

**Signage at Potential Sites for Future Schools****Report Purpose**

To have Council approve signage requirements for potential future school sites and provide recommendations for a policy regarding placement of signage.

**Recommendation**

THAT the Future School Site Sign format, as set out in Enclosure 1 to the April 26, 2016, Transportation and Agriculture Services Department report, be approved.

**Council History**

March 22, 2016 – Council approved a motion THAT Administration provide a report by April 26, 2016, that will a. outline the requirement to prepare and install signs at visible locations on the following sites, indicating that they are potential sites for future schools: - Clarkdale Meadows – Summerwood – Heritage Hills, both north and south of Heritage Drive – The Ridge/Foxboro (Florian Park), and b. provide recommendations for a policy regarding placement of signage at future potential school sites.

**Strategic Plan Priority Areas**

**Economy:** \$2500.00 funded from Transportation and Agriculture Services municipal operations budget.

**Governance:** Cooperative partnerships with community

**Social:** Helping, caring and safe community

**Culture:** n/a

**Environment:** n/a

**Other Impacts**

**Policy:** n/a

**Legislative/Legal:** n/a

**Interdepartmental:** Planning and Development Services

**Summary**

In order to prepare and install signs at visible locations at potential sites for future schools, Administration suggests installing a simple aluminum sign at the following parks

- Clarkdale Meadows
- Summerwood
- Heritage Hills (both north and south of Heritage Drive), and
- The Ridge/Foxboro (Florian Park).

The cost to manufacture and install each sign is not to exceed \$500.00, which will be funded from operations. The wording on the signs should include: future school site, be Strathcona County branded, and direct inquiries to 780-464-8111.

With respect to new developments, Administration will bring forward possible amendments to Section 6.0 "Open Space" of the County's Design and Construction Standards. These amendments will provide for information to be outlined on signs located at the main entry points to future school sites, as identified in an approved Area Structure Plan. The following information would be included:

- (i) the Area Structure Plan name;
- (ii) a plan outlining features of the Future School Sites/Municipal Reserve including trails, play areas, etc.; and

(iii) an advisory message regarding the use of the site for a potential future school site.

As a condition in future Development Agreements, Administration recommends including the signage provision for new development and that the Future School Site/Municipal Reserve signage would be paid for and constructed by the Developer in accordance with the County's Design and Construction Standards, prior to issuance of a Construction Completion Certificate (CCC) of the Municipal Reserve site.

Administration will work towards amending the Design and Construction Standards and the master Development Agreement to include the above provisions by the end of third quarter 2016.

Potential school sites are identified within the Area Structure Plan and can only be changed through a bylaw.

**Enclosure**

1 Future School Site Sign