

Principles and Objectives	Consistency with Growth Plan Objectives and Guiding Principles	Amendments
Guiding Principle: Promote global economic competitiveness and regional prosperity		
1.1 Promote global economic competitiveness and diversification of the regional economy	Morinville’s MDP addresses the Growth Plan Objective of promoting global economic competitiveness and diversification of the regional economy.	None
1.2 Promote job growth and the competitiveness of the Region’s employment base	MDP’s Economic Goal: To ensure land use planning and growth management decisions support the long-term financial sustainability of the Municipality and encourage whenever feasible economic development in the community. To support the diversification of all aspects of the local economy, including fostering the expansion and growth of local businesses and attracting new business investment into the community.	
1.3 Enhance competitiveness through the efficient movement of people, goods and services to, from and within the Region	12.1. Morinville shall attempt to support economic vitality through land use decision-making.	
1.4 Promote the livability and prosperity of the Region and plan for the needs of a changing population and workforce	<p>12.2. Morinville shall promote its strategic geographic location in terms of major transportation access (Highway 2, Highway 28, and the Canadian National Railway) to prospective nonresidential developers and businesses.</p> <p>12.4. Morinville shall support joint non-residential development initiatives with Sturgeon County within joint planning areas outside Morinville’s municipal boundaries.</p> <p>12.5. Morinville shall encourage regional economic development initiatives and the continuance of regional economic development organizations and agencies, including those that support local economic development, entrepreneurial development and training, and small business incubation.</p>	
Guiding Principle: Protect natural living systems and environmental assets		
2.1 Conserve and restore natural living systems through an ecological network approach	Morinville’s MDP addresses the Growth Plan Natural Living Systems Objectives through a wide range of goals and policies including the protection of natural areas, conserving regional ecological and wildlife corridors,	

<p>2.2 Protect regional watershed health, water quality and quantity</p>	<p>protecting water and land quality, and using environmental and conservation reserves as a tool to achieve these goals.</p>	
<p>2.3 Plan development to promote clean air, land and water and address climate change impacts</p>	<p>Objective 7.7. Morinville shall aim to be ecologically responsible by designing with the landscape, respecting the environment by protecting ecologically significant areas, reducing energy consumption, supporting low impact development (including use of low maintenance landscaping and building materials), and installing responsible utilities. Storm water management systems should be naturalized, combine function with open space, reduce impervious surfaces, and protect natural flows.</p>	
<p>2.4 Minimize and mitigate the impacts of regional growth on natural living systems</p>	<p>Policy 8.55 (8.56. in redlined MDP) Morinville shall require environmental reserve dedication as per the Municipal Government Act, as amended. Environmental reserve lands shall remain as natural areas or may be used for trails as long as a trail will not unduly impact the natural environment.</p> <p>Policy 8.56 (8.57. in redlined MDP) Morinville may require conservation reserve dedication as per the Municipal Government Act, as amended, of land that has environmentally significant features of which does not qualify as environmental reserve, but should be protected and conserved. Conservation reserve land shall remain in its natural state.</p> <p>Policy 8.60 (8.61. in redlined MDP) Morinville should encourage natural and man-made waterbodies be preserved, enhanced or altered as appropriate to meet the passive and active recreational needs of the community.</p>	
<p align="center">Guiding Principle: Recognize and celebrate the diversity of communities and promote an excellent quality of life across the region</p>		
<p>3.1 Plan and develop complete communities within each policy tier to accommodate people’s daily needs for living at all ages</p>	<p>Morinville’s MDP addresses the Communities and Housing Objectives through a wide range of goals and policies.</p> <p>Policy 7.30 (7.32. in redlined MDP) Morinville shall support the efficient use of land and infrastructure through increased</p>	<p>Amended reference to the Capital Region Board</p> <p>An action item was identified in the Regional Context Statement to explore strengthening policies</p>

<p>3.2 Plan for and promote a range of housing options</p>	<p>density targets, diverse housing options, compact urban form, mixed use developments, centralized community commercial nodes, internal walkability, and connectivity with the rest of the community via the trails system.</p>	<p>regarding market affordable and non-market housing to address core housing need.</p>
<p>3.3: Plan for and promote market affordable and non-market housing to address core housing need</p>	<p>Residential Land Use Policy Housing Composition: Policy 8.23 (8.24. in redlined MDP) Morinville shall encourage a diversity of housing types, forms, levels of affordability, and densities in residential areas.</p> <p>Policy 8.25 (8.26. in redlined MDP) In greenfield areas, Morinville shall require a minimum density of 30 dwelling units per net residential hectare, measured at the Area Structure Plan level, in accordance with the Edmonton Metropolitan Region Growth Plan.</p> <p>Policy 8.30 (8.31. in redlined MDP) Morinville shall support working in collaboration with the Edmonton Metropolitan Region Board, other levels of government, and non-profit housing providers for the provision of market affordable and nonmarket housing in Morinville.</p>	<p>Upon review it was determined that existing policies in the MDP adequately address the growth plan objective 3.3.</p>
<p align="center">Guiding Principle: Achieve compact growth that optimizes infrastructure investment</p>		
<p>4.1 Establish a compact and contiguous development pattern to accommodate employment and population growth</p>	<p>Morinville’s MDP addresses the Growth Plan Integration of Land Use and Infrastructure Objectives through a wide range of goals and policies</p>	<p>Amended reference to the Capital Region Board</p>
<p>4.2 Enable growth within built-up urban areas to optimize existing infrastructure and minimize the expansion of the development footprint</p>	<p>Policy 8.3 (8.4. in redlined MDP) Morinville shall encourage the Cœur de Morinville to develop as a welcoming and inclusive neighbourhood that supports the diverse needs of its residents, employees and visitors, and provides equitable access to community, education, health, safety, and social services</p>	
<p>4.3 Plan and develop greenfield areas in an orderly and phased manner to contribute to complete communities</p>	<p>Policy 8.16 (8.17 in redlined MDP). Morinville shall support community commercial nodes within residential neighbourhoods that are mindful of the 400</p>	

<p>4.4 Plan for and accommodate rural growth in appropriate locations with sustainable levels of local servicing</p>	<p>metre (¼ mile) walking distance rule of thumb, which suggests that people are willing to walk up to quarter of a mile from their home for convenience shopping.</p>
<p>4.5 Plan and develop mixed use and higher density centres as areas to concentrate growth of both people and jobs</p>	<p>Policy 8.25 (8.26. in redlined MDP) In greenfield areas, Morinville shall require a minimum density of 30 dwelling units per net residential hectare, measured at the Area Structure Plan level, in accordance with the Edmonton Metropolitan Region Growth Plan.</p>
<p>4.6 Prioritize investment and funding of regional infrastructure to support planned growth</p>	<p>Policy 8.32 (8.33. in redlined MDP) Morinville shall encourage appropriate commercial development in the Downtown core.</p>
<p>4.7 Ensure compatible land use patterns to minimize risks to public safety and health</p>	<p>Section 11.0 Infrastructure Goal To encourage sustainability by maximizing capacity of existing municipal infrastructure, promoting the logical and economical extension of municipal infrastructure to new development, promoting the wise use of land for municipal and non-municipal infrastructure both inside and proximal to Morinville’s boundary, and mitigating land use conflict with oil and gas infrastructure.</p> <p>Infrastructure Policies</p> <p>Policy 11.3. Morinville shall ensure that all developments comply with municipal utility servicing master plans and engineering and open space standards. Morinville may consider alternative servicing concepts on a case-by-case basis, which shall adhere to established engineering practices and are subject to the review and approval of Morinville.</p> <p>Policy 11.4. Morinville shall require that all residential and commercial developments be connected to municipal services, where feasible, subsequent to signing an approved development agreement</p> <p>Policy 11.6. Morinville shall discourage non-contiguous growth and unnecessarily premature extension of municipal services.</p> <p>Policy 11.7. Morinville shall encourage energy and water conservation and solid waste management.</p>

Policy 11.8. Morinville shall continue to prioritize the regular updating of long-range infrastructure master plans for roads, water, sanitary sewer, and stormwater, with particular attention given to updated population and land use projections.

Policy 11.9. Morinville shall promote growth patterns maximizing the use of existing infrastructure and services in order to avoid or delay the construction of capital expansions.

Policy 11.10. Morinville shall support in collaboration with the **Edmonton Metropolitan Region Board**, utility commissions and the Government of Alberta on the preparation of a Regional Infrastructure Master Plan, for the coordination, planning, and investing in future regional infrastructure, that will have an impact on growth and infrastructure capacity for Morinville.

Guiding Principle: Ensure effective regional mobility

5.1 Develop a regional transportation system to support the growth of the Region and enhance its regional and global connectivity

Morinville’s MDP addresses the Growth Plan Transportation Systems Objectives through a wide range of goals and policies

An action item in the Regional Context Statement to explore policies to enable the development of a regional bus line as identified on Schedule 10b in the Edmonton Metropolitan Region Growth Plan **is addressed with existing MDP policy 10.4. This policy was overlooked when creating the Regional Context Statement and not included in the 2018 submission.**

5.2 Encourage a mode shift to transit, high occupancy vehicles and active transportation modes as viable alternatives to private automobile travel, appropriate to the scale of the community

Transportation & Mobility Goal
The goal of a well-planned transportation network is to provide safe, convenient and enjoyable connections between the internal origins and destinations of the community and between the community and the surrounding region. All modes of transportation are accommodated safely and efficiently in a well-planned transportation network, and the notion of ‘complete streets’ is given priority.

5.3 Coordinate and integrate land use and transportation facilities and services to support the efficient and safe movement of people, goods and services in both urban and rural areas

10.4. Morinville shall support a public transit link with regional communities and will continue to work with regional partners to develop an efficient and cost-effective transit link with adjacent communities and major employment areas when appropriate and feasible. Morinville shall continue to promote employment growth along planned regional transit corridors.

5.4 Support the Edmonton International Airport as northern Alberta’s primary air gateway to the world

5.5 Ensure effective coordination and alignment of regional transportation policies and initiatives between all jurisdictions

10.8. Morinville should place a high priority on a phased, sequential and logical development of a comprehensive, continuous, safe and convenient trails system to improve connectivity between neighbourhoods, all parts of the open space system, key community activity areas and Downtown, as laid out in the Recreation, Parks and Open Spaces Master Plan.

10.10. Morinville shall require that new residential ASPs and amendments to existing residential ASPs show a proposed pedestrian circulation system. The system should include both internal and external linkages. Internal linkages should include sidewalks, multi-ways, walkways between blocks, trails within parks, trails around stormwater ponds, and other elements of the pedestrian circulation system. The ASPs or amendments should also show external linkages to the community pathway system and the potential routes to key community activity areas.

Regional Transportation Network:

10.11. Morinville shall continue to participate in planning the regional transportation system through active participation in the **EMRB’s** transportation planning exercise, through inter-municipal planning with its municipal neighbour, Sturgeon County, and through continuing discussions and negotiations with other municipal neighbours including the Alexander First Nation and Edmonton Garrison.

10.12. Morinville shall support the provision, maintenance and improvements of regionally significant transportation access and facilities for agricultural uses.

10.13. Morinville shall work with Edmonton Garrison to explore opportunities to develop efficient and cost-effective transit solutions, and to facilitate affordable transportation between Morinville and Edmonton Garrison.

Guiding Principle: Ensure the wise management of prime agricultural resources

6.1 Identify and conserve an adequate supply of prime agricultural lands to provide a secure local source of food security for future generations

Morinville’s MDP addresses these issues under section 7, 9 and section 13.

An action item identified in the regional context statement to explore policies that minimize early fragmentation and early conversion of agriculture land is addressed in existing MDP policy 7.26. This policy was overlooked when creating the Regional Context Statement and not included in the 2018 submission.

6.2 Minimize the fragmentation and conversion of prime agricultural lands to non-agricultural uses

7.26 (7.28. in redlined MDP)
Prime agricultural lands shall be conserved for agricultural purposes for as long as possible, recognizing that these lands will urbanize over time to accommodate growth, and the fragmentation and conversion of prime agricultural lands for non-agricultural uses will only be considered when the proposed development is in compliance with these Growth Management Policies for Greenfield Areas and the Objectives and Policies of the Edmonton Metropolitan Region Growth Plan.

6.3 Promote diversification and value-added agriculture production and plan infrastructure to support the agricultural sector and regional food system

Policy 7.29 (7.31. in redlined MDP)
 An agricultural impact assessment prepared by a qualified professional shall be required in accordance with the Edmonton Metropolitan Region Growth Plan when a new area structure plan proposes development in a Greenfield Area

Section 9.0 sustainability goal:
 To integrate sustainability into all decision-making processes and implement those aspects of the Morinville’s Municipal Structure Plan (MSP) related to land use planning and growth management.

Urban Agriculture:
 Policy 9.23. Morinville shall support urban agricultural practices and the development of an Urban Agricultural Strategy.

Section 13 Agriculture:
 13.13. Morinville shall support the collaborative development of a Regional Agricultural Master Plan with the **Edmonton Metropolitan Region Board** and in partnership with its member municipalities for the identification of prime agricultural lands.

13.14. Morinville shall support the continuation of existing agricultural uses within Morinville on lands that are designated, planned or unplanned, yet undeveloped until such time as they become developed and

agricultural practices on the land are no longer feasible.

13.15. Morinville shall support the continued operation and diversification of agricultural businesses and value-added agricultural production, processing, distribution, and marketing and supportive infrastructure for the agricultural sector in the urban-rural/inter-municipal fringe area.

Metropolitan Region Structure

Consistency with Growth Plan Objectives and Guiding Principles	Amendments
<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Identify relevant policy tier2. Identify applicable structure components	A new map was created identifying the components of the Metropolitan Structure that apply to Morinville.