

COMMUNICATION UPDATE

TO:	Mayor and Members City Council
DATE:	June 24, 2021
SUBJECT:	Mountain Climber Program Expansion (TRN2109) (Ward 15)
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	Ward 15
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This communication update is to inform the Mayor and Members of Council of the Mountain Climber Program extension along route 18 – Waterdown to Aldershot GO/VIA Station that will go into effect on Friday, June 25, 2021.

The Mountain Climber Program will extend from Mill Street southerly along Waterdown Road to Aldershot GO/VIA Station. Customers will be able to use the service in North and Southbound directions along Waterdown Road.

To participate in the Mountain Climber program, cyclists should wait at a designated Mountain Climber stop and secure their bicycle to the bike rack on the bus. Once on board, the customer should inform the operator that they are accessing the bus as part of the program and will be getting off at the next Mountain Climber stop that meets their multi-modal trip requirements. Please see Appendix A to Update TRN2109 for a map illustrating the new stop and Appendix B to Update TRN2109 for an example of Mountain Climber signage.

Mountain Climber stops along route 18 – Waterdown will include:

- Aldershot GO/VIA Station Platform 10 to Mill Street at Mountain Brow Road or to Mill Street at Dundas Street
- Mill Street at Dundas Street or Mill Street at Mountain Brow Road to Aldershot GO/VIA Station Platform 10

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- Mill Street at Mountain Brow Road to Mill Street at Dundas Street
- Mill Street at Dundas Street to Mill Street at Mountain Brow Road

We hope that expanding this program to include Waterdown Road will continue to make transportation safer for everyone and encourage more people to choose transit.

APPENDICES AND SCHEDULES ATTACHED

Appendix A - Additional Mountain Climber Bus Stop Location

Appendix B - Mountain Climber Signage