
Hanover – Owen Sound Task Force Meeting

Owen Sound Transportation February 19, 2021

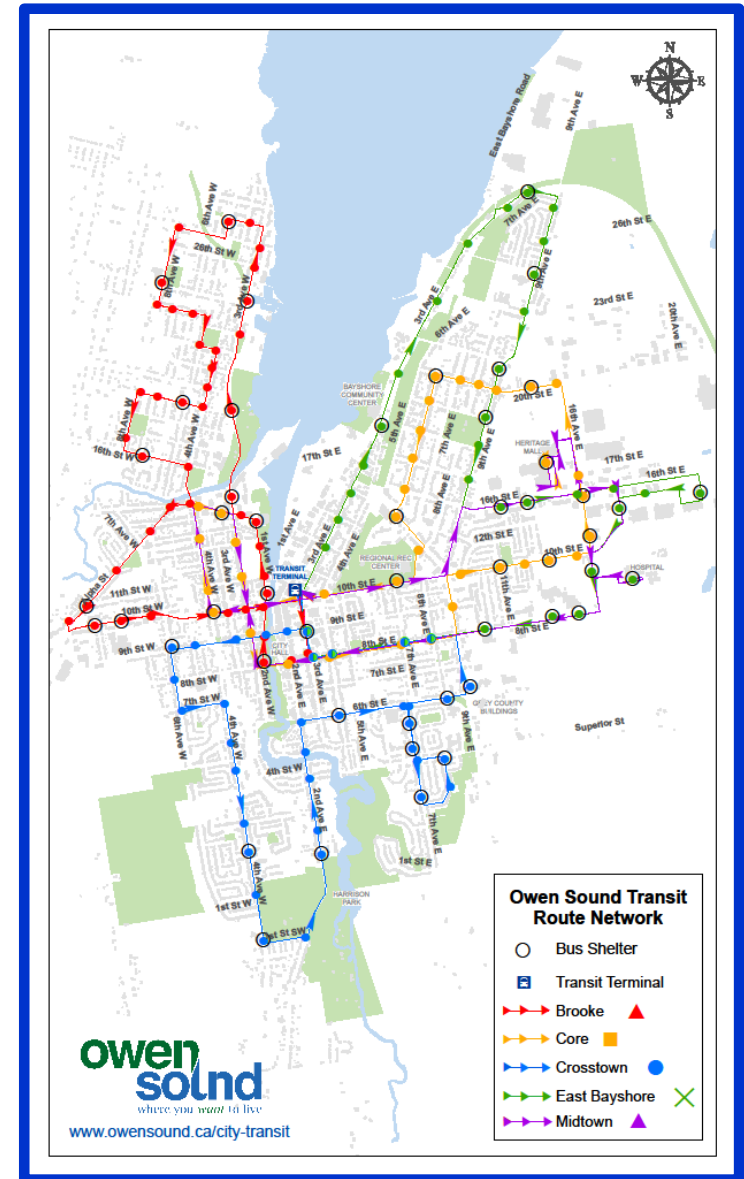


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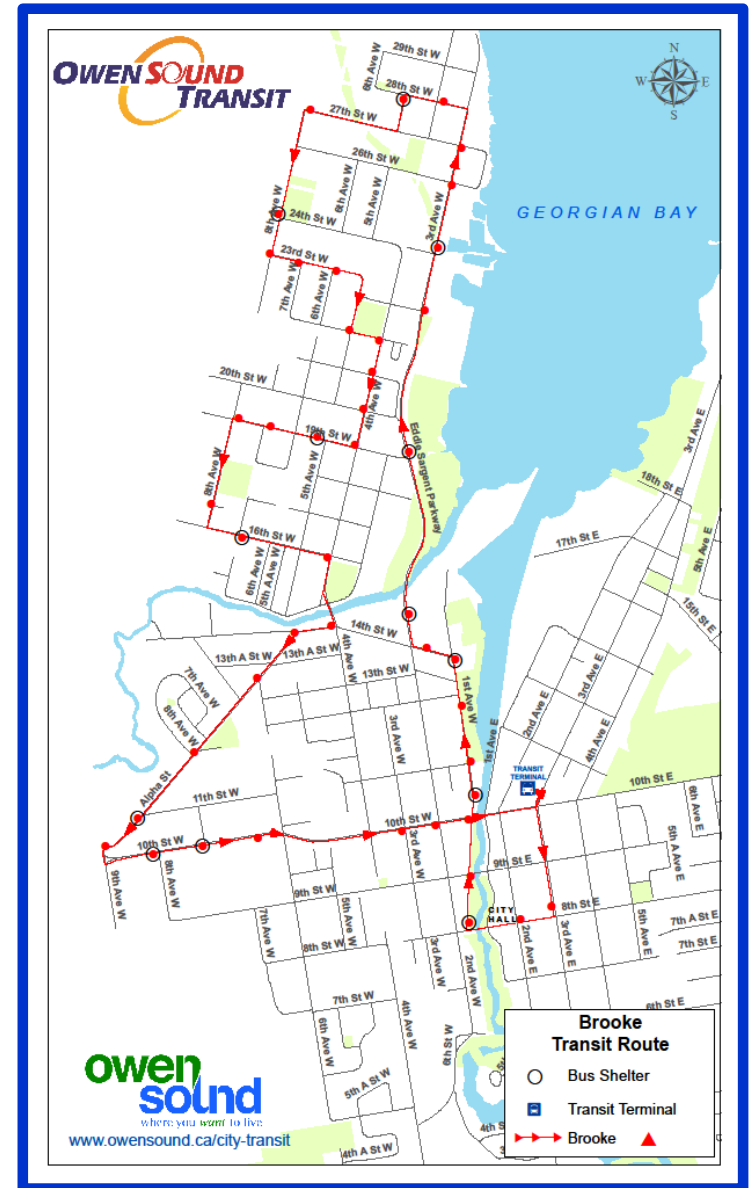
Transit Services

- Four Primary Routes:
 - Core
 - Brooke
 - East Bayshore
 - Cross Town
- Temporary Route
 - Midtown



Brooke Route

- Serves the northwest quadrant.
- Starts and ends at the terminal.



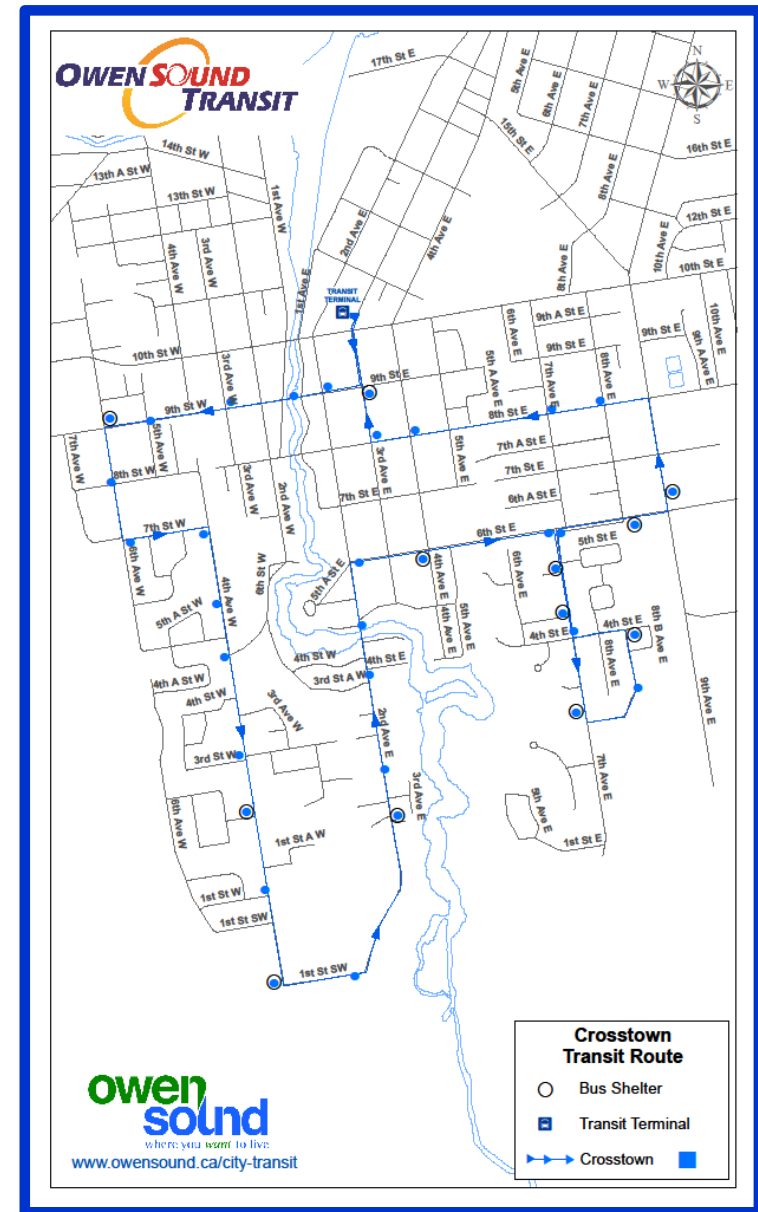
Core Route

- Serves the main core of the city.
- Starts and ends at the terminal.



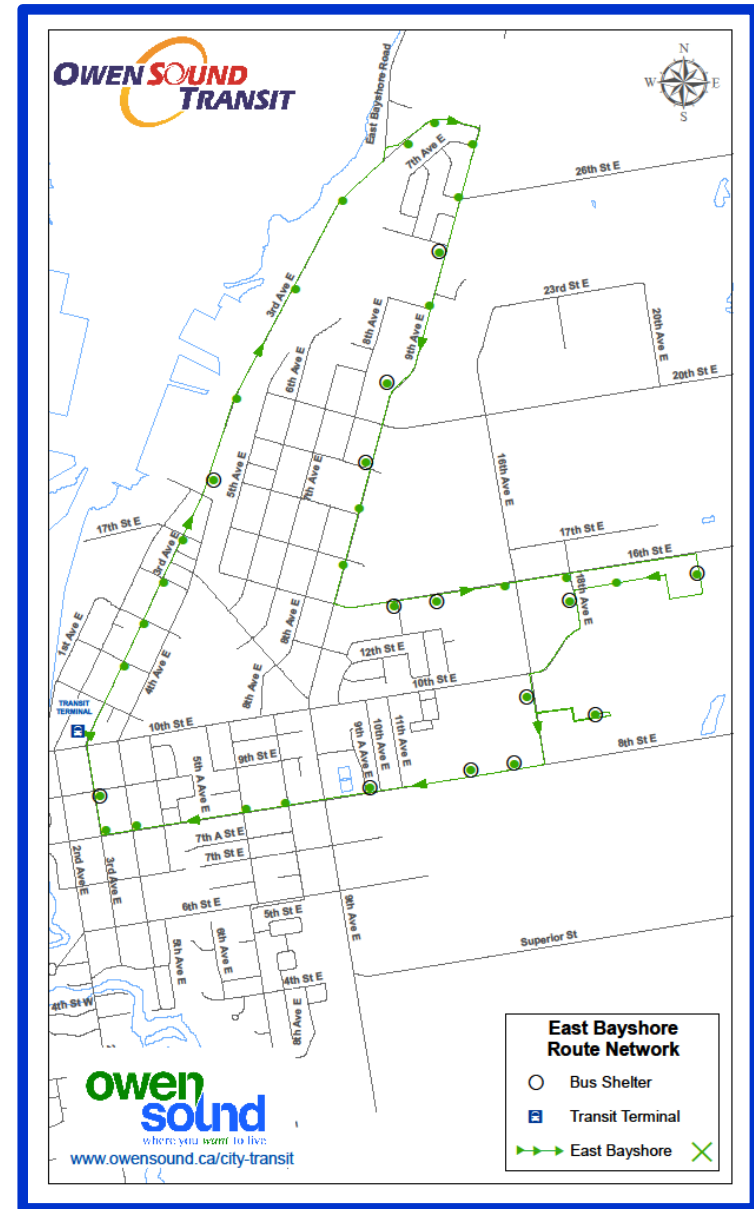
Cross Town

- Serves predominantly the southern half of the city.
- Starts and ends at the terminal.



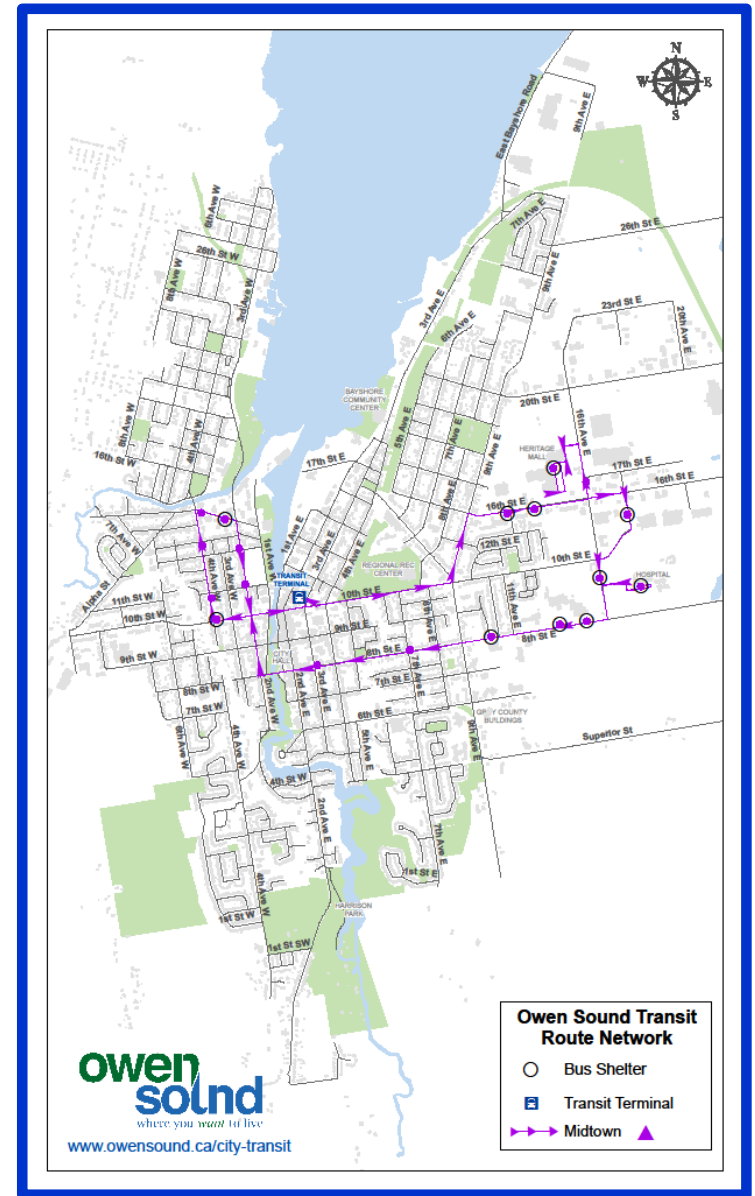
East Bayshore

- Serves predominantly the eastern half of the city.
- Starts and ends at the terminal.
- Most popular route.



Midtown Route

- Created to service residents during provincial lockdown.
- Funded by province.
- Alleviates demand on East Bayshore Route.



Mobility Transit

- The City of Owen Sound provides a door-to-door transportation service for residents of the City with mobility limitations that restrict their ability to use the City's conventional accessible public transit system.
- The service uses a wheelchair accessible bus and operates Monday to Friday between 6:30am and 6:00pm and Saturday between 9:00am and 4:00pm.
- Transit passes and trip tickets are valid on both conventional and mobility transit services.
- There is no transit (conventional or mobility) service available on Sundays or Statutory Holidays.
- To use the Mobility Transit service, an approved application is required.

Inter-Community Transit

- GOST (Guelph Owen Sound Transportation) is a public transportation service connecting people from Owen Sound to Guelph and stops in between including:
 - ❑ Chatsworth
 - ❑ Williamsford
 - ❑ Durham
 - ❑ Mount Forest
 - ❑ Arthur
 - ❑ Fergus
 - ❑ Elora.



GOST

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TRANSPORTATION

Challenges

- Costs
- Revenues
 - Conventional Transit fares recover 25% of overall transit costs.
 - Mobility Transit fares recover 6% of overall operating costs.
- Expansion of the system
- No major concentrated business area.



Constraints

- Service Delivery Model
 - Current hours of operation do not meet the needs of all users.
- Equipment
 - Limited amount of seating on each bus.
- Topography
 - Impacts the type of equipment used.



Opportunities

- Development in Industrial Zone
 - Large employers in concentrated area.
- The Next Generation
 - Targeting high school and post secondary students.
- Transit Study

