

Infrastructure

Financially responsible growth is supported in new and redeveloping areas, supported by the infrastructure needed to make it viable, such as servicing, parks and community facilities.

What did we hear from Calgarians?

Concern about infrastructure capacity and impacts from growth.

Worry about reliable servicing.

Want more of a focus on infrastructure investments.

More capacity at public spaces and amenities to keep up with demand.

What does the Calgary Plan say?

- A residential land supply that is continuous, connected, sustainable and serviceable.
- Infrastructure is planned to accommodate growth with investment prioritized in redeveloping areas.
- Growth decisions are financially sustainable, follow City policies and are monitored over time.
- A strong industrial sector supports jobs, services and tax revenue, contributing to long-term economic resilience.
- Plans address growth impacts on nature, heritage, mobility, utilities and community needs.
- Development conserves, reuses, and manages water efficiently, supported by coordinated City decision-making.
- Water, sewer and stormwater systems are safe, reliable, efficient and meet City standards.

What is consistent with the current MDP?

- Growth directed to both developing and redeveloping areas and prioritized where infrastructure exists or can be efficiently expanded.
- Growth supported by coordinated investment in mobility, servicing, emergency services, parks and recreation.
- Growth decisions evaluated based on long-term fiscal sustainability, risk and alignment with strategic plans.
- Growth decisions supported by data and forecasting and coordinated regionally.
- Water is protected and managed through source water protection, water conservation and stormwater management.

What has changed?

Why?

Plan reference

Infrastructure grows with the city

City infrastructure and services should be planned and built to keep pace with increasing demand by building new or upgrading existing infrastructure. The City should also renew municipal infrastructure through planned reinvestment, guided by asset condition, risk, service levels, growth, professional standards and budgets.

Infrastructure keeping pace with growth

2.1 Growth

Reliable water and sewer services

Plan and upgrade water, sewer and stormwater infrastructure to reliably serve existing and future communities and meet changing conditions. Keep water safe, use it efficiently and protect its quality.

Infrastructure keeping pace with growth

3.1.2 Water
4.4 Water and sanitary systems
5.1 Further planning
5.1.3 Outline plans

Growing public spaces and facilities

City owned public spaces and facilities should be planned and adapted to support increased demand from population growth. Parks, sidewalks, plazas, libraries, recreation facilities and other public spaces should be ready to support extra use in growing areas.

Infrastructure keeping pace with growth

2.2 City structure
4.1 Park system
4.2 Public recreation system
4.3 Municipal civic facilities

Check out the draft Calgary Plan | calgary.ca/citybuilding

Related Council priorities:
Reliable and sustainable infrastructure

