



## **MVT Canadian and City of Barrie Kick-Off New 20-Year Transit Project**

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**July 6, 2015 (Barrie, Ontario)** --- MVT Canadian Bus is pleased to announce the start of a new and exciting partnership with the City of Barrie to create a turn-key transit system aimed at improving local bus service in the community.

Under the terms of this 20-year partnership, MVT will be responsible for the overall operation and maintenance of the City's 44 fixed-route buses, 15 specialized transit vehicles and three shop trucks. MVT has brought to the table a highly experienced management team lead by Roy Rice, who will be responsible for a staff of 170 employees, including 126 drivers, 22 maintenance workers, and a team of dispatchers, road supervisors.

Also, MVT is the primary design-build lead of Barrie's new P3 operations and maintenance facility, and has partnered with the Kenaiden Construction Company and IBI Group on the design and construction of the facility.

"We are excited about this long-term partnership with Barrie and look forward to being the City's partners in progress as we help create a transit system that the residents and riders can be proud of," said Brian Kibby, CEO of MV Transportation, parent company of MVT Canadian Bus.

MVT will install Drive-Cam video monitoring system, Trapeze EAM preventative maintenance system, Trapeze fare boxes and Ranger MDT fleet tracking system on all the buses.

"Our transit system belongs to Barrie residents and it should be as enjoyable and comfortable as possible – that's been our focus with this service agreement with community oriented MVT. It won't change routes or the amount of vehicles on the road, but it will impact the rider experience," said Barrie Mayor Jeff Lehman.

This is MVT's third contract and first fixed route operation in Canada. The company also proudly operates specialized transit services in Vancouver, British Columbia and Saint John's Newfoundland.

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