



## MEMORANDUM

TO: Regional Council Members

FROM: Richard J. Leary  
Acting Commissioner, Transportation and Community Planning Department

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RE: **York Region Transit Bus Stops and Amenities**

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This memorandum provides Regional Council with information regarding the number of York Region Transit (YRT/Viva) bus stops and amenities.

Currently, there are 4,828 transit bus stops in York Region. The make-up of these stops is as follows:

- 3,340 bus stops with concrete boarding platforms
- 125 are designated Viva stations
- 851 bus stops are located in an urban area without a boarding platform. The majority are low volume transit stops in residential areas
- 512 bus stops are located on gravel shoulders in rural or undeveloped areas

Along some rural routes, YRT/Viva has implemented a flag-stop procedure where a passenger can wave for the bus to stop anywhere along the route without having to walk to a designated bus stop.

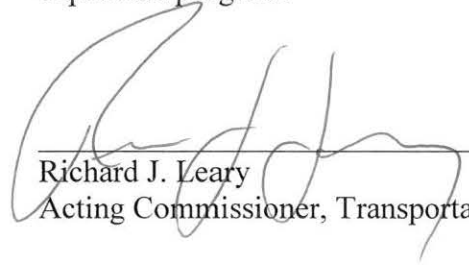
The following amenities are provided at bus stops:

- 910 bus stops have shelters with most equipped with benches
- 167 bus stops are equipped with bike racks
- 504 bus stops have a waste/recycling container
- All bus stops have a post with a bus stop sign, indicating the bus route and stop number
- 180 bus stops have info posts providing route information

Daily bus stop passenger boardings are used to prioritize the placement of concrete pads and shelters at conventional service bus stops in the Region. Bus shelters are warranted based on a minimum of 20 passengers boarding per average weekday and a review of physical site conditions.

In 2013, approximately 120 new concrete boarding platforms will be installed at bus stops throughout the Region. Fifty bus shelters will be installed as part of the YRT/Viva capital expansion program. As well, 12 stations and pedestrian enclosures were installed along the rapidway through the first phase of vivaNext on Highway 7.

Planned for 2014 is the installation of approximately 50 new concrete boarding platforms and 75 shelters. Fifty new shelters will be installed through the co-ordinated street furniture and advertising program in addition to 25 shelters being installed through YRT/Viva's capital expansion program.



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