



2011 Official Community Plan





Official Community Plan (OCP)

- *A statement of objectives and policies to guide community planning and land use management decisions*
- *A long term community planning and development document*
- *A statement of policies related to residential, commercial, agricultural, industrial and recreational uses and lands among others*
- *Typically reviewed and updated every 5-10 years*
- *An OCP provides broad overall policy direction to guide Council in their decision making process*



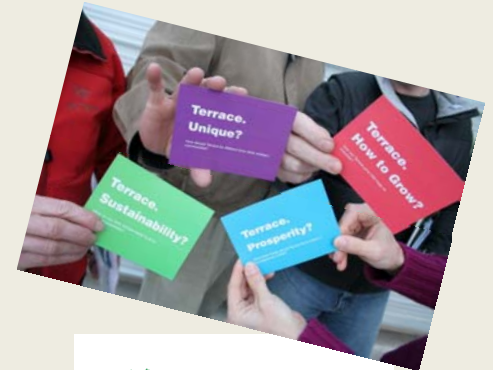
Towards a new OCP

- *Existing OCP Bylaw No. 1771-2002 adopted in 2002 w/ review recommended in 5 years*
- *Significant changes in planning ‘best practices’ as well as in the demographics of our community, local realities of climate change and the regional economy over the past 10 years*
- *Terrace residents increasingly express interest in developing a plan for a more sustainable, vibrant and liveable city*
- *Provincial requirements for what must be included in an OCP have changed with amendments to the Local Government Act in 2008*



Consultation

- *OCP review initiated by Planning Department in 2009 with assistance from Council-appointed Sustainability Task Force*
- *Task force and planning staff coordinated community consultation sessions which involved city residents and community stakeholders in the process*
- *Approximately 180 residents and representatives for the stakeholder agencies were involved in a visioning session in April of 2009*





Consultation

- *Public comment was solicited to draft OCP goal areas and policy statements at the Chamber of Commerce Trade Shows in 2009 and 2010*
- *Additional input was generated through policy working groups made up of residents, Council members and municipal staff that provided review and comment in the initial policy drafting staged in 2010*

WELCOME!
The City of Terrace is Developing a New OCP

What is an OCP?

An official community plan is a local government bylaw that provides objectives and policies to guide decisions on planning and land use management within the area covered by the plan

OCPs are significant because after their adoption, all bylaws and works undertaken by Council should be consistent with the plan

An OCP sets out a long term vision and roadmap to achieve it. It helps to prepare communities for changing conditions and future challenges, while ensuring the goals of a community are continually revisited.




City of Terrace 2010 OCP Revision

OCP Vision

Over the course of 2009, through the Terrace 2050 process, the following Community Vision was developed:

Terrace will prosper from its surrounding natural abundance through access to outdoor recreation, sustainable resource-based industry, full use of its agricultural potential & the ingenuity of its citizens

Terrace will be a dynamic city with a small town feel. Compact development & prominent pedestrian paths & bikeways will connect people in their daily travels & for frequent community festivals & events. Terrace will celebrate its diversity in heritage & culture & the social strength that comes from all ages, abilities & walks of life working together to create an inclusive, affordable & vibrant city

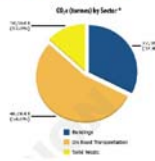


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Our OCP and Climate Change

In 2008 the Province amended the Local Government Act and introduced changes to better enable climate change action at the local level.

Among these changes is a requirement for local governments to have targets, policies and actions to reduce GHG emissions in our OCPs...



Sector	2008 (2008)	2010 (2010)
Industrial	Low	High
Residential	High	Low
Commercial	Medium	Medium
Public Works	Low	Low



City of Terrace 2010 OCP Revision



Consultation

- *In the fall of 2010 Staff presented the draft policy revisions to Council for comment and affirmation of the proposed changes to be incorporated into the new Official Community Plan*
- *In early 2011 copies of the draft OCP Schedule A were circulated among City departments, Council and community stakeholders for final comments prior to preparation of a final draft OCP*
- *A legal review was conducted to ensure the OCP fulfils legislated requirements and contains policy direction for Council and the community that is in line with Provincial expectations*



City of Terrace OCP

Community Vision Towards 2050

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Terrace will be a dynamic city with a small town feel. Compact development and prominent pedestrian paths and bikeways will connect people in their daily travels and frequent community festivals and events.

We will celebrate our diversity in heritage and culture and the social strength that comes from all ages and walks of life working together to create an inclusive, affordable and vibrant city. We will strive to meet the health and educational needs of residents and visitors alike, achieving community vitality.



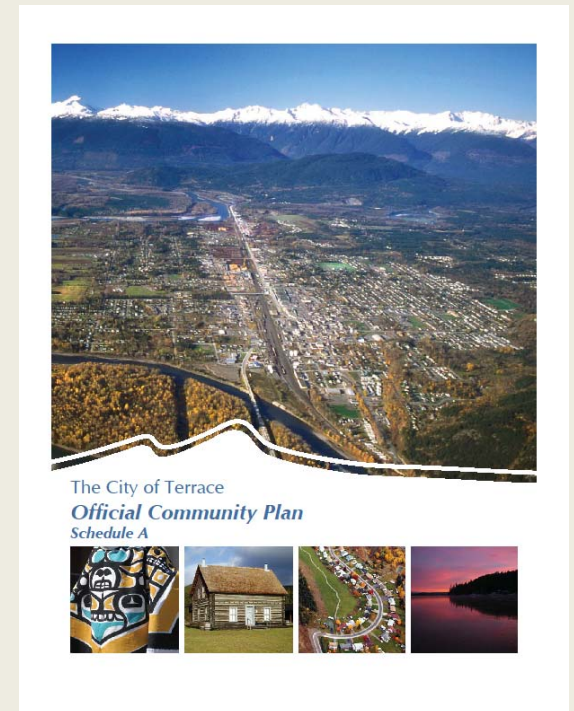
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Official Community Plan
Schedule A





City of Terrace OCP

- A. *Introduction*
- B. *Community Vision and Guiding Principles*
- C. *Community Goals, Objectives and Policies*
- D. *Land Use Designations*
- E. *Development Permit Areas*
- F. *Development Approval Information Schedules*
- Appendices*





City of Terrace OCP

Community Goals, Objectives & Policies

- Abundant Re-localized Food Systems
- Housing for All: Compact Complete Neighbourhoods and Community
- Diversified and Coordinated Economy
- Nature as Identity and Outdoor Pursuit
- Visible and Vibrant Culture, Heritage and the Arts
- Social Well-Being and Accessible Recreation
- Water, Energy, Infrastructure and Liquid Waste Management
- Integrated and Active Transportation Network
- Towards Zero Waste



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Our OCP and Climate Change

- *Local Government Act (LGA) requires all OCP's contain targets for the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions (GHG), along with policies and actions of the local government with respect towards achieving those targets*

The City of Terrace has set the following GHG reduction targets:

- *5% below 2007 levels by 2015*
- *11% below 2007 levels by 2020*
- *80% below 2007 levels by 2050*
- *Our approach to addressing climate change at the community level are found within our goal, objective and policy statements of the new OCP document*



OCP Schedules

Schedule B – Future Land Use

Schedule C – Development Permit Areas

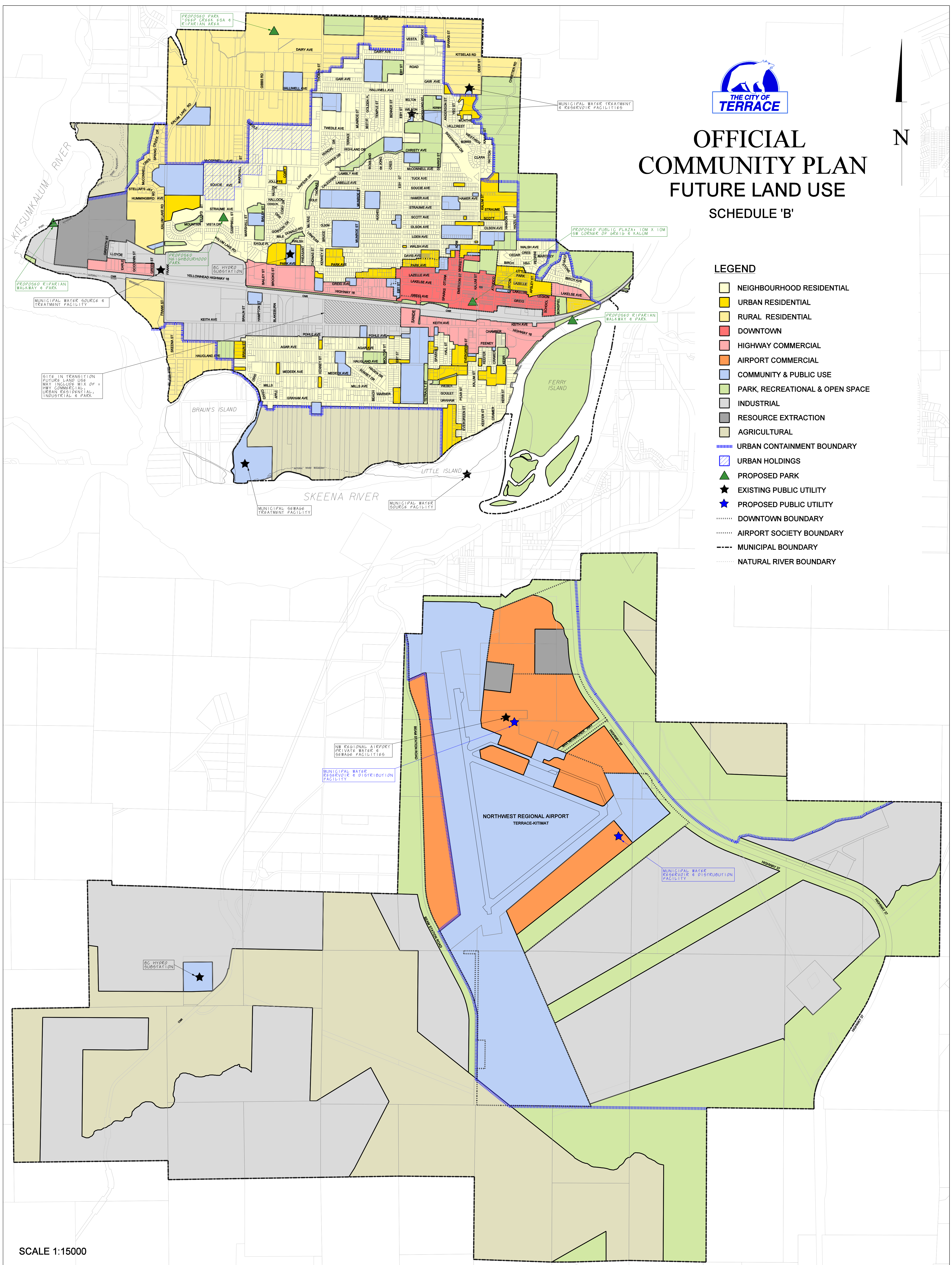
Schedule D – Major Roadways Network

Schedule E – Sidewalks, Trails and Walkways

Schedule F – Cycling Network



OFFICIAL COMMUNITY PLAN FUTURE LAND USE SCHEDULE 'B'



LEGEND

- NEIGHBOURHOOD RESIDENTIAL
- URBAN RESIDENTIAL
- RURAL RESIDENTIAL
- DOWNTOWN
- HIGHWAY COMMERCIAL
- AIRPORT COMMERCIAL
- COMMUNITY & PUBLIC USE
- PARK, RECREATIONAL & OPEN SPACE
- INDUSTRIAL
- RESOURCE EXTRACTION
- AGRICULTURAL
- URBAN CONTAINMENT BOUNDARY
- URBAN HOLDINGS
- PROPOSED PARK
- EXISTING PUBLIC UTILITY
- PROPOSED PUBLIC UTILITY
- DOWNTOWN BOUNDARY
- AIRPORT SOCIETY BOUNDARY
- MUNICIPAL BOUNDARY
- NATURAL RIVER BOUNDARY

SCALE 1:15000



Next Steps – OCP Circulation

- *Following 1st and 2nd readings of the Bylaw a formal consultation and circulation period will be undertaken.*
- *The LGA requires that the municipality specifically consult with the following bodies:*
 - Board of the Regional District within which the area covered by the plan is located
 - First Nations
 - School District boards
 - Provincial and Federal governments and their agencies
 - Agricultural Land Commission



Next Steps

- *The OCP will be also sent to the NW Regional Airport for review and forwarding to NAV Canada*
- *The OCP will be made available to the public and to community stakeholders on the City of Terrace website*
- *A community open house will be scheduled in addition to the required public hearing*

Input and Comments Welcomed!



Next Steps

- *Comments and input received from residents, community stakeholders and through the formal circulation process may be considered and evaluated and the Bylaw to adopt the new OCP may be amended as Council directs prior to 3rd reading and adoption*
- *Public notices will be advertised following the completion of the formal consultation and circulation period and a public hearing will be scheduled. It is anticipated that Council will deliberate 3rd reading and the adoption of the bylaw late in May or early in June of 2011*



“It is intended that this OCP will be a usable document for community residents, regional partners and anyone wishing to understand the vision and direction of the community. This OCP represents a key step in achieving our future vision for a vibrant and sustainable community”