



Wood Buffalo Waterfront Advisory Committee

Conducted Electronically Via MS Teams

Thursday, February 17, 2022
5:00 PM

Special Meeting Agenda

Public Participation for Special February 17, 2022 Wood Buffalo Waterfront Advisory Committee

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1. **Call to Order**

2. **Minutes of Previous Meetings**

- 2.1. Minutes of Wood Buffalo Waterfront Advisory Committee Meeting -
January 20, 2022

3. **New and Unfinished Business**

- 3.1. Nicholas Kuhl, O2 Planning and Design re: Municipal Development Plan
Phase 3 Engagement
- 3.2. 2022 Meeting Schedule

Adjournment

Minutes of a Meeting of the Wood Buffalo Waterfront Advisory Committee held via Electronic Communications in Fort McMurray, Alberta, on Thursday, January 20, 2022, commencing at 10:00 AM.

Present:

Gaylene Weidlich, Chair
 Erica Brewer, Recreation Representative
 Gary Devison, Seniors Representative
 Bill Loutitt, Indigenous Representative
 Greg MacAulay, Oil and Gas Industry
 Liana Wheeldon, Culture (Arts, Culture & Heritage)
 Ken Ball, Councillor

Absent:

Cathy Dreier, Fort McMurray Historical Society Representative
 Alan Gammon, Land Development Industry
 Sean Robertson, Safety and Security Sector
 David Stirling, Public-At-Large
 Tessa Vesak, Business Community Representative
 Loretta Waquan, Councillor

Administration:

Kelly Hansen, Director, Strategic Planning and Program Management
 Monica Lance, Manager, Strategic Planning and Program Management
 Sonia Soutter, Manager, Senior Legislative Officer
 Anita Hawkins, Clerk, Legislative Services

1. Call to Order

Anita Hawkins, Clerk, Legislative Services, called the meeting to order at 10:09 a.m.

2. Adoption of Agenda

MOTION:

THAT the Agenda be adopted as presented.

RESULT: CARRIED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Erica Brewer
SECONDER: Gary Devison
FOR: Weidlich, Brewer, Loutitt, Devison, Wheeldon, MacAulay
ABSENT: Dreier, Gammon, Robertson, Stirling, Vesak

3. Minutes of Previous Meetings

3.1. Special Wood Buffalo Waterfront Advisory Committee Meeting – December 6, 2021

MOTION:

THAT the Minutes of the Special Wood Buffalo Waterfront Advisory Committee meeting held on December 6, 2021 be approved as presented.

RESULT: CARRIED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Bill Loutitt
SECONDER: Greg MacAulay
FOR: Weidlich, Brewer, Devison, Loutitt, MacAulay, Wheeldon
ABSENT: Dreier, Gammon, Robertson, Stirling, Vesak

Introduction of New Members

Introductions were made starting with new Committee Members and current Committee members, followed with the Committee's administrative support.

4. New and Unfinished Business

4.1. Appointment of Chair and Vice Chair

Gaylene Weidlich self-nominated for the position of Chair and as no further nominations were put forward, Gaylene Weidlich was selected Chair by acclamation.

MOTION:

THAT Gaylene Weidlich be appointed to the position of Chair.

RESULT: CARRIED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Liana Wheeldon
SECONDER: Gary Devison
FOR: Weidlich, Brewer, Devison, Loutitt, MacAulay, Wheeldon
ABSENT: Dreier, Gammon, Robertson, Stirling, Vesak

Liana Wheeldon self-nominated for the position of Vice-Chair and as no further nominations were put forward, Liana Wheeldon was selected Vice-Chair by acclamation.

MOTION:

THAT Liana Wheeldon be appointed to the position of Vice-Chair.

RESULT: CARRIED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Erica Brewer
SECONDER: Greg MacAulay
FOR: Weidlich, Brewer, Devison, Loutitt, MacAulay, Wheeldon
ABSENT: Dreier, Gammon, Robertson, Stirling, Vesak

Assuming the Chair

Gaylene Weidlich assumed the Chair at 10:23 a.m.

4.2. Annual Presentation to Council

The Chair explained that the Committee presents to Council on an annual basis and this year's presentation will consist of an update on the Committee's activities.

MOTION:

THAT the Chair of the Wood Buffalo Waterfront Advisory Committee be authorized to present the Committee's annual report to Council.

RESULT: CARRIED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Greg MacAulay
SECONDER: Bill Loutitt
FOR: Weidlich, Brewer, Devison, Loutitt, MacAulay, Wheeldon
ABSENT: Dreier, Gammon, Robertson, Stirling, Vesak

4.3. Cultural Heritage Infrastructure Needs Assessment

Maxwell Harrison, Expedition Management, provided an overview of the Cultural Heritage Infrastructure Needs Assessment project noting that this project will develop a well-supported, data-driven needs assessment for cultural infrastructure in the Municipality. He further explained that this project is focused on collecting input from the communities and prioritizing which cultural infrastructure

The project is currently in its second phase which is the engagement phase. This will consist of collecting information as to what infrastructure is currently available, how is it being utilized and what may be needed in the future.

The Committee members provided input specifically with respect to the waterfront development and addressed questions regarding facility limitations and what would be the top three cultural facilities needed to meet community needs now and in the future.

Administration committed to provide the presenter with flood maps/mitigation plan for the waterfront area.

4.4. Letter of Support - Wood Buffalo Downtown Revitalization Advisory Committee 2022-2026 Recommendations

Monica Lance, Manager, Strategic Planning and Program Management, provided highlights of the work the Wood Buffalo Downtown Revitalization Committee has done.

MOTION:

THAT the Chair of the Wood Buffalo Waterfront Advisory Committee be authorized to send a letter to the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo Council in support of the proposed Wood Buffalo Downtown Revitalization Advisory Committee's 2022 Initiatives.

RESULT:	CARRIED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Gary Devison
SECONDER:	Erica Brewer
FOR:	Weidlich, Brewer, Devison, Loutitt, MacAulay, Wheeldon
ABSENT:	Dreier, Gammon, Robertson, Stirling, Vesak

Exit

Committee member L. Wheeldon exited the meeting which resulted in a loss of quorum.

The remaining agenda items will be brought forward at the next Committee meeting.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 11:06 a.m.

Chair



shape our region

Municipal Development Plan Phase 3 Engagement

Wood Buffalo Waterfront Advisory
Committee February 17, 2022

Meeting Agenda

- › Project Review
- › What We Heard
- › The Plan
- › Implementation
- › Next Steps



Project Review

Purpose

The Municipality is preparing a new **Municipal Development Plan (MDP)** to reflect changes in the social, cultural, and economic conditions of the region.

The draft MDP has been created with input from residents throughout Wood Buffalo to ensure it reflects local values, opportunities, and challenges, and sets a clear vision for the Municipality's future.



What is the MDP?

The MDP sets out the **vision** and **blueprint** for future growth and development in the Municipality.

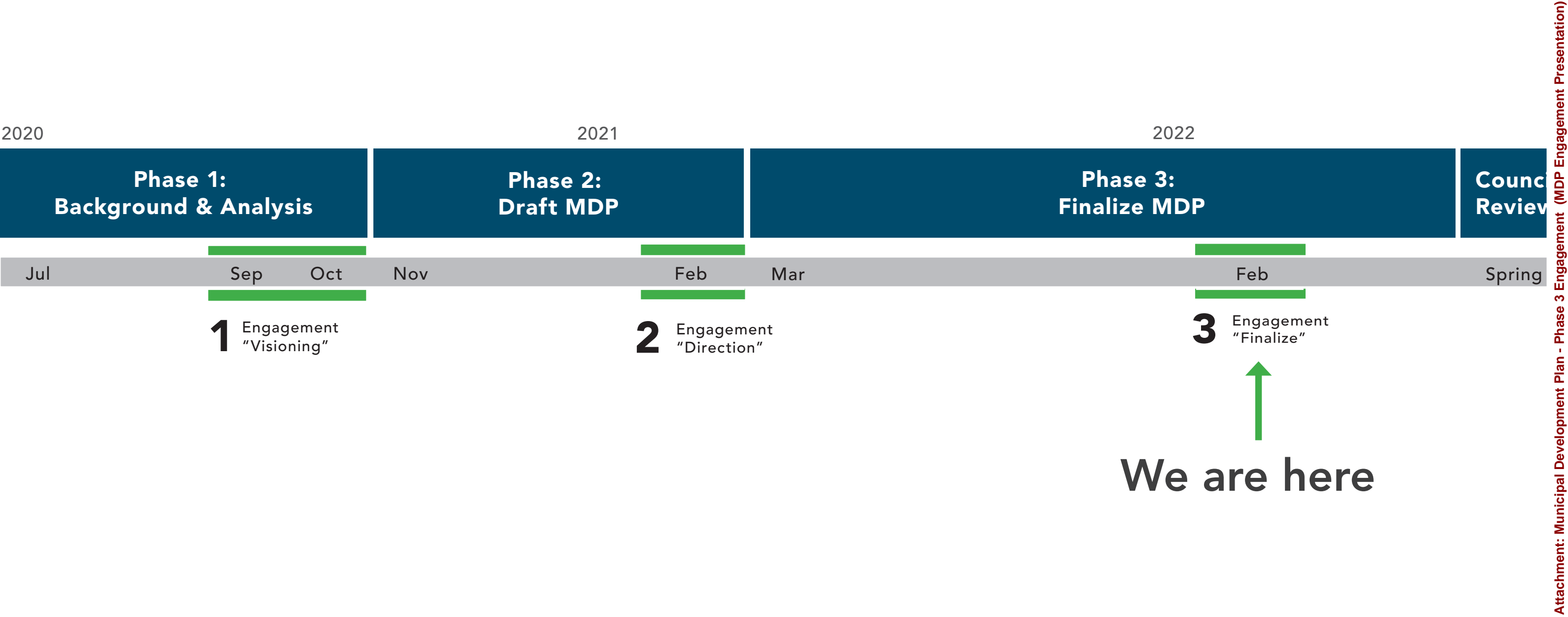
The MDP will:

- » Define future land uses in the Municipality
- » Provide strategies for managing growth
- » Guide short- and long-term decision-making
- » Shape the development and future of our communities



Where are we?

Phase 3 Engagement



Who have we heard from?

Phase 1 & 2 Engagement Stats

General Public



Indigenous Partners & Stakeholders



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Virtual Open
Houses



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Workshops, In-Person,
& Virtual Meetings



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Online
Surveys



Interactive
Mapping



Idea Sharing
Platforms



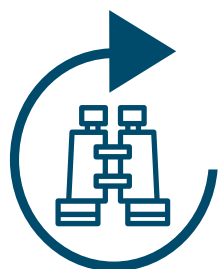
Online
Discussion
Forums

What have we heard?

Engagement Thus Far



Including Reconciliation with Indigenous Partners as a 6th MDP Goal



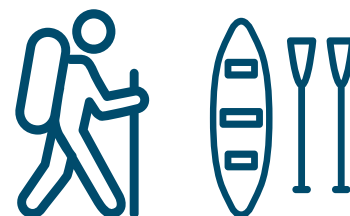
Revisiting the Vision to better reflect its intention



Committing to improved communication and collaboration with rural and Indigenous Partners



Ensuring the goals are not repetitious, and have clear direction



Emphasizing the Blue & Green Networks in the MDP as a priority



Aligning with existing economic development initiatives, including the Place Brand Strategy

The Plan

MDP Components



Describes the desired future of the Municipality.

Provide tangible outcomes for the plan to achieve.

Detail how to achieve the goals and translate them from ideas into actions.

Statutory statements that set the blueprint for future development.

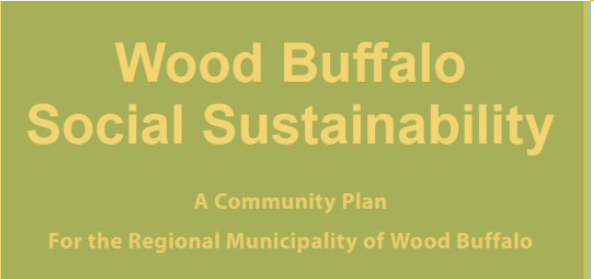
How to measure successful implementation of the plan.



Develop and Implement
Region-wide Design Guidelines



Review and revise the Land Use
Bylaw to encourage and facilitate
mixed-use development



Commit sustained funding for
implementation of the Social
Sustainability Plan



Develop and implement an Active
Transportation Master Plan

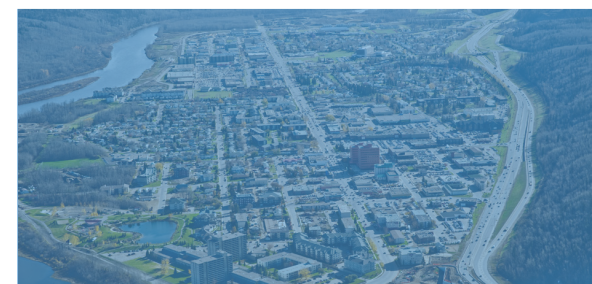


Develop an Equity, Diversity, and
Inclusion policy for the Municipality

ECONOMIC GROWTH & INNOVATION



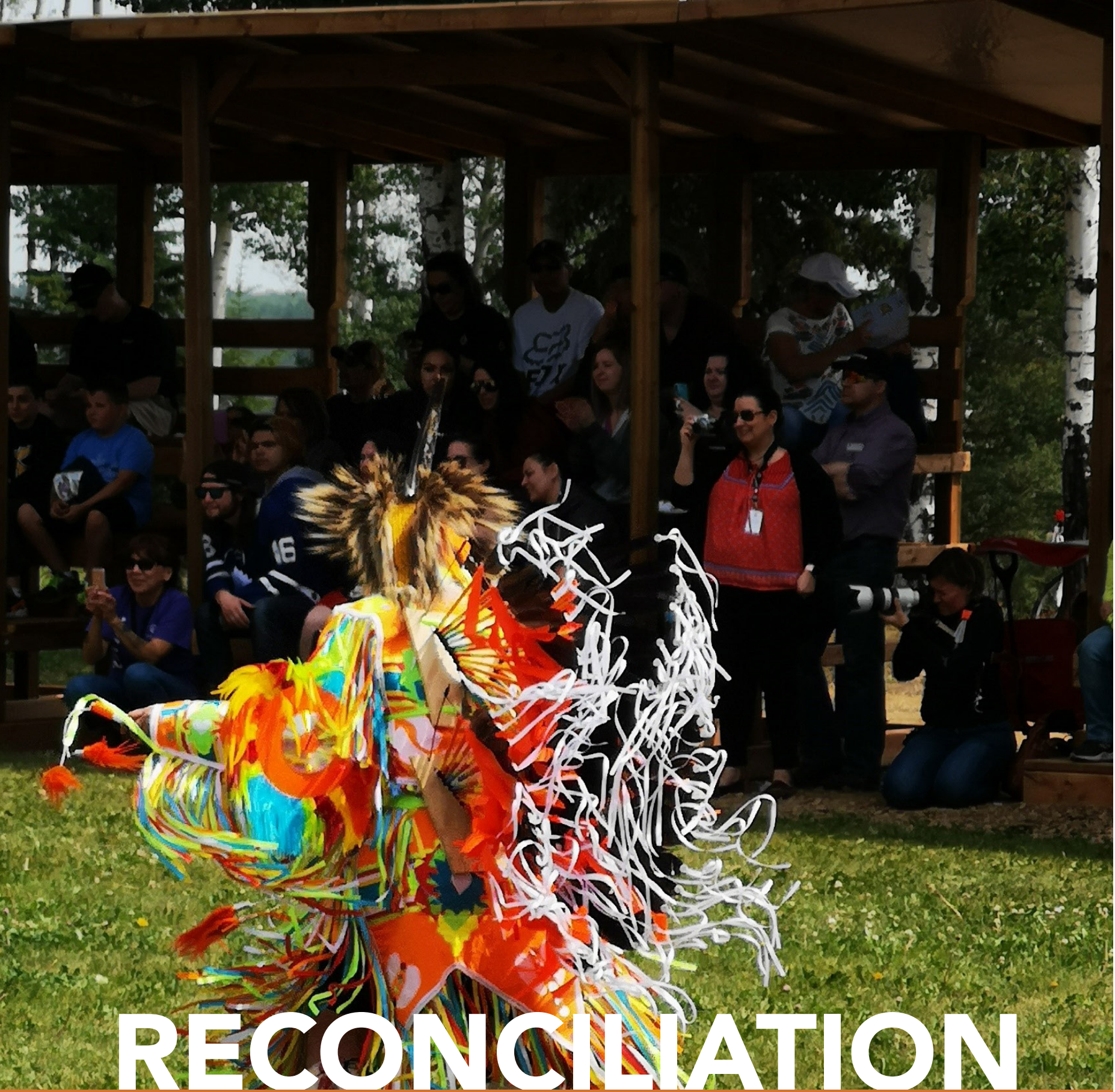
Prepare and implement an
Ease of Doing Business Plan



Expedite Development Approvals
for Downtown Plan-aligned New
or Expanding Businesses



Investigate creating
a business incubator



Continue the Reconciliation
Advisory Circle



Undertake an assessment of
implementing United Nations
Declaration on the Rights of
Indigenous People as the
framework for the Municipality's
response to Truth & Reconciliation



Coordinate a Traditional Land Use/
Place Name Study

CELEBRATING COMMUNITY & CULTURE



Investigate designating Heritage Character Areas



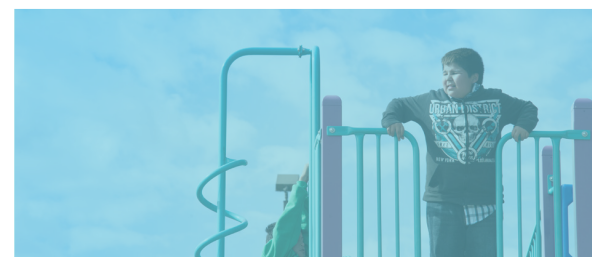
Prioritize Jubilee Plaza as a place to celebrate Wood Buffalo's multiculturalism and diversity



Investigate the creation of a Temporary Art Program throughout Wood Buffalo



Develop a community activation microgrant program

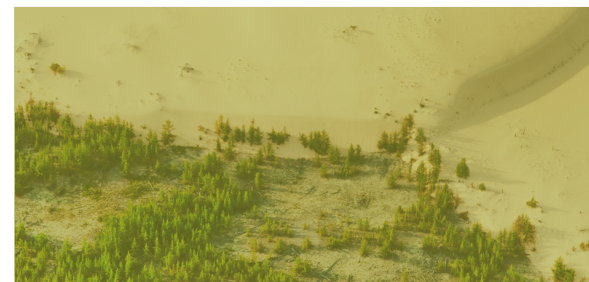


Increase youth representation in government

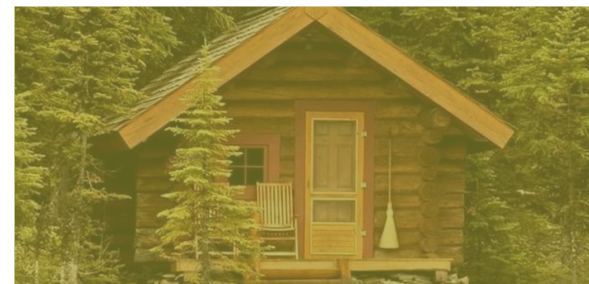
CONNECTING TO NATURE



Prepare the Green & Blue Network Plans



Identify and Protect Valued Ecosystems



Prepare and implement a Wilderness Development Plan



RESPONSIBLE DEVELOPMENT



Emphasize Downtown
Revitalization as
a Municipal priority



Commit to optimizing
Regional Transit



Institute Disaster Risk
Management in Municipal
decision-making

Implementation

Making it Happen

KEY INITIATIVES

- › Provided for each goal in the plan
- › Translate the intent of the plan from ideas to implementable actions and tangible projects

PERFORMANCE METRICS

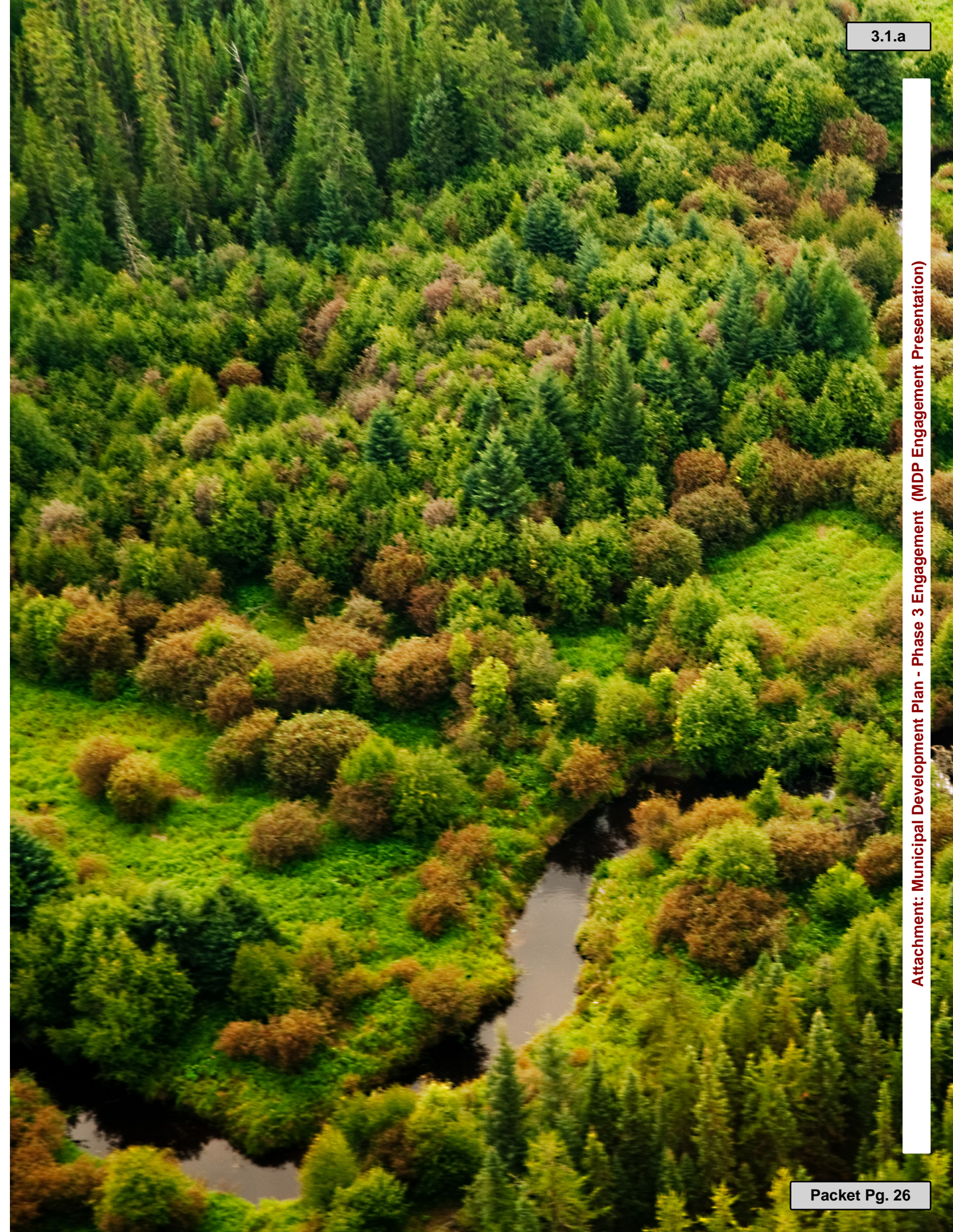
- › Provide a way to measure the successful implementation of the MDP

Prioritization

As part of this phase of engagement final prioritization of Key Initiatives is being discussed with Council.

The MDP will:

- » Identify priority key initiatives.
- » Create a high-level timeline for when and how each key initiative should be implemented.
- » Identify roles and responsibilities for ensuring the Municipality successfully implements each key initiative.



Performance Metrics

To ensure the MDP is achieving its goals a suite of performance metrics have been developed.

The performance metrics will:

- » Identify targets and triggers for when Municipal review or action is required.
- » Aid the Municipality in reporting to Council on MDP effectiveness.
- » Create consistency in reporting on MDP effectiveness over time.



FIGURE 3: PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

Performance indicator targets and metrics will be finalized following final review of the draft MDP with residents, Council, and administration.

ECONOMIC GROWTH

- Population / jobs ratio
- Building vacancy rate by use
- Number of distinct businesses
- Number of businesses by sector
- Changes in job classification
- Oil and gas industry growth
- Commercial development permits issued
- Number of post-secondary students
- New jobs
- Number of out-of-region shopping trips residents take per year

CELEBRATING CULTURE

- New area of arts and cultural space (institutions, performance studios, etc.)
- Number of cultural events held annually
- Number of festivals held annually
- New programs supporting arts and culture
- Multicultural groups operating in the Municipality
- Residential Diversity Index
- Number of residents attending festivals and events
- Percent of regional publications offered in additional languages

CONNECTING TO NATURE

- Total kms of multi-use pathway
- Total kms of Blue & Green Network developed
- Number of tourists using the Blue & Green Network
- Number of accessible lakes
- Number of residents using parks and trails
- Hectares of protected natural areas
- Number of development permits issued for cabins

RESPONSIBLE GROWTH

- People per hectare (Urban Service Area)
- Population of Neighbourhood Cores, Community Cores, and the Downtown
- Land Use Diversity in Neighbourhood Cores, Community Cores, and the Downtown
- Housing inventory by typology and affordability
- Available developable land
- Vacant lots
- Amount of reclaimed industrial lands
- New build starts
- Overall transit ridership
- Overall transit ridership per operating hours
- New businesses in the Downtown
- Number of projects with confirmed risk reduction strategies

HOME & BELONGING

- Number of crimes per 1,000 residents by type of crime
- Resident's rating of overall feeling of belonging
- Amount of newcomer services offered
- Demographics of settled residents
- In-migration data
- Percent of equity-seeking individuals who identify feeling welcome in Wood Buffalo

RECONCILIATION

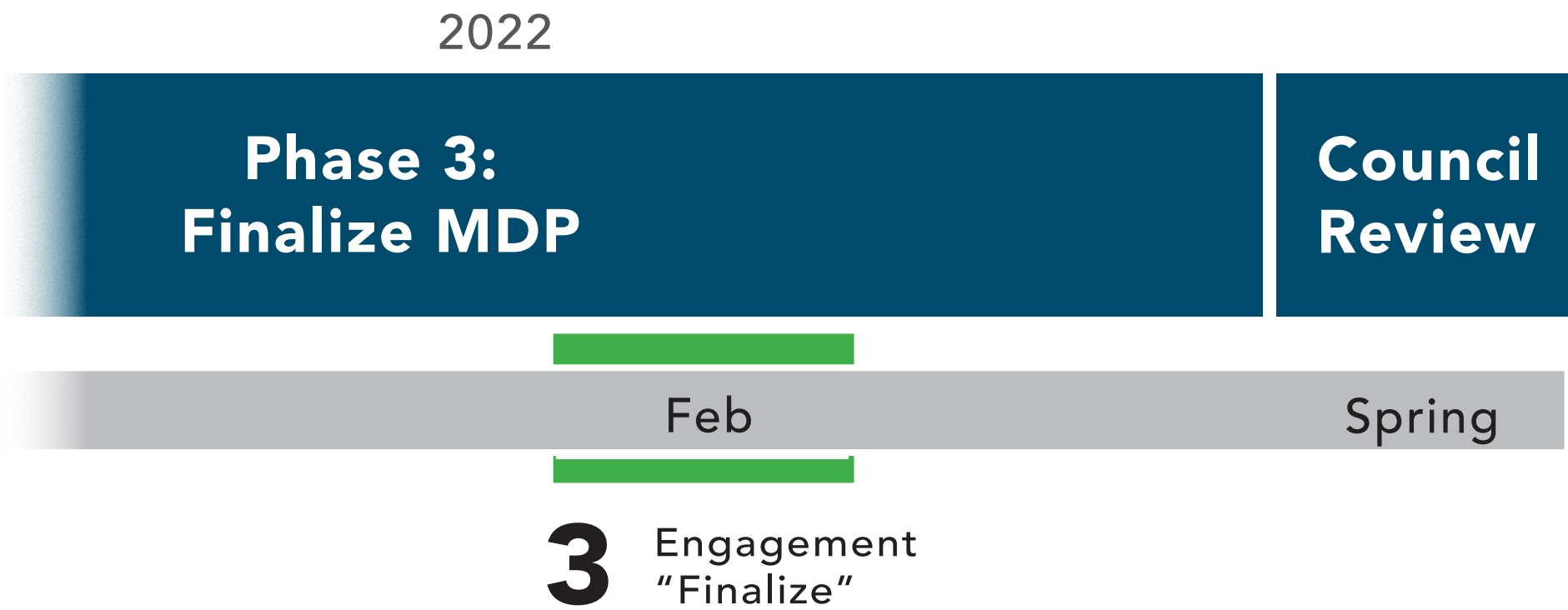
- Number of Calls to Action actively being implemented
- Number of annual meetings with Municipal administration
- Percent of Regional road signs in Indigenous languages
- Number of residents that speak an Indigenous language
- Actions taken towards developing an urban reserve

Next Steps

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Project Team

- ›Finalize the MDP
- ›Bring finalized MDP to Council in Spring 2022



Next Steps

Public

- › This is the final phase of engagement. Visit **rmwb.ca/mdp** to learn more. You can get involved in the following ways:
 - › Online Survey
 - › Phone Survey via PULSE (780.743.7000)
 - › Urban Virtual Open House - Tuesday, February 15 at 6pm
 - › Rural Virtual Open House - Wednesday, February 23 at 6pm
- › This phase of engagement ends on March 13, 2022
- › Public hearing process in Spring 2022

Questions?

