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Goals:


1. Design and implement a coordinated planning and engagement process that informs the review and development of the:
 - Official Community Plan (OCP)
 - Parks, Recreation and Culture Plan (PRCP),
 - Active and Sustainable Transportation Plan (ASTP),
 - Economic Development Strategy (EDS),
 - Water Supply Strategic Plan Update (WSSP)
 - Climate Action Plan (CAP)
2. Develop an updated OCP, PRCP, and ASTP



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Purpose and objectives:

1. Update the OCP to include the significant policy documents created since 2008 (e.g. Transportation Master Plan and Affordable Housing Strategy).
2. Identify future Parks, Recreation, and Culture service delivery and development priorities for the next 10 years, including directives for facility development, service delivery, and parks and open space management.
3. Fill information gaps with data generated through updated population models, land capacity analysis, and needs assessments.
4. Evaluate existing policies and practices (e.g., land use designations for nodes, corridors, and neighbourhoods; steep-slope development permit area guidelines; park acquisition framework; and park classification system).



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Purpose and objectives cont'd:

5. Consider combining several plans into one comprehensive document.
6. Include new priorities into the City's strategic policy fabric (e.g., Council's 2019-2022 Strategic Plan, Truth and Reconciliation, diversity and inclusion, climate change, and asset management).
7. Develop an implementation and measurement framework towards the new and updated policy objectives.

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A JOURNEY FROM BIG IDEAS TO FOCUSED DIRECTION

1 "THE WHAT"

- ▶ Start a community conversation
- ▶ Understand where we are now
- ▶ Explore community priorities and issues
- ▶ Think long-term – where do we want to go?

2 "THE HOW"

- ▶ Develop options for how our community can achieve our shared vision
- ▶ Evaluate how options support our goals
- ▶ Discuss trade-offs and difficult decisions together

3 "THE TOOLS"

- ▶ Develop policies and actions that will direct change to achieve our community goals
- ▶ Review the draft policies and actions together

4 "THE PLANS"

- ▶ Draft the plans: OCP Update; Parks, Rec and Culture Plan; Active Transportation Plan; Climate Action Plan; Economic Development Plan; Water Supply Strategic Plan
- ▶ Review together
- ▶ Adopt and implement

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START-UP & ENGAGEMENT PLANNING

PHASE 1: GATHERING IDEAS (Spring / Summer 2020)

PHASE 2: EXPLORING OPTIONS (Fall / Winter 2020/21)

PHASE 3: DEVELOPING PLANS (Spring / Summer 2021)

PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

- ENGAGEMENT SERIES #1: Launch & Outreach, Activities Series, Community Survey 1
- ENGAGEMENT SERIES #2: Community Events / Workshops, Community Survey 2
- ENGAGEMENT SERIES #3: Public & Stakeholder comment

COUNCIL / COMMITTEE INPUT

1. INTRO
2. ENGAGEMENT SERIES #1 PREPARATION
3. ENGAGEMENT SERIES #1 SUMMARY
4. ENGAGEMENT SERIES #2 PREPARATION
5. ENGAGEMENT SERIES #2 SUMMARY
6. DRAFT PLAN REVIEW
7. DRAFT PLAN REVIEW
8. FINAL COMMENT REVIEW

PROJECT TEAM INPUT

- REGULAR CHECK-INS
- A. FRAMING OPTIONS WORKSHOP
- B. EXPLORING OPTIONS CHARRETTE

Reimagine Nanaimo: Next Steps



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ENGAGEMENT

Phase 1 Engagement getting underway with COVID-19 adaptations

Survey and other engagement materials being drafted

Opportunity

Can tailor questions in survey/coordinate research to inform COVID-19 economic recovery

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Population Projections - Highlights:

- The City has grown at an average rate of 2% over the past decade, with an additional 16,000 residents living in the City between 2006-2016.
- The City is expected to grow at an annual rate of 1.1% to 1.7% to reach a population of **126,629 to 141,883 by 2046**.
- The City is expected to continue aging, with the largest population growth rates among the 75 to 84 and 85+ age groups, growing at respective annual rates of 3.6% and 5.2%.

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Land Capacity Review - Highlights:

Residential Land:

- The City has an estimated 520 ha of vacant and developable land designated for residential use.
- The City is expected to have enough vacant and developable land to support future residential growth by 2046 except in a high-growth, low-density future land demand scenario.
- In a high-growth, low-density scenario, it is estimated that there would be demand for an additional 253 to 607 ha of residential land by 2046.



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Land Capacity Review - Highlights:

Commercial Land:

- Currently 60ha of vacant and developable land designated for commercial use.
- Estimated demand for an additional 29-38 ha of commercial employment land by 2041.
- The City is expected to have sufficient land designated for commercial use to meet future demand.





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Land Capacity Review - Highlights:

Industrial Land:

- The City currently has an estimated 64 ha of developable industrial land, with an additional 10 ha of land currently under construction.
- Under a high-growth scenario, approximately 18 years of industrial supply available.
- Important for the City to create new industrial supply as the amount of vacant industrial land is not expected to fulfill future demand by 2041.

Institutional Land:

- The City currently has a total of 202 ha of land zoned to permit institutional uses, only 6 ha is vacant.
- The City is expected to continue experiencing a shortfall in terms of staff and facilities to support its rapidly aging population.