

SASKATOON NORTH PARTNERSHIP FOR GROWTH (P4G)

2015 Annual Report













SASKATOON NORTH PARTNERSHIP FOR GROWTH REGIONAL VISION

Our vision for the future is a vibrant, prosperous, and internationally competitive region. We are known for a high quality of life; a thriving and diverse economy; healthy and connected ecosystems; and efficient infrastructure supporting sustainable growth and development. The five municipalities of the Region - Osler, Martensville, Warman, Saskatoon, and the RM of Corman Park - provide a rich range of opportunities and lifestyle choices for residents and newcomers. The aesthetic beauty and ecological values of the South Saskatchewan River and prairie landscapes are key components to our quality of life. We work in partnership on issues of common interest through integrated, coordinated efforts that support our success while respecting the individual aspirations of all partners.

Adopted by the Regional Oversight Committee on April 30, 2015

ABOUT THE SASKATOON NORTH PARTNERSHIP FOR GROWTH (P4G)

The Saskatoon North Partnership for Growth (P4G) is a collaborative which includes political and administrative representation from the partnering municipalities. The partnering municipalities are the Cities of Warman, Martensville and Saskatoon, the Rural Municipality of Corman Park and the Town of Osler, as well as an advisory representative from the Saskatoon Regional Economic Development Authority (SREDA).

The Work Plan for the P4G consists of the development of a Regional Plan to be completed in 2016.

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Further information is available on the Regional Plan project website at www.partnershipforgrowth.ca.

P4G Membership

The P4G membership is comprised of two committees: a P4G Regional Oversight Committee (ROC) and a P4G Planning & Administration Committee (PAC).

The Regional Oversight Committee (ROC)

The ROC provides direction on matters of regional importance, particularly those involving a financial commitment and for setting priorities for the P4G. The ROC consists of political representatives and senior management from each of the P4G member municipalities.

The voting members of the ROC consist of three (3) Council members from each of the participating municipalities, one of which is Reeve or Mayor. The ROC operates as a simple majority with each participating municipality receiving one vote. As of December 2015, the voting members of the ROC, listed in alphabetical order by last name, were:

Mayor Donald Atchison (Saskatoon)
Councillor Richard Beck (Warman)
Councillor Bob Blackwell (Martensville)
Councillor Susan Braun (Osler)
Mayor Ben Buhler (Osler)
Councillor Randy Donauer (Saskatoon)
Councillor David Fox (Corman Park)
Reeve Judy Harwood (Corman Park)
Councillor Terry Kostyna (Martensville)
Mayor Kent Muench (Martensville)
Councillor Eric Olauson (Saskatoon)
Councillor Gary Philipchuk (Warman)
Councillor Abe Quiring (Osler)
Mayor Sheryl Spence (Warman)

Councillor Bas Froese-Kooijenga (Corman Park)

The independent chair of the ROC is Mr. Alex Fallon, President and CEO, SREDA.

DEVELOPMENT OF A REGIONAL PLAN

Why a Regional Plan?

The latest projections show the Saskatoon region nearing a population of 500,000 in the next 20 years. Given the economic climate, we anticipate the Saskatoon region could achieve a population of one million in the next 60 years.

We want our region to be ready for growth, to enable economic prosperity for everyone, and support the quality of life that we enjoy. This has reinforced the need for a more coordinated approach to regional planning and servicing. To this end, the P4G partnering municipalities are developing a long term plan for land use and servicing that is regional in scope. The Regional Plan is anticipated to be completed in 2016.

Project Overview

The Regional Plan will establish a coordinated approach to matters related to the physical, social, or economic circumstances of the Saskatoon region that may affect the development of the region as a whole, such as land use, population, transportation, utilities, services and finances.

On October 23, 2014, the P4G announced that O2 Planning + Design Inc. from Calgary, Alberta has been selected to complete the Regional Plan. The project will be completed in three phases:

Phase 1 – Vision Development and Background Report

This phase involves the development of a vision and guiding principles for the Regional Plan. A background report for the Region will also be completed during this phase. This phase of the project is now complete.

Phase 2 – Interim Development Strategy and Draft Regional Plan

This phase involves the development of a concept for regional land use. An interim development strategy will provide guidance to municipalities on potential long-term land uses while the Regional Plan is in development. This strategy will be used as a basis for a more refined Regional Land Use Map and supporting policies in the draft Regional Plan. A Servicing Strategy will also be developed.

Phase 3 – Implementation Plan for Regional Growth Accommodation

During this phase, the draft Regional Plan will be refined based on feedback received and a strategy will be created to identify how the plan should be implemented and managed over the long term.

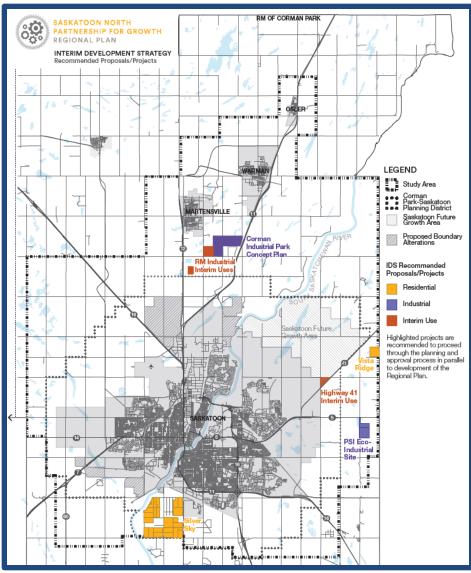
2015 ACHIEVEMENTS

The P4G has attained a number of major achievements during the 2015 year. These achievements included:

ROC approval of the Regional Plan Vision, Guiding Principles and Strategic Direction (April 30, 2015)

The Vision, Guiding Principles and Strategic Direction sets the direction and tone for the Regional Plan process. The Regional Plan Vision is highlighted at the beginning of this document and the Guiding Principles are outlined here.





ROC approval of the Interim Development Strategy (May 26, 2015)

The Interim **Development Strategy** was completed to respond to development pressures by creating a process to proceed while the Regional Plan is being developed. The Strategy identifies development projects that are of joint interest to the P4G municipalities and highlights conditions under which P4G member municipalities may allow them to move forward at the same time the Regional Plan is being developed.



Public Open Houses (June 2 and 3, 2015) and Rights-Holder / Stakeholder Engagement

Over 100 people attended two public open houses which provided the public an introduction to the Regional Plan project. The open houses boards were also available on line as well as an online interactive map. In addition, throughout 2015 the P4G and O2 Planning + Design met with several First Nations with Reserves and land holdings in the study area and with numerous stakeholder groups on the Regional Plan.

State of the Region Report released (September 10, 2015)

The State of the Region Report, prepared by O2 Planning + Design, provides a foundation for the Regional Plan and associated implementation strategy by presenting the regional context and identifying major issues for consideration as part of the process. The content of the Report is linked with the major areas of interest for the Regional Plan, and includes the following sections: People; Economy; Land; and, Infrastructure.

ANTICIPATED MILESTONES FOR 2016

A number of major milestones are anticipated during the 2016 year including:

- 1. Draft Regional Land Use Map, Regional Servicing Strategy and Development Policies.
- 2. Public engagement and rights-holder / stakeholder engagement.
- 3. Implementation Plan including Governance and Administrative Structures.

REGIONAL PLAN PROJECT FINANCIALS

PROJECT FUNDING

Funding for the development of the Regional Plan was endorsed by each of the partner municipalities as follows:

MUNICIPALITY	2014 FUNDING CONTRIBUTION	2015 FUNDING CONTRIBUTION	2016 FUNDING CONTRIBUTION	TOTAL
Saskatoon	\$206,000	\$60,000	\$30,000	\$296,000
Corman Park	\$100,000	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$200,000
Warman	\$50,000	\$75,000	\$75,000	\$200,000
Martensville	\$50,000	\$75,000	\$75,000	\$200,000
Osler	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$30,000
TOTAL	\$416,000	\$270,000	\$240,000	\$926,000

PROJECT COSTS

Proposed Project Budget endorsed as part of Foundational Documents

ITEM	ESTIMATED TOTAL PROJECT COST	
Consultant for the Development of the Regional Plan	\$686,000	
Dedicated Project Manager	\$240,000	
TOTAL	\$926,000	

^{*} Costs to not include any in-kind costs contributed by P4G or the participating municipalities.

Consultant Fees (October 2014 to December 2015)

Item	Budgeted Amount	Total Expended	% of Budget Complete
Project Management	\$39,400.00	\$34,260.00	87%
Phase 1 Project Startup, Vision Development and Regional Background Report	\$125,120.00	\$125,120.00	100%
Phase 2 Interim Development Strategy and Draft Regional Plan	\$300,760.00	\$216,606.00	72%
Phase 3 Implementation Plan	\$125,540.00	\$9,010.00	7%
Disbursements	\$59,082.00	\$38,499.60	65%
TOTAL	\$649,902.00	\$423,495.60	65%

Other Project Costs

Other project costs for January to December 2015 including P4G Project Manager salary and associated costs / bus tour fees / other charges amount to \$83,908.47.

^{*} All amounts exclude GST where applicable.