



**Integrated Municipal Sustainability Plan 2012**

**Municipal Plan Amendment No. MP18-09**

**February, 2019**

**Prepared by:**



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### 1. Type

Municipal Plan Amendment No. MP18-09 to the City of Corner Brook's Integrated Municipal Sustainability Plan 2012 (henceforth the "Amendment") is a text amendment.

### 2. Purpose

The principal purpose of this Amendment is to allow Council to consider 'ATV/snowmobile trail' as a discretionary use throughout the Municipal Planning Area (MPA). This Amendment is accompanied by Development Regulations Amendment No. DR18-09. In conjunction with community consultation, the amending policies outline Council's support in facilitating and accommodating 'ATV/snowmobile trail' uses/users within the MPA to increase recreational and economic opportunities within the City and region as a whole.

Policy 2.4.3 – 13. under the 'City Connections: Infrastructure Goals' section, which outlines Council's intent to support and help implement an interconnected trail system throughout the MPA, is proposed to be amended to add the 'ATV/snowmobile trail' use. Policy 8.6.3 – 05. under the '8.6 Winter City' section is proposed to be amended by adding sub-policies that will allow the 'ATV/snowmobile trail' use in any future land use designation in the MPA. Additional sub-policies are also proposed to be added under this section to further allow Council to "promote and support initiatives that identify and reinforce Corner Brook as a winter city tourist destination." Policy 8.7.3 – 05. under

the '8.7 Healthy Communities' section, which lists the various recreational opportunities that Council supports, is proposed to be amended to include 'ATV/snowmobile trail' use and other various recreational activities. Last, Policy 8.10.3 – 05. under section '8.10 Tourism' is proposed to be repealed and replaced with a new policy that indicates Council's support for the continuous development of the former Canadian National Railway (CNR) line as a provincial park where motorized and non-motorized users are accommodated. (The existing, repealed policy 05. is proposed to be reassigned as policy 06. with no proposed change.)

### **3. Public Consultation**

In accordance with section 14 of the *Urban and Rural Planning Act, 2000* (henceforth the "Act"), City staff conducted public consultation by advertising the Amendment in a locally circulated newspaper (Western Star) on September 19, 2018. City staff provided the public with opportunity to inspect and provide comments on the Amendment.

### **4. Provincial Release**

In accordance with section 15 of the Act, City staff forwarded the Amendment to the provincial Department of Municipal Affairs and Environment for review. Where no agency or departmental interests were identified, the Amendment was released from the Local Governance and Planning Division on December 13, 2018.

### **5. Adoption by Council and Public Hearing**

In accordance with section 16 of the Act, Council adopted the Amendment on January 21, 2019. In accordance with section 17 of the Act, notice of adoption and tentative public hearing date (February 6, 2019) was published in a locally circulated newspaper (Western Star) on January 23, 2019 and January 30, 2019.

Where no objections were received two (2) days before the tentative public hearing date, Council cancelled the public hearing in accordance with section 20 and subsection 21(1) of the Act.

## 6. Approval by Council

In accordance with section 23 of the Act, Council approved the Amendment (as adopted) on February 8, 2019.

## 7. Statement

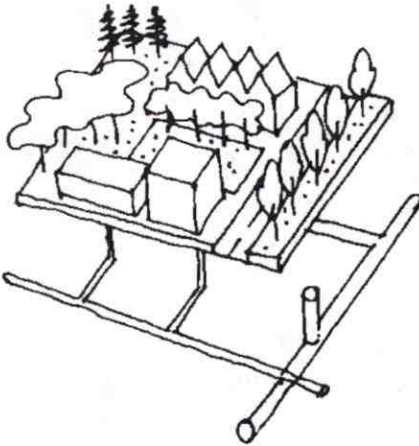
The City of Corner Brook's Integrated Municipal Sustainability Plan 2012 is amended as per the attached "proposed" policies.





## 2.4.2 The Natural City: Environmental Goals

- E1. Promote development that supports a sustainable community that is sensitive to the natural environment and creates awareness of the natural heritage system.
- E2. Protect and manage the quality and supply of surface water resources in and adjacent to the City, managing development so that it does not negatively impact these resources.
- E3. Encourage activities that promote climate change mitigation by reducing the emission of air pollutants and greenhouse gases.
- E4. Respect and encourage the protection and enhancement of the natural environment and other distinctive features of the landscape to support a healthy ecosystem within and beyond City limits.
- E5. Develop an interconnected system of natural areas and features with public access points.
- E6. Promote and protect the integrity of the area's topography as a guiding feature of development, ensuring development proceeds in a safe and efficient manner.
- E7. Reduce the amount of waste being produced and develop capacity for local waste reduction, recycling and reuse.



## PROPOSED POLICY

### 2.4.3 The City Connections: Infrastructure Goals

- I1. Ensure that development will be staged in a manner that makes full and best use of existing water, stormwater, sewer and emergency services to enhance the affordability and efficiency of infrastructure.
- I2. Develop and maintain a safe and efficient transportation system in the City that provides for all modes of travel, all ages and abilities, and supports the pattern of land use in the City.
- I3. Develop an interconnected trail system including bicycle, walking, skiing, snowshoeing, ATV/snowmobile, and multi-use trails where appropriate that runs throughout the City, links with regional trail systems, and allows individuals opportunities for alternative modes of transportation and recreation.
- I4. Focus on developing and improving the physical connections between key destinations and focal area in the City including the downtown core, significant commercial areas, educational institutions, key open spaces and the waterfront.
- I5. Encourage economically and environmentally appropriate incorporation of renewable energy to diversify the energy supply to municipal systems infrastructure on a residential, commercial and industrial scale.

## PROPOSED WINTER CITY POLICY 8.6

motorists and pedestrians. All street design standards shall be in accordance with standards adopted by the City of Corner Brook. City streets will be designed of an appropriate width to accommodate proper snow clearing measures for the particular type of street.

3. The construction of new dwellings, buildings and other structures will conform to the snowfall load and insulation requirements of the National Building Code of Canada and be enforced by the City's Development Inspection Division to ensure compliance with the Code and conservation of energy resources.
4. Snow clearing of city streets will receive priority during winter public works operations to ensure the safety and functioning of the street network. This will normally be based on the hierarchical street system, where major arterial and collector streets will be cleared first to ensure that emergency vehicle operations are not impaired.
5. The Authority will promote and support initiatives that identify and reinforce Corner Brook as a winter city tourist destination, including:
  - a. the establishment, promotion, or creation of multi-use trails and specific use trails including horse riding, hiking, skiing, snowshoeing, and ATV/Snowmobile trails or trail linkages within any land use designation identified on the Generalized Future Land Use Maps A & B.
  - b. the establishment, promotion, or creation of outdoor off-road race tracks for both motorized and non-motorized recreation, within the Rural and Open Space land use designations.
  - c. establishing potential program partnerships to promote both Marble Mountain and the Blow-Me-Down Cross Country Ski Park in order to help facilitate and encourage national ski and winter events in the city.



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03. The Authority shall continue to work with housing corporations and local developers to acquire and make available land for affordable residential development, including municipal plan policies for mixed and multi-generational housing.
04. The Authority shall continue to encourage economic development within the city and promote Corner Brook as a good place to conduct business, both locally and regionally.
05. The Authority shall promote Corner Brook as a world class outdoor recreation destination offering alpine skiing, ATV/snowmobile trail networks, boating, cross country skiing, fishing, hiking, hunting, mountain bike trails, whale and wildlife watching, zip lining, and other sporting and recreational experiences.
06. Support and expand recycling programs and initiatives through its own initiatives and by local organizations and government departments.
07. To continue to work cooperatively with other municipalities in the region to develop improved solid waste management practices
08. Support community gardens and other community initiatives or strategies that promote locally grown food. Such initiatives shall be at the discretion of the authority and be assessed for various factors including but not limited to suitability of location, availability of services, adequate parking, site access and scale of proposal. Such initiatives shall also require public consultation, the scale and type to be determined by the Authority. Strategic Opportunities for future consideration may include, but are not limited to the following:
  - Community Food Assessment
  - Urban agricultural strategy/guidelines
  - Municipal Composting Program
09. To implement improved landscaping and maintenance requirements for all residential, commercial and industrial properties.
- 10 To continue to develop and support alternative, safe and efficient pedestrian and cycling transportation systems.
11. Support the continued development and maintenance of the city's natural resource areas such as the Corner Brook Stream Trail Network and Appalachian Trail through representation on project development committees and by providing an appropriate level and type of assistance.
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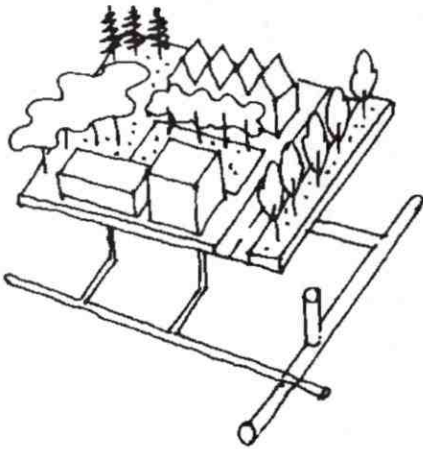
2. Through its business and community service departments, and in conjunction with other business and service organizations and the provincial government, the Authority shall support the development of a long term tourism strategy to ensure future tourism development potential.
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4. The Authority supports the continued development and promotion of both Marble Mountain and the Blow-Me-Down Cross Country Ski Park in order to help facilitate and encourage national ski events in the city.
5. The Authority shall promote and support the continuous development of the abandoned Canadian National Railway line as a linear provincial park where both non-motorized and ATV/ Snow-mobile trail use is permitted, and provides a continuous link, where possible, to and from the City for local and tourist travel.
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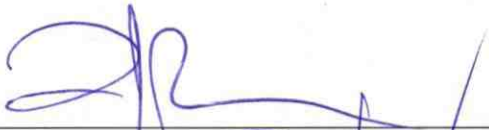
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**URBAN AND RURAL PLANNING ACT, 2000**  
**RESOLUTION TO ADOPT**  
**MUNICIPAL PLAN AMENDMENT NO. MP18-09**

Under the authority of Section 16 of the *Urban and Rural Planning Act, 2000*, the City of Corner Brook adopts Municipal Plan Amendment No. MP18-09 to the City of Corner Brook's Integrated Municipal Sustainability Plan 2012.

Adopted by the City Council of Corner Brook on the 21 day of January, 2019.

SIGNED AND SEALED this 8 day of February, 20 19

Mayor: 

City Clerk: 



(Council Seal)

**CANADIAN INSTITUTE OF PLANNERS CERTIFICATION**

I certify that the attached Municipal Plan Amendment was prepared in accordance with the requirements of the *Urban and Rural Planning Act, 2000*.





**URBAN AND RURAL PLANNING ACT, 2000**  
**RESOLUTION TO APPROVE**  
**CITY OF CORNER BROOK**  
**MUNICIPAL PLAN AMENDMENT MP18-09**

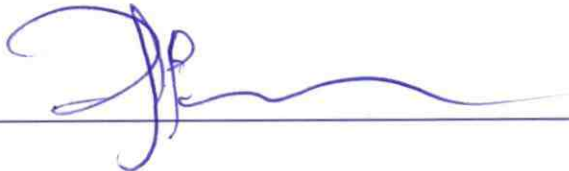
Under the authority of Sections 16, 17, and 18 of the *Urban and Rural Planning Act, 2000*, the City Council of Corner Brook:

- a) Adopted the Municipal Plan Amendment MP18-09 on the 21<sup>st</sup> day of January, 2019;
- b) Gave notice of the adoption of the Municipal Plan Amendment MP18-09 by advertisement inserted on the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of January and the 30<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2019 in the Western Star newspaper;
- c) Set the 6<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. at the City Hall, Corner Brook, for the holding of a public hearing to consider objections and submissions.

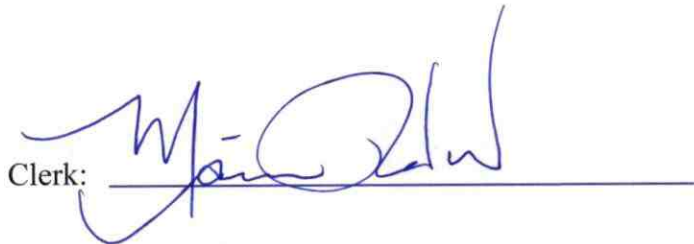
Now under the authority of Section 23 of the *Urban and Rural Planning Act, 2000*, the City Council of Corner Brook **approves** Municipal Plan Amendment MP18-09 as adopted.

SIGNED AND SEALED this 8 day of February, 2019.

Mayor: \_\_\_\_\_



Clerk: \_\_\_\_\_



(Council Seal)



<b>Municipal Plan/Amendment</b>	
<b>REGISTERED</b>	
Number	1200-2019-046
Date	March 10, 2019
Signature	Mary Orley

(Provincial Registration Stamp)