

**Bylaw 18-2022 Country Residential Area Concept Plan - 2nd and 3rd reading
(Wards 5, 6 and 7)****Report Purpose**

To provide information to Council to make a decision on second and third reading of Bylaw 18-2022, a proposed bylaw that repeals the existing Country Residential Area Concept Plan Bylaw 58-2011 and replaces it with a new Area Concept Plan.

Recommendations

1. THAT Bylaw 18-2022, a bylaw that repeals the existing Country Residential Area Concept Plan Bylaw 58-2011 and replaces it with a new Area Concept Plan, be given second reading.
2. THAT Bylaw 18-2022 be given third reading.

Our Prioritized Strategic Goals

Goal 1 - Build strong communities to support the diverse needs of residents

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

Goal 7 - Provide opportunities for public engagement and communication

Report

The Country Residential Area Concept Plan (ACP) encompasses approximately 8,000 hectares (20,000 acres) of land and is located south and east of the Urban Service Area within the Rural Service Area of Strathcona County. An ACP for the area was originally adopted in 2011.

Bylaw 18-2022 proposes to repeal Country Residential ACP Bylaw 58-2011 and replace it with a new ACP. The proposed updates to the existing plan will improve processes for subdivision and development, effectively utilize existing municipal infrastructure, and align the plan with current legislation, bylaws and policies while ensuring the core values of the original 2011 plan are maintained.

Bylaw 18-2022 is being brought forward concurrently with Bylaw 19-2022, which proposes text amendments to the Land Use Bylaw (LUB) intended to align the County's country residential zoning districts with the proposed statutory plan updates and ensure that the policies of the updated ACP can be implemented through the LUB.

The updated Country Residential ACP has received approval from the Edmonton Metropolitan Region Board. The Regional Evaluation Framework Evaluation concluded that overall, the proposed Country Residential ACP is in alignment with the principles and policies of the Edmonton Metropolitan Region Growth Plan and Section 8.0 of the Regional Evaluation Framework.

Council and Committee History

July 19, 2022 Council gave Bylaw 18-2022 first reading and directed administration to refer the bylaw to the Edmonton Metropolitan Region Board.

June 21, 2022 A presentation was provided to Priorities Committee regarding the draft updated County Residential ACP and the results of the public engagement for the project.

March 8, 2022 A presentation was provided to Priorities Committee regarding the proposed updates to the County Residential ACP.

Dec. 13, 2011 Council adopted the Country Residential ACP Bylaw 58-2011.

Other Impacts

Policy: Statutory Plan Procedure

Legislative/Legal: The *Municipal Government Act* provides that Council may, by bylaw, adopt an ASP.

Financial/Budget: This project is being completed in-house utilizing existing department resources. The proposed updates are not anticipated to have an impact on existing infrastructure plans within the area.

Interdepartmental: Multiple Strathcona County departments are involved in the project through an inter-departmental circulation process.

Master Plan/Framework: The proposed statutory plan must be prepared in accordance with the Municipal Development Plan and the Edmonton Metropolitan Region Growth Plan.

Communication Plan

Public engagement on the proposed changes to the existing plan was completed in the spring of 2022. A public hearing was held on July 19, 2022, and was advertised on the project website, through the project e-newsletter and within the July 5 and July 12 editions of the Sherwood Park/Strathcona County News.

Enclosures

- 1 Bylaw 18-2022 Country Residential Area Concept Plan Bylaw
- 2 Location map
- 3 Existing Country Residential Area Concept Plan Bylaw 58-2011 – unconsolidated
- 4 July 19, 2022, Council presentation
- 5 Country Residential Area Concept Plan update public engagement summary