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# Sound Planning - A Blueprint for Sustainable Communities

Sound land use planning is an essential part of building healthy, prosperous and sustainable communities. This is a process that allows communities to decide the future course of their growth and development, and ensures that citizens are involved in the decisionmaking. Sound planning balances private and public interests and helps communities manage change, avoid land use conflict and respond to future challenges. Land use planning in Manitoba is a partnership between the provincial and local governments and Manitoba citizens. Each plays a key role in ensuring the planning process is a success.

### Manitoba's role

The province, through *The Planning Act* and *The City of Winnipeg Charter*, sets the legislative framework for provincial and local land use planning in Manitoba.

The Provincial Land Use Policies sets out the province's interest in land use planning. These policies guide local and provincial authorities in preparing land use plans and making land use and development decisions.

## Role of local government

Local planning districts and municipalities are responsible for the development of land and resources in their municipalities and designated districts. Using the Provincial Land Use Policies as a guide, these local authorities prepare development plans to chart future land use and development activity in their areas.

Municipalities pass zoning bylaws that regulate activities identified in the development plan. These plans also guide decisions like the subdivision of land, the local provision of infrastructure or other public services.

### Citizen's role

Every citizen has a stake in land use planning. Residents of Manitoba want to ensure that future generations inherit healthy, sustainable communities. The planning process allows them to have a say in the land use and development of their communities.

# Help is available

Manitoba Intergovernmental Affairs and Trade supports the development of healthy, prosperous, sustainable communities through regionally based planning and development offices under the department's Community Planning Services.

These offices are located in nine regional centres across Manitoba and supported by a central Winnipeg office. Knowledgeable staff deliver professional and technical services to planning districts and municipalities outside the City of Winnipeg and to northern communities and the public.

They are available to help you with all your planning needs, including providing ongoing advice, reviewing development proposals and helping you prepare development plans and zoning amendments.

### Need financial assistance?

The Community Planning Assistance Program provides cost-shared, financial assistance to municipalities and planning districts to prepare development plans, and zoning bylaws under *The Planning Act.* 

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