



Intro to Digital

For Municipal Leaders

Module A: Inspire to Aspire

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Welcome and Introduction



Logistics

- Lots to pack in – we are going to go fast
- 3-hour session – presentation, a few brainstorms and group discussions throughout (jot down questions and we can come back to them)
- 2 x 10-minute breaks. 1 every hour 😊
- Slides shared in the chat – grab your own copy if you want to notate
- We are recording the session for those that can't make it

About Perry Group

Focused only on municipalities

20+ consultants, operating since 2017

Expertise in IT, GIS and Digital strategic plans

- Vaughan, Burlington, Oakville, York Region, Brampton, Halton, and Thunder Bay

Our consultants have worked in and with a lot of municipalities

- Oakville, Region of Waterloo, York Region, Edmonton, London, Waterloo, Oshawa, Kitchener, Guelph, Vaughan, Regina, Burlington, Barrie, Kingston, Richmond Hill, Sudbury, Grey County, Peterborough, Sarnia, Pickering

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Why did we put this course together?

- We believe in technology's power to **build better municipalities** - deliver better service and better value for money
- We believe we can't effectively drive digital change or transformation from the bottom or the middle of organizations
- We need leaders to be on board
- We need leaders to feel comfortable with technology, to believe in and be positioned to lead and drive digital change in your team, division, department, or across the organization

Digital For Municipal Leaders

- **Module A: Inspire to Aspire**

- Introduction to Digital – What is digital and what does it mean for you as leaders?
- What is a service?
- What makes a service “good” and “bad”?
- What are the leaders in municipal digital doing that we can learn from?
- What does it mean to be “digitally transformed”?
- The digital mission for municipalities.

- **Module B: Set Your Digital Vision**

- How to figure out what needs to be done
- How to identify and select opportunities for digital transformation.
- How to form a vision
- How to build buy in and urgency.
- Approaches to funding digital delivery.

- **Module C: Design and Deliver**

- How to build the right team.
- How to employ design thinking to design complete services.
- How to use important tools and techniques
- How to use the “Discovery – Alpha – Beta – Launch” approach to focus on service and process first.
- How to promote digital service adoption / uptake.
- How to listen and learn from users.

- **Module D: Operate and Iterate**

- How to adopt a product mindset to continuous improvement of services.
- How to measure and track outcomes.
- How to promote uptake of digital services.
- Open discussion, next steps and making your personal commitment.

Today's Goals

- We want to provide some context in support of the Digital Strategy
- We want to inspire you, to think differently about your services
- Help you think about how digital is changing how people interact with service providers
- Learn about the importance of designing services for customers
- Equip you with some of the concepts and ideas that will make you better *leaders* of services, digital transformation and position you to demand more from your teams, partners, and providers

Topic Outline

1. **Setting the Context**
 - A. Our Digital Age
 - B. What is Digital Transformation
 - C. Impact of Digital on Government Services
 - D. Some Municipal Digital Examples
 - E. Why Go Digital?
 - F. COVID – A Digital Accelerator
2. **Digital: It's all about the Customer**
 - A. Defining Services
 - B. Characteristics of Good Services
 - C. Designing Good Digital Services
 - D. Assessing Our Services
 - E. Service Design
 - F. Applicability to Internal Services
3. **Start and Lead Change**
 - A. Service Ownership / Responsibilities
 - B. Build a Plan for Digital



Introductions

- In 30 seconds or less, tell us:
 - Who you are
 - What you do at the City
 - How long you've been with the City

Poor Service

- What is an example of poor service that you've had recently?
- What made the service poor?
- How did it make you feel? What did it make you feel about the service provider?



1.A - Our Digital Age

94%
Canadians
are online
2018



76% Canadians
own a smartphone
2018



85% of Canadians
made purchases
online in last year
2019



70+%
Seniors are
online
2018



80% Ontarians
booked online
2020



88% of Canadians
bank online
2019





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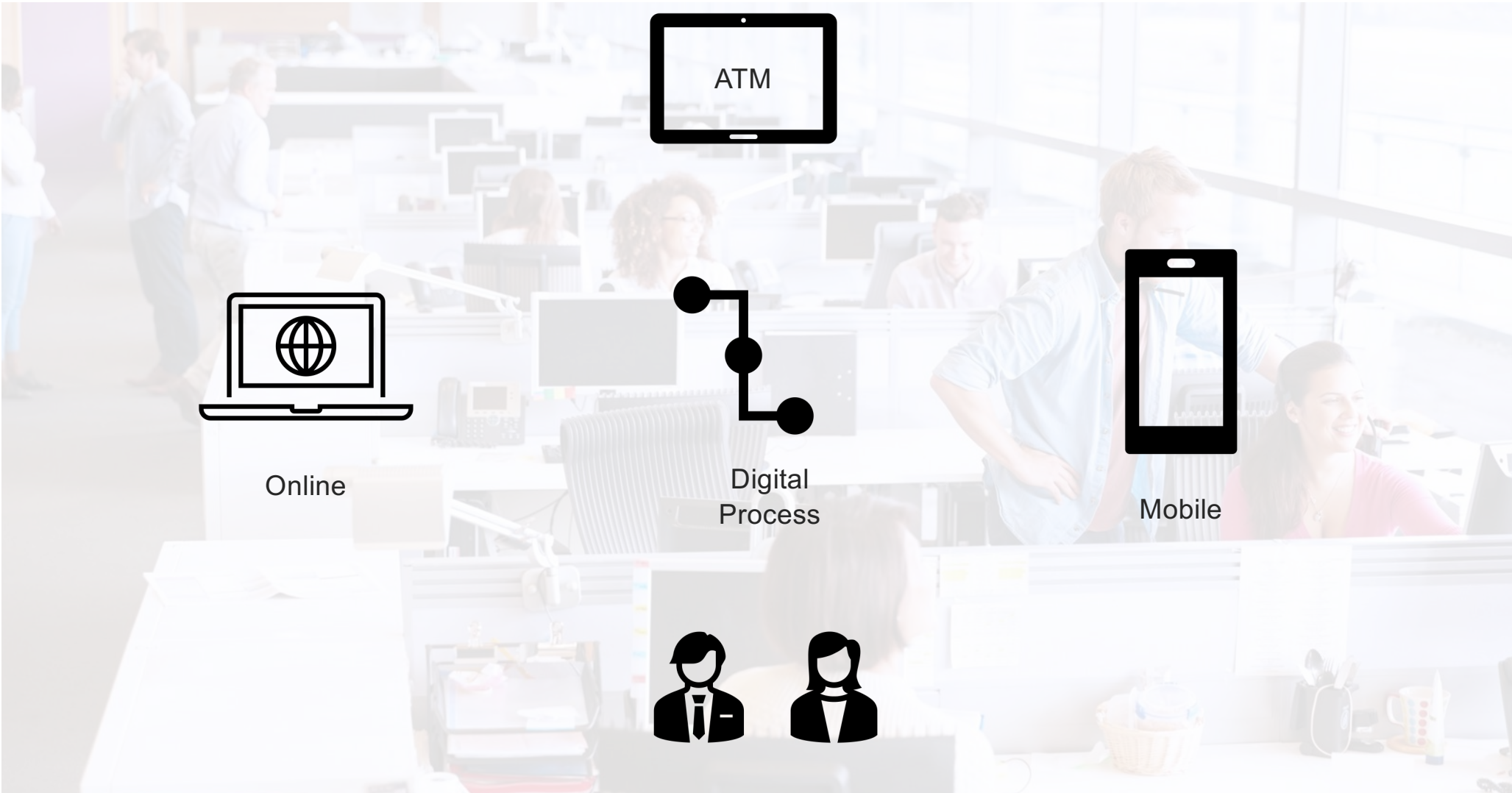


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HCI





Online



Digital
Process



Mobile



Digitization of core processes underpins digital service delivery



1B – Digital Transformation

rethinking and redefining products and services to take advantage of the internet and smartphone era

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Your shipment
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Analytics



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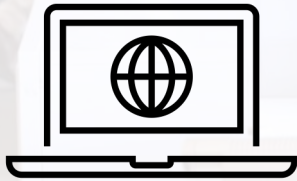
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Mobile

Digitization underpins service delivery

Self Service is central to digital service

Service Industries

Disrupted or Transformed by Technology

- Finance – Banking, Online Trading
- Media – Craigslist, Twitter, Facebook, thestar.com, globeandmail.com
- Entertainment - Netflix, YouTube, Disney+, Prime, DZN, CBC, PSN, Xbox Live
- Travel – Airbnb, Expedia, aircanada.com
- Retail – Amazon, Indigo, Grocery Gateway, Voila, LCBO, Craft beer delivery
- Transportation – Uber, Lyft, Via Travel, Next Bus, Presto
- Insurance – Compare & buy insurance online, Report a Claim
- Exercise – Online classes, Peleton, Apple Fitness+, Fitbit, Apple Watch
- Education – Online School, Remote Tutoring
- Health – Telehealth, Medical Records, Testing Results, Online Therapies, Zoom consults, remote surgery

1C – Impact to Governments

Digital in Government

*“There is no difference between digital service delivery and service delivery. **Today, everything is digital.** If governments do not recognize this evolution, then any service strategy is flawed at the concept stage”*

*Alex Benay, Canadian Federal Government CIO
2017 - 2019*

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Ontario Digital Service

Making government work better for people in the digital age

Ontario Digital Service

Digital Government Movement



Government
Digital Service

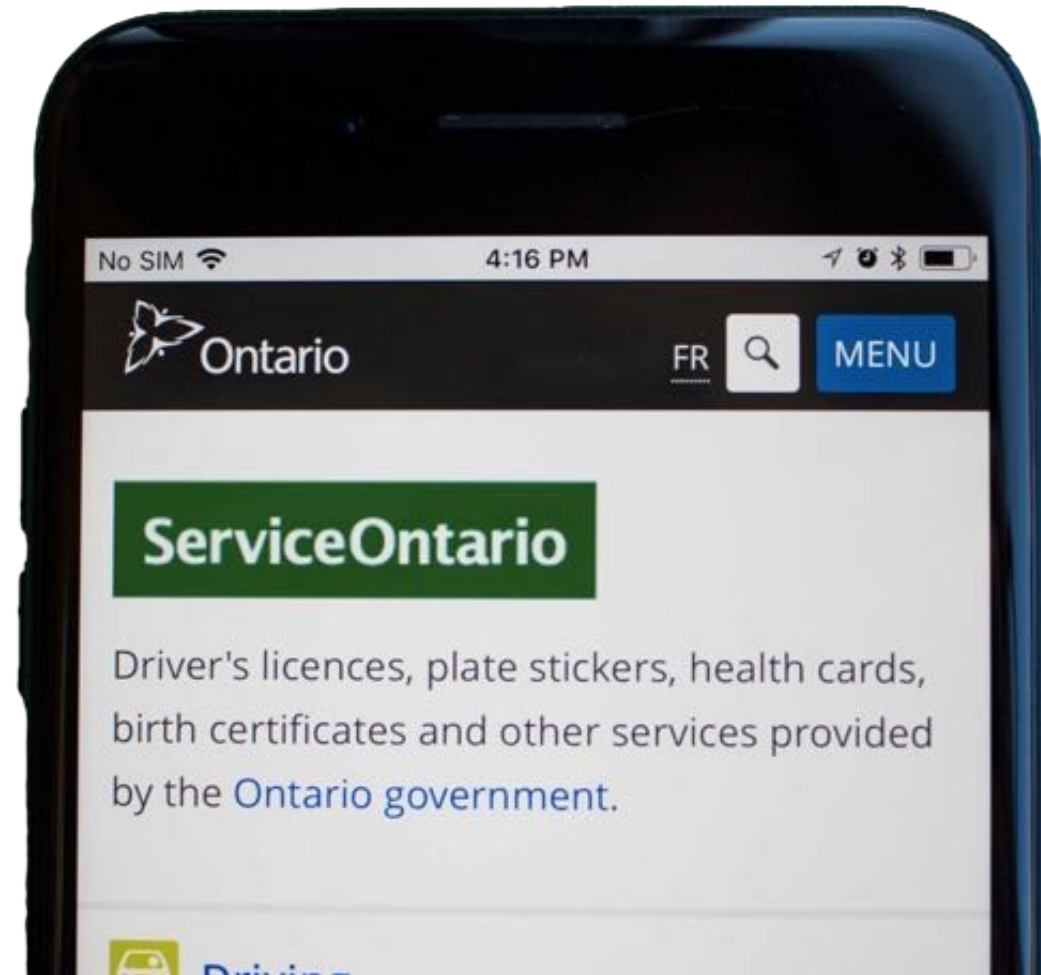
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People expect government services to be simple and easy to use.

Service Ontario

- Licence plate renewals available online
- Notified by mail
- Go to website to confirm details they already have on file
- Pay online
- Takes less than 10 minutes
- Plate sticker comes in mail within 5 days





Analytics



Online



Digital
Process




Mail

Digital Government Services

No longer niche, hard to find. Now broad, societal, hyper-scale

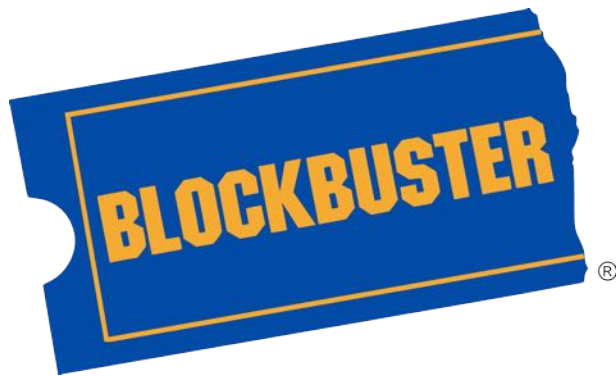
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- Pay taxes
- Apply for a Passport
- Apply for and renew a Driver's license or vehicle sticker
- Apply for and renew a Healthcard
- Apply for and renew a Hunting and Fishing license
- Apply for CERB
- Apply for Veteran's disability
- Apply for CPP
- Register a Birth
- Register as an Organ donor
- Book a vaccination
- COVID Exposure Notifications App

A man with glasses and a blue shirt is looking down at a smartphone in his hands. He is in a server room, with rows of server racks visible in the background. The lighting is dim, and the overall tone is professional and tech-oriented.

***Being* Digital is being of the Internet
and Smartphone era**

So, any Digital Strategy asks:

Are your services
designed and built for this era?



government for



customers

“If a business doesn’t do digital right they are out of business. If a government doesn’t do digital right, they are out of touch.....we try to run a Blockbuster operation for a Netflix audience” –
Scott Brison, Former Minister of Digital Government

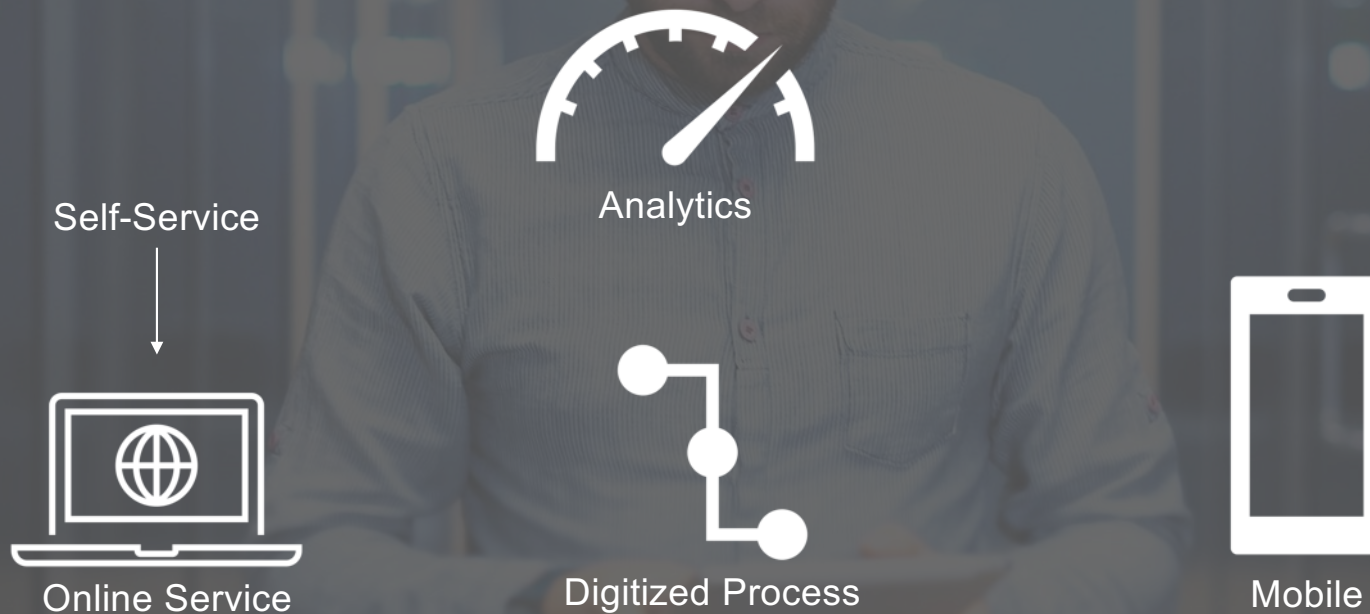


You are not digital if:

- You rely on many spreadsheets to operate your service
- The 'master source' of information is in a paper folder, and there is no master source of digital data
- You 'need' many copies of paper submissions
- Members of your team spend considerable time typing the same information into different places
- The people that do the work, aren't the same people that record the work in your systems
- You record work in batches (at the end of the day, week, month, quarter)
- Your forms are available as fillable PDF forms, but must be submitted personally or via email, and information is retyped in your systems by staff
- You require a visit to your counter to use or pay for your service, for customers to pickup a permit or license

If you are not using this pattern, chances are ...

You are not delivering a digital service





Digitization underpins service delivery
Forms
Paper
Post-facto tracking
Telephone calls

Digitization underpins service delivery

~~Forms~~

~~Paper~~

~~Post-facto tracking~~


~~Telephone calls~~



Digital

“Applying the culture, processes, business models & technologies of the internet era to respond to people’s raised expectations.”

Tom Loosemore, GDS, UK

A man with glasses and a blue shirt is looking down at a tablet device in his hands. He is in a modern office environment with glass partitions and overhead lights. The background is slightly blurred, focusing attention on the man and the text overlay.

“Digital transformation is not just about technology and its implementation, it’s about looking at the business strategy through the lens of technical capabilities and how that changes how you are operating ...”

Driving Digital – Isaac Sacolick



Mobilization

Massive Culture Change

Takeaways

- Demand for digital services is there from customers
- We should strive for government for the digital age
- Digitization of processes is the foundation for digital
- If you are reliant on paper, visits to the office, and your staff spend time entering information into multiple places - you are not digital
- Digital is more than tech – it requires culture change and leadership

Discussion

1D – Municipal Digital Examples

Presented as food for thought, to illustrate the art of the possible.

Each community has their own priorities and resources that they can put to those priorities.

Canadian Municipal Digital Leaders





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Roll No. 231234-900909-2323
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My City Councillor is [Jim Smith](#)

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My Property Taxes

June 01, 2019	\$489.20
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Your Neighbourhood is [County Hills](#). Your local community centre is [Country Hills Community Centre](#)

Your neighbourhood trees, water, sewer, air are all in great health.

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My Service Requests

Bylaw Complaint	July 01 2019
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My Services

Permit for Deck	Pending Review
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The town has a COVID-19 recovery framework in place to help guide and support our reopening of programs, services and facilities. Visit the [COVID-19](#) page for more information about how services are impacted. Thank you for your patience and understanding.

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Noise and Nuisance

Graffiti

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Main Content: Aerial view of a residential neighborhood with the text "Apply for a Burn Permit" overlaid.

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Burn Permit Type

Is this a New Permit or Renewal *

- New Permit
- Renewal

Burn Permit Type *

Please Select ...

Name(s) (all persons authorized to burn, must be over the age of 18) *

First name, Last Name, then next individual if there is one

Municipal Address of Burn Site *

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The City of Markham is pleased to provide its business licences with the opportunity to renew their business' licences on-line.

Please Note: Changes to your information cannot be made online. Please contact the Contact Centre at 905.477.7000 extension 5530.

If you are renewing your business licence, you will need the Bill Number and Folder Number from your renewal notice. These numbers can be found in the top right corner of your renewal form.

Upon successful completion of this online request and payment, your new business licence will be forwarded to you within 7 to 10 business days.

If you are subject to a late fee, the late fee must be paid with the licence renewal fee prior to the issuance of the licence. Licences will not be issued unless all outstanding fees are paid in full.

For further information on business licensing, please contact the Contact Centre at 905.477.7000 extension 5530.

Business Licence Business Licence Information Submission

Business Licence Renewal

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80% uptake of digital services is becoming the norm. Consistent across good quality, well promoted municipal digital services.





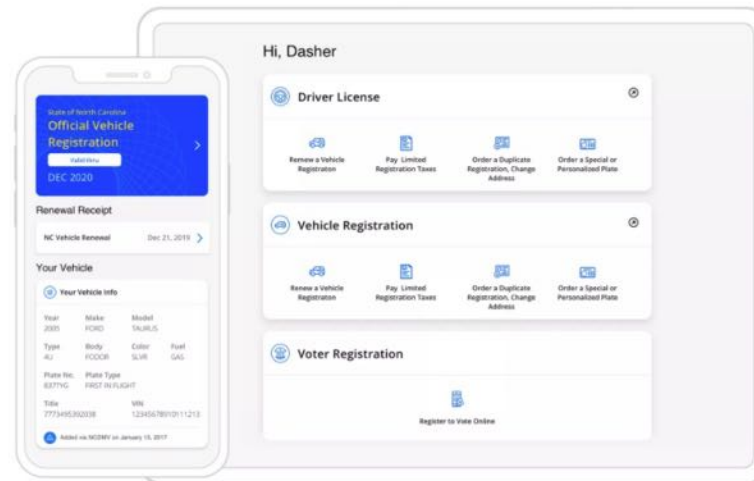
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Development Applications Access information related to development applications including process, requirements and forms: [Development Application Information](#)

ePlans Help & Support

Development Applications

Application Submission for:

- Condominium
- Exemption from Part Lot Control
- Payment in Lieu of Off-Street Parking
- Pre-Application Meeting, DARC Meeting or Site Plan Express (SPAX)
- Removal of Holding Symbol
- Rezoning and/or Official Plan Amendment
- Site Plan Approval
- Subdivision
- Telecommunication Tower Request

Development Applications

Building Applications

Application Submission for:

- Building Permit
- Zoning Certificate of Occupancy
- Permanent Sign Permit

Portable Signs Applications

Application Submission for:

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- Road Allowance
- Portable Sign Contractor Registration

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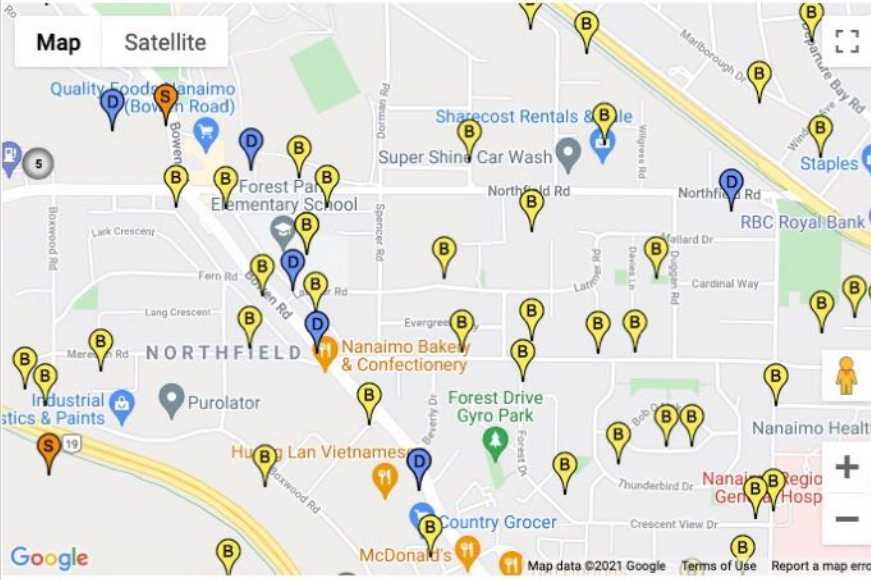
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City's Cashiers Desk at Civic Centre Goes Cashless

City services | July 22, 2020

Today, City Council approved cashless payments at the Cashiers Desk, located on the ground floor of the Civic Centre. The Cashiers Desk is closed due to COVID-19 restrictions; however, cashless payments will take effect upon its reopening as a health and safety measure to protect residents and staff.

"The Cashiers Desk has seen a shift towards digital payment methods over cash. Cash transactions account for approximately 30 per cent of the transactions processed at Cashiers while it only accounts for two percent of the revenue," said Gary Kent, Chief Financial Officer and Commissioner

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It is recommended that you use the latest version of one of the following browsers to successfully complete the registration form:

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- Apple Safari
- Mozilla Firefox
- Microsoft Edge (windows 10 only)


How to prepare for your appointment

STEP 1: Screen for symptoms of COVID-19 ▼

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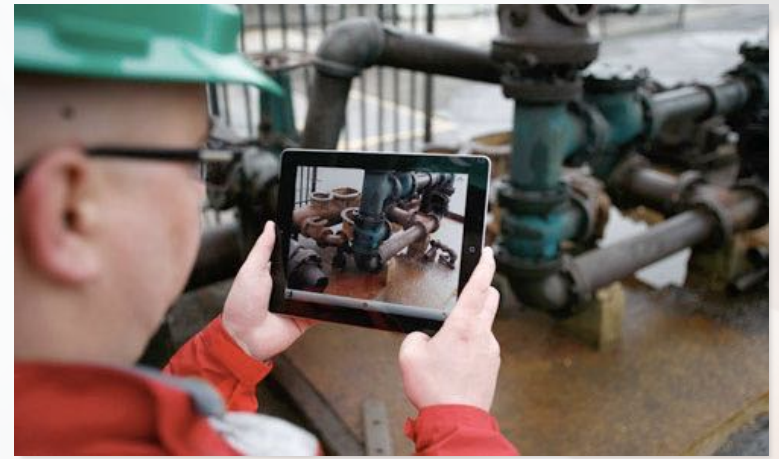
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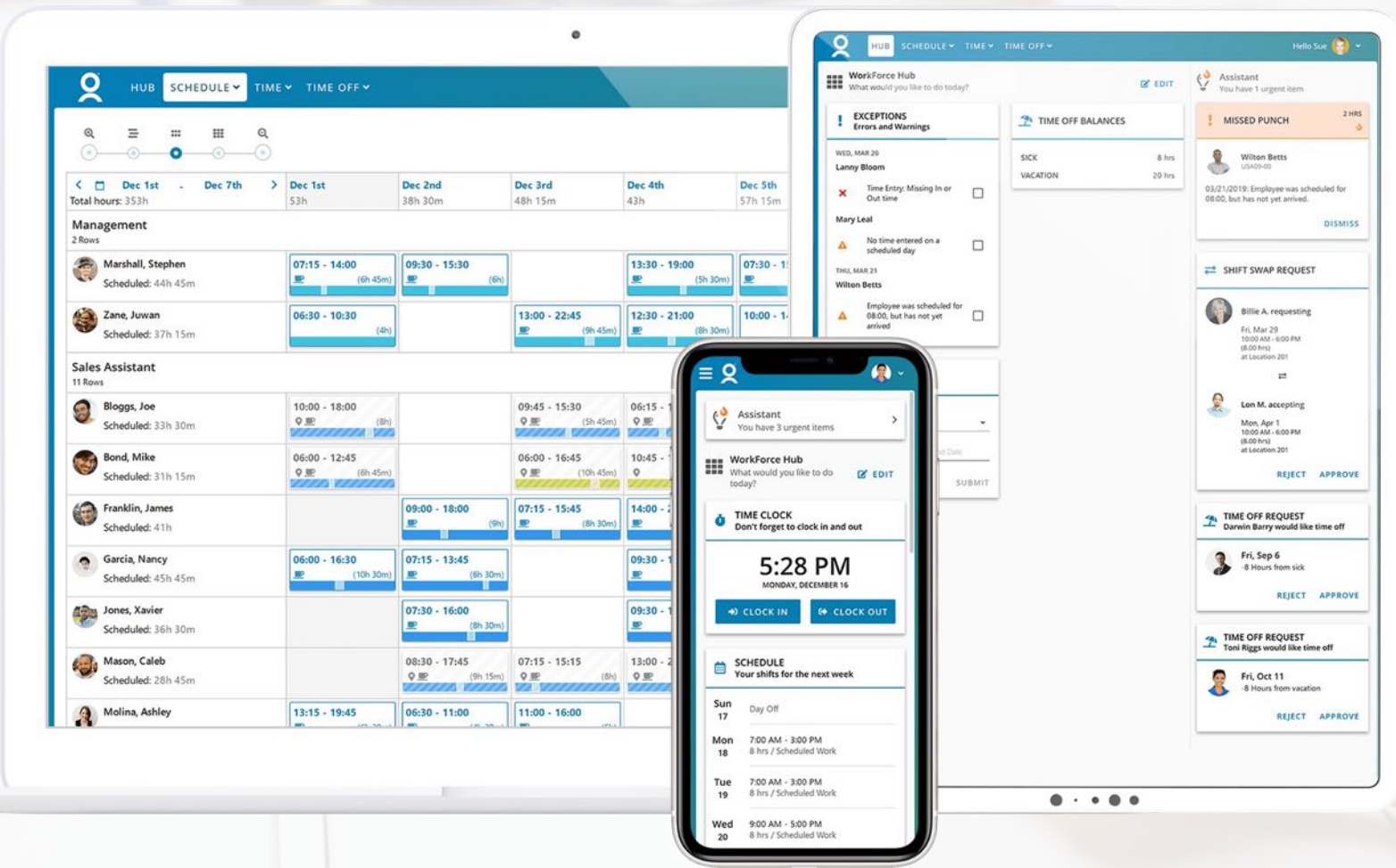
- The City of Edmonton uses nearly a decade of data to deploy AI model to increase inspection efficiency and effectiveness
- Since October 2019, the predictive model has reduced the number of eligible inspections by 37%
- Inspections deemed low risk are passed automatically, eliminating unnecessary delays in builder timelines
- City inspectors are able to focus on higher risk and more complicated inspections, which pose greater threat to safety

Summary

Using data collected from over 600,000 safety inspections completed over the course of a decade, the City of Edmonton has trained an AI model to predict whether single-family home builders will pass low-risk inspections.

And they've put this data to work by enabling the City to automatically pass inspections for builders with a good track record and for those inspections posing limited risk to public (homeowner) safety. This model has reduced builder delays and allowed the City to focus resources on higher risk inspections.

In fact, the use of this AI model and the new inspection process in Edmonton has **resulted in a 37% decrease in eligible inspections** – a staggering efficiency pickup – and an economic boost from faster development with fewer roadblocks.



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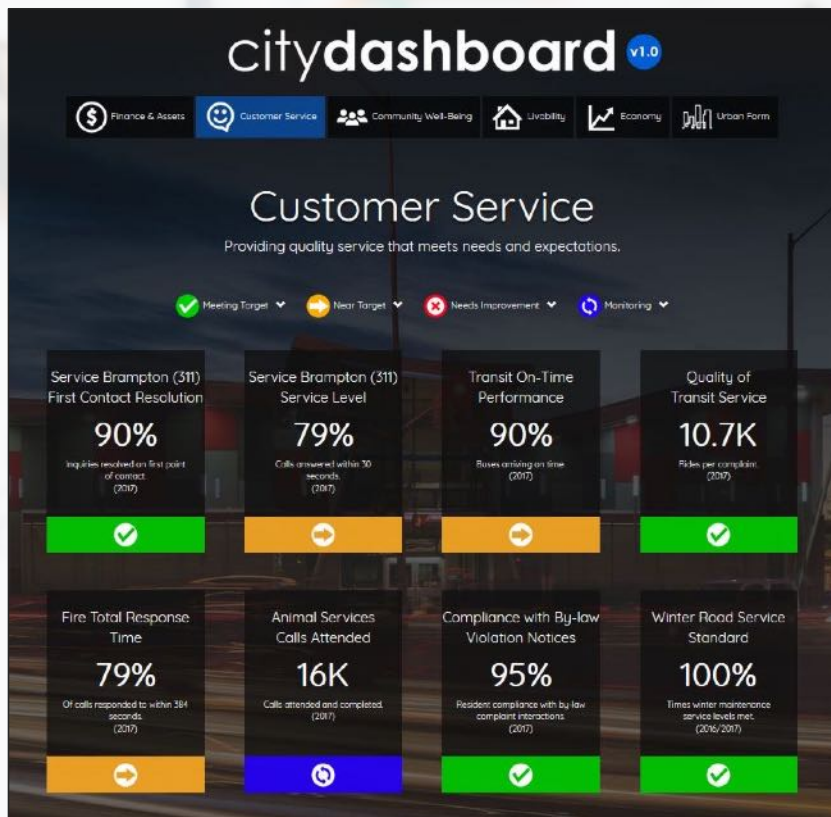
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London

Homelessness Tool

Since 2020, London has been using an AI tool to predict whether people will become chronically homeless, using data like age, gender, family and shelter history

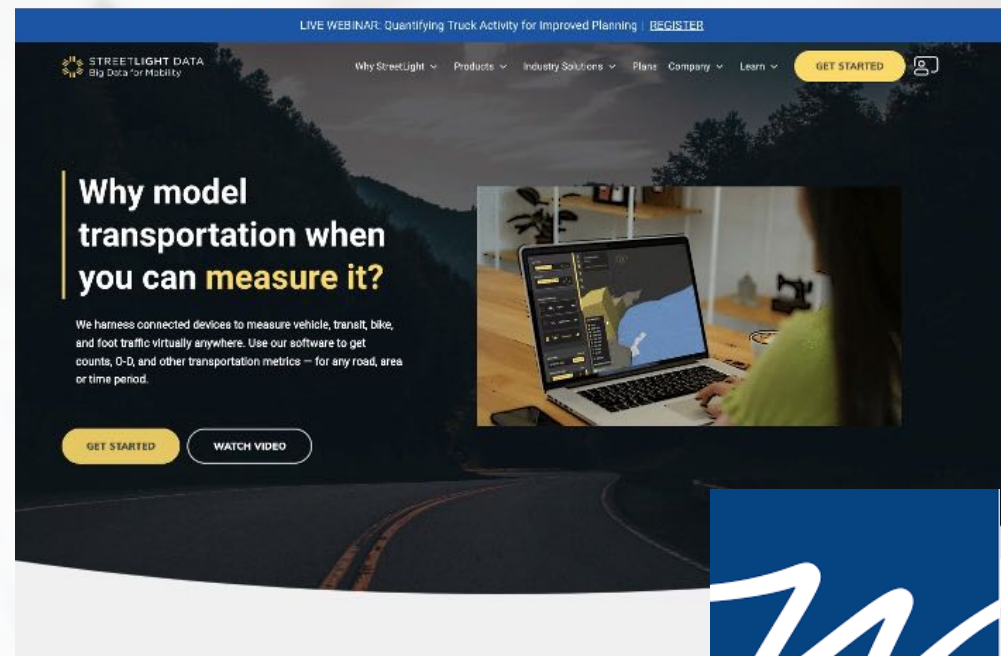
The Chronic Homelessness Artificial Intelligence model (CHAI) predicts whether people are likely to seek shelter services or find themselves living rough on a long-term basis in the next six months.



Windsor

Transportation modelling

The City of Windsor moved from 3 traffic studies a year, to 3 a month by using big data services – aggregated transportation data from vehicle vendors, mobile devices, etc.



Durham Region

Rover AI Pothole Detection

A smartphone with the ROVER app is mounted to the windshield of the road patrol vehicle to automatically detect and capture images of potholes. The images are analyzed and processed by the ROVER app for logging and passed to the work management system for action.



Durham Region recently received the 2022 Transportation Association of Canada (TAC) Technology Achievement Award for its AI Road Maintenance Innovation project.

Chicago, NYC

Prioritizing Inspections

Faced with higher needs than resources can cope with Chicago and New York both use risk scores – algorithms pulling in data from various sources to prioritize restaurant and fire safety inspections.

The image shows a screenshot of the GCN (Government Computer News) website. The top navigation bar includes the GCN logo, the title "Cybersecurity and the Benefits of Artificial Intelligence", the location "W Washington, D.C. | April 11, 2018", and a "REGISTER NOW" button. Below the navigation bar, there are social media sharing icons and a "TRENDING" section with links to "dig IT Awards", "Smart Cities", "Drones", and "Internet of Things".

The main content area features a navigation menu with categories like "STATE & LOCAL", "BIG DATA", "CLOUD", "CYBERSECURITY", "DATA CENTERS", "EMERGING TECH", "MOBILE", "RESOURCES", and "EVENTS". Below this is a search bar and social media sharing options.

The featured article is titled "Predictive analytics helps Chicago prioritize restaurant inspections" by Derek Major, dated August 10, 2015. The article text states: "Chicago is using predictive analytics to better ensure food safety for city visitors. The new system, built by the Chicago Department of Public Health (CDPH) Department of Innovation and Technology, leverages public data to identify restaurants most likely to face health code challenges, so health inspectors can prioritize their visits."

To the right of the article is a diagram titled "One Model for Citywide Use" showing an example building with a risk score of 99%. The diagram lists various factors contributing to the risk score:

- Structural:** Building Class = Elevator Apartment Building with Semi-Fire Proof Store; Built: 1915; Partial Sprinkler.
- Geography:** Central Brooklyn.
- Proximity:** Attached.
- Street Frontage:** 90ft.
- Retail Sq. Ft:** 6300 sf.
- Other factors:** Previous Fires or Injury; 6 floors; Bergo's (store name); 2 buildings on tax lot, Privately owned.

Mississauga

Development Process Improvements

Over 5 years applying lean, process design, continuous improvement and digitization across 100 service design and technology initiatives in Development Services has:

Freed over 11,000 hours of staff capacity

Led to a 24% reduction in staff time to review site plan applications

Reduced turnaround time by 57% over 5 years

Seen a massive reduction in customer travel, paper consumption

Provided new data / insights

Saved \$1M



Calgary

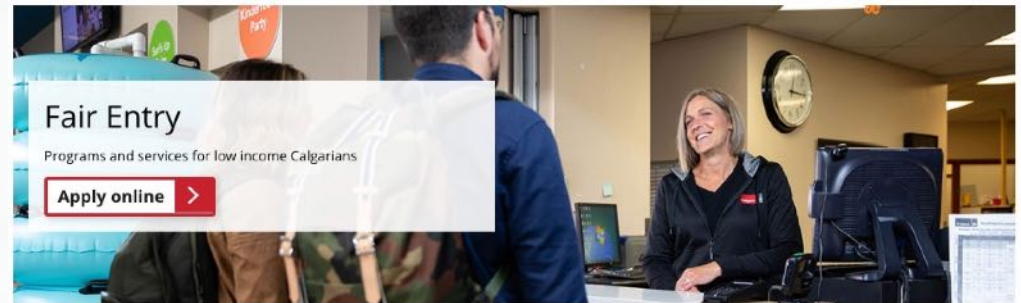
Customer Centered
Service Design –
Unified application
process

Calgary's Fair Entry program
integrates multiple subsidy
programs into one
application process,
simplifying the experience for
customers

One data entry

One verification process

Eligibility checks across
multiple programs



Our Fair Entry program lets you apply for multiple programs and services with one application. Your eligibility is based on your income.

What subsidy programs are included?

[Expand all](#)

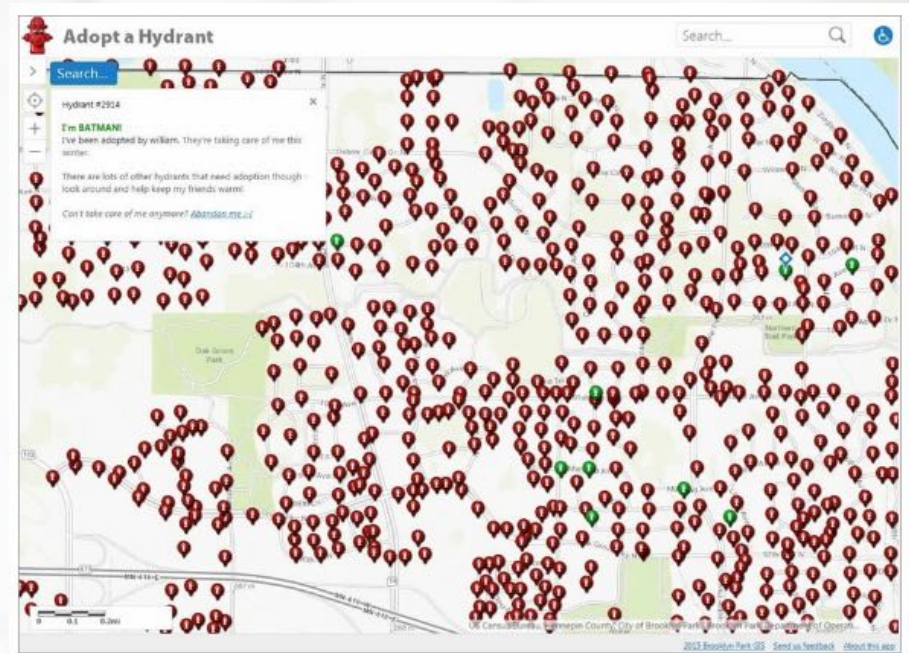
- + Calgary Transit-Low Income Youth and Adult Monthly Pass
- + Calgary Transit Low-Income Seniors Yearly Pass
- + Recreation Fee Assistance
- + No Cost Spay/Neuter Program
- + Seniors Services Home Maintenance
- + Property Tax Assistance Program

Brooklyn

Adopt an Asset – Connect with the Community

Using ArcGIS, Brooklyn Park, Minnesota implemented an online mapping tool that allowed users to adopt and name hydrants in exchange for winter maintenance.

The City of Brooklyn Park's Operations and Maintenance Department is tasked with clearing snow from the hydrants, but engaging locals helps to improve response time, which can save lives.



The red icons on the map represent the fire hydrants available to adopt in the city of Brooklyn Park. The city has about 3,500 hydrants.

Takeaways

- Municipal peers are pushing new services online
 - Service requests
 - Apply (forms, permits, licenses)
 - Pay
 - Book
 - Transparency – open data, data sharing, performance
- One Customer concept
 - Single portal
- Uptake of digital services trends around 80%
- Using data to inform operations

Discussion



1E – Why Go Digital?



Achieve a modern
customer service
standard

Match customer
expectations

Offer convenience

24 x 7 service

Reduced travel and
paper use

Other Common Drivers for Digital

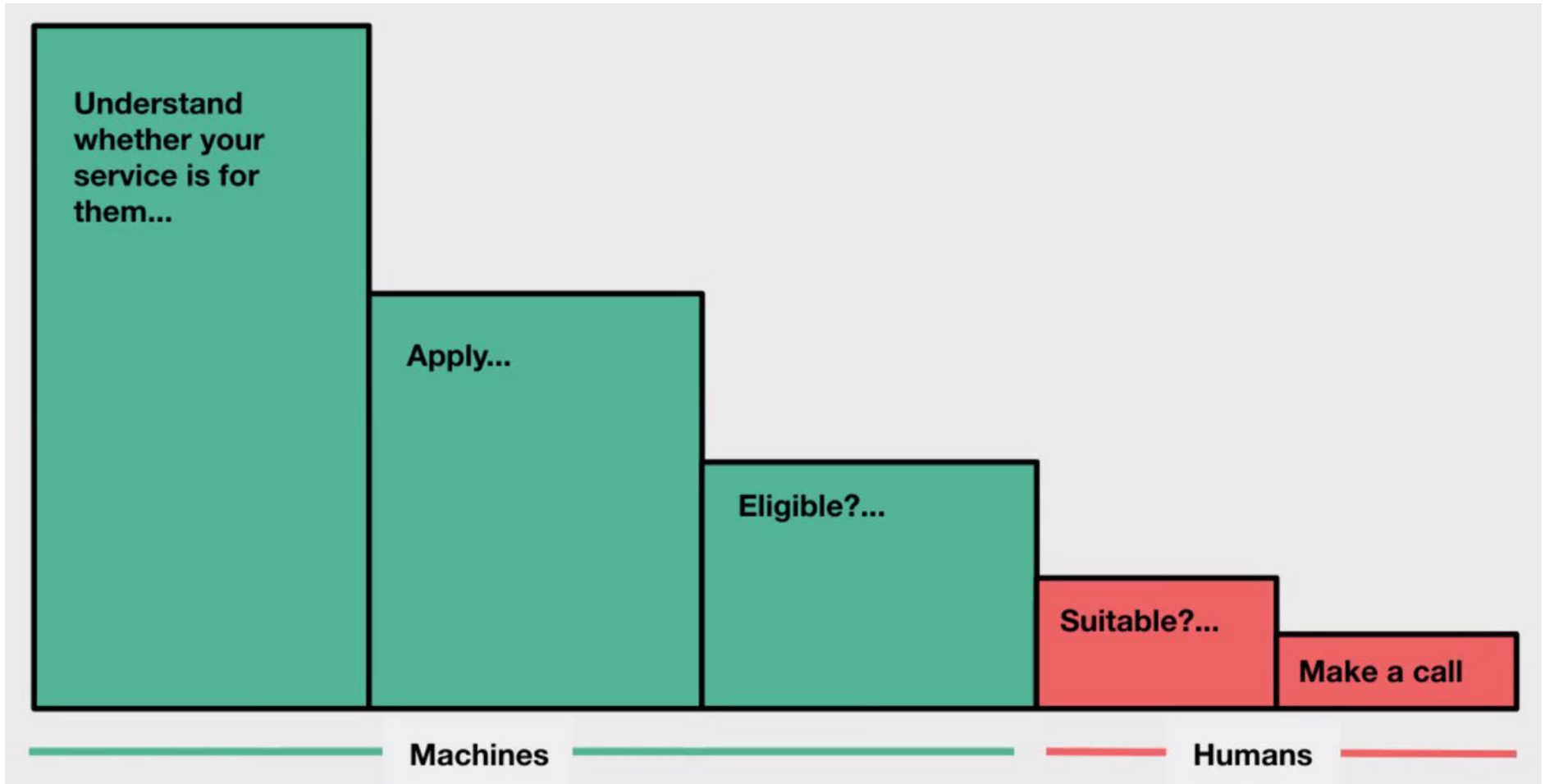
- Increase back and field office efficiency and productivity
- Reduce manual processing – free staff for higher value-add work
- Reduce staff frustration & improve recruitment and retention (by providing a flexible, modern workplace)
- Brand building / reinforcement (service quality / intelligent / digital community)
- Economic Development opportunities

Research into Estimated Transaction Costs (In CAD) by Channel

Channel	UK	Norway	Canada
Web	\$0.14 - \$0.27	\$0.46	\$0.91
Phone	\$5.02 - \$6.01	\$6.23	\$5.50
Face to Face	\$15.28 - \$18.66	\$12.46	\$12.00 - \$30.32
Post	\$21.45		

Have your customers do the data entry





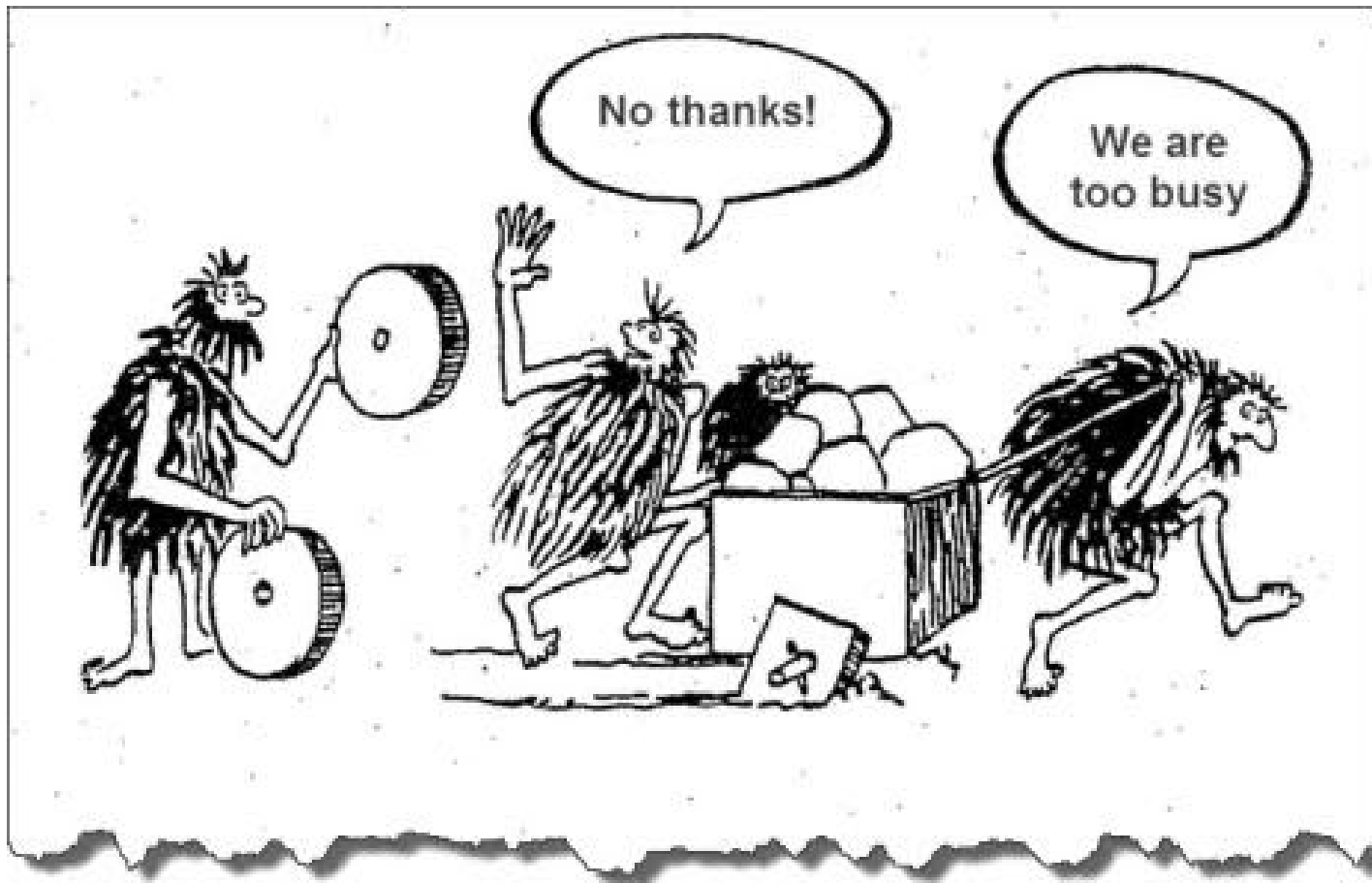
Offer Channel Choice

Click, call or come in

- Important to acknowledge some people don't have capability, access, or desire to use digital service
- Digital services can be mediated by friends, family members, carers
- 80% uptake ~ 20% served via other channels: **Assisted Digital**

Other Common Arguments Against

Argument	Counter Argument
Our customers don't want it	Yes, they do. Well-designed digital services that are promoted see high uptake. 80% of people are using online portals to book COVID vaccinations.
It's too expensive to implement. Our council will never go for it.	Can we afford not to? Build a business case. Look at the Return on Investment. Articulate the business value to Council. Build incrementally
Staff don't want it / won't adapt to it	To digitally transform / meet customer expectations they must. Is it optional for UPS drivers to use devices to track package delivery? It cannot not optional here either. Change Management – involve in the change.



Takeaways

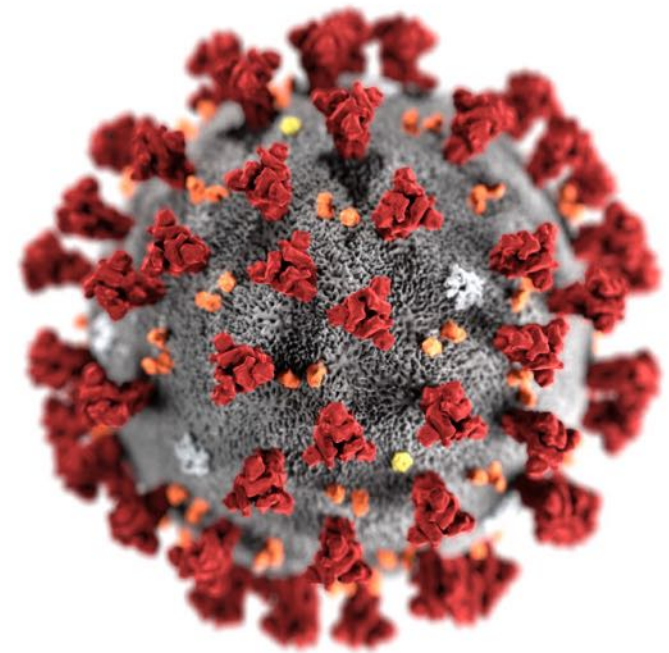
- More cost effective to deliver service online
- Free up staff from data entry / paper shuffling
- Not taking away channels as options – Assisted Digital
- Important to counter the arguments against, be firm, committed and reinforce adoption



1F – COVID – A Digital Accelerant

COVID Lessons

- Singularity of purpose – marshal resources around a mission
- Learned about digital possibilities – remote work, video conferencing, digital approvals, digital payments
- Ability to change is in us all
- Rapid and institutional level change is possible
- Iterative approach works. 10% better is better. First cut may be imperfect – but iterative improvement is possible with a product centric mindset



Discussion



2A – Services & Service Design

Digital Government Movement



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People expect government services to be simple and easy to use.



SERVICE



EXPERIENCE



SERVICE DESIGN

Service

- In municipalities the term **Service** is used interchangeably to describe various things
 - Functions
 - Programs
 - Bundles of services
 - Teams

What is a Service?

- But in the service design realm a Service is what a customer wants to get done
 - report a problem
 - check my zoning
 - get a tax certificate
 - get or renew a business license
 - make an appointment
 - schedule a waste pickup
 - pay a parking ticket
 - get information

Good/Great Service

- What is a great digital service that you have used recently?
- What were 3 characteristics that made the service good?

Good Services are Designed

- Good for the user
 - It does what they need it to do, in a way that works for them
- Good for the organization providing it
 - It's simple and easy to run/operate
- Good for society as whole
 - No unintended consequences

Good Services are Complete Services

- Complete services involve online and offline elements that combine to provide the whole experience
- On and offline aspects are a key part of the **Experience**
- We need to think about and design complete services and complete experiences
 - Integrated whole not separate, disjointed components

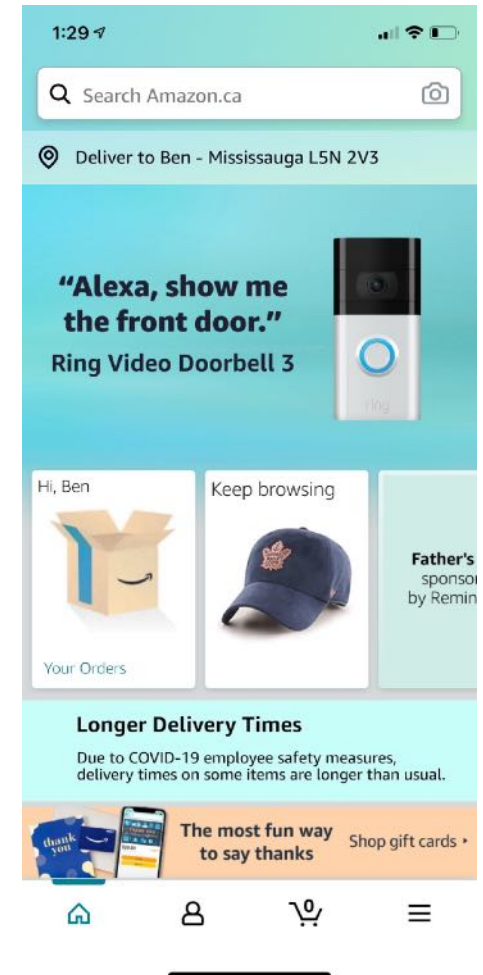
End to End Digital Experience

- **Booking and Taking a Trip to Toronto**
 - You search, find, select, and pay for the ticket completely online.
 - You get a notification confirming purchase with a link to make changes, or someone to call if there is a problem.
 - You receive the ticket via email.
 - You check in online at the right time.
 - You store your boarding pass in your digital wallet.
 - You show your phone at the gate to board the plane.
- ***This* is an end-to-end digital service.**
 - We can start and finish the service online.

Amazon Experience

- App/Website – consistent, reliable, fast
- Search / Recommendations – other people bought, ratings
- 1-Click Purchase – remembers name, address, credit card
- Deliveries – notifications, photo of the delivery
- Easy Returns – reduce friction for the purchase

- At any stage of the process a purchaser may drop off / give up.
- Amazon focuses on the experience, so you don't give up
- “Reducing Friction”



Design the Whole Experience

- Garbage Collection
- Get information – e.g. collection day / what goes where
- Sign up to reminders
- Buy a garbage tag
- **Put out the garbage**
- Report a missed collection
- Report a broken cart / order a cart / replacement
- Book a bulky collection

Service Design is the practice of:

- Ensuring the overall end-to-end experience that takes place over time meets intended outcomes
- Ensuring everything that goes into using a service is joined up and meeting user needs on and offline.
- And it uses various techniques – user research, journey mapping, process design, content and digital interaction design – to design complete digital services

Takeaways

- Good services are designed
- End to end digital services should be our goal
- Design the whole experience, minimize friction
- Put the customer at the centre of our service design work



2B – Defining Good Service (Characteristics)

Good Services

Lou Downe

2023-01-17

Principles of good service design

A good service:

1. is easy to find
2. clearly explains its purpose
3. sets the expectations a user has of it
4. enables a user to complete the outcome they set out to do
5. works in a way that is familiar
6. requires no prior knowledge to use
7. is agnostic to organizational structures
8. requires as few steps as possible to complete
9. is consistent throughout
10. is useable by everyone equally
11. should have no dead ends
12. encourages the right behaviours from users and staff
13. should respond to change quickly
14. clearly explains why a decision has been made
15. makes it easy to get human assistance

1. A good service is easy to find

- The service must be able to be found by a user with no prior knowledge of the task they set out to do.
 - For example, someone who wants to 'throw out a refrigerator' must be able to find their way to 'white goods pickup' as part of that service unaided.
 - Don't use acronyms (CERB)
- Make sure your service is findable
 - Google is the homepage of your service
- Name your service for what your user wants to achieve – not what you call it internally (e.g. ex gracia payments)

5. A good service works in a way that is familiar

- People base their understanding of the world on previous experiences. If there is an established custom for your service that benefits the user, your service should conform to that custom.
- Research how your peers work and look for patterns in what they do
- Understand if there is an easier more intuitive or more effective way of doing what you're doing

6. A good service requires no prior knowledge to use

- A service should not work in a way that assumes prior knowledge from the user.
- There is no service that will be used just by people who have used it before.
- Explain what your service is for
- Make no presumptions about how much users know

7. A good service is agnostic to organizational structures

- The service must work in a way that does not unnecessarily expose the user to the internal structures of the organization providing the service.
- Services in the Internet age don't obey organizational boundaries
- Siloed organizations produce siloed services
- Collaboration is the new target operating model

9. A good service is consistent throughout

- The service should look and feel like one service throughout, regardless of the channel it is delivered through. The language you use should be consistent as should visual styles and interaction patterns.
- Minimum viable service
- Good services are only as strong as their weakest link

11. A good service is useable by everyone equally

- The service must be useable by everyone who needs to use it regardless of the circumstances or abilities. No one should be less able to use the service than anyone else.

- There is no such thing as a normal user
- Inclusion is about more than just accessibility

2C – Assessing Services



<https://good.services/>

1.0 Good Service Assessment

1.1. Rating Index

A “good service” is a service that a customer can find, understand, and use without having to ask for help.

The Good Service Scorecard table below consists of the 15 universal attributes of a good service based on Lou Downe’s Good Service Assessment Methodology.

Each attribute is rated against the following rating index:

0 It is not possible for users to do this	1 A small minority of users can do this with extreme difficulty or effort	2 Some users can do this, but it still requires difficulty or effort for most	3 Most users can do this, but it requires difficulty or effort for some	4 All users can do this easily and consistently
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1.2. Good Service Scorecard

A Good Service...	Rating	What is your service failing to do for users?
1. Is easy to find	1	Ex-Gracia naming of the service is confusing to the customer. Limited amount of information available on website. The language used to describe service is technical in nature and how to use could be significantly improved.
2. Clearly explains its purpose	1	Some parts of the services are clearly explained with visuals, but most are not. The form contains multiple request options and does not clearly articulate that work should be completed before the application is completed and submitted.
3. Sets the expectations a user has of it	2	Expectations of service are not clearly set. Eligibility criteria not clear. Timelines for review and approval, amount of subsidy available, timeline for payment not stated online.
4. Enables each user to complete the outcome they set out to do	2	Fillable forms must be printed, filled, and mailed in. It is inconvenient and there is no form validation. Form is confusing with multiple subsidies in the same form.

Discussion

2D – Designing Good Digital Services

Steal from the Leaders



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People expect government services to be simple and easy to use.



**Please use the
purpose made
paved path
provided**



**Dioch
Thank you**
for choosing north air today
Discover more at
ASDA.com



Don't Miss the Opportunity

- Digital represents an opportunity to rethink completely the service
- Don't pave the cow path
- Don't build on old assumptions (we need a signature, we need 10 copies, we can't share this information) into new digital services
- Challenge and question everything – seek outside perspectives
- Talk to customers



Library Fines

- Streamline the library fine process
or
- Are library fines the right solution, period?

NOT YET COMPLETED

BUILDING

5

5.2 % of 96 Permits

ENGINEERING

1

6.3 % of 16 Permits

BUILDING INSPECTIONS

1050 W IRVINGTON RD (T19CM06631)
Status: In Progress

11445 E RINCON RANGE DR (T19CM05072)
Status: Assigned

166 W ALAMEDA ST (T19CM01916)
Status: Assigned

902 W IRVINGTON RD (T19CM04364)
Status: Assigned

9538 E OLD VAIL RD (T19CM04510)
Status: Assigned

ENGINEERING INSPECTIONS

4525 E BROADWAY BL (T19OT00636)
Status: Assigned

Click [HERE](#) for mobile version. Use the search button in the map to type in your address or permit number, or click on a list item for more information about an inspection.



COMPLETED

BUILDING

91

94.8 % of 96 Permits

BUILDING INSPECTIONS

1005 S 7TH AV (T19CM03992)
Status: (Completed)
Results: 2061. Ap Clear eco.

1011 S 7TH AV (T19CM05125)
Status: (Completed)
Results: 2005. Ca. 2035. Ca. Caelin Norgo was called, electric is not done in house.

1024 E SILVERLAKE RD 1 2 (T19CM0701)
Status: (Completed)
Results: 1005. Ap. 1015. Ap. 2005. Ap

1066 W GRANT RD (T19CM04566)
Status: (Completed)
Results: 2010 pa Power and low volt cond lighting at ne corner, and fountain and dr backfill.

ENGINEERING INSPECTIONS

1495 E TUCSON MARKETPLACE BL (DP1)
Status: (Completed)
Results: 09181. Partially approved. Pre-gr

1500 E TUCSON MARKETPLACE BL (DP1)
Status: (Completed)
Results: 09027. Not ready. Inspection of t Partially approved. Pre-grout.

1530 W VALENCIA RD (T19CM00523)
Status: (Completed)
Results: 09127, 09128, 09130. Not ready site, dumpster in drive-through. Drive thro not been installed.

1590 E TUCSON MARKETPLACE BL (DP1)
Status: (Completed)
Results: 09181. Partially approved. Pre-gr

2E – How Does this Apply to Internal Services?

Good Service is Universal

- Self service + these best practices apply to all services
- Internal, external, partners, vendors, etc.
- Staff interact with many internal services daily
- Make those moments / those interactions simple, smooth

Internal Digital Experience Opportunities

- Hiring
- Onboarding
- Time and attendance
- Scheduling
- Leave and vacation requests
- Paystub
- T4's
- Benefits
- Performance Management
- Learning Management
- Billing (AR)
- Payments (AP)
- Expense Request
- Single Sign On
- Request a new device
- Check device
- replacement schedule
- Reset password
- Install new software
- Workflows
- Digital approval
- Digital signature

Takeaways

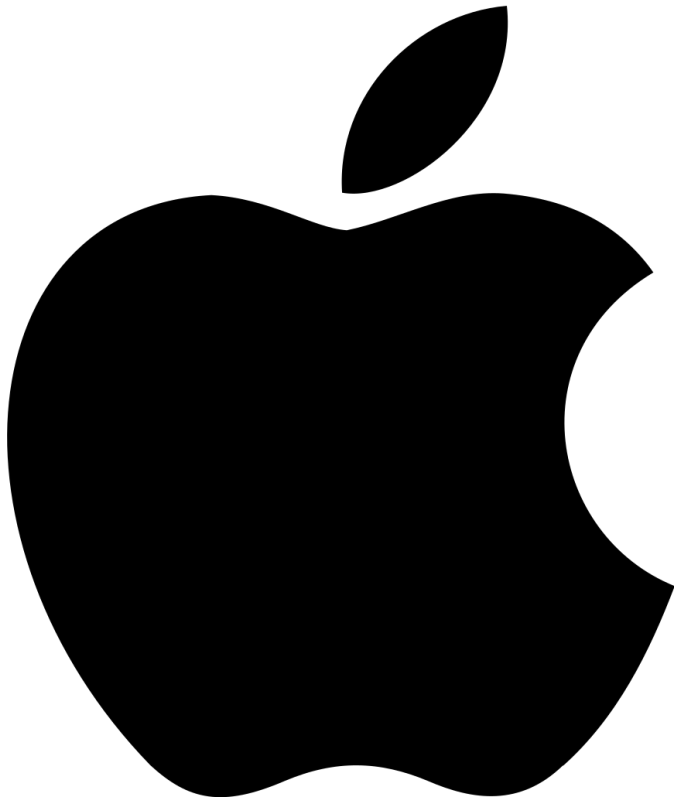
- All self-service concepts apply to internal services too
- Key internal services should be digital services
- Many of these moments are People (HR) and Money (Finance)

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3A – Service Ownership

Service ownership

- Who owns the service?
- Who is accountable for the steps and tasks (the business process) that make up the service experience?
- Who is accountable for the service experience?
- Who is accountable for ensuring that the service is delivered in a modern way that meets the 15 principles / customer expectations?



DRI

Directly
Responsible
Individual

Accountability for Digital Service Delivery

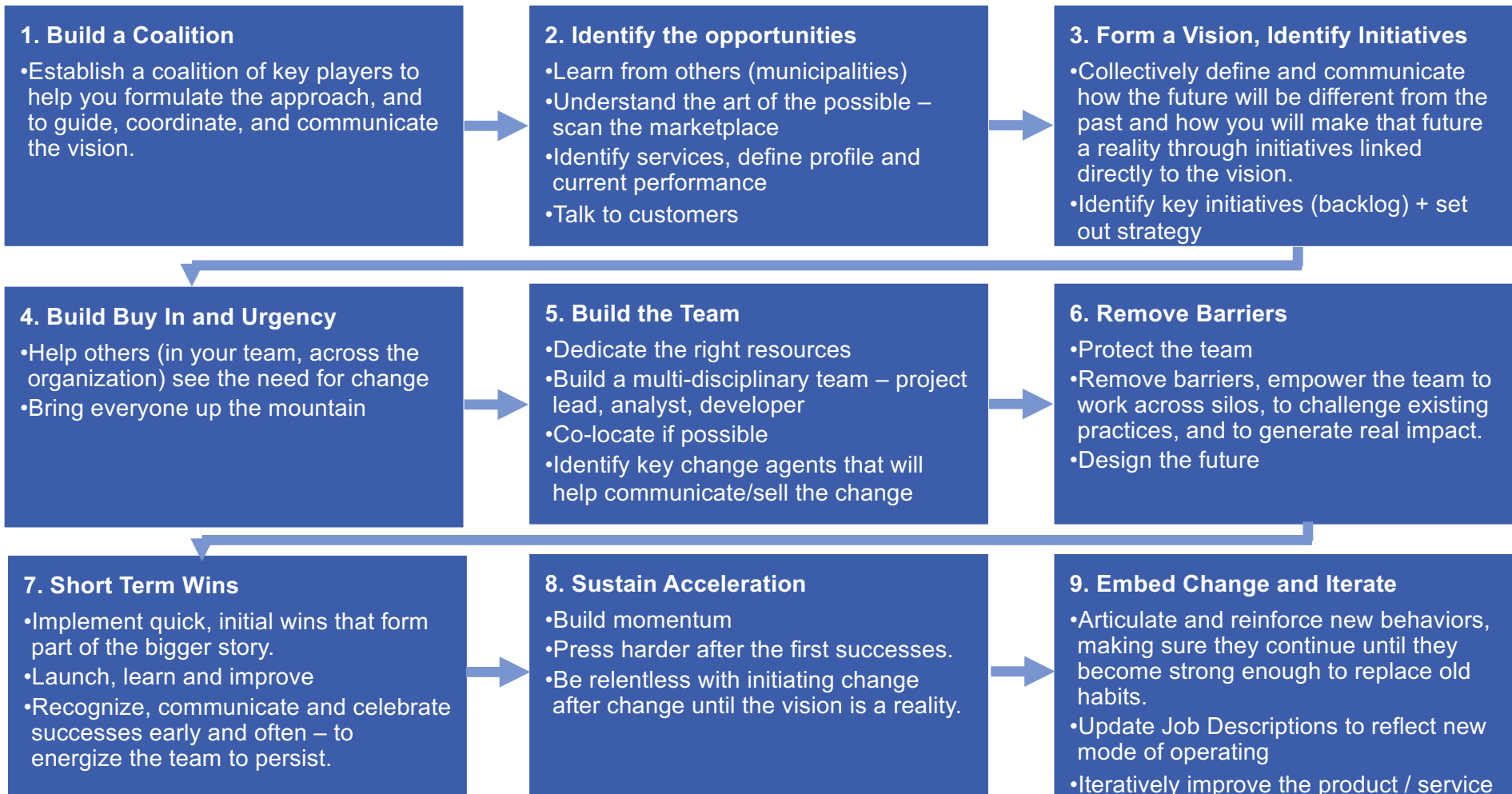
- **Accountability:** The Service Owner
- **Commitment:** *All service owners, whether providing services internally or externally, should design them to be digital-first.*
- **Shared Responsibility:** Service Owners work must with partners in IT, web and others to design and deliver the service digitally



People and Process *then* Technology

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3B – Build a Plan for Digital



Define your services

- Do a scan and inventory of your service area
- Use this to identify which of your services [things your customers want to do] are highest volume, highest impact, have the farthest reach, take up the most of your team's time, are the most suited to digital delivery, are the easiest to digitize/move online?
- What could you do to digitize part of a service to free staff capacity to do the other transformation work you need to do?
- Talk to your teams/frontline staff – where do they see opportunity?

Talk to Customers

- Talk to your customers, find out where the service rough edges are, what is difficult about using / accessing your service, what digital improvements would they prioritize?
 - You might be surprised
- Customer research – watch customers use your services, do a mystery shopper program
- Customer journey mapping – what are their experiences / feelings?

Understand the Landscape / Opportunity

- Assess what peers and leaders in the field have done; how they approached it, and importantly what it took to get there (learn from their pain/experience)
- Work with partners (in IT) to develop a shared understanding of the art of the possible
- Target those areas that need to be improved / digitized
- Keep recognizing the people and process *then* technology continuum

Set your vision, better still make it a mission

- As a leader
- Set your vision for your service as a digital or hybrid service
- Be bold, be specific, be measurable



“Ford says by mid-2026, 100% of its passenger vehicle range in Europe will be zero-emissions capable, all-electric or plug-in hybrid; moving to all-electric by 2030”

Build a Plan

- Socialize your vision and **build a partnership** to help you figure out what it will really take to achieve
 - SME's – your team
 - Process specialists
 - Policy specialists
 - Technology specialists
 - External expertise?
- Establish the sequencing / the order in which to tackle the work
- Build the business case / value prop
- Build a solid plan (budget / resource / effort)
 - Be realistic / be honest – budget the whole cost



People and Process *then* Technology



Awareness

All stakeholders must be aware of the business reasons for change

Awareness is the outcome of initial messages related to the change



Desire

All stakeholders must have the desire to participate and support the change

Desire is the outcome of sponsorship, urgency, addressing concerns and change resistance



Knowledge

All stakeholders must have a thorough understanding of the change processes and its objectives – WIIFM

Knowledge is the outcome of education, training, and coaching



Ability

All stakeholders can implement / accept change at the required level

Ability to learn new skills and by managing behaviours change is accepted

Ability is the outcome of practice, coaching and time



Reinforcement

Reinforcement to sustain change make it clear for all employees that there is no turning back

Reinforcement is the outcome of adoption measurement, corrective action, and recognition

Importance of Sustained Effort

- Start small, work with frontline users
- Test ideas and hypotheses, get feedback and iterate
- Demonstrate small wins and 🎉
- Build on success, learn from failures
- Pursue relentless progress – think compound interest

Jan 1st 2007



10+ Years →

of constant
relentless
refinement

Today



- No Apps
- No 3G
- No cut, copy, paste
- No video
- No selfie camera

Set Commitments and Measure

- **Objective: We want our services to be more digital by 2024**
 - Key Result: We will fact-find with 3 other municipalities that have done this by Q3 2021
 - Key Result: We will conduct 30 user interviews with customers by end of 2021
 - Key Result: We will clear policy/legal constraints by Q4 2021
 - Key Result: We will introduce 1 new beta digital service by Q2 2022
 - Key Result: We will introduce 2 new live digital services by Q4 2022
 - Key Result: We will introduce 3 additional live digital services by Q4 2023
- **Measure and communicate value / ROI / benefits**

Takeaways

- No excuses
- Learn/steal from peers
- Understand art of the possible
- Be practical / pragmatic
- Understand sequencing
- Challenge assumptions / rethink
- Build partnerships / coalitions to deliver
- Start small
- Sustained attention

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Reflect and Recap

1 thing learned

1 takeaway

1 thing you now want to know /
want to or need to learn?

Final Takeaways

- Digital – not if, but when. The time is now – COVID as a tipping point
- Own your service and its delivery mode
- Focus on the customer / listen to their needs and expectations
- Design your service for your customer
- Survey the landscape
- As service owner work with partners to set your vision
- Make it your mission to become digital and own the vision / mission
- Get your teams on board / counter the naysayers with facts and commitment
- Prioritize service improvements
- Partner to execute

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Digital For Municipal Leaders

Other Modules

- **Module B: Set Your Digital Vision**

- How to figure out what needs to be done
- How to identify and select opportunities for digital transformation.
- How to form a vision
- How to build buy in and urgency.
- Approaches to funding digital delivery.

- **Module C: Design and Deliver**

- How to build the right team.
- How to employ design thinking to design complete services.
- How to use important tools and techniques such as Service Design, Business Process Optimization, User Research, Customer Journey Mapping,
- How to use the “Discovery – Alpha – Beta – Launch” approach to focus on service and process first.
- How to promote digital service adoption / uptake.
- How to listen and learn from users.

- **Module D: Operate and Iterate**

- How to adopt a product mindset to continuous improvement of services.
- How to measure and track outcomes.
- How to promote uptake of digital services.
- Open discussion, next steps and making your personal commitment.