

## The minimalist concept for future urban transportation

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*Are autonomous vehicles, as seen in Hollywood movies, possible in reality? Will it save us infrastructure space? Research shows we are close to a breakthrough! Flying taxis will debut in trials in Singapore and Dallas-Fort Worth come 2019 and 2020, respectively.*

With the exciting development, there will be a need to re-assess infrastructure and policy requirements that allow for future modes of travel. These technologies were fanciful a decade ago; but with trials in the next six years proposed for New Zealand, decision-makers will have to consider future urban transportation requirements, today.

We introduce the minimalist concept - where technology will assist the transport industry in reducing labour (e.g. drivers) and infrastructure needs (e.g. tracks, roads etc.), and also details the necessary policy and infrastructure changes that are required to take us on this journey. Let us look forward to welcoming the range of possibilities in space- and cost-savings!

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