



**SASKATOON NORTH
PARTNERSHIP FOR GROWTH
(P4G)**

2022 Annual Report



SASKATOON NORTH PARTNERSHIP FOR GROWTH (P4G) REGIONAL VISION

Our vision for the future is a vibrant, prosperous, and internationally competitive region. The municipalities 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 P4G municipalities 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 in the region.

The P4G municipalities work in partnership on issues of common interest through integrated, coordinated efforts that support success while respecting the individual aspirations of all partners.

Adopted by the Regional Oversight Committee on April 30, 2015

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ABOUT THE SASKATOON NORTH PARTNERSHIP FOR GROWTH

The Saskatoon North Partnership for Growth (P4G) includes political and administrative representation from the partnering municipalities of the Cities of Warman, Martensville and Saskatoon, the Rural Municipality of Corman Park and the Town of Osler.

The P4G was formed to bring a collaborative and coordinated approach to intermunicipal matters related to the growth of the region to one million people including land use, population, transportation, utilities, services and finances. The first tangible step in this direction was the endorsement of the P4G regional plan by the partner municipalities in 2017.

To formalize and implement this new regional framework, the partners worked towards establishing a new P4G Planning District, which replaced the former Corman Park – Saskatoon Planning District which was disbanded in December 2021.

The P4G Planning District was established by provincial Minister's order to be in effect starting on January 1, 2022.

For information about the P4G, please visit: www.partnershipforgrowth.ca

P4G Committees

Prior to 2022, P4G membership comprised of two main committees: the P4G Regional Oversight Committee and the P4G Planning & Administration Committee. Due to the approval of the P4G Planning District in 2022, additional committees have been formed which are highlighted in this report.

The Regional Oversight Committee (ROC)

The ROC consists of political representatives and senior management from each P4G partner municipality. The ROC sets priorities for the P4G, including the annual work plan and budget, and provides direction on matters of regional importance, particularly those involving a financial commitment. The ROC is a recommending body, responsible for reporting to municipal Councils.

In 2022, a revised terms of reference for the ROC was completed, which included changes to the membership structure and a new mandate. Voting members of the ROC now consist of two Council members from each of the partner municipalities, one of which is Reeve or Mayor along with another elected official. Along with the two voting members, an alternate Council member is also named to the ROC from each municipality. The ROC operates as a simple majority with each partner municipality receiving one vote. Two senior administrative staff also attend ROC meetings to provide support and advice.

In 2022 the ROC voting members were:

- Reeve Judy Harwood, Corman Park
- Councillor Bas Froese-Kooijenga, Corman Park
- Councillor Art Pruim, Corman Park (Alternate)
- Mayor Kent Muench, Martensville
- Councillor Spencer Nikkel, Martensville
- Councillor Mike Cox, Martensville (Alternate)

- Mayor Abe Quiring, Osler
- Councillor Susan Braun, Osler
- Councillor Adam Humenuik, Osler (Alternate)
- Mayor Charlie Clark, Saskatoon
- Councillor Randy Donauer, Saskatoon
- Councillor Zach Jeffries, Saskatoon (Alternate)
- Mayor Gary Philipchuk, Warman
- Councillor Richard Beck, Warman
- Councillor Doug Ramage, Warman (Alternate)

Throughout 2022, the following administrative staff contributed to the ROC:

- Rebecca Row, Corman Park
- Ken Kolb, Corman Park
- Bonnie Gorelitz, Martensville
- Matt Gruza, Martensville
- Lorie Foster, Osler
- Tyson McShane, Saskatoon
- Lesley Anderson, Saskatoon
- Lynne Lacroix, Saskatoon
- Galen Heinrichs, Saskatoon
- Brad Toth, Warman
- Bob Smith, Warman
- Jodi Manastyrski, P4G Solicitor

The Planning and Administration Committee (PAC)

With its focus on the growth and promotion of strong regional planning, the PAC is comprised of administration representatives from each of the participating municipalities. PAC is responsible for undertaking the annual work plan, prepare quarterly and annual reports, and provide recommendations to ROC.

In 2022 the PAC members were:

- Rebecca Row, Corman Park
- Bonnie Gorelitz, Martensville
- Matt Gruza, Martensville
- Lorie Foster, Osler
- Tyson McShane, Saskatoon
- Brad Toth, Warman

Through 2022, ROC and PAC met regularly to discuss regional issues, ensuring effective and efficient collaboration, which recognizes and responds to the most pressing needs of the P4G region. The hard work and dedication by the committee members is represented through a variety of achievements as outlined in this annual report.

2022 ACHIEVEMENTS

The P4G achieved a number of significant milestones mostly notably establishment of the P4G Planning District as well as completion and approval of the North Concept Plan. Those, and other 2022 P4G achievements are summarized below.

Approval of New P4G Planning District by the Province

On September 3, 2021, the P4G Planning District Agreement, P4G District OCP, and P4G District Zoning Bylaw were provided to the province for review, approval and establishment of the P4G Planning District. The three documents were approved by the province on December 10, 2021 with an establishment date for the new P4G Planning District on January 1, 2022. The P4G Planning District has been in effect since that date.

Establishment of the P4G District Planning Commission

The legislative authority granted to a Planning District is set out in provincial *Planning and Development Act, 2007* (the Act). The Act establishes that a District Planning Commission (DPC) is the basis for any governance model. The approved P4G Planning District Agreement provided for the establishment of a P4G DPC to review and provide recommendations on the relevant planning applications in the P4G Planning District.

Each P4G municipality is allowed two municipal representatives on the P4G DPC (minimum one elected official), including an alternate, and participates in the selection of the three joint members for a total P4G DPC voting membership of 13. Administrative staff also attend the P4G DPC meetings in a non-voting capacity to provide support.

The first P4G DPC meeting commenced on February 2, 2022 to hear updates and provide recommendations on planning applications. Monthly meetings were held following that throughout every month of 2022.

In 2022 the P4G DPC members were:

- Reeve Judy Harwood, Corman Park
- Councillor Bas Froese-Kooijenga, Corman Park
- Mayor Kent Muench, Martensville
- Councillor Spencer Nikkel, Martensville
- Mayor Abe Quiring, Osler
- Councillor Adam Humenuik, Osler
- Councillor Susan Braun, Osler (Alternate)
- Councillor Bev Dubois, Saskatoon
- Councillor Randy Donauer, Saskatoon
- Mayor Gary Philipchuk, Warman
- Councillor Richard Beck, Warman
- John Mathison, Joint Member
- Bruce Richet, Joint Member
- Brad Sylvester, Joint Member

Corman Park planning staff provide administrative support to the DPC as DPC Secretary, as well as through administration, review and recommendations on planning applications.

The DPC Administrative Working Group (DPCA)

In 2022, a District Planning Commission administrative working group was formed, called the DPCA, consisting of numerous municipal planning staff who meet monthly to discuss the active planning district files and applications. These meetings are coordinated by the DPC Secretary to ensure agenda and file management and are separate from PAC.

DPCA members are supported by their respective PAC members, and on more significant regional development files, PAC may provide additional support and guidance to DPCA as needed.

In 2022 the DPCA members were:

- Jessica Mitchell, DPC Secretary, Corman Park
- Adam Toth, Corman Park
- Vicky Reaney, Corman Park
- Jeremy Dela Cruz, Corman Park
- Kristie Muzyka, Corman Park
- Bonnie Gorelitza, Martensville
- Lorie Foster, Osler
- Dana Kripki, Saskatoon
- Vanessa Wellsch, Saskatoon
- Ben Fawcett, Saskatoon
- Chloe Mrozowich, Saskatoon
- Brad Toth, Warman

Depending on the municipality, elected officials or staff may have the same or different members on ROC, DPC, PAC and DPCA, however the roles and responsibilities to the committees will differ.

North Concept Plan

The North Concept Plan will provide land use and servicing details for a key growth area of the P4G region located north of Saskatoon and south of Warman and Martensville. Following two public engagement sessions held in 2020, a final draft plan was provided at the end of December 2021 for municipal review.

North Concept Plan approvals took place by the partner municipalities in 2022, and the necessary P4G District Official Community Plan amendments have been passed by the municipalities. Approval by the province on the bylaw amendments is pending, but expected in early 2023. Implementation of the North Concept Plan including development application approvals, additional servicing studies and completion of a regional cost recovery framework are expected to follow.

Phase 2 Drainage Study

The review and refinement of the Green Network Study Area (GNSA) in the eastern and southeastern portions of the P4G Planning District continued to progress in 2022 as the second of three regional drainage studies was completed. The report describes the

general hydraulic conditions during a one-hundred-year return period storm event, and includes flood depths, hazard classification, and flow rates.

Corman Park, on behalf of the P4G, received federal funding through the National Disaster Mitigation Program for the project.

The final report is going through the P4G approvals process and is expected to be made public in early 2023.

New P4G Executive Director Hired

In the fall of 2022, the P4G decided that a new executive director should be hired for 2023 to assist ROC and PAC in achieving the annual work plan priorities and to raise the profile of P4G.

Rebecca Row was hired as the new P4G executive director effective January 3, 2023.

2023 INITIATIVES

In 2023, the P4G will be focused on completing and undertaking a number of projects that continue to support implementation of regional planning efforts including:

- North Concept Plan implementation
- Regional Market Study
- P4G Strategic Plan
- Phase 3 Drainage Study – West Sector
- Two Phase Regional Fees & Levy Study
- Green Network Study Area Phase 1 Refinement – North Sector

Additionally, a number of other projects that have regional implications are being undertaken by the P4G municipalities, but are not managed or funded through P4G as a whole, including the South East Concept Plan and the Regional Community Services Node Concept Plan.

REGIONAL PLAN PROJECT FINANCIALS

CAPITAL AND OPERATIONAL FUNDING

In 2022, no new capital projects were planned in order to successfully complete ongoing projects, manage budget pressures, and the ensure there was sufficient municipal capacity necessary to implement the new P4G Planning District.

Any funds not expended are carried forward to subsequent budget years.

Funding for 2022 P4G work was endorsed by each of the partner municipal Councils as follows:

Municipality	Contribution to Capital	Contribution to Operation	Total Contribution
Corman Park	\$0	\$ 72,867.69	\$ 72,867.69
Martensville	\$0	\$ 72,867.69	\$ 72,867.69

Municipality	Contribution to Capital	Contribution to Operation	Total Contribution
Osler	\$0	\$13,879.56	\$13,879.56
Saskatoon	\$0	\$114,506.37	\$114,506.37
Warman	\$0	\$ 72,867.69	\$ 72,867.69
TOTAL	\$0	\$346,989.00	\$346,989.00