Agriculture Master Plan transition to Agricultural Framework

Priorities Committee Meeting November 26, 2024

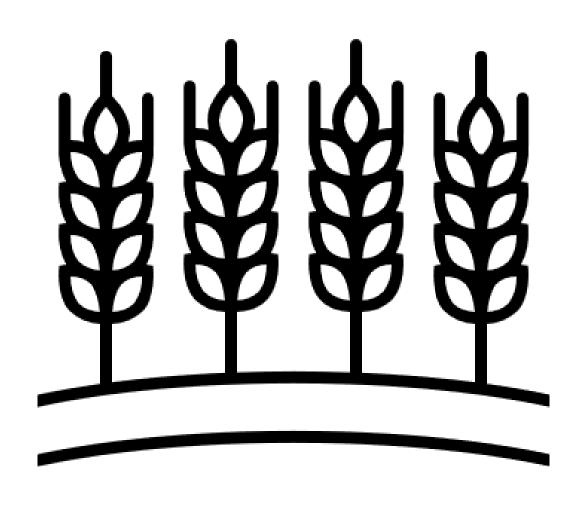


Purpose

• To discuss the current review of the Agriculture Master Plan and the intention to move towards a more collaborative Agricultural Framework.



Agriculture Master Plan development



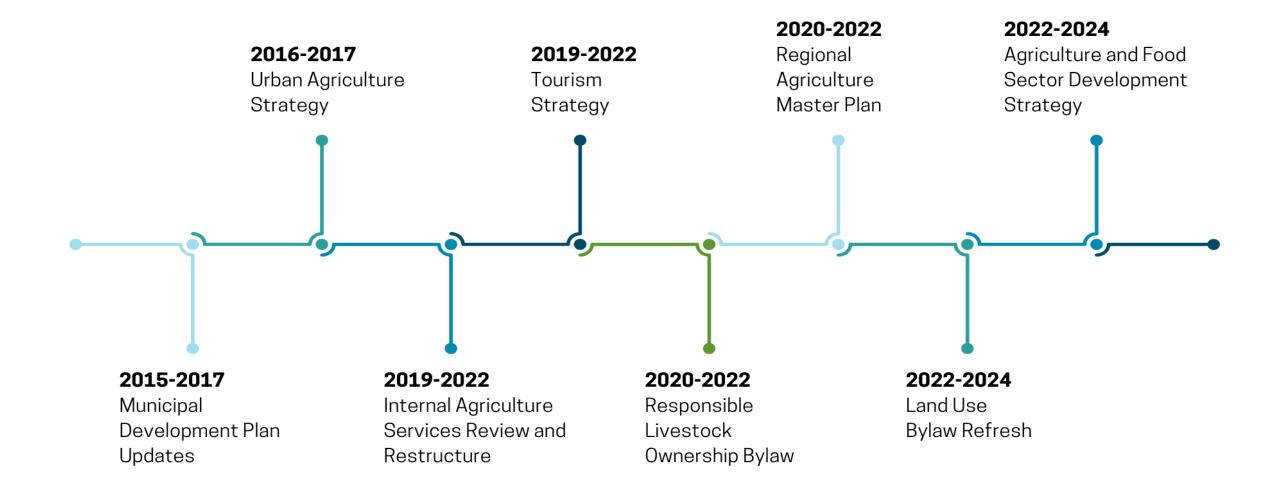
- Developed in 2014-2015 approved in June 2015
- First Agriculture Master Plan in the region, setting a template for many other plans and strategic documents across the province
- Followed by an Implementation Plan that was taken to Council in September of 2015

Outlined five areas of action:

- Urban Agriculture
- Agricultural Land Use and Development
- Governance
- Agriculture and Food Sector Development
- Agritourism



Agriculture Master Plan implementation





Agriculture Master Plan closure

- Currently underway
 - Includes an evaluation of all potential actions, and a summary of work completed
 - A summary of all other work completed or associated
 - Reflection on successes and challenges
 - A new outlook to the future





Agriculture Collaboration Team

- Representation from nine departments.
- The purpose of the Agriculture Collaboration team is to work together, across professions, departments, and disciplines to support agriculture.
- Members of the Agriculture Collaboration team will ensure programs, activities and collaborative initiatives are documented to contribute to a more wholistic picture of our agricultural support as an organization.
- This team will steward the ongoing success of the Agricultural Framework.



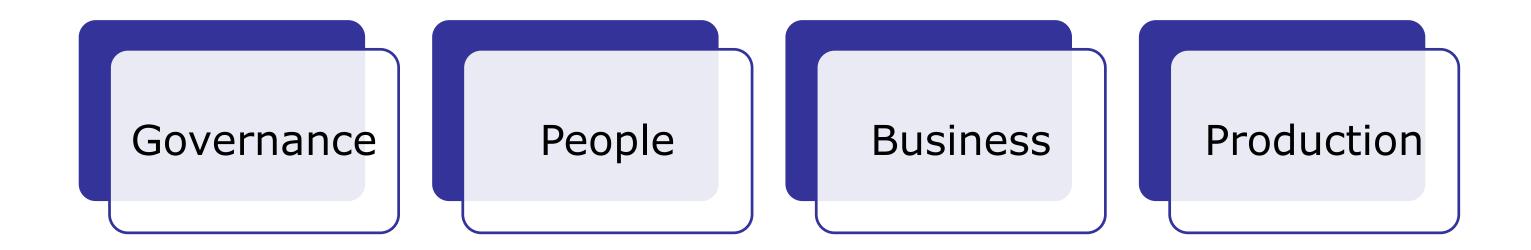
An Agricultural Framework for Strathcona County

- The Agriculture Master Plan is now 10 years old and requires a review.
- Proposing an Agricultural Framework be created to capture the work completed across the organization to support agriculture, while empowering all departments to contribute to the strategic goals.
- Shifting language to better align with organizational understanding of the document type.





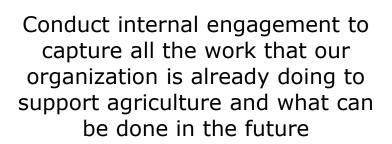
Potential key themes





Next steps







Create organizational goals, informed by public engagement from all Agriculture Master Plan initiatives



Draft a proposed Agricultural Framework for review by Council this winter



Questions

