






Subject: **Bylaw 1905 draft Municipal Development Plan further discussion**
 Meeting Date: Tuesday, February 18, 2025
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STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT: (Check all that apply)

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RELEVANT LEGISLATION:

Provincial (cite)- Alberta Land Stewardship Act, Municipal Government Act, Land Use Policies, Matters Related to Subdivision and Development Regulation

Council Bylaw/Policy (cite)- Strategic Plan, Bylaw 1829 Municipal Development Plan, Bylaw 1808 Land Use Bylaw

BACKGROUND/PROPOSAL:

The Municipal Development Plan is a long-term document that should reflect the values and priorities of the residents within the municipality it serves. An assessment of this document is an opportunity to review the current reality and identify emerging trends with a 20–30-year projected vision. In February of 2023, Administration recommended to Council that a full review of the current Municipal Development Plan (MDP) take place. Administration also presented several public engagement options to Council.

Council approved a working group style where a maximum of 3 Councillors and 2 members at large would meet to discuss the 6 largest sections of the MDP. Administration would then take the working group information to the public engagement working suppers for additional feedback. This draft is the result of 18 working group sessions, and 4 separate public engagements held over a period of 11 months.

DISCUSSION/OPTIONS/BENEFITS/DISADVANTAGES/OTHER CONSIDERATIONS:

The draft document has been circulated since October of 2024, and Council changes to the draft were formally presented at the required public hearing that was held on November 26, 2024. In order to provide Council with an opportunity for further discussion following the public hearing, Administration has brought the draft back to this Committee of the Whole meeting to see whether Council would like to make any further amendments prior to third reading.

Administration is proposing to bring the final draft back to the March 11th Council meeting for third reading.

FINANCIAL & STAFFING IMPLICATIONS:

The engagement has been facilitated by internal staff. Due to the time-consuming nature of the review and engagements it has limited the ability of staff to bring forward the Intermunicipal Development Plans for review. The total cost of the entire engagement process, including the members-at-large, was just shy of \$29,000 which was originally funded through Council’s Strategic Initiative Budget.



ATTACHMENTS:

Bylaw 1905

Draft Municipal Development Plan (red letter version)

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Committee of the Whole recommend to Council that the draft Municipal Development Plan be brought back to the March 11, 2025, Council Meeting with any requested changes for third reading.

APPROVAL(S):

Mike Haugen, Chief Administrative Officer

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