

## Our City, Our Voices.



# **HOW + WHY WE PLAN**



We plan for our people today, and also for those yet to come. Planning is for the young who will grow up in our community. It is for babies yet to be born. It is for people who will live their golden years here. It is for all the people who make up this place we call home. We plan for the future of our City.

#### **OUR PLANS GUIDE:**



How We Live & Care

Our housing and the places we call home (houses, townhouses, condos, and other housing forms), how it looks, and where it is located.



How We Work

Our employment centres, our stores, our industries, our education, and how and where we do business.



How We Move

Our roads, sidewalks, trails, and transit hubs that move us and the goods we rely on.



How We Connect & Play

Our parks, community centres, facilities, and cultural experiences; the spaces and opportunities that help us stay socially and physically connected.



How We Adapt & Stay Green

Our ways of protecting what's important and of responding to changes in our community to prepare for a successful and resilient future.

Our City plans are the blueprints and building blocks of our community.

Community change occurs over time. To best manage change, our plans consider and provide guidance for the...

SHORT-TERM [1-5 YEARS FROM NOW] MEDIUM-TERM
[5-10 YEARS FROM NOW]

LONG-TERM
[20 YEARS + BEYOND]

Official Community Plan (OCP) Update

Parks, Recreation & Culture Plan Update

**Active Transportation Plan** 



Climate Action Plan

Economic **Development Plan** 

> **Water Supply** Strategic Plan

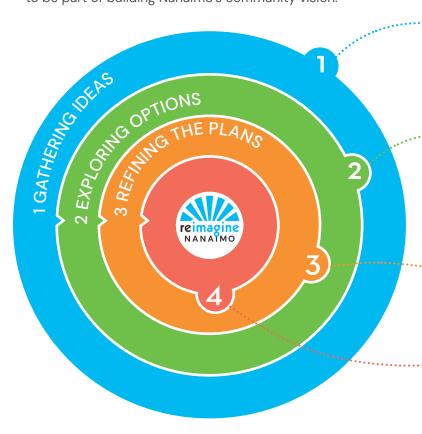


### INTEGRATED PLANNING

Instead of six separate engagement processes, all of the City plans above are being coordinated within one process: REIMAGINE NANAIMO. This is a unique opportunity to integrate the key plans that shape our city, and build upon the successful planning work initiated under the Imagine Nanaimo process that took place in the early 1990s and continued over ensuing decades. Let's get to it!

#### MOVING FROM BIG IDEAS TO FOCUSED DIRECTION

REIMAGINE NANAIMO is an integrated planning process that becomes more and more focused with each step. We start broadly to consider where we are at today and envision where we want to go. We then become more specific through the process as the plans are developed. We are currently in the first stage, Gathering Ideas, which is a critical step that is accessible to everyone - regardless of your age, your time constraints, or your knowledge base - it's easy to be part of building Nanaimo's community vision.



OUR TIMELINE.

#### "THE WHAT" WE ARE HERE

- Start a community conversation
- Understand where we are now
- Explore community priorities and issues
- Think long-term where do we want to go?

#### ."THE HOW"

- ▶ Develop options for how our community can achieve its shared vision
- Evaluate how options support our goals
- Discuss trade-offs and difficult decisions together

#### "THE TOOLS"

- Develop policies and actions that will direct change to achieve our community goals
- Review the draft policies and actions together

#### "THE PLANS"

- ▶ Draft the plans: OCP Update; Parks, Rec and Culture; Active Transportation; Climate Action; Economic Development; and Water Supply
- Review together
- Adopt and implement

While our process and timeline may need to evolve based on what happens along the way, our intention is to complete the REIMAGINE NANAIMO process in Fall 2021.