

Chapter 1. Introduction

Interim report on stakeholder and open house comments received from June 2 – June 12, 2013

Please note that these working documents do not represent final policy recommendations until endorsed by CDAC.

VISION HRM's vision for the future is to enhance our quality of life by fostering the growth of healthy and vibrant communities, a strong and diverse economy, and sustainable environment.

GUIDING PRINCIPLE The Regional Plan will seek to address the needs and views of all sectors of HRM, recognizing the diversity of its citizens, community and geography.

PRINCIPLES

- Provide a framework which leads to predictable, fair, cost-effective and timely decision-making.
- Support development patterns that promote a vigorous regional economy.
- Preserve and promote sustainability of cultural, historical and natural assets.
- Support the Regional Centre as the focus for economic, cultural and residential activities.
- Manage development to make the most effective use of land, energy, infrastructure, public services and facilities, and foster healthy lifestyles.
- Ensure opportunities for the protection of open space, wilderness, natural beauty and sensitive environmental areas.
- Develop integrated transportation systems in conjunction with the above principles.

PROPOSED POLICY CHANGE	COMMUNITY FEEDBACK	STAFF RESPONSE	RECOMMENDATION TO CDAC	CDAC Direction
RP+5 process	Additional time (several months) for public review of RP+5 requested.	Staff believe the RP+5 public and stakeholder consultation process has been far reaching and comprehensive with adequate feedback received.		
	Open House format of RP+5 Phase III public consultation restricted public forum to June 17/13 meeting only.	Staff believe the RP+5 public and stakeholder consultation process has been far reaching and comprehensive with adequate feedback received. CDAC reporting structure provides additional opportunity for stakeholder input.		