ONE PARKLAND: POWERFULLY CONNECTED

BY LAW 2017-14 PARKLAND COUNTY MUNICIPAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN

PRESENTATION TO COUNCIL

PRESENTED AT PUBLIC HEARING

July 11, 2017
PURPOSE

• Approval of Bylaw 2017-14 Parkland County Municipal Development Plan: One Parkland: Powerfully Connected.

• Public Hearing and Second Reading

• Submission of Bylaw 2017-14 to the Capital Region Board
LEGISLATIVE FRAMEWORK

• Required under Section 632(1) of the Municipal Government Act (RSA 2000).

• Bylaw 2017-14 meets all requirements for preparation of a Municipal development plan (Section 632 (3)).
MDP TIMELINES

Nov 2013 – Dec 2016
PHASE 1
Background Reports

Jan 2014 Oct 2015
PHASE 2
Vision and Principles

Oct 2015 – May 2017
PHASE 3
Draft policies and MDP

May 2017 – Oct 2017
PHASE 4
Adoption

WE ARE HERE
STRATEGIC ALIGNMENT

• Bylaw 2017-14 aligns with the Parkland County Long-Term Strategic Plan 2040 and Beyond.

• Community Pillars, objectives and policies.
STRATEGIC ALIGNMENT

Long Term Strategic Plan Pillars

COMPLETE COMMUNITIES
RESPECTED ENVIRONMENT
STRATEGIC ECONOMIC DIVERSIFICATION
RESPONSIBLE LEADERSHIP

LAND USE
COMMUNITY
NATURAL ENVIRONMENT
ECONOMY
GOVERNANCE

MDP COMMUNITY PILLARS
1. Collaborate and Coordinate to manage growth responsibly
2. Promote global economic competitiveness and regional prosperity.
3. Recognize and celebrate the diversity of communities and promote an excellent quality of life.
4. Achieve compact growth that optimizes infrastructure investment.
5. Ensure effective regional mobility.
6. Ensure the wise management of prime agricultural resources.
7. Protect natural living systems and environmental assets.
• same Community Vision and Community pillars
• alignment of MDP Policies to Sustainability Plan goals and strategies.
MDP COMMUNITY VISION AND PILLARS

"Parkland County will steward our natural environment and foster a sustainable and diverse economy while maintaining our rural character. We will be innovative and creative in growing a healthy community that provides equitable opportunities for all, and we will celebrate our heritage and culture."

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<td>ECONOMY</td>
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<td>A state in which the community’s social and cultural traditions thrive now and in the future.</td>
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<td>GOVERNANCE</td>
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The Community Vision aligns with the vision statement for the Integrated Community Sustainability Plan

Approved by Council in March and April 2016.
MDP SECTIONS

• Vision & Sustainability
• Development Concept
• Agriculture
• Economic Competitiveness and Employment
• Hamlets
• Rural Community & Housing
• Recreation & Tourism Development
• Transportation And Utility Infrastructure
• Natural Environment
• Community Infrastructure & Services
• Intermunicipal Collaboration & Governance
AGRICULTURE

- Rural Agricultural Area
- Value-added initiatives
- Farmstead subdivisions
- Acreage subdivisions
- Right to Farm legislation
- Conservation of higher capability lands
- Keeping the Family on the Farm
Prime Agriculture Area South East (PASE) aims to preserve large tracts of land for larger farm operations (grains, vegetables, livestock, etc.) while promoting diversification and expansion into new agricultural sectors.

Prime Agriculture Area West (PAW) aims to preserve large tracts of land for larger operations (grazing, other specialty crops, etc.) and reduce fragmentation for non-agricultural purposes.

Prime Agriculture Area Small Holdings encourages a range of parcel sizes to support value-added and specialty operations on smaller tracts of land. Small holdings are intended to accommodate a range of agricultural operations, such as horticultural uses, specialty crops and specialty agricultural developments, that support agribusinesses and agriculturally supportive industries. Small holdings provide important employment opportunities and support the diversification of the County’s employment base.
ECONOMIC COMPETITIVENESS & EMPLOYMENT

- Encourage economic Opportunities (County-wide)
- Rural Economic Diversification
- Major and local Employment Areas
- Local and Hamlet Services
- Home-Based Business
- Responsible Natural Resource Extraction
ECONOMIC COMPETITIVENESS & EMPLOYMENT

- ATTRACT EMPLOYMENT
- RETAIN & EXPAND BUSINESS
- INCREASE CONNECTIVITY
- GROW KNOWLEDGE WORKFORCE
HAMLETS

- Identified Growth Hamlets (Entwistle, Tomahawk & Duffield)
- Responsible Growth Management (HARPs)
- Rural character and design
- Mixed Use development
- Social, rec and community amenities
RURAL COMMUNITIES AND HOUSING

- Country Residential
- Residential Resort
- Lakefront Residential
- Innovative development and Housing
- Respect for the Environment
- Amenities
- Respect for Agriculture and existing land uses

FIGURE 7 | DEVELOPMENT CONCEPT
RECREATION AND TOURISM

- Agri & eco-Tourism development
- Municipal support and local community benefits
- Controlled Lake Access
- Reclaimed resource extraction areas
- Off-Highway Vehicles
- Resort development
RECREATION OVERLAYS

- **Wabamun / Pembina Area**
  - Support existing tourism features relative to Wabamun Lake area such as Trestle Creek, Pembina River and reclaimed mining areas

- **Devon Dunes Area**
  - Support & enhance tourism features such as U of A Botanical Gardens, Clifford E. Lee Natural Area and value-added agricultural operations

- **Great Waters Area**
  - Promote a quiet waterfront lifestyle supported by recreational amenities in the lakes area and along the North Saskatchewan River
TRANSPORTATION & UTILITIES

- Safe, connected, efficient and cost-effective
- Transportation Master Plan and Utilities & Servicing Master Plan
- Coordinated Approach to Services (i.e. working with provincial, regional and federal partners).
- Growth Management & Cost Recoveries
NATURAL ENVIRONMENT

- High Priority Landscapes and Environmentally Significant Areas
- Heathy Ecosystems & Biodiversity
- Surface Water, Groundwater & Wetlands
- Environmental Reserves/Easements
- Environmental Stewardship
- Renewable Energy & Sustainability
COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE & SERVICES

- Parks & Schools
- Connected Trails and community Gathering Areas
- Protective Services
- Institutional Services
- Recycling & Solid Waste

“HEALTHY COMMUNITIES”
• Digital networks to support community and social inclusion

• SMART PARKLAND
INTERMUNICIPAL COLLABORATION & LOCAL GOVERNANCE

- Collaborative Approach and working with Neighbours
- Indigenous Partnerships
- Application Referral Process
- Communication & Engagement
IMPLEMENTATION

- Council Priorities & Budgets
- Updates to Statutory & Non-Statutory Plans & Studies
- Inventory & Analysis
- Land Use Bylaw Review
- Community Partnerships
ENGAGEMENT & WHAT WE HEARD DOCUMENT

Parkland County recognizes the considerable input provided by County residents in updating the Municipal Development Plan. In January 2014, Planning and Development Services began work on updating the Municipal Development Plan (MDP) and Integrated Community Sustainability & Development Plan (ICSP). The Public Engagement Plan focused on three key elements:

- **Traditional Engagement Methods**
- **Youth Engagement**
- **Online Engagement**

In addition to public engagement, an advisory committee was formed to provide input in the planning process and the Parklandia youth engagement program was created. Parklandia gathered children's feedback on planning for the future in Parkland County and acted as a vehicle to raise the interest of children and youth in the planning process.

Artwork/models completed by Grade 6 students who participated in the 2017 Parklandia Fair.
**ENGAGEMENT**

**PUBLIC OPEN HOUSE**
**JANUARY 27-29, 2014**
Project was introduced to the public.
- Woodbend Hall
- Entwistle Hall
- Blueberry Hall

**PUBLIC OPEN HOUSE**
**MARCH 10-12, 2014**
County staff presented the draft vision and gathered input on draft guiding principles.
- Graminia Hall
- Manley Hall
- Tomahawk Hall

**COUNTY-WIDE SURVEY**
**MAY 15, 2015 – NOV 14, 2015**
Gathered feedback on preliminary growth concepts.
- Online

**PUBLIC OPEN HOUSE**
**JUNE 16-22, 2015**
Received feedback on preliminary growth concepts.
- Holborn Hall
- Carvel Hall
- Magnolia Hall
- Woodbend Hall

**COMMUNITY EVENTS**
**SEPT 27 – NOV 4, 2015**
County staff were on hand to promote awareness and gather feedback on the project.
- Magnolia Hall (Harvest Dinner)
- Carvel Hall (Pierogi Dinner)
- Garden Valley (Presidents Dinner)
- Carvel Hall (Tech Fest)

**PUBLIC OPEN HOUSES**
**MARCH 20-23, 2017**
Received feedback on preferred policy directions.
- Sandhills Hall
- Carvel Hall
- Tomahawk
- County Centre

**COMMUNITY EVENTS**
**APRIL – MAY 2017**
County staff were on hand to promote awareness and gather feedback on the project.
- TransAlta Tri-Leisure Centre (Spring Trade Show)
- Carvel Hall (Pierogi Dinner)

**PUBLIC OPEN HOUSES**
**MAY 23, 24, 25, 30, 2017**
County staff presented the draft MDP.
- Entwistle Hall
- Brightbank Hall
- Graminia Hall
- County Centre

✓ **COMPLETED ALL MDP ENGAGEMENTS AND PUBLIC EVENTS**
WHAT WE HEARD REPORT

- Public engagement report for the Municipal Development Plan.
- Comments received from public and stakeholders.

NOTE: all changes identified in the May open houses and the joint public committees meeting have been incorporated into the draft MDP.
AMENDMENTS

• Council adopt amendments prior to 2\textsuperscript{nd} Reading.

• Additional potential amendments identified in Public Hearing will be reviewed by Administration and completed prior to 3\textsuperscript{rd} Reading where applicable.
SUMMARY AND NEXT STEPS

• Administration supports approval of Bylaw 2017-14 Parkland County Municipal Development Plan: One Parkland: Powerfully Connected.

• Consideration of proposed amendments
• Bylaw 2017-14 Public Hearing
• Second Reading and submission to Capital Region Board
• Third reading – September 2017