

Municipal Framework Review

The following policies and plans emerged from the review as those with which the Cultural Plan would strategically align.

- *ImagineCALGARY* – Including the Vision and Targets in five core areas: Aesthetic Enjoyment; Creative Self-Expression; Meaning, Purpose and Connectedness; Sense of Community' Economic Well-Being
- *Municipal Development Plan(MDP)* – Linked to Great Communities Goal:
 - "Create great communities by maintaining quality living and working environments, improving housing diversity and choice, enhancing community character and distinctiveness and providing vibrant public places"
- *Indigenous Policy Framework* – Currently in development, the Framework will focus on reducing barriers to public participation and support economic, social and political advancement of Indigenous people.
- *Calgary Heritage Strategy*- presents a vision for historic preservation for Calgary and requires working with a range of stakeholders and alignment with planning and development activities.
- *Centre City Plan*- based on the MDP, the draft Centre City Guidebook has a vision to make the Centre City a livable, caring and thriving place:
 - That is a premier urban, living environment;
 - That is a national and global centre of business;
 - That is a centre for the arts, culture, recreation, tourism and entertainment; and
 - That welcomes people, in all their diversity, to live, work and visit here.
- *Building on Our Energy: An Economic Development Strategy For Calgary* – Developed by Calgary Economic Development, this strategy identifies the creative industries as a priority sector and positions a rich cultural life in Calgary as a magnet for attracting talent and investment.
- *Living a Creative Life: An Arts Development Strategy for Calgary* -Calgary Arts Development's Strategy presents a shared vision for the arts and five major focus areas: Creative Communities, Centre City Arts District, Artistic Exchange, Arts Incubation, Youth & Education.

As work on the Cultural Plan became more widely known other initiatives that are underway have also indicated alignment, such as the work being undertaken on the Greenline, the Destination Strategy for Tourism Calgary, the renewal of the Civic Sport Policy, the Partnership Policy and Framework and the Downtown West Area Redevelopment Plan.

In addition, as the review of the Municipal Government Act proceeds with development of the Big Cities Charter, the Cultural Plan has been included in discussions at the social planning table to ensure alignment with the Province of Alberta's Cultural policy and future planning initiatives between the major cities and the province.