

What We Did

On February 18, 2020 the Board made motions to mutually adopt an exemption to the requirement for an IDP with eight (8) neighboring municipalities:

- Town of Oyen
- Town of Hanna
- Stettler County
- Village of Empress
- Village of Youngstown
- Starland County
- Village of Cereal
- Cypress County

The Special Areas Board developed an Intermunicipal Development Plan (IDPs) in partnership with eight (8) neighboring municipalities:

- Town of Drumheller
- Village of Veteran
- Village of Consort
- County of Paintearth
- County of Newell
- Wheatland County
- M.D. of Acadia
- M.D. of Provost

On February 25, 2020, the Special Areas Board (“the Board”) held first reading for the eight IDP documents and directed administration to proceed with advertising a public hearing set for March 10, 2020 in Youngstown, AB. Public consultation on the IDP documents included accepting written feedback until March 2, 2020. In addition to written submissions, anyone impacted by the IDP documents was encouraged to attend the March 10 public hearing in-person to share their feedback with the Board. On March 10, 2020 a public hearing was held in Youngstown, AB for the eight IDPs which had first reading held on them. One ratepayer attended the public hearing. After the public hearing, the Board held second reading for the eight IDP documents. The eight IDP documents were recommended for third reading (Ministerial Order) to the Minister of Municipal Affairs.

A notice of public hearing was advertised in local newspapers for the two weeks preceding the public hearing, including: Brooks Bulletin, Hanna Herald, Oyen Echo, Consort Enterprise. ECA Review, Hanna Coffee Break, Oyen Coffee Break. The total cost of traditional advertising was \$2127.58. A copy of the notice of public hearing is included in *Appendix 1*.

Digital campaign posts were shared on Special Areas Board social media channels and on the SAB website weekly, including notices advertising the public hearing and notices sharing information on how to share feedback prior to March 2, 2020. Written submissions were directed to the Communications Officer via email (public.input@specialareas.ab.ca) or traditional mail. Copies of digital notices are included in *Appendix 1*.

What We Heard

There were no emailed submissions received for the eight IDP documents.

One written submission was received from a ratepayer with a residence located within the fringe area identified in the IDP with County of Newell. Concerns included managing the type of development in the river valley area, supporting responsible recreational access, allowing agriculture to prevail, and increasing enforcement needs for managing campsites in the area.

One ratepayer attended the public hearing on March 10, 2020 in Youngstown, AB. No comments were provided on any of the eight IDP documents being considered for second reading.

Summary

The Special Areas Board held second reading for draft Intermunicipal Development Plans on Tuesday, March 10, 2020. All draft IDPs were recommended for third reading to the Minister of Municipal Affairs.

The IDPs were approved by Ministerial Orders in 2020.

An Intermunicipal Development Plan (IDP) is a planning document created by neighboring municipalities to foster cooperation and integrated development near the municipal boundaries. The policies within the IDP guide future growth and development by identifying general locations for major land uses and servicing. The document also creates a referral zone and a framework for dispute resolution. The Special Areas Board is developing an Intermunicipal Development Plan document collaboratively with each adjacent municipality. Once finalized, this document is then approved by the Council (via Ministerial Order for the Special Areas Board).

APPENDIX 1

Notice of Public Hearing – Paper Advertisement



NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

INTERMUNICIPAL DEVELOPMENT PLANS

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The Special Areas Board is planning to hold public hearings to gather input from interested and affected parties for the following plans:

- Village of Veteran
- Village of Consort
- County of Paintearth No. 18
- M.D. of Provost No. 52
- M.D. of Acadia No. 34
- Town of Drumheller
- Wheatland County
- County of Newell


Public hearings will be held on Tuesday, March 10, 2020 beginning at 11:00 am at the Special Areas Youngstown Service Center located at 404-2nd Ave. E, Youngstown, AB.

The draft IDPs are available for viewing online at www.specialareas.ab.ca.

Comments on the draft IDPs can be sent to Maeghan Chostner, Communications Officer via written submission, and will be accepted until March 2, 2020. Written comments will be presented publicly to the Board at the above hearing date. Written comments can be submitted via:

- email – public.input@specialareas.ab.ca
- mail - Maeghan Chostner, Communications Officer
Special Areas Board
Box 820
Hanna, AB T0J 1P0
Attn: IDP public consultation

Digital Advertising – Public Hearing



Special Areas Board
40 mins ·

Have some feedback on a draft Intermunicipal Development Plan? We want to hear from you!

A public hearing has been planned for tomorrow, March 10, at the Youngstown Service Center. It starts at 11:00 am.

Head to <http://ow.ly/INd550yix0p> to learn more.
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Digital Advertising – Public Consultation – Feedback Process (to March 2)



Special Areas Board
March 1 at 3:00 PM ·

We want to hear from you! You have until end of day tomorrow, March 2, to provide written feedback on our draft Intermunicipal Development Plans (IDPs).

Head to <http://ow.ly/cGWz50yiwsO> to learn more.
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INTERMUNICIPAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN
How To Share Your Feedback

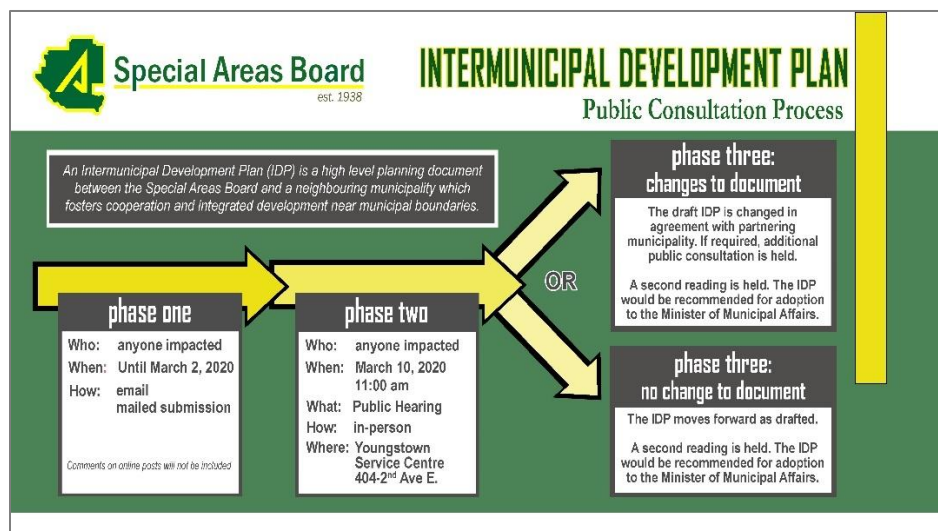
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WRITTEN SUBMISSION: Maeghan Chostner, Communications
Special Areas Board,
P.O. Box 11111, Edmonton, AB T6C 1B6




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INTERMUNICIPAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN

How To Share Your Feedback

WE NEED TO HEAR FROM YOU


Share your thoughts about the draft IDPs with us!
Provide your feedback through email, with a written submission, or at the public hearing.

An Intermunicipal Development Plan (IDP) is a high level planning document between the Special Areas Board and a neighbouring municipality which fosters cooperation and integrated development near municipal boundaries.

Public feedback is being requested from anyone who may be impacted by the draft Intermunicipal Development Plan (IDP) to support meaningful public consultation.

CONTACT US:



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