

# Next Generation Planning System

## Planning Calgary Now and for the Next Generation

We're changing the way we plan our city through what we call **Next Generation Planning**. Initiated in 2019, this new way of planning makes sure our citizens, and the people who move to and invest in Calgary, can make a great life and a great living in our city. It's a better way to plan our future. Next Generation Planning:

- allows The City to be more fiscally responsible, giving better value to citizens, over a longer period of time
- supports our existing communities to be vibrant and successful for decades to come
- allows for closer working relationships with our citizens

Currently, made up of nine initiatives, Next Generation Planning helps us carry out the policies and meet the goals in our Municipal Development Plan and Calgary Transportation Plan (MDP/CTP). It:

- provides a coordinated and clear planning system for the whole city
- modernizes our planning and development approach
- updates and simplifies policy to meet the MDP and CTP
- creates a better toolbox to allow for development and investment in Calgary

## Calgary has momentum

Calgary is building on the success of the past ten years from the investments we've made in our city. We've improved the way people can move around Calgary, by growing our primary public transit network and adding new and more transportation options. We're constructing our Main Streets and are providing a better mix of housing and amenity options for our citizens.

These nine Next Generation Planning initiatives will work together with existing policies. The goal is to plan a great Calgary that will enable growth and development so we can continue building a great city.



## Next Generation Planning Initiatives

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### Calgary's LONG-RANGE VISION

1. **Planning our city for 2 million people** — The **Municipal Development Plan** and **Calgary Transportation Plan** are our vision, with goals and policies to make sure we're successful.

### Our approach to PLAN A GREAT CALGARY

2. **Planning communities for people and their activities** — The **Guidebook for Great Communities** will make it easier for a person to find a place to live and grow in any community, regardless of stage of life, income or age. It allows communities to offer more types of housing, shops and service options, closer to where people live.
3. **Planning future development and growth in our communities** — We're creating **Local Area Plans** to guide future development, growth, reinvestment and renewal in Calgary's communities.
4. **Planning the different types of development in communities** — Renewing the **Land Use Bylaw** positions it to better guide how a building is designed, a site is laid out and landscaped, and what types of businesses or activities can happen at buildings or sites.
5. **Protecting Calgary's past, for our future** — Our **Heritage Conservation Incentives and Programs** include tools and grants that encourage property owners to designate and conserve historical properties and spaces.

### Our approach to enable BUILDING A GREAT CALGARY

6. **Supporting growth in Calgary's existing, new and industrial communities**
  - The **Established Area Growth and Change Strategy** guides investments, creates financial tools to allow growth, and attracts private investment to our communities.
  - The **New Community Growth Strategy** aligns planning policy, market demand, and service needs with City budgets, so our newest communities are successful now and in the future.
  - The **Industrial Area Growth Strategy** will further support diversifying our city's economic growth and strengthen this city as an inland port and distribution centre for western Canada.
7. **Funding new growth in Calgary** — The **Off-Site Levy** and **Centre City Levy** help pay for new services, like water and sanitary trunks, roads, libraries and fire halls in our existing and new communities.
8. **Making Calgary's streets more attractive for investment and places to gather** — Our **Main Streets Program** is improving 24 of Calgary's streets to celebrate community character, encourage business development, create a vibrant destination, and improve public health.
9. **People living and working closer to Calgary's transit network** — Implementing the **Transit Oriented Development Program** means more people will live, work and shop within walking distance to our transit network. It's an easy and economical way of living and travelling in our city.