

Woolwich Township Transit Update

September 24, 2024



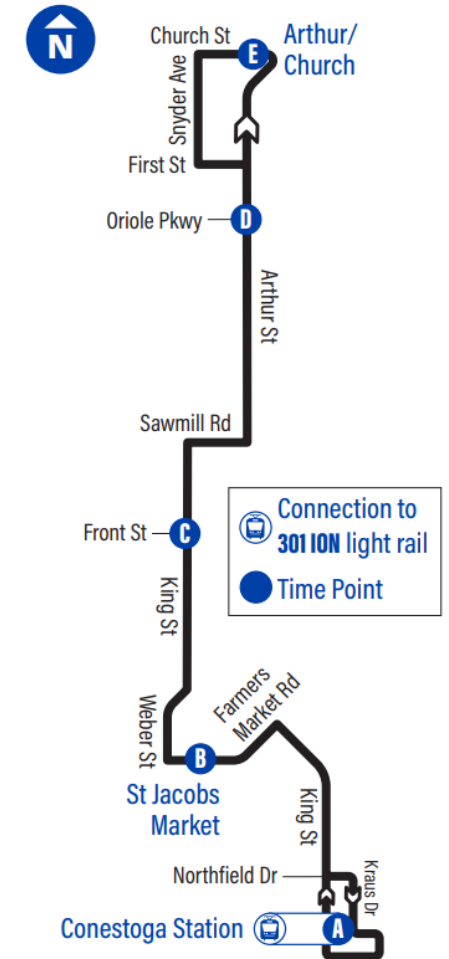
Overview

- Existing Transit Services
 - Routes 21, 79 and 78
 - Kiwanis Transit
- Township Transit Strategy
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 - Status Update
 - Next Steps

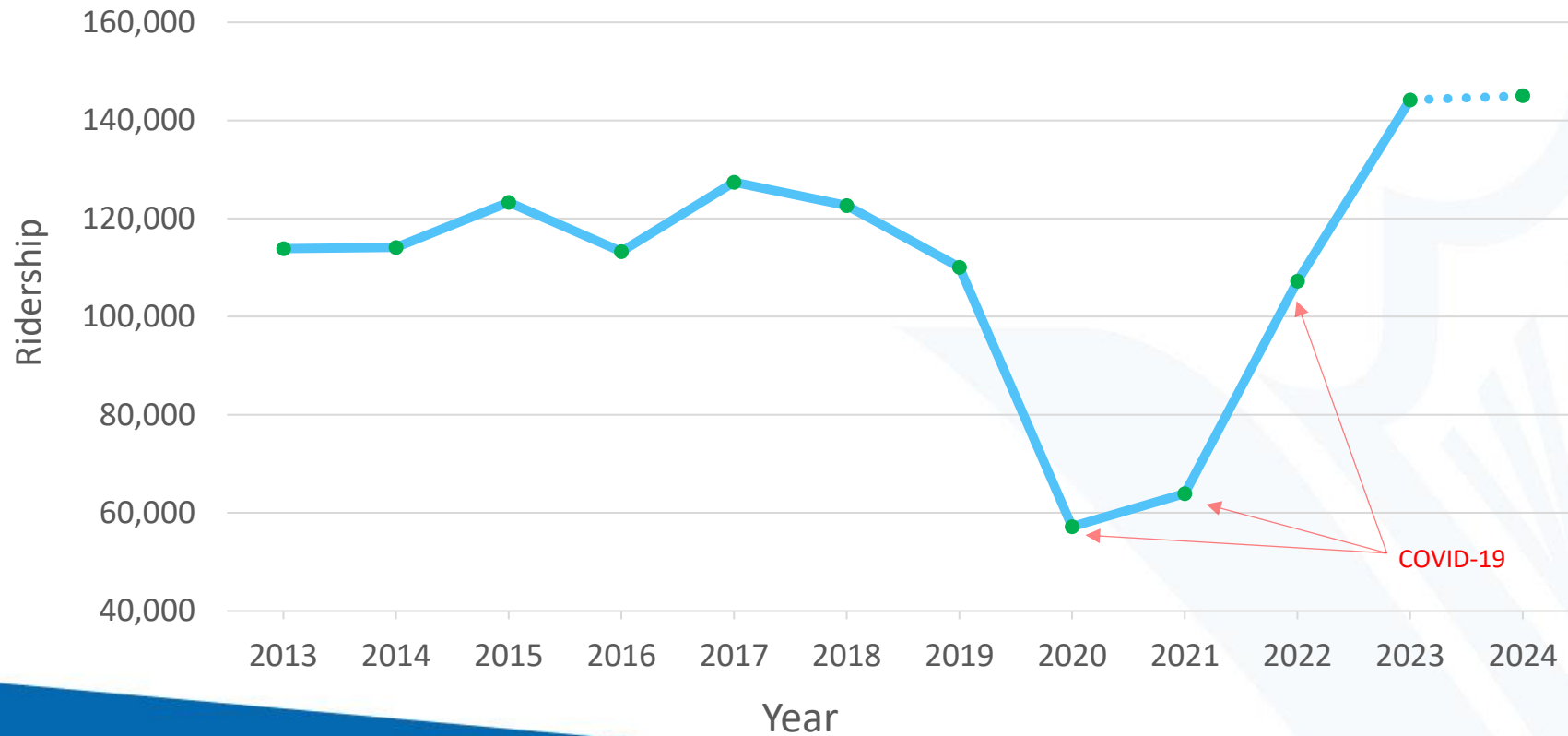
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Route 21 Elmira Overview

- Operating:
 - Weekdays: 6am to 10pm
 - Weekends: 7am to 7pm
 - 30 minute frequency
- Addition of later weekday evening service and Sunday service starting fall 2024
- \$1.34 Million Annual Operation Cost (2023)



Route 21 Elmira: 10-Year Annual Ridership



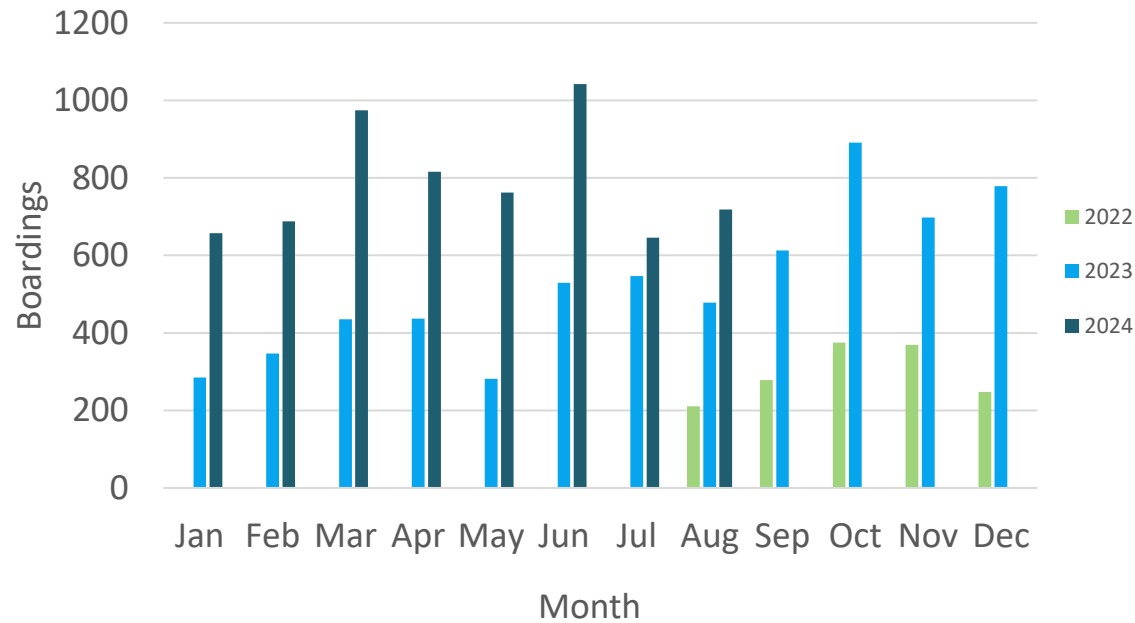
Route 79 Flex Breslau

- Pilot launched in spring 2022
- Operates Weekday 6am-10am, 2pm to 6pm and 10:45pm to 11:45pm
- Connection points added at Central Station and Kitchener Train Station in June 2024
- \$205k Annual operating cost (2023)
- 4 Boarding Per Hour (2024 YTD)

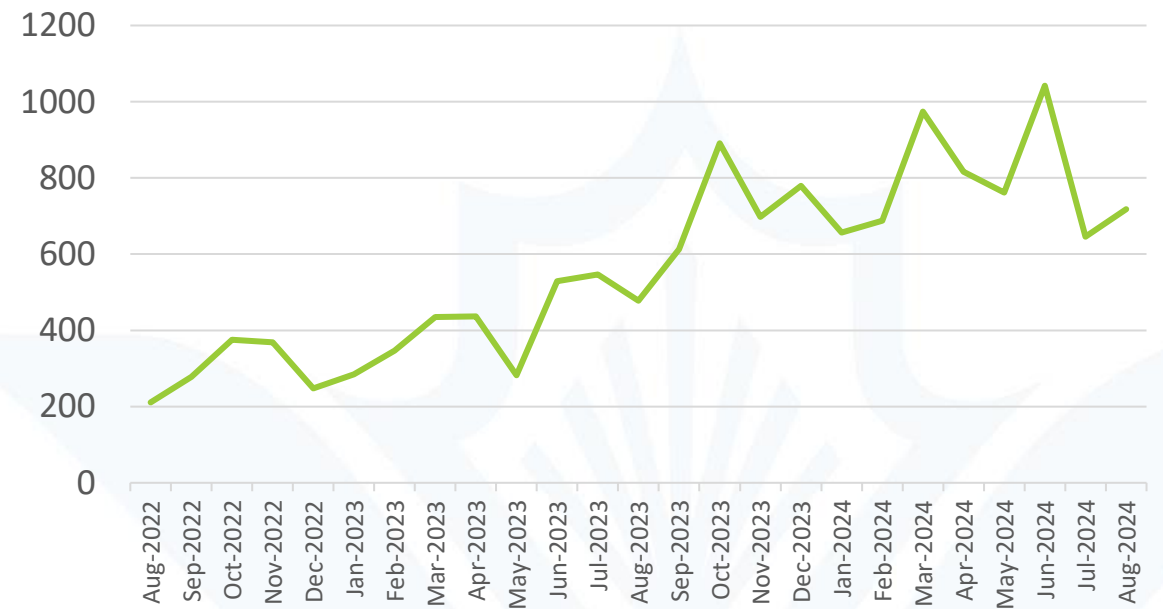


Route 79 Flex Breslau Ridership

Route 79 Monthly Boardings YoY 2022-2024



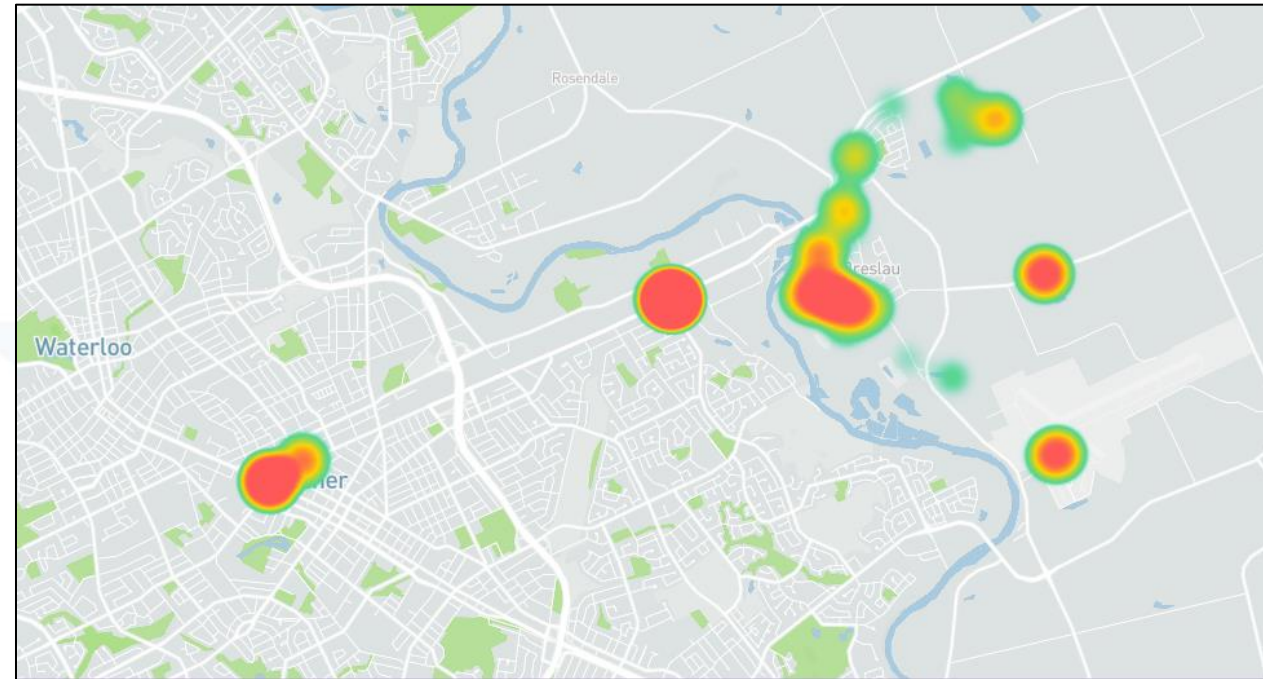
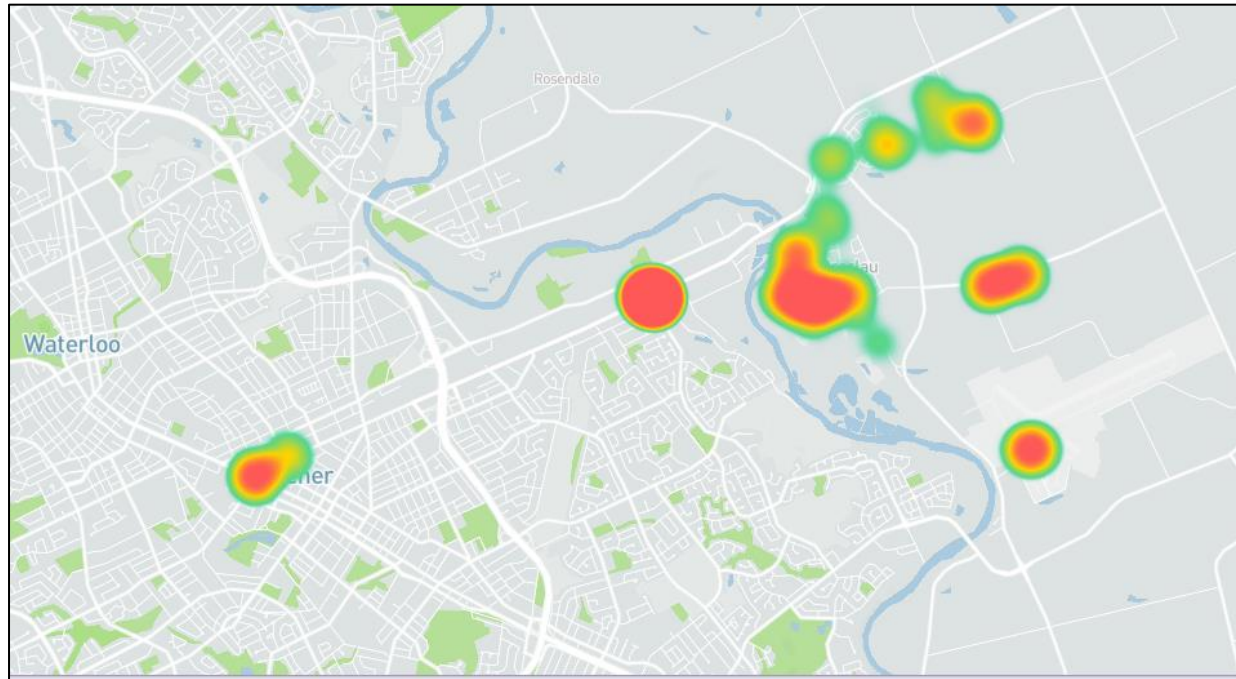
Route 79 Sequential Monthly Boardings,



Route 79 Flex Breslau Hot-Spots

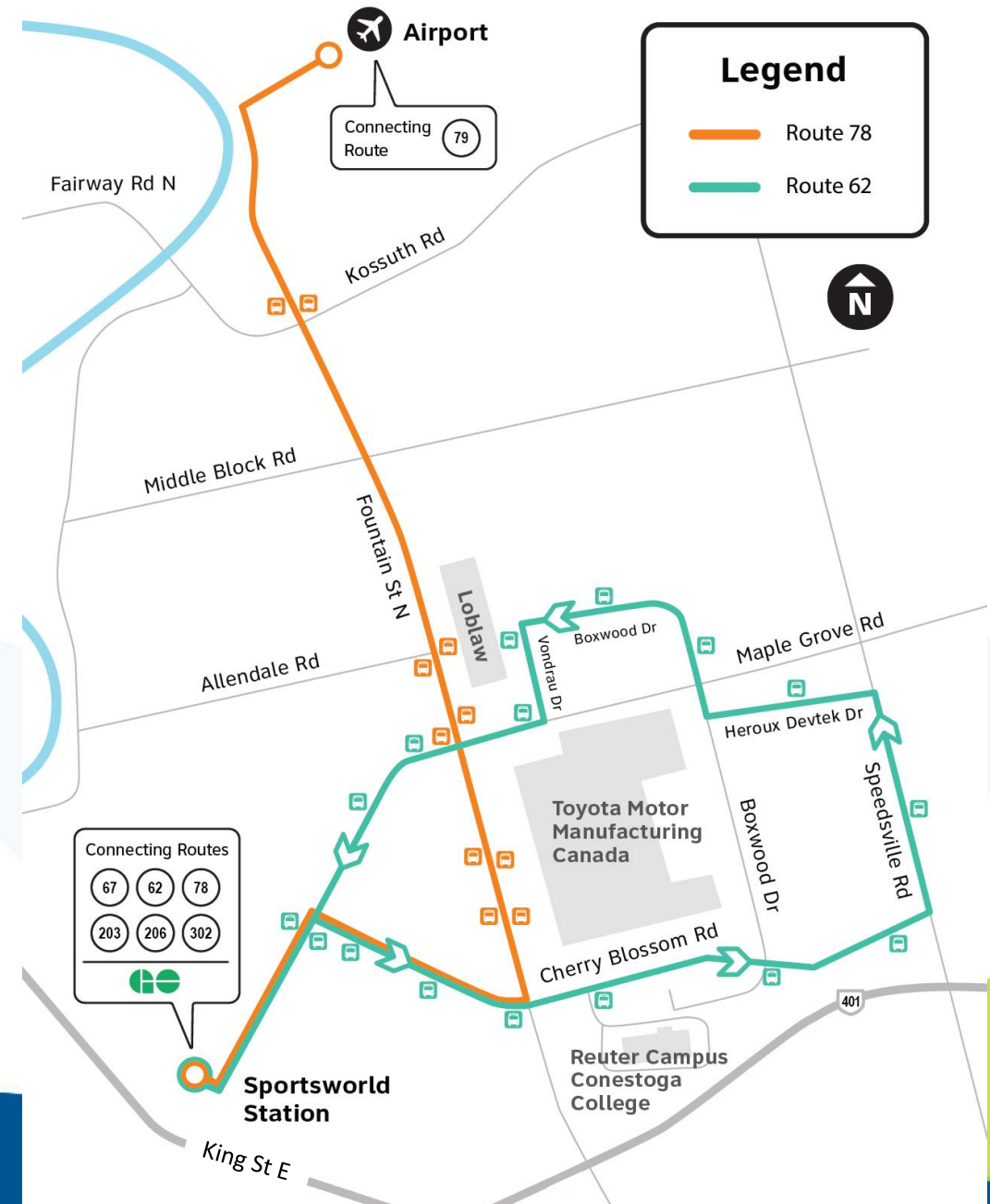
Pickups, Summer 2024

Drop offs, Summer 2024



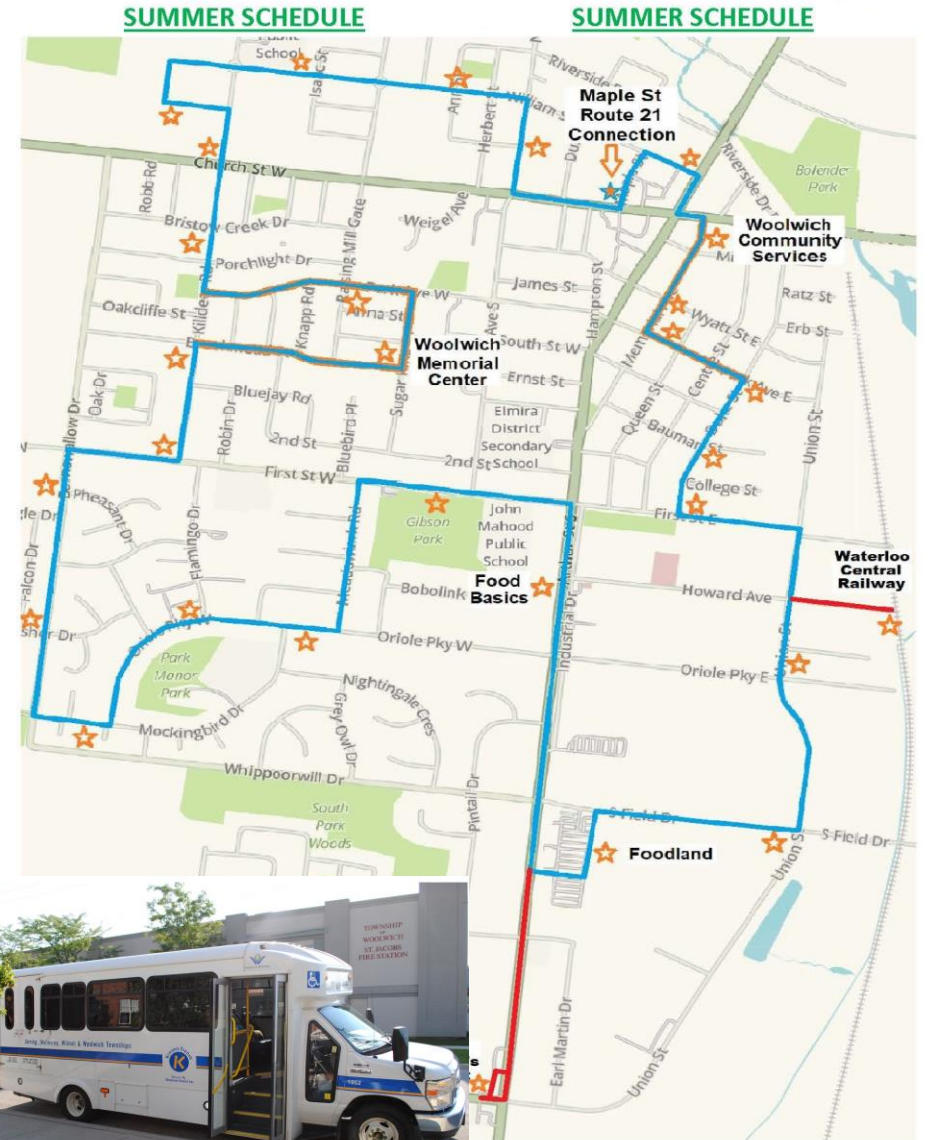
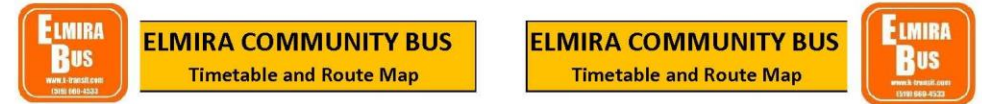
Route 78 Fountain

- Launched in fall 2024
- Linking Sportsworld Station and Region of Waterloo International Airport via Maple Grove Rd & Fountain St N.
- Weekdays 6-10am, 2-7pm and 10:30-Midnight



Kiwanis Transit

- Elmira Community Bus (Pilot)
 - Monday to Saturday, 30 minute frequency
 - \$135k Annual Operating Cost (2023)
- Specialized Transit Service covering all of Woolwich Township for eligible mobility-impaired residents



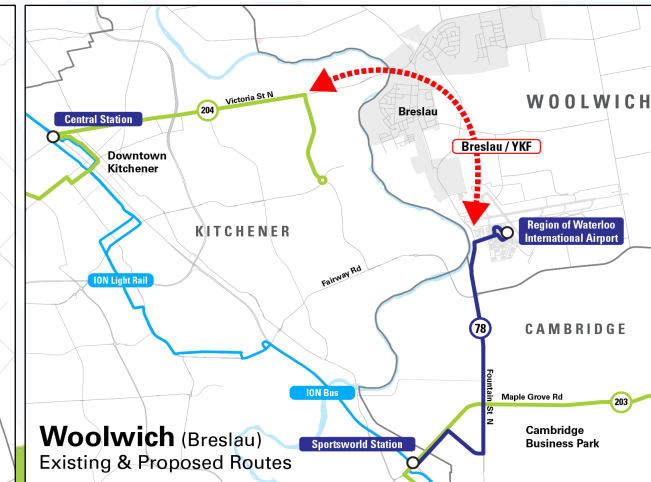
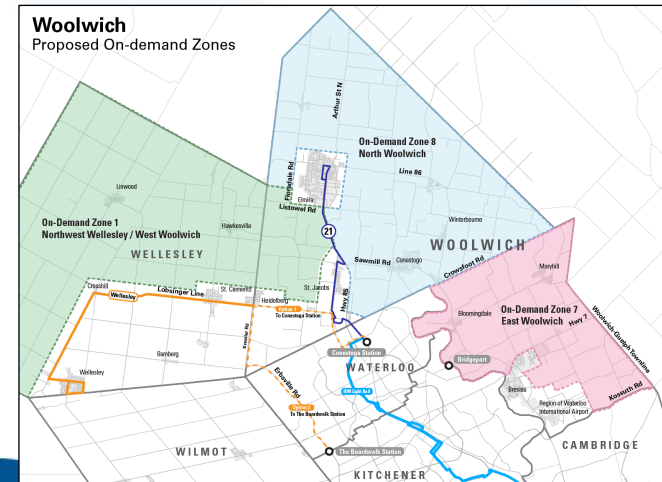
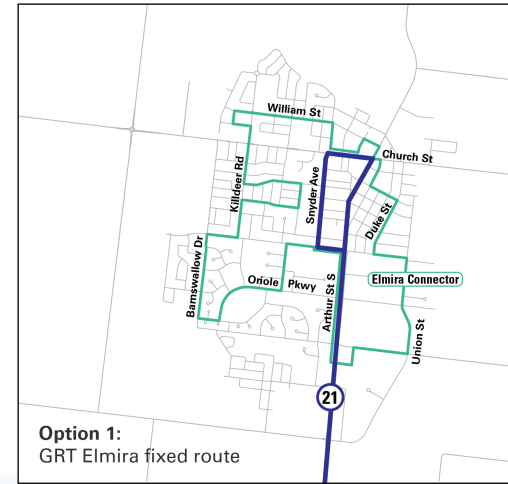
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Township Transit Strategy (TTS)

- Goals:
 - Expand upon existing rural transit service to effectively & efficiently meet the needs of Waterloo Region's rural residents
 - Consult with Waterloo Region's townships to design & cost (not fund) improved transit services, considering various options to meet the unique needs of each township
- Project timeline has been coordinated with GRT's 2025-2030 Business Plan (BP) and MobilityPlus & Kiwanis Transit Business Plan (MBP)

Township Transit Strategy (TTS)

- Round 1 Engagement
 - Engagement launch on June 27 with BP and MPB Town Hall
 - Woolwich virtual information session on July 17 (recording online at grt.ca/township)
 - Pop-up sessions jointly with the BP and MBP
 - TTS public survey from July 4 to August 2
 - Partnership with Regional Public Health mobile vaccine clinics
 - Stakeholder discussions



Township Transit Strategy Next Steps

- Round 2 engagement this fall
 - In-person open houses
 - Share what we've heard from round 1 engagement
 - Share refined proposals base on community feedback and additional technical analysis
 - Proposal estimate costs
 - Survey



Thank You

For more information on the Township Transit Strategy please visit:
grt.ca/township

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Appendix Slides

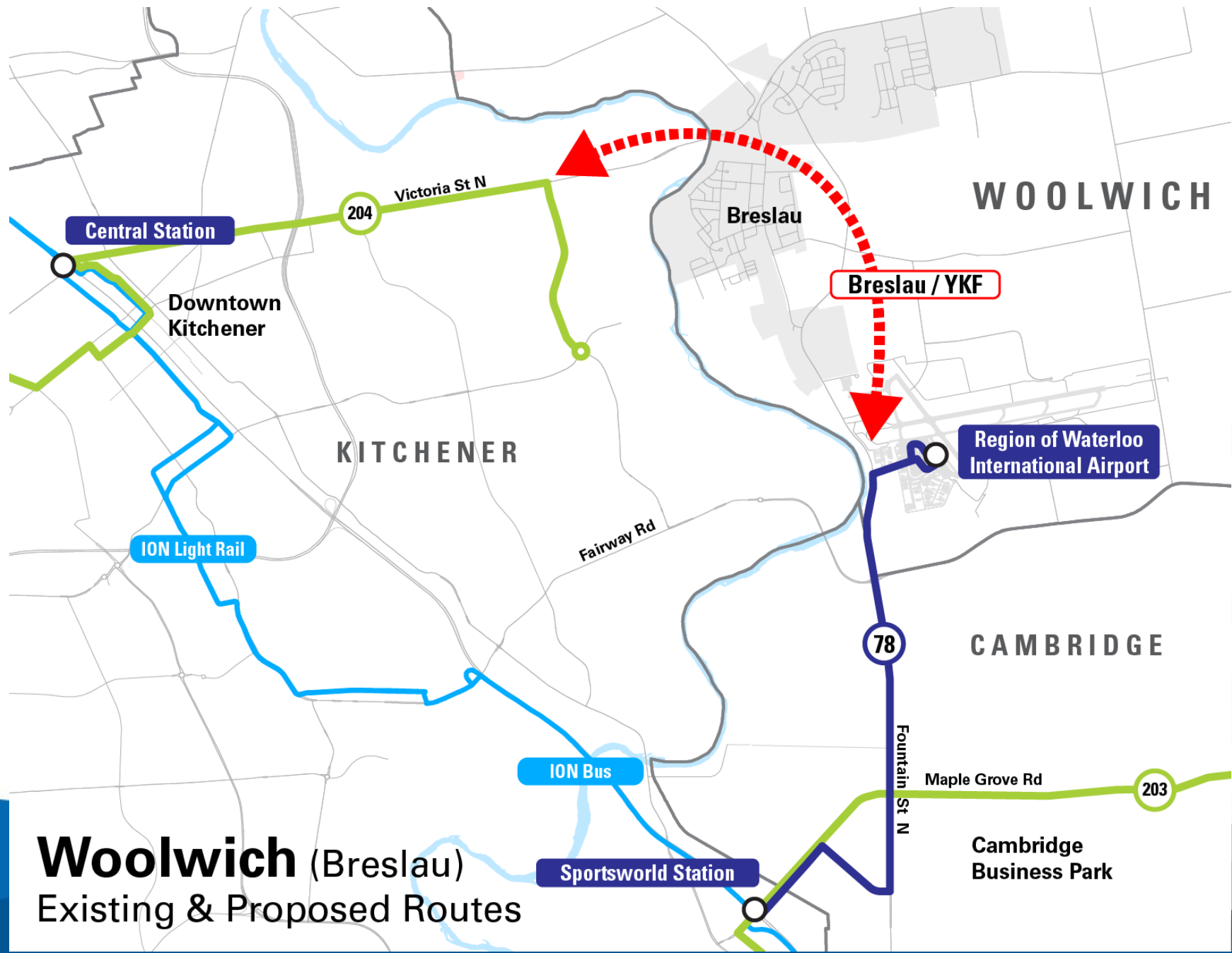




Option 1:
GRT Elmira fixed route



Option 2:
Elmira On-Demand Zone



Woolwich (Breslau)
Existing & Proposed Routes

Woolwich

Proposed On-demand Zones

