



Summer 2017

**TOWN OF BARRHEAD
MUNICIPAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN QUESTIONNAIRE**

Dear Sir/Madame:

North Star Planning Inc. is assisting the Town of Barrhead with a general modernization of the Town of Barrhead Municipal Development Plan. This Plan provides policy direction to issues related to land use.

The following questions will help us to determine what residents and other stakeholders would like to see in a new Municipal Development Plan. We don't request any information that will identify you or your place of residence.

Your effort to complete the following survey is much appreciated.

Question #1: Are you a resident of the Town of Barrhead?

Yes __, No __, How Long __ years

Question #2: Your age group

_____ 17 or younger

_____ 18-29

_____ 30-49

_____ 50-59

_____ 60+

Question #3: Have you ever applied for a development permit or subdivision approval within the Town?

Yes __, No __,

Question #4: What do you see as the main drivers in the economy in the Town of Barrhead (i.e., Highway Commercial, Agriculture)?



Question #5: If you are a Land Developer or own a business:

Has your experience with planning and development in the Town presented any barriers or difficulties for your development project(s)? If so, please explain.

Yes __, No __,

Question #6: What measures should the Town of Barrhead undertake (planning wise) to encourage further business growth?

Question #7: Provide an example of a well done residential, commercial or industrial neighbourhood in Barrhead or another municipality?

Residential:
Commercial:
Industrial:



Question #8: Should the Town provide landscaping requirements as part of the development permit process to deal with issues such as drainage, vegetation and overall lot appearance?

Yes __, No __,

Question #9: Do you use your neighbourhood parks?

Yes __, No __,

If no, please describe what would be required to make our parks more attractive to you for recreational use. If yes, which park is your favourite and why?

Question #10: Should the downtown commercial area be allowed to expand into adjoining residential areas?

Yes __, No __,

Question 11: If you answered no to question 10, where should future commercial development be encouraged to locate within the Town?

Question 12: What should the Town and downtown businesses do to make the downtown more attractive to you?



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Question #13: Should the Town and businesses strive to make the community more user friendly for pedestrians, cyclists and other non-motorized travel?

Question #14: Should the Town allow for a density bonus or other benefit for incorporating alternative forms of energy from homeowners/businesses such as wind power, geo-exchange and solar power?

Yes __, No __,

Question #15: Should the Town conduct more enforcement against illegal development and unsightly yards, or does the Town hit the right balance between community standards and landowner rights? Please comment.

Question #16: What would you like to see developed on the former railway lands that are adjacent to Downtown?



Question 17: Should the Town, in newly developed neighbourhoods, require the following infrastructure knowing that this will increase the price and servicing costs for the lots:

- Lanes in subdivisions,
- Solar power lighting for street lights,
- Separated sidewalks on all streets,
- Separated sidewalks only on major streets,

Yes __, No __,

Question 18: In-fill development has been a major driver in the housing market in Barrhead over the last decade. In-fill development is where an older home on an existing lot is replaced with two or more additional dwellings.

a) If an in-fill development has taken place in your neighbourhood, please describe your experience (good, bad or indifferent):

b) Please describe any suggestions that you may have to improve the in-fill experience.



c) Is it important to ensure that a neighbourhood that is mostly houses maintains that character through limiting the amount of in-fill that can take place in a neighbourhood?

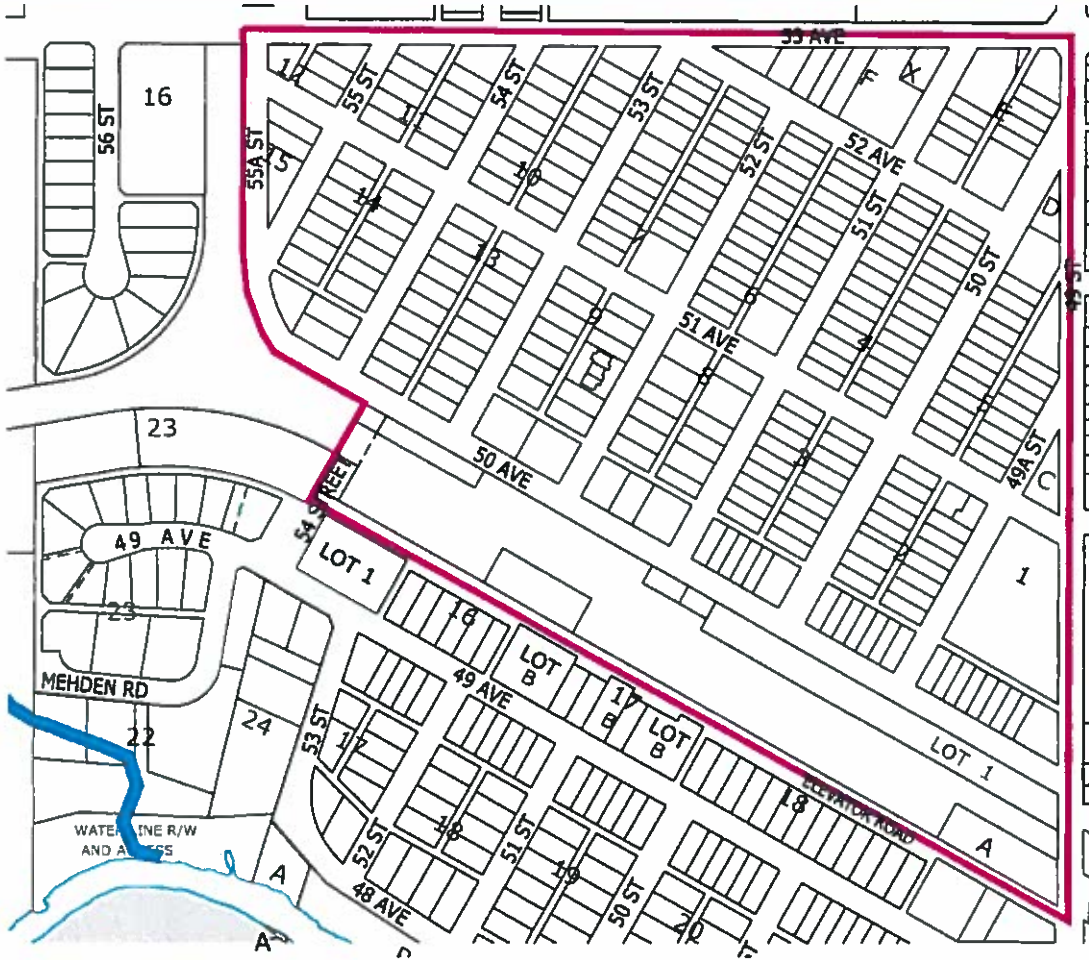
Yes __, No __,

d) Should there be limits on how much in-fill can take place in a neighbourhood before no further in-fill can be approved?

Yes __, No __,

e) If you answered yes to the previous question, please describe your ideas to allow in-fill while maintaining the character of your neighbourhood.

The next few questions are specific to the area west of Downtown, north of the old railway tracks and south of Highway No. 18. The land is described on the map below:



Question 19: Would you support one or more street accesses onto Highway No. 18 being closed? This would turn those street(s) into cul-de-sacs which has the benefit of limiting access to local traffic only and slowing traffic down. With closures, traffic on 52 Avenue and 55A Street may increase if one or more streets (55 and 54 Street) are closed.

Yes __, No __,

Question 20: Would you support the enhancement of 51 Avenue to encourage pedestrian traffic to Downtown?

Yes __, No __,

Please explain:



Question 21: Should the Town encourage small scale commercial development that is designed primarily to service walk in traffic on 51 Avenue or 50 Avenue?

Yes __, No __,

Question 22: Would you support multi-use residential and commercial development within this area?

Yes __, No __,

Question 23: Should the Town allow for housing (other than apartment rental) that is designed specifically for single people in this area? Homes of this type may be smaller than typical homes, have single garages and other features designed for single person households.

Yes __, No __,

We would also like to hear your opinion on any other land use related subject that you would wish to comment on:



This concludes our survey. Thank you in advance for your attention to these important issues. If you would like to further participate, please contact us at:

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