



Council Presentation

June 17, 2024

What is a Municipal Development Plan (MDP)

- Statutory plan
- Comprehensive plan
- Based on land use but inter-connected with everything else we do in the City
- Policy direction and framework for decision-making and coordinated action
- MDP is a commitment, a legally binding one to a degree, to the community that will guide how decisions will be made and priorities set.



How are we developing the plan?

Traditional approach



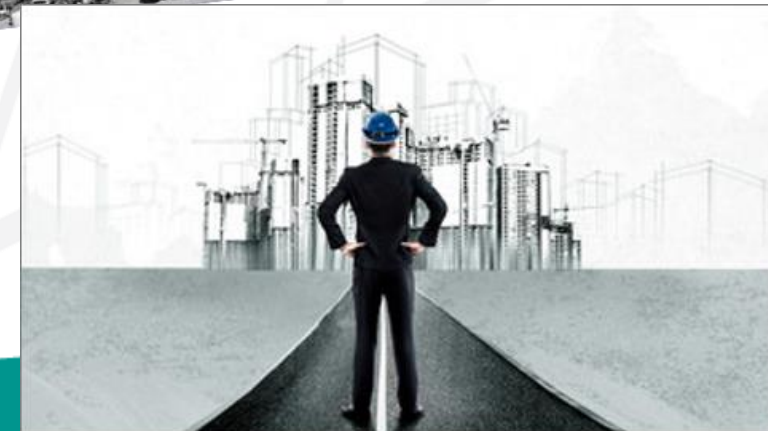
New approach





Background work

- Your Bright Future approved in 2010
- Prepared in-house
- Growth Study 2016 - still relevant
- Existing plans
- Background paper
- Recent municipal census and Stats Can
- Focus on values - less research beforehand to allow focus on priorities and implementation



Who's involved?

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



Engagement

7200+ ideas and responses

20 pop-ups

3 surveys

17 workshops

9 presentations

1 open house



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

Economy

Community preference

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

Governance & Partnerships

Community preference

To proactively initiate collaborative partnerships that prioritize local benefit.

Transportation & Mobility

Community preference

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.



Drivers & Preferences

Urban Form & Placemaking

Community 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

Community preference

To take a balanced approach to protecting the natural environment.

Social

Community preference

To collaboratively support and enhance the community.



Step 3: Policy Direction statements

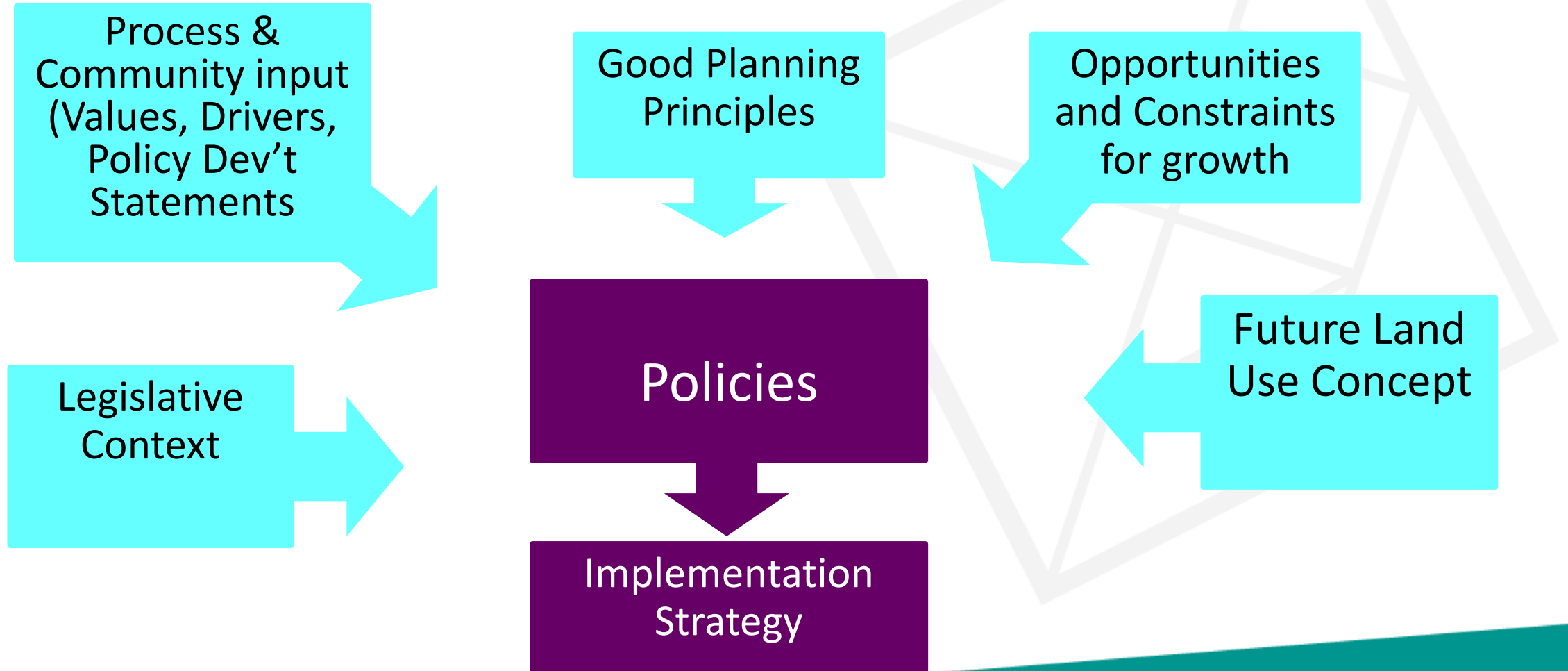
DRIVERS + PREFERENCES

VALUES

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



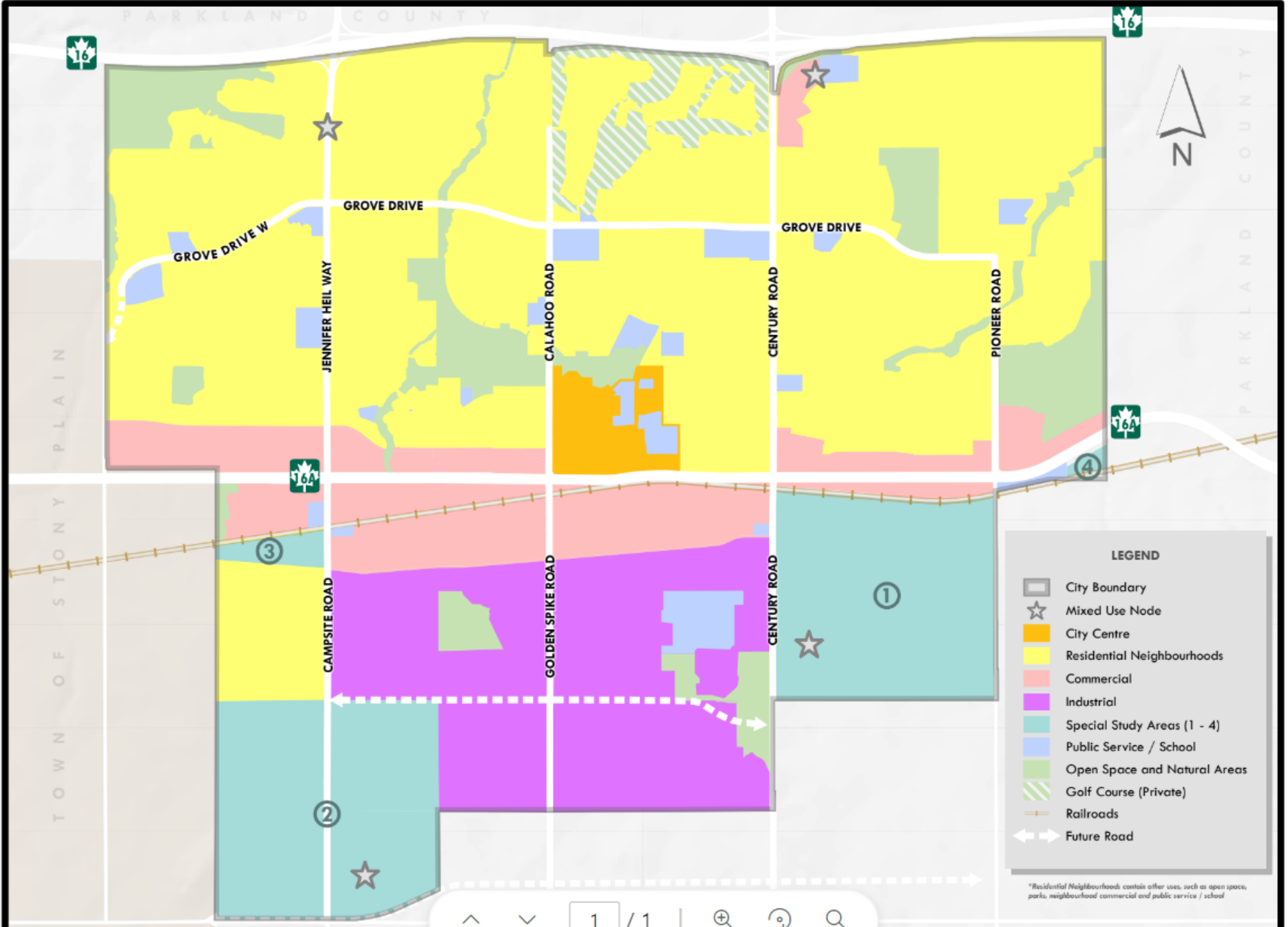
MDP Contents



Planning Principles

1. Reflecting on Urban Form
2. Establishing Connectivity
3. Creating Community Spaces
4. Adapting to Uncertainty
5. Ensuring Community Viability





MAP 5 - FUTURE LAND USE CONCEPT

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Key changes

- Legislative framework - ASPs and NPs
- Design and connectivity
- Agriculture (per EMRB)
- Housing - more policy guidance
- Reserve land - more policy guidance
- Mixed use nodes, special study areas
- Integrated / interconnections with other Departments



How we use the MDP

- Policy direction and framework for decision making and coordinated action
- MDP is a commitment, a legally binding one to a degree, to the community that will guide how decisions will be made and priorities set.
- Strengthens the interconnections with Council's Strategic Plan and the various Master Plans
- Implementation List



Next steps

- First Reading - June 24
- Referral to Edmonton Metropolitan Region Board
- Public Hearing, Second and Third Readings - September 9 (tentative pending EMRB)

