

3.0 LAND USE PLAN

This Official Community Plan is a long-term land use plan. It describes the location, intensity and types of land uses within the City of Grand Forks. The Official Community Plan identifies future residential development areas, including areas for preferred density increases. The Plan also indicates preferred areas for commercial concentration and areas where revitalization activities and mixed uses will be encouraged. These land use activities support a more sustainable Grand Forks, by encouraging the modes of alternative of transportation, use maximizing the use and efficiency of the City's infrastructure systems and promoting development within the existing serviced areas.

3.1 Land Use Plan Designations

The Land Use Map (Schedule B) designates the following land uses within the City of Grand Forks:

Agricultural/Rural (AR)

 Includes rural lands within and outside of the Agricultural Land Reserve (ALR), which may or may not currently be under agricultural production. This designation is located primarily southwest of Donaldson Drive. Development may include single family residential and a variety of agricultural and rural uses.

Airport (including runway lands within the Agricultural Land Reserve) (AA)

• This designation, located in southeastern Grand Forks, includes the airport, airport runway and adjacent limited agricultural lands. Development may include airport commercial uses and residential dwellings in conjunction with airport commercial uses.

Low Density Residential (LR)

 This designation is found throughout Grand Forks and includes more traditional residential development, consisting generally of single family dwellings and duplexes, developed to a maximum density of 20 units per hectare.

Medium Density Residential (MR)

 Located generally south of Central Ave/Highway #3 and east of Donaldson Drive, this designation includes a variety of residential developments, such as single family dwellings, duplexes, apartments, townhomes and secondary suites. A maximum density of 60 units per hectare is permitted in this designation.

Mixed Use Commercial/Residential (MU)

This designation includes a variety of residential, commercial and institutional developments. This results in a range of mixed-use neighbourhoods as well as single-use neighbourhoods. This designation is found primarily at the west end of Grand Forks, south of Central Ave/Highway #3, along Donaldson Drive north of Highway #3 and south of the Core Commercial designation. Development is supported to a maximum density of 40 units per hectare. [Amended by Bylaw 1919-A2, March 26, 2018].

Residential Infill/Intensification (RI)

• Within this designation, located in downtown Grand Forks, a variety of residential developments are encouraged including the reuse of older, vacant lands. Development is supported to a maximum density of 40 units per hectare.

Commercial Core (CC)

• This designation includes the heart of the community and accommodates commercial and mixed use development. The Core Commercial area is viewed as the commercial, cultural and administrative centre of Grand Forks.



Development within this designation may occur up to a maximum of 60 units per hectare.

Highway & Tourist Commercial (HT)

 Within this designation, automobile oriented tourist services areas for visitors and residents and encouraged and focused along Central Avenue/Highway #3. Development will consist primarily of commercial and institutional uses. Some residential development may occur where appropriate.

Heritage Corridor (HC)

 This designation is located along Central Ave/Highway #3, immediately west of the Core Commercial area of Grand Forks.

Light Industry (LI)

 This designation is located in strategic locations in Grand Forks, including in the northwest along Donaldson Drive, in the northeast along Granby Road and in the southeast along Sagamore Ave. This designation includes light industrial uses and service commercial uses that can be developed in a manner compatible with adjacent uses.

Heavy Industry (HI)

 Located in the northeast along Granby Road and south of the Kettle River, this designation supports the continued use and development of heavy industrial activities, such as lumber production, log storage and other associated industrial uses.

Institutional (IN)

 Institutional land uses within Grand Forks are located throughout the community. Over time, the types of institutional uses have evolved with the growth and maturation of the community and it is anticipated that the demand for these types of uses will continue to increase.

Hillside & Resource District (HR)

 Within Grand Forks, this designation is applied to those parts of the City which are largely undeveloped and lacking municipal services, or located on slopes greater than 20%. These areas are generally located along the eastern boundary of Grand Forks and are not to be urbanized until municipal services can be made available, once infilling and densification of other areas has occurred.

Environmental Resource District (ER)

The Environmental Resource District designation • applies to an area located in the northwestern area of the community. Although the ER designation generally allows for uses and densities within the Low Density Residential (LR) designation, this area acknowledges the groundwater and floodplain conditions associated with these lands. Any development in this area will require an Environmental Development Permit to should ensure that steps are taking to address the potential groundwater conditions and/or flood hazard.

Park & Open Space (PK)

 This designation encourages recreation and transportation opportunities for local residents and captures the beauty and setting of natural areas, parks and open spaces and trails throughout Grand Forks and along the Kettle and Granby Rivers.

In addition, the form and character of the community is guided by the objectives outlined in a number of Development Permit (DP) Areas. These DP areas are



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listed below and described in further detail in the Plan:

Development Permit Areas

- Multiple Housing Residential DP Area
- Hillside Development DP Area
- General Commercial DP Area
- Historic Downtown DP Area
- Environmentally Sensitive Area DP Area
- Light Industry DP Area
- Heritage Corridor DP Area
- Donaldson Drive Transition District DP Area

Each land use designation is guided by the sustainable principles, objectives and policies contained within the appropriate sections of this Official Community Plan.

3.2 How this Plan is Organized

This Official Community Plan is organized to reflect the ten Guiding Principles. Under each guiding principle, the impacted land use designations are identified. The objectives and policies that strive to follow the identified guiding principle in each section are articulated.

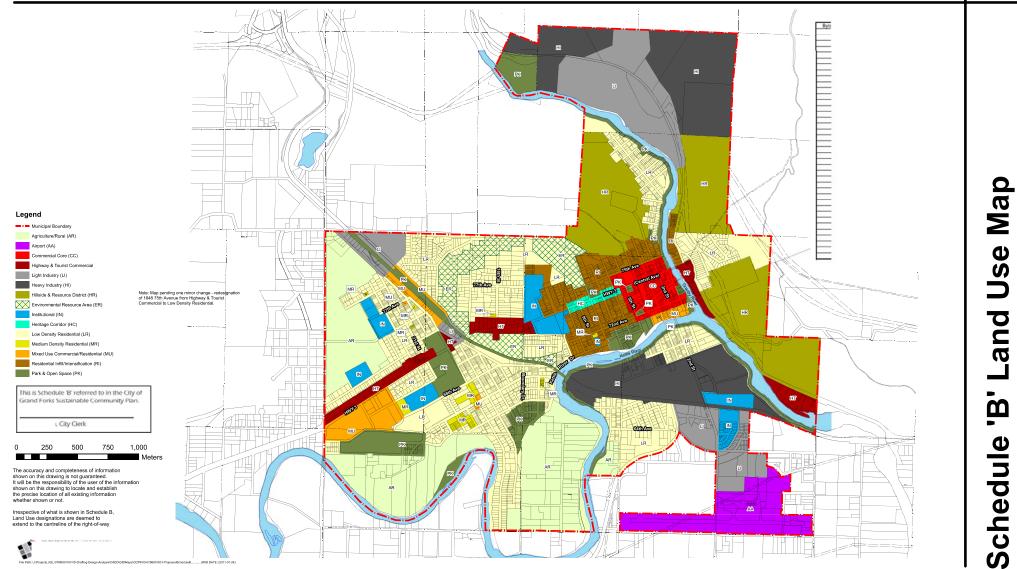
A Land Use Plan Designation Policy Chart follows the ten guiding principles. It provides a clear link between the OCP policies and the land use plan designations, and should serve as a useful tool for staff and Council to use in undergoing development review. Also included at the end of the Plan are sections pertaining to sand and gravel resources and plan implementation.



City of Grand Forks

OFFICIAL COMMUNITY PLAN





Appendix "B": Draft OCP Bylaw Amendment

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF GRAND FORKS

BYLAW NO. 1919-A3

A BYLAW TO AMMEND THE CITY OF GRAND FORKS OFFICIAL COMMUNITY PLAN BYLAW NO. 1919, 2011

WHEREAS Council may, by bylaw, amend the provisions of the Official Community Plan, pursuant to the provisions of the <u>Local Government Act</u>;

AND WHEREAS Council of the Corporation of the City of Grand Forks believes it is in the public interest to amend the provisions of the Official Community Plan;

NOW THEREFORE Council off the Corporation of the City of Grand Forks, in open meeting assembled, **ENACTS** as follows:

1. **DELETE** section 3.1

Core Commercial (CC)

• This designation includes the heart of the community and accommodates commercial and mixed use development. The Core Commercial area is viewed as the commercial, cultural and administrative centre of Grand Forks. Development within this designation may occur up to a maximum of 60 units per hectare.

AND REPLACE with section 3.1

Core Commercial (CC)

- This designation includes the heart of the community and accommodates commercial and mixed use development. The Core Commercial area is viewed as the commercial, cultural and administrative centre of Grand Forks.
- 2. That this bylaw may be cited as the "City of Grand Forks Official Community Plan Bylaw Amendment No. 1919-A3, 2019"

Read a FIRST time this day of	, 2019 .		
Read a SECOND time this	lay of , 2019		
PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE AD	VERTISED this AND this	day of day of	, 2019 , 2019.
PUBLIC HEARING HELD this	day of	, 2019	

Read a **THIRD** time this day of , 2019.

Approved by the Ministry of Transportation Pursuant to Section 52 of the Transportation Act this ______ day of ______, 2019

Approving Officer, Ministry of Transportation

FINALLY ADOPTED this _____day of ______, 2019.

Mayor Brian Taylor

Corporate Officer Daniel Drexler

CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of Bylaw No. 1919-A3 as passed by the Council of the City of Grand Forks on the day of , 2019.

Corporate Officer of the Corporation of the City of Grand Forks