



Council Presentation
August 21, 2023

What is an MDP?

- Municipal Development Plan
- Document providing direction for decision-making to guide the future development of a community
- Guides the evolution and growth of our city over the next 20-30 years
- Every municipality must have one
- Updated about every 10 years
- Not the only planning document



How does the MDP fit with other plans?

The Shape of Our Community

Council
Strategic
Plan



Master/
Complementary
Plans



Statutory
Plans

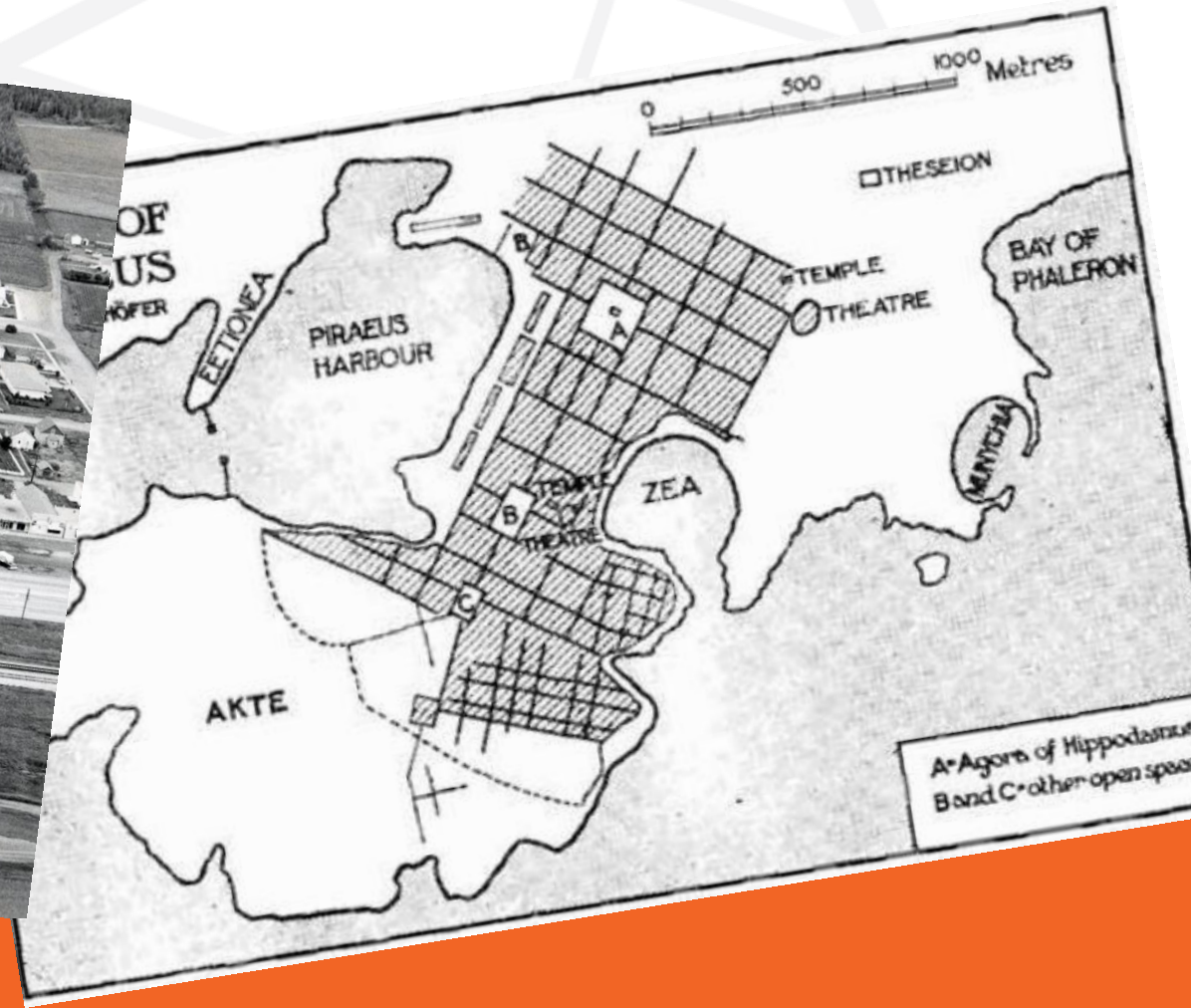
Corporate
Plan and
Budget

Strategies, Action
or Operational
Plans

Land Use
Bylaw



Creating a Municipal Development Plan



How are we developing the plan?

Traditional approach



New approach



Who's involved?

- Community Panel
- Technical Advisory Committee
- Council
- Public
- Consultants



7,000 responses
20 pop-ups, 5 workshops, 3 presentations, social media blitz

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Step 1: Values

Connection

Spruce Grove has a strong sense of belonging and community where people can access services and amenities that meet their needs and contribute to a high quality of life.

Diversity & Inclusion

Spruce Grove enjoys equitable, barrier-free, and affordable access to places, services, opportunities, and participation in civic life allowing for people of all backgrounds and abilities to live with dignity.

Resilience

Spruce Grove's creativity and self-reliance allows for innovative and adaptive responses to social, economic, and environmental changes.

Well-Being

Spruce Grove's health and wellness is supported by access to recreation, culture, the natural environment, and a prosperous economy within a safe and secure community.



Drivers & Preferences

3 surveys, 1 presentation

4 workshops, 240 responses, social media blitz



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Economy

The economic, fiscal, and market factors influence how the community operates, sets priorities, and allocates financial resources.



Community's preference

To seek balance in our approach to the economy and find suitable opportunities to support the local economy and the region.



Governance and Partnerships

The way in which nations, governments, agencies, organizations, business, and industry are structured and choose to work together and collaborate on ideas, projects, or services.



Community's preference

To proactively initiate collaborative partnerships that prioritize local benefit.



Transportation & Mobility

The methods and systems by which goods and people move within and between communities including distribution, commuting, employment, and personal movement.



Community's preferences

To recognize personal automobiles as the dominant mode of transportation with a definitive preference for access to active and alternative modes of transportation. There is desire to prepare for increased access to transit.



Urban Form & Placemaking

The relationship between people and the physical characteristics of places, including the size, shape, location, and number of buildings, roads, parks, and open spaces that influence how people behave, feel, experience, or connect to a place, and the public realm.



Community's preference

To provide increased density of housing in both new neighbourhoods and within existing neighbourhoods that is carefully designed, thoughtful, and respectful.

To locate higher density housing developments near the edges of neighbourhoods close to amenities.

To prioritize connectivity within and between neighbourhoods and the rest of the City with more trails and pathways.



Environment

The natural systems and their interconnections that sustain life and support human settlement.



*Community's preference
To take a balanced
approach to protecting
the natural environment.*



Social

The interpersonal, cultural, and social relationships that support community.



*Community's preference
To collaboratively support
and enhance the
community.*



Step 3: Policy Direction statements

DRIVERS + PREFERENCES

VALUES

| | Connection | Diversity & Inclusion | Resilience | Well-Being |
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| Economy | | | | |
| Governance & Partnerships | | | | |
| Transportation & Mobility | | | | |
| Urban Form & Placemaking | | | | |
| Environment | | | | |
| Social | | | | |



Connection

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| Economy | Spruce Grove supports business opportunities and access to employment by encouraging a diverse local economy and regional economic success. |
| Governance & Partnerships | Spruce Grove's efforts unite people, agencies, and organizations to actively support community-building and quality of life. |
| Transportation & Mobility | Spruce Grove encourages community connectivity through convenient access to areas of employment, daily needs, and local amenities. |
| Urban Form & Placemaking | Spruce Grove's neighbourhood design supports social connections, active lifestyles, and proximity to daily amenities. |
| Environment | Spruce Grove's sense of belonging and community strengthens commitment to environmental stewardship. |
| Social | Spruce Grove residents have access to the culturally appropriate and diverse services and supports they need through the City's strong social and service-provider relationships. |



Diversity & Inclusion

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| Economy | Spruce Grove promotes access to a diverse and inclusive economy and seeks opportunities for new growth to meet the needs of residents and support quality of life. |
| Governance & Partnerships | Spruce Grove promotes engagement and provides opportunities to members of the community to be informed about and involved in decision-making at the local level. |
| Transportation & Mobility | Spruce Grove fosters equity and inclusion by providing transportation modes that ensure accessible and affordable mobility for everyone. |
| Urban Form & Placemaking | Spruce Grove’s neighbourhoods provide a broad range of housing, transportation, and public space options to support affordability and opportunities for all residents. |
| Environment | Spruce Grove’s commitment to environmental stewardship programs promotes equitable access to the natural environment for everyone. |
| Social | Spruce Grove provides opportunities and barrier-free spaces for everyone to gather, connect, participate, and build community. |



Resilience

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| Economy | Spruce Grove's business and economic activity keeps pace with the needs of a growing mid-sized city to provide on-going stability, responsiveness, and market growth. |
| Governance & Partnerships | Spruce Grove makes the best use of available financial and other resources in the delivery of needed services by collaborating with governments, agencies, associations, and organizations. |
| Transportation & Mobility | Spruce Grove's mobility network proactively responds to the evolving social, economic, and environmental needs of the community. |
| Urban Form & Placemaking | Spruce Grove designs neighbourhoods to respond to dynamic social, environmental, and market factors. |
| Environment | Spruce Grove uses innovative and adaptive approaches to ensure our natural and built systems are capable of withstanding change. |
| Social | Spruce Grove fosters creative problem solving, collaboration, and citizen leadership to build community capacity and flexibility to adapt to change. |

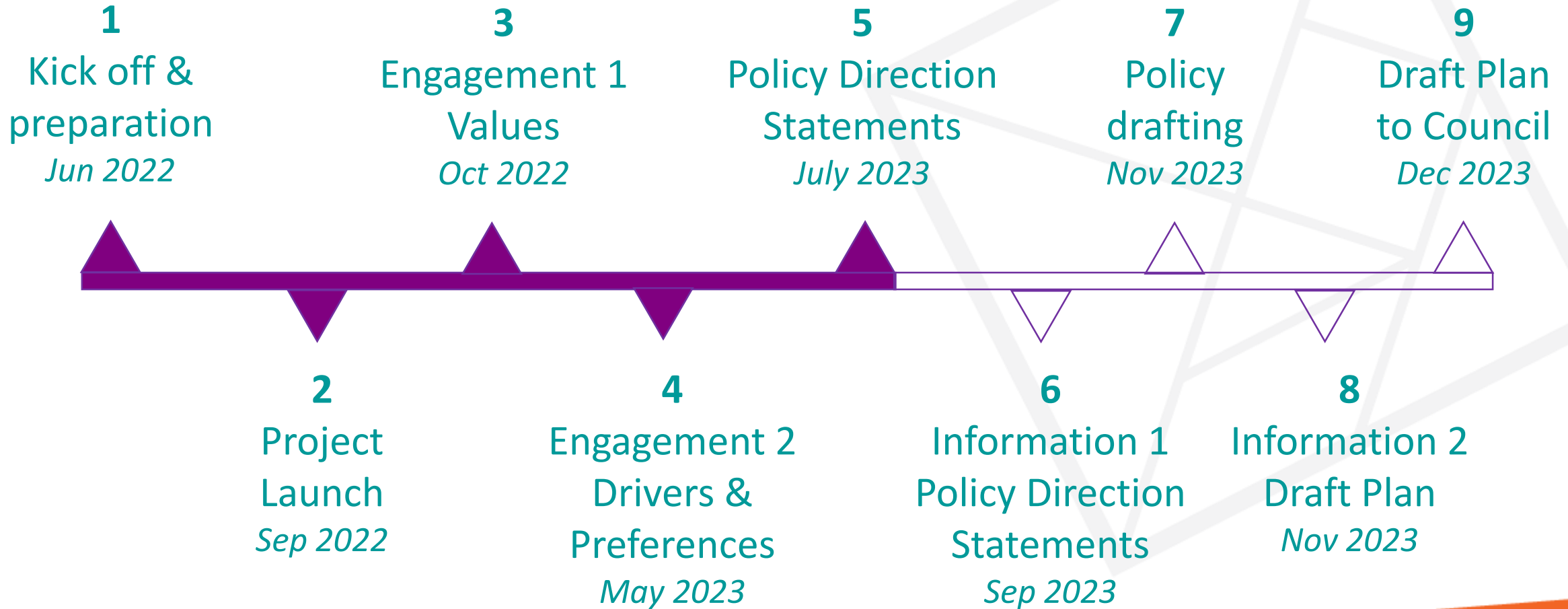


Well-being

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| Economy | Spruce Grove's economic prosperity, fiscal responsibility, and market strength continuously provide for the services and amenities required to support the community's health and well-being. |
| Governance & Partnerships | Spruce Grove actively seeks collaborative service provision and advocates for funding from higher levels to government to improve the health, safety, and security of the community. |
| Transportation & Mobility | Spruce Grove encourages healthy lifestyles by designing for and providing safe opportunities for active modes of transportation throughout the City and equitable access to available programs and services. |
| Urban Form & Placemaking | Spruce Grove's well-designed neighbourhoods, trails, public spaces, and access to the natural environment promote healthy lifestyles and enable residents to enjoy safe and secure access to services and amenities. |
| Environment | Spruce Grove takes a balanced approach to environmental stewardship recognizing the link between robust natural systems and community health and well-being. |
| Social | Spruce Grove accesses available resources to support the social health and well-being of its residents which enhances quality of life for all. |



Timeline



Questions?

Proposed Motion

THAT the Policy Direction Statements Matrix for the Municipal Development Plan be approved.

