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## **EXTERNAL MUNICIPAL PLANNING DOCUMENTS REVIEW POLICY**

### **BACKGROUND**

The Inter-Municipal Development Plan (IDP) was approved by all three municipalities (Redcliff, Medicine Hat, Cypress County) in 2011. Prior to the development of the IDP there was no clear direction as to planning in the fringe areas. As such, it was very important for the Town of Redcliff, especially Council, to have each planning document or application in fringe areas around the Town come to Council for discussion and input into potential suggestions and/or opposition if appropriate.

The IDP now clearly spells out how development in the designated areas should occur and applications or documents brought forward by or behalf of someone in the City of Medicine Hat or Cypress County must comply with the parameters of the IDP or an amendment must be sought. As required under the IDP, such documents must be sent to the municipalities for comment. While the IDP attempts to identify the majority of situations, administration recognizes that it would have been impossible to contemplate every scenario. Applications/documents with impact to the Town of Redcliff should be provided to Council for their information and input.

This policy identifies how these items will be dealt with by the Town of Redcliff.

### **POLICY**

#### **Applications/Documents that have broader IDP implications**

Applications/Documents that have broader IDP implications, regardless of location, will be forwarded to Council for information and input and responded to by administration. These will typically be Municipal Development Plans, Area Structure Plans and Area Redevelopment Plans or similar type documents.

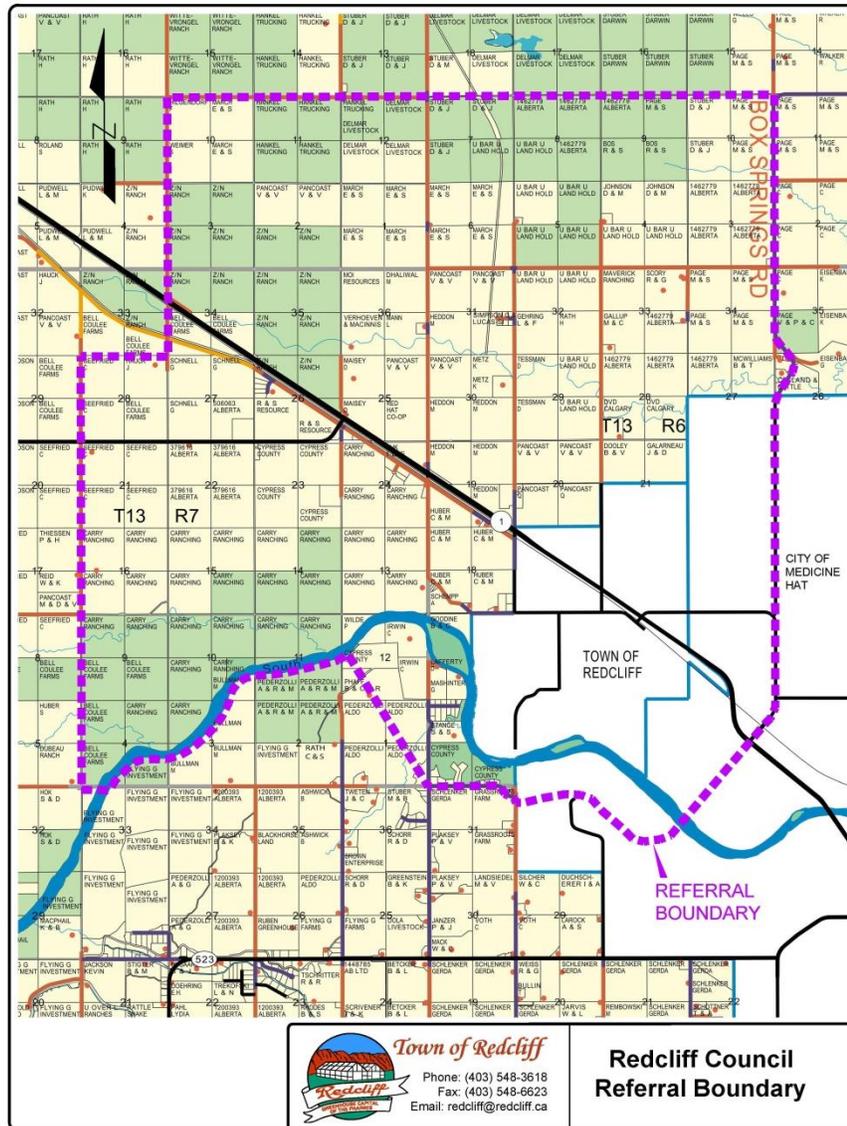
#### **Applications/Documents that are of a nature that Council may wish to comment on**

When Applications/ documents are received that in the opinion of Administration Council may wish to comment on these will be referred to Council for information and input wherever they may be located. It is envisioned that these documents will mostly consist of the following types:

- Those that may have an impact on the Town,
- Those that due to the type of proposed development Council may wish to comment on.

#### **Applications/Documents inside of the Council Referral Boundary**

Applications/Documents that for lands inside of the Council Referral Boundary shown on the figure on the next page have the potential to be of greater impact to the Town of Redcliff. All applications/documents inside of the Council Referral Boundary will be forwarded to Council for information and input and responded to by administration.



**Applications/Documents outside of the Council Referral Boundary**

Applications/Documents that for lands outside of the Council Referral Boundary shown on the figure above have little to no impact on the Town of Redcliff. Applications/documents outside of the Council Referral Boundary will be forwarded to Council for information and input only if they are identified by Administration as having broader IDP implications or that are of a nature that Council may wish to comment on. All documents that are not referred to Council will be responded to by Administration.

**Applications/Documents that are time sensitive**

Applications/Documents that are identified to be referred to Council for information and input that require a response prior to an opportunity to forward them to Council will be responded to by administration, and brought to Council for information at the next available Council meeting, along with the comments provided by administration.