

Transportation Master Plan Update

Ambassadors Working Group Meeting #2

23 September 2020

What is the Transportation Master Plan (TMP)?

- The **City's blueprint** for planning, developing and operating its transportation networks over the next 25 years.
- A long-term planning document focused on **policy** and **infrastructure**.

Why are we updating the TMP?

- Ottawa is growing
- Transportation is changing
- The City is updating its Official Plan (OP)



TMP Update Project Schedule

- **Fall 2019:** Vision and guiding principles
- **Fall 2020:** OP and Active Transportation Plan policies
- **Spring 2021:** Transit and road policies
- **Spring 2022:** Future needs and opportunities
- **Spring 2023:** Road and transit network plans
- **Fall 2023:** Council approval

COVID-19 and Transportation Planning

- The pandemic has changed **how people travel**
- **Transit ridership, vehicle traffic, pedestrian volumes, and cycling trips** have all changed
- Travel patterns and traffic volumes are **still changing**

We are moving forward using the best information available, and are talking to stakeholders, other levels of government, elected officials, and the public.

Phase 1 Engagement – What We Heard

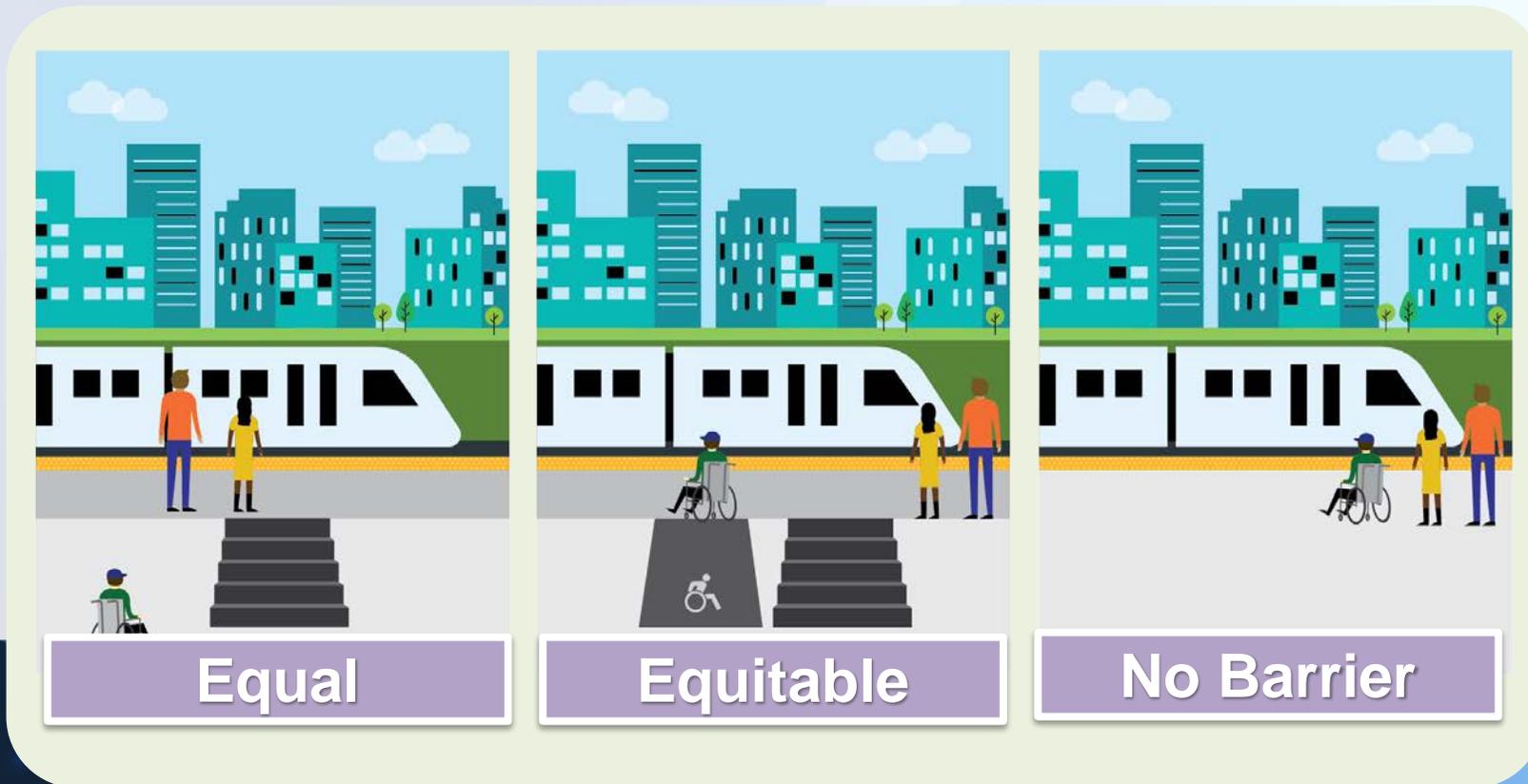
- **Transportation Issues** – Reduce traffic congestion, expand transit service, and build safe and comfortable pedestrian and cycling facilities
- **Climate Change** – Take steps to address climate change and reduce GHG emissions
- **Equity** – Ensure the TMP reflects the needs and opinions of a range of perspectives

What Is the Focus of Phase 2 Engagement?

- **Active Transportation Plan:** Strategies, focus areas, missing links, how to prioritize
- **New mobility:** How to plan for new technologies that could impact how we travel
- The needs of our **diverse population**

What is Transportation Equity?

An equitable transportation system strives to provide balanced travel options for everyone.



Measuring Transportation Equity

- Previously discussed **transportation barriers** and **lived experience**
- Want to be able to show that the TMP produces a **more equitable** transportation system
- **Measuring equity** is an important step towards developing equitable solutions

Measuring Transportation Equity

- **Options** – The number of different transportation options available within a neighbourhood.
- **Access** – The number of destinations reachable within a certain time

Measuring Travel Options

- **Why?** Fewer travel options increases chance of facing transportation barriers
- **How?** Count the number of different transportation services available in an area. Assign a score.
 - **Lower options score = greater equity concern**

What Travel **Options** Are Available?

- Transitway and LRT station
- Bus stop with service every 15 minutes or better
- Cycling network
- Uber service
- Lyft service
- Communauto carshare
- Zipcar carshare

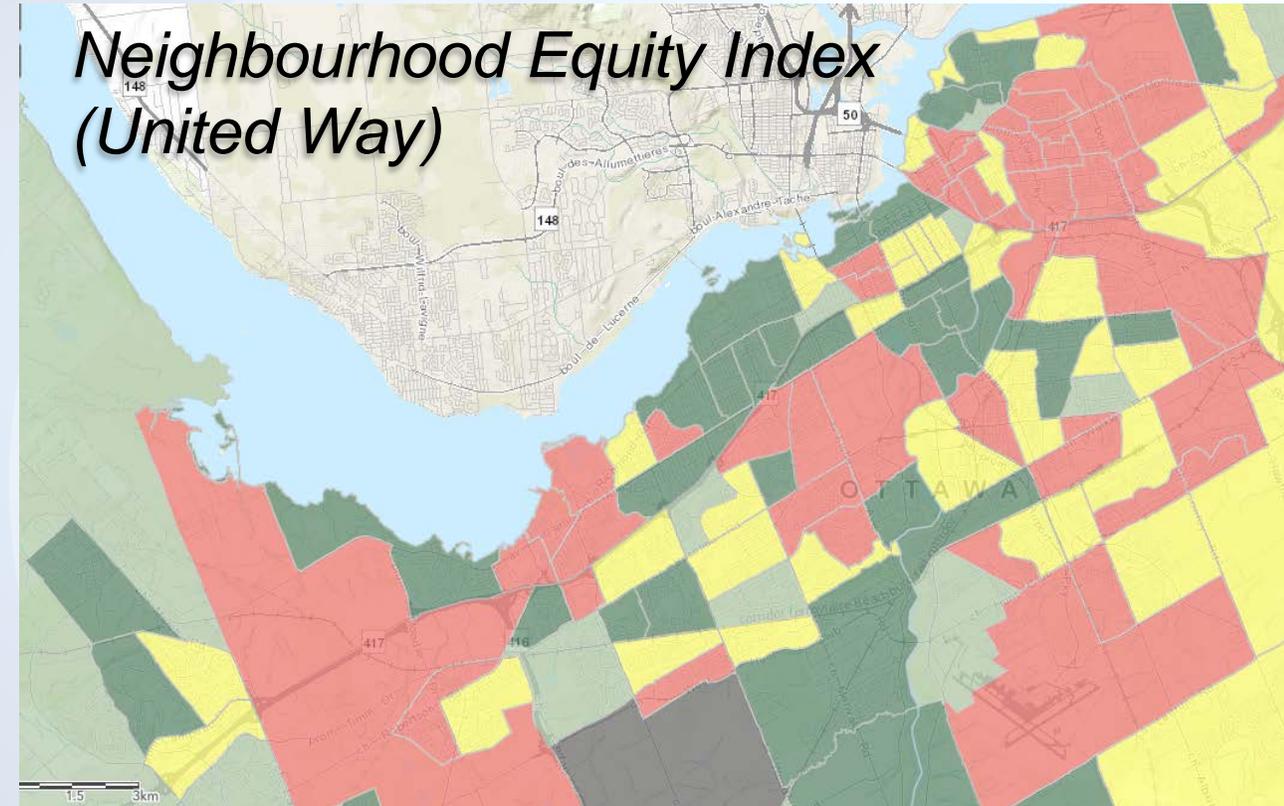
Measuring Transportation **Access**

- **Why?** Reflects the amount of time it takes to get around
- **How?** Count the number of jobs you can get to by transit within an average commute time.
 - **Fewer accessible jobs = greater equity concern**
 - **Jobs vs. other activities**
 - **Transit vs. other modes**

Neighbourhood Equity Index

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- 1 - Economic Opportunity
- 2 - Social and Human Development
- 3 - Physical Environment
- 4 - Health
- 5 - Community and Belonging



Discussion

When you use your **primary method** of getting around (car, public transit, bicycle, walking, etc.) - How easy is it to get to the following places:

- Work or School
- Groceries or Shopping
- Recreational or Leisure Activities (such as visits with friends or to a community centre)

Discussion

On days when you're not driving or if you don't drive, we'd like to know if having more transportation options would make it easier to get to where you are going. Tell us what you think about the following options:

- **More sidewalks or walking paths**
- **More cycling facilities such as bike lanes or multi-use pathways**
- **More local bus service**
- **More access to bus Transitway or LRT**
- **More access to ride-hailing such as a taxi or Uber/Lyft**
- **More access to car-sharing services**
- **More access to bikeshare or scooter-share services**

Online Engagement

We would like to hear your thoughts about the issues that were discussed during the presentation.

Please fill in our online questionnaire at [Ottawa.ca/TMPUpdate](https://ottawa.ca/TMPUpdate) under the “Engage” tab

Online engagement will run from the week of September 21 to October 23, 2020.

Next Steps

- Develop draft road and transit policies.
- Refine Active Transportation plan strategic directions and begin network development.
- Prepare for Phase 3 Engagement in Spring 2021

Thank you for your participation!

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