

## **Priorities Committee Meeting\_May15\_2018**

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### **STRATEGIC INITIATIVE AND UPDATE**

#### **Bremner Area Project**

##### **Report Purpose**

To provide the Priorities Committee with an update on the Bremner Area Project.

##### **Council History**

October 25, 2016 - Council adopted Bylaw 15-2016, a bylaw that identified the Urban Reserve Policy Area (Bremner) as the County's next area for growth and incorporate the Urban Reserve Policy Area (Bremner) into the Urban Service Area and incorporate the majority of the West of 21 Area Concept Plan (ACP) into the Urban Service Area.

June 14, 2016 – Priorities Committee received the Bremner ACP Next Steps as a report for information.

March 22, 2016 – Council endorsed the Growth Management Strategy for the Urban Reserve (Bremner) and directed that Administration proceed with preparation of an ACP for the endorsed growth area.

##### **Strategic Plan Priority Areas**

**Economy:** In order to provide for effective and efficient municipal infrastructure, the Bremner Area Project will specify a more detailed framework for future planning and development for the Urban Reserve Policy Area (Bremner). The project will also identify areas for businesses to locate in order to provide for a diverse economy.

**Governance:** The Bremner Area Project will provide for cooperative partnerships with community, business, industry and neighbouring governments by ensuring opportunities for engagement.

**Social:** The Bremner Area Project will develop the framework for a healthy and active community.

**Culture:** The Bremner Area Project will work towards achieving a vibrant, creative community by recognizing the culture and heritage of the area and incorporating it into the plan.

**Environment:** The Bremner Area Project will result in a plan that protects our environment and conserves biodiversity by identifying environmentally sensitive areas and promoting the protection of the natural environment in future planning stages.

##### **Other Impacts**

**Policy:** Municipal Development Plan Bylaw 20-2017, requires an Area Concept Plan and supporting technical documents for the Bremner Urban Reserve Policy Area.

**Legislative/Legal:** n/a

**Interdepartmental:** Multiple Strathcona County departments will be involved in the Bremner Area Project through inter-departmental Technical Advisory Committees.

**Summary**

Strathcona County has hired Stantec in partnership with Mobycon and SMA Consulting Ltd. for the Bremner Area Project. The Bremner Area project contains several major components including the Area Concept Plan, Transportation Plan, Design and Construction Standards, Utilities Master Plan, Financial Viability Analysis, Biophysical Assessment and Agricultural Impact Assessment. The project is scheduled to run from May 2017 to December 2018. Additional information is provided in Enclosure 1 - Bremner Area Project presentation.

**Communication Plan**

Stakeholders and the public will be consulted throughout the process utilizing pop-up street stalls, open houses, online options and stakeholder meetings.

Public open houses will be advertised in the newspaper, on the website, through social media, and through the distribution of materials at key public facilities throughout the County.

**Enclosure**

1 Bremner Area Project Presentation