

**STRATEGIC INITIATIVE AND UPDATE****Q1 2019 Multi-Purpose Agricultural Facility Update****Report Purpose**

To provide the Priorities Committee with an update on the Multi-Purpose Agricultural Facility.

**Our Prioritized Strategic Goals**

Goal 2 - Manage, invest and plan for sustainable municipal infrastructure

Goal 5 - Foster collaboration through regional, community and governmental partnerships

Goal 7 - Provide opportunities for public engagement and communication

**Report**Planning

Transportation and Agriculture Services has developed an advisory committee of specialists to provide insight and advice to the project working committee on the development of the Multi-Purpose Agricultural Facility (MPAF) to ensure that it meets the needs of the County, its internal and external stakeholders, and the public.

The Advisory Committee is comprised of Agricultural Service Board members, County staff, and community stakeholders with the knowledge and capacity to provide input on, and contribute to, the facility and site design and development.

The Advisory Committee will review and provide feedback on the following aspects of the project, not limited to:

- Conceptual Design
- Schematic Design
- Design Development

The conceptual design was developed based on the public engagement feedback sessions that were held in October 2018, and feedback from the advisory committee. The key themes that emerged from these feedback sessions were: site connectivity, logistics, livestock requirements, safety, heritage, user costs, and user groups.

The conceptual design (Enclosure 1) is a block diagram, and the configurations of the buildings are not intended to be floor plans nor address in any significant detail the circulation required for people, livestock, and equipment across the site. This concept is used to establish the relationship between the elements on the site. The configurations of the buildings and the details regarding access will be determined throughout the schematic design stage.

Construction

Multi-Purpose Agricultural Facility Project Schedule:

1. Functional Programming - August to October 2018

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2. Conceptual Design - October to January 2019  
This stage determines the space schematics and flow diagrams for the facility and site in the functional program. It also begins to establish utility servicing requirements for the facility and site.
3. Schematic Design – January to April 2019  
This stage begins to determine the architectural, landscape, structural, and mechanical requirements and design for the facility and site based on the conceptual design.
4. Design Development – April to July 2019  
This stage refines and describes the size and character of the facility and site, including: architectural requirements and design, mechanical systems, electrical systems, materials, and other required elements in more detail as identified in the functional program, stakeholder input, and code requirements.
5. Contract Documents – February to October 2019
6. Permitting Approvals – March to December 2019
7. Construction – June 2019 to July 2021
  - Site Servicing - June 2019
  - Outdoor Amenities - May 2020
  - Indoor Facility- May 2020

### Finance

The approved stage of the project includes: functional planning study, design, land, utilities, outdoor amenities and servicing. This stage of the project is proceeding as planned and on budget. \$6.7M of the total approved budget of \$23.8M has been spent to date.

The detailed business case for the facility construction and operation was endorsed by Council as part of the 2019 - 2023 multi-year budget. It will be presented for formal approval in 2020.

### Operating

Planning and Development Services and Transportation and Agriculture Services are continuing development of a Master Plan which is required for the permitting process.

### Communication

An awareness campaign will be launched upon completion of the conceptual design.

## **Council and Committee History**

November 13, 2018	Priorities Committee was updated on the progress of the Multi-Purpose Agricultural Facility.
September 18, 2018	Priorities Committee was updated on the progress of the Multi-Purpose Agricultural Facility.
March 13, 2018	Priorities Committee was updated on the background of the Multi-Purpose Agricultural Facility project and the Regional Plus concept.

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February 13, 2018	Priorities Committee was updated on the Regional Plus concept for the Multi-Purpose Agricultural Facility.
September 12, 2017	THAT Enclosure 6 be added to item 4.3 <i>Multi-Purpose Agricultural Facility Site Servicing Update</i> of the September 12, 2017 Council Agenda; and THAT Administration take the actions set out in enclosure 6; and THAT enclosure 6 to item 4.3 remain private pursuant to FOIP section 25.
October 25, 2016	THAT the Regional Multi-Purpose Agricultural Facility concept, as outlined in Enclosure 2 of the October 25, 2016 Transportation and Agriculture report, be approved and that the site chosen be of adequate size to allow opportunity for growth.
April 19, 2016	Priorities Committee was updated on the Development of a Functional Plan for the Multi-Purpose Agricultural Facility.
May 12, 2015	THAT Council approve proceeding with partnership solicitation for the construction and operation of a Multi-Purpose Agricultural Facility.
	THAT Council approve funding in the amount of \$75,000 from the Municipal Project Reserve (1.3773) to support the partnership solicitation process for the Multi-Purpose Agricultural Facility.
April 21, 2015	THAT the Priorities Committee refer the Multi-Purpose Agricultural Facility Solicitation Process to the May 12, 2015 Council meeting for formal direction.
January 20, 2015	THAT Council direct Administration to bring back to the April 21, 2015 Priorities Committee Meeting a draft process to solicit partnership interest in building and operating a Multi-Purpose Agricultural Facility.

### **Other Impacts**

**Policy:** n/a

**Legislative/Legal:** n/a

**Interdepartmental:** Transportation and Agriculture Services; Facility Services; Planning and Development Services; Legislative and Legal Services; Utilities; Corporate Finance; Recreation, Parks and Culture; Economic Development and Tourism

**Master Plan/Framework:** n/a

### **Enclosure**

1 Multi-Purpose Agricultural Facility Concept