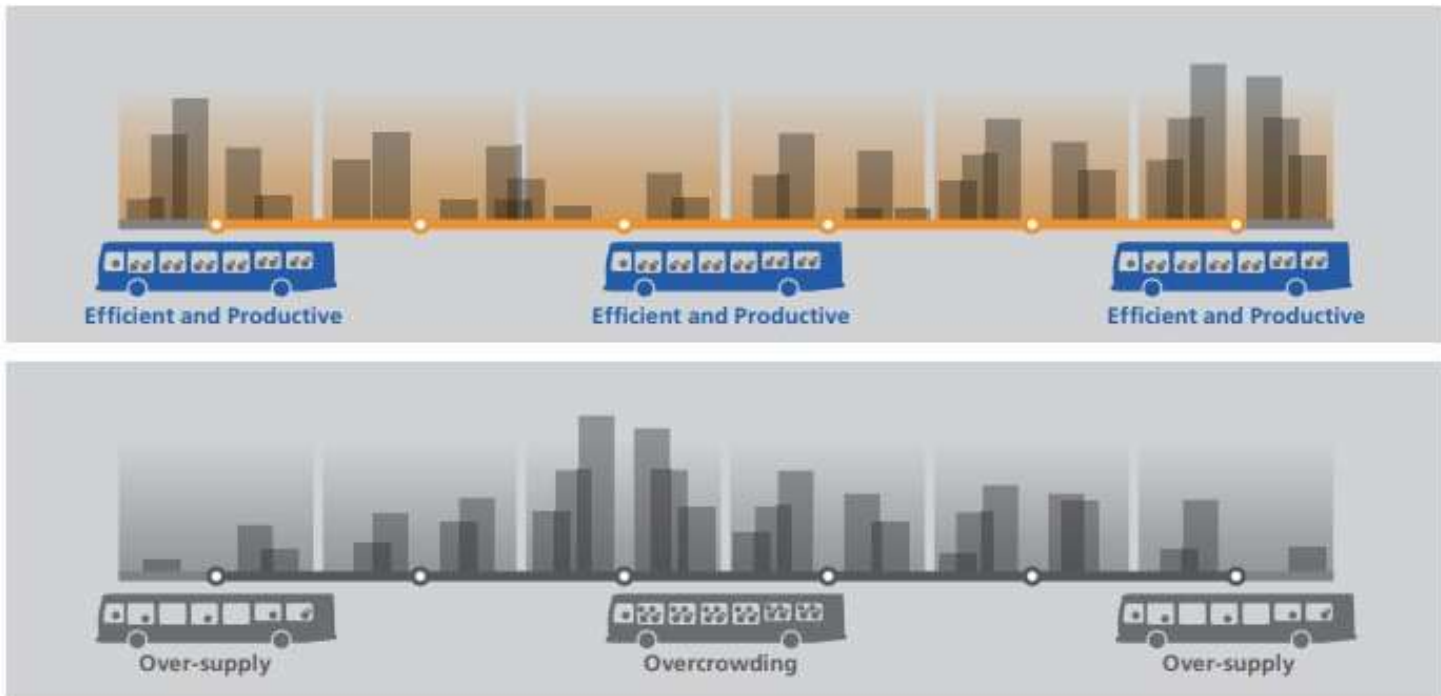
Effective Transit and Land Use

Serve areas of strong demand

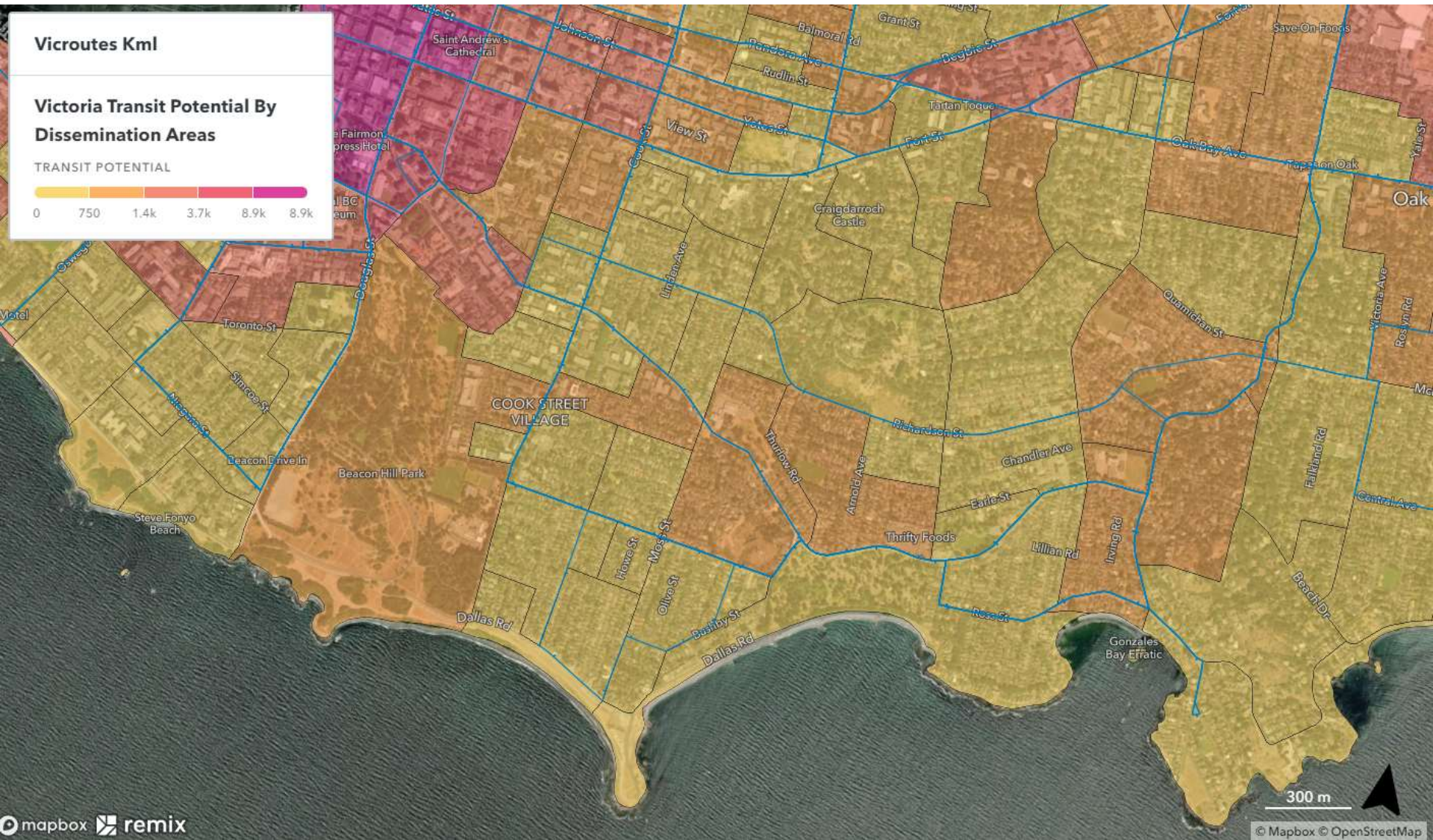


Effective Transit and Land Use

Have strong anchors at both ends



Effective Transit and Land Use



Province Bill 44 - SSMUH

- Frequent transit now has density considerations
- Allows up to 6 units per lot as of right within 200m of frequent transit bus stops
- Impact may be minimal depending on outcome of City of Victoria's OCP update

Strategic Planning

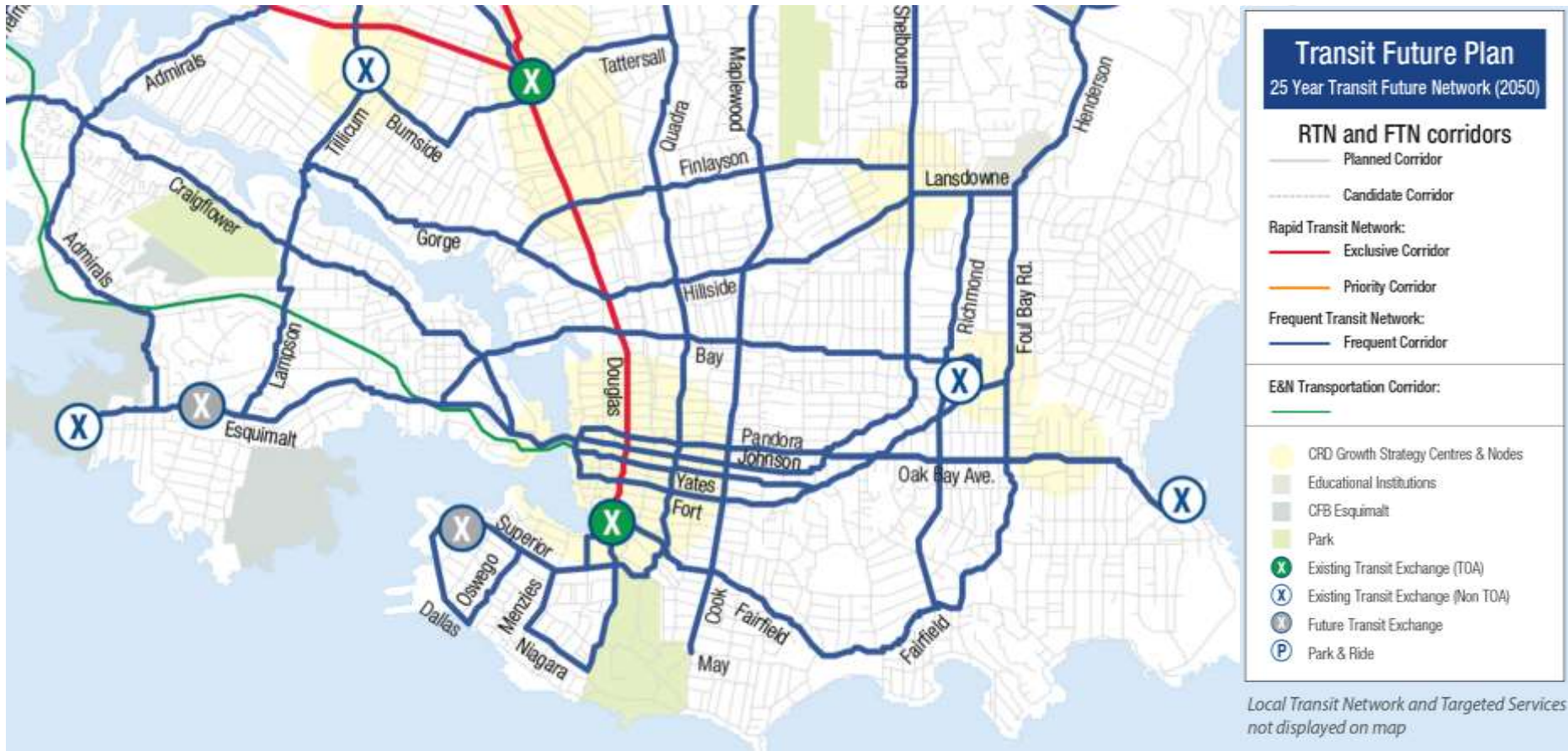
Current and Future Planning

- Regional Corridor Strategy (2023/24)
 - Fairfield Transit Corridor Plan (2026-2029)
 - Cook Transit Corridor Plan (2030+)
- Transit Future Plan Update (2024/25)

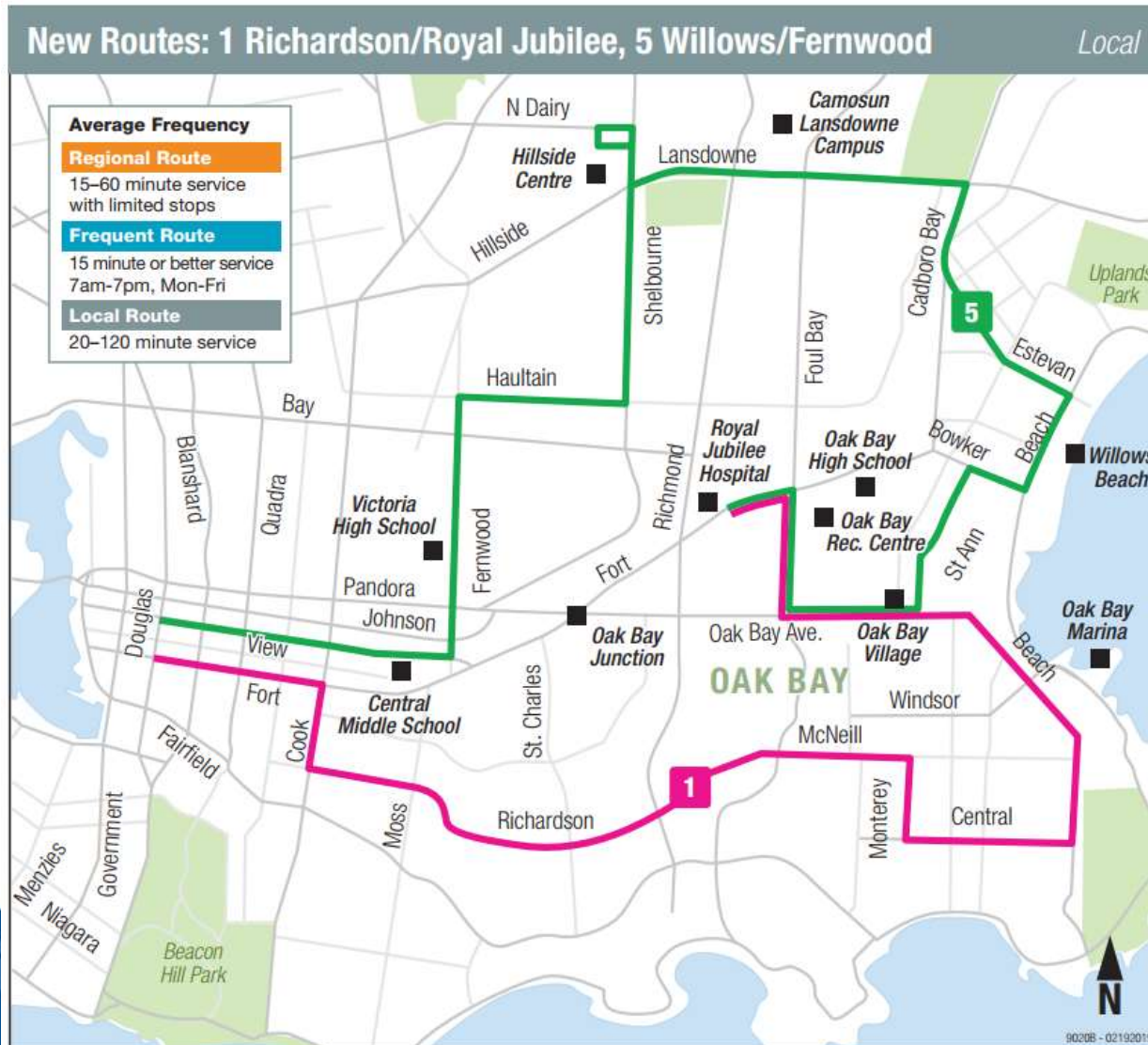
Previous Planning

- Jubilee Local Area Transit Plan
- James Bay Local Area Transit Plan

Effective Transit and Land Use



Previous Network Concepts



Summary

- Airport service – Airport service strategy being revisited as part of the Transit Future Plan Update process in 2024/25
- Route 1 – Requires Jubilee Hospital Transit Exchange (longer-term).
- Route 3 – Network restructure likely required; dependent on outcome of Fairfield / Cook Transit Corridor Plan. Could support new Cook Street and Richmond Ave. planned frequent transit designations.
- Route 7 – Candidate for short-term expansion pending resource availability and competing system needs.

Engagement Next Steps

- Voice of the Rider Survey (Ongoing)
- Transit Future Plan Update (2024/25)
- Fairfield Transit Corridor Plan (2026 or later)
- Cook and Richmond Transit Corridor Plans (2030 or later)

Roadway Changes in Victoria

Information to Support Decisions

- Asset conditions (infrastructure renewal)
- Technical warrant systems (manuals, standards, guidelines)
- Collision data (ICBC, VicPD)
- Agency needs (BC Transit, Victoria Fire)
- Operational data (volumes, speeds, turning movements, trip length)
- Capital project coordination (eg: underground work)
- Political direction (local or provincial)
- New technologies or mobility services (eg: EV charging; ride-hailing)
- Public ideas and feedback (suggestions, concerns, complaints)
- Equity (new)