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City Planning & Policy 2020 Workplan

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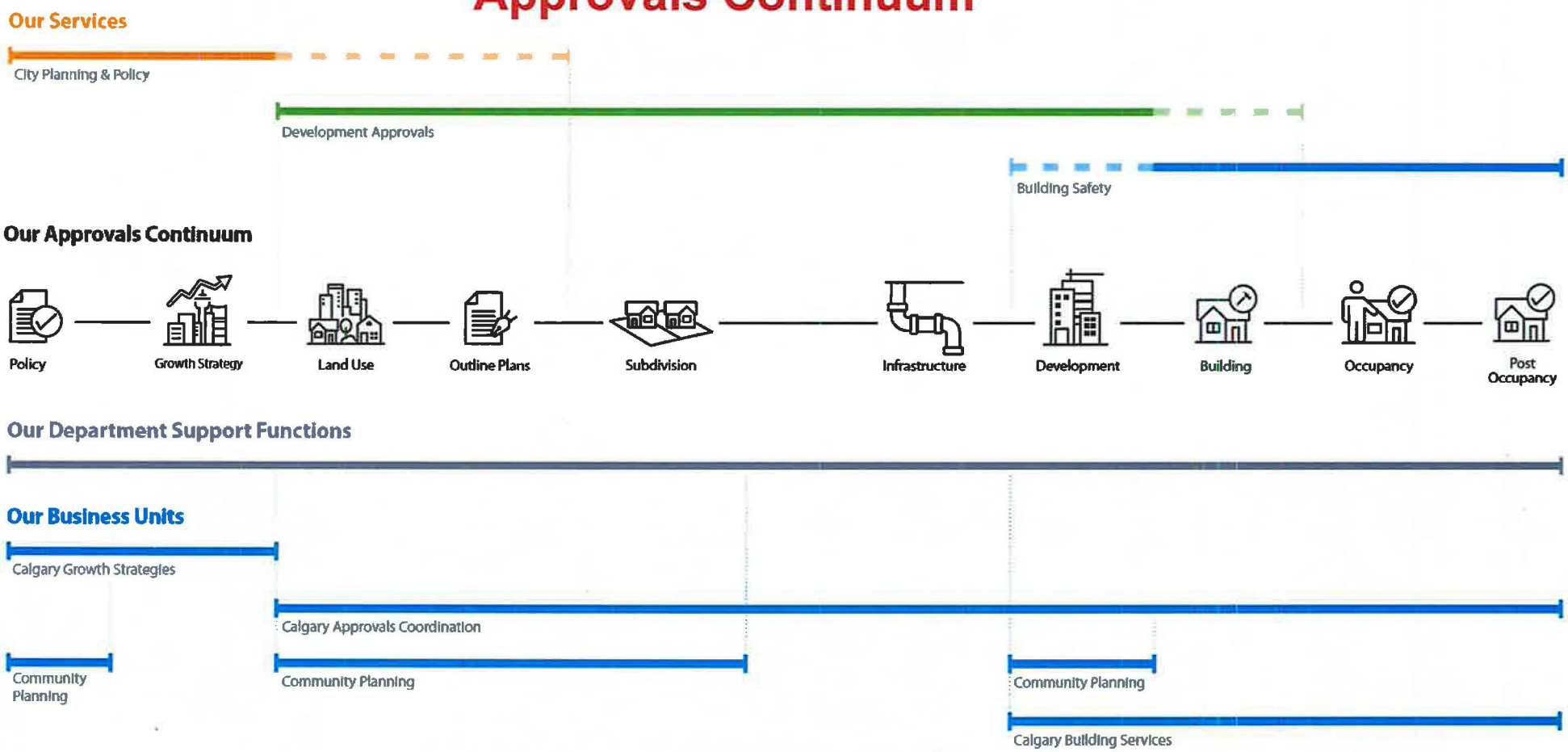

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Policy Priorities 2019

A

Toward the one Calgary Plan: Renewing the MDP/CTP

- MDP/CTP Review & Guidebook work underway
- Guidebook informs MDP
- Purposeful attention & transparency

B

Comprehensive and City-Wide Growth Strategy

- Aligns individual strategies
- Comprehensive, city-wide approach to investment, funding and growth decisions
- Established Areas Growth and Change Strategy / Industrial Strategy

C

Inclusive and Modern Community Planning

- Multi-community plan approach
- Provide modern tools to more communities
- Improved ability for Calgarians to participate in planning their communities

D

Main Streets and TOD Implementation

- Implement main streets
- Similar content, issues, objectives and geographic areas
- Benefits of mutual focus

E

A Renewed Land Use Bylaw

- Group of initiatives
- Supports move to an outcome-oriented planning system
- Line of sight: Vision/Policy/Plans/Bylaw
- Comprehensive change towards Great Communities

F

Downtown Resilience

- Impacts of current economy
- Enhance resilience of office, commercial and development activity
- Corporate priority

2019 Accomplishments

- **64 Initiatives in total**
- **29 Completed in 2019**

- New Community Growth Strategy – Monitoring
- Guidebook for Great Communities
- TOD Implementation Strategy
- Pop-up and interim commercial uses
- Enabling retail cannabis
- Enabling successful infill development
- Annual Off-site Levy Report & bylaw amendment
- Beltline ARP Phase 1 Amendments
- Main Streets Streetscape Master Plans & Land Use (Bowness, Marda Loop, 1 Ave NE)
- Ricardo Ranch Area Structure Plan
- Westview Area Structure Plan
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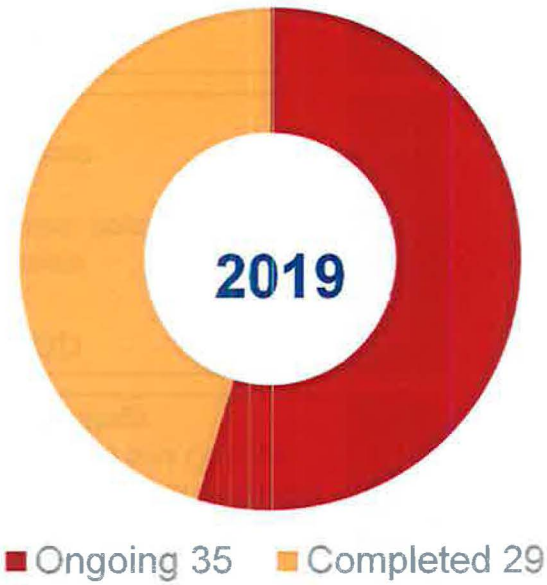

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Refined Policy Priorities 2020

A — Toward a Calgary Plan: Implementing the MDP/CTP

- Completion of the MDP/CTP Review & focus on implementation through effective policies and tools
- Guidebook Refinement & Sustainment
- Heritage preservation tools and incentives

B — A City-Wide Growth Strategy

- A city-wide approach to investment, funding and growth decisions
- Established Area Growth and Change Strategy / Industrial Strategy
- Main Streets Implementation
- TOD Strategy Implementation

C — Modernize Community Planning

- Complete the shift to multi-community plans
- Initial focus on priority areas
- Enable desired growth and investment in all communities to attract residents and businesses

D — Connecting Planning and Investment

- Address gap between community growth and investment
- Develop full-cost model and forecast costs of growth
- Align with city-wide growth strategy and local area plans

E — A Renewed Land Use Bylaw

- Simplified, flexible and outcome-oriented Land Use Bylaw
- Implements Guidebook and Local Area Plans through fewer land use districts
- Low-density residential district first key step

F — Downtown Strategy – Positioning Downtown for the New Economy

- Impacts of current economy
- Enhance resilience of office, commercial and development activity
- Corporate priority

2020 Workplan

- **46 Initiatives**
- **6 Focus Areas**

7 Toward a Calgary Plan: Implementing the MDP/CTP

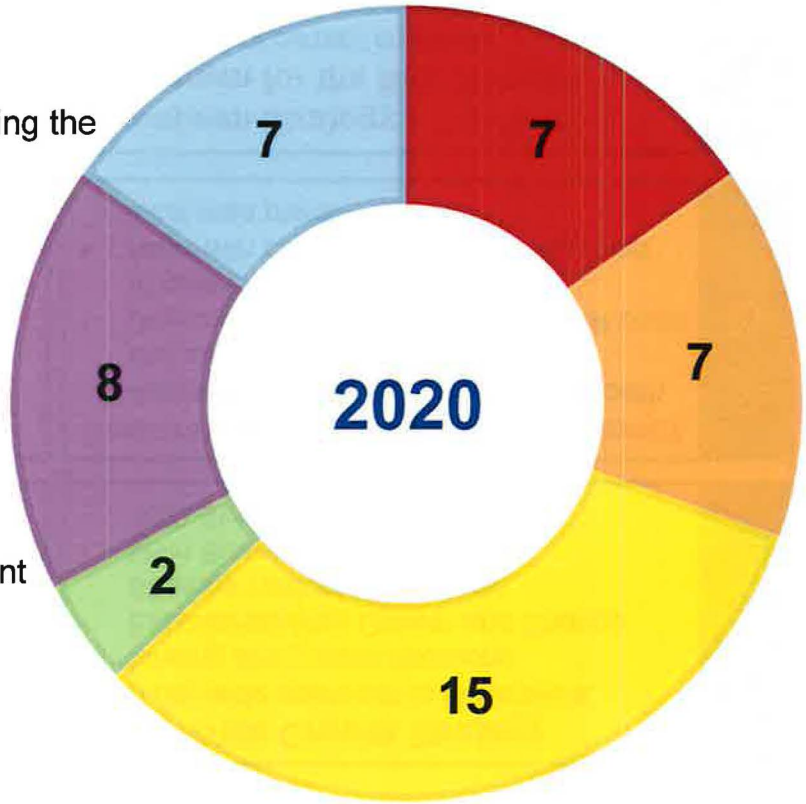
7 City-Wide Growth Strategy

15 Modernized Community Planning

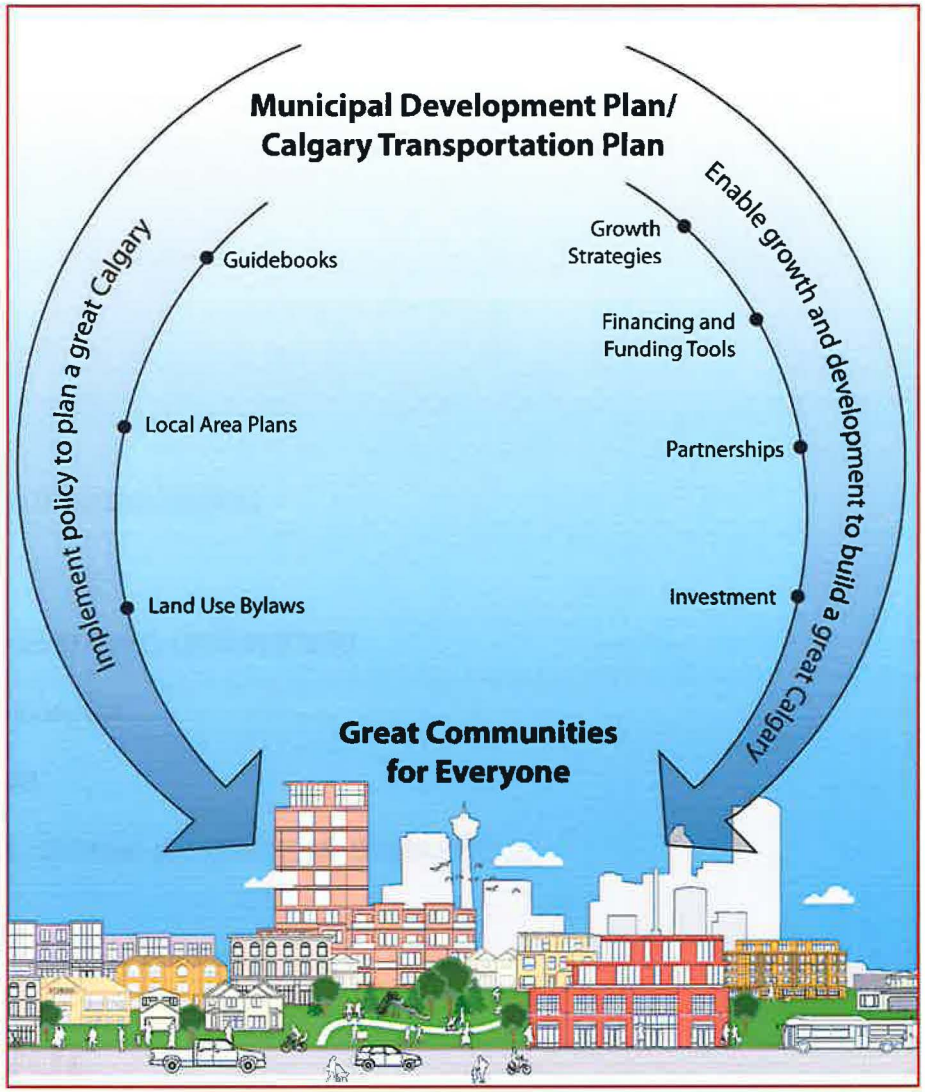
2 Renewed Land Use Bylaw

8 Connecting Planning and Investment

7 Downtown Strategy - Positioning Downtown for the New Economy



Next Generation Planning System



Risk Assessment

Risks and Challenges

- Change management and stakeholders' desire for timeline extensions
- City and stakeholder resource limitations
- Need to respond to unforeseen, new priorities
- Increase in sickness and absence time and staff departures
- Risks of not continuing the work
- Secure capital investments to achieve implementation
- Budget pressures
- Potential legislative changes

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Revised Timelines

Initiatives requiring revised timelines or approaches:

- Established Area Growth & Change Strategy – Phase 1 (changed from March to May 2020)
- Industrial Growth Strategy Scoping Report (changed approach to engage external consultant)
- New Community Growth Strategy – Growth Management Overlay Policy Review (changed from 2020 Q2 to 2020 Q4)
- Subdivision and Development Regulation Setbacks (changed from 2020 Q4 to 2021 Q2)

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Recommendations

Administration Recommendations

1. **That the SPC on Planning and Urban Development recommend that Council direct Administration to:**
   A. Base City Planning & Policy 2020 Workplan on six proposed priority areas for 2020 as contained in Attachment 2; and
   B. Report back to the SPC on Planning and Urban Development in 2021 Q1 with the proposed City Planning & Policy priorities and workplan for 2021;
2. **That the SPC on Planning and Urban Development recommend that Council:**
   A. Schedule a Special Meeting of the SPC on Planning and Urban Development on 2020 April 29, 9:30am; and
   B. Adjust the reporting timelines for:
      i. The Established Area Growth and Change Strategy Phase 1 (PUD2019-0305), to report to Council, through the Priorities and Finance Committee no later than 2020 May;
      ii. The New Community Growth Strategy – Growth Management Overlay Policy Review (PFC2019-1062), to report to Council, through the Priorities and Finance Committee no later than 2020 Q4; and
      iii. The Notice of Motion (C2018-1337), Subdivision and Development Setbacks, to return to Council, through the SPC on Planning and Urban Development no later than 2021 Q2.