

# INTRODUCTION

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The *Local Government Act*, Part 26, provides the legislative framework under which KAMPLAN 2004: The Official Community Plan is to be prepared. It outlines the general purpose of a community plan and lists both the required and optional contents of the plan.

Section 875 (1) of the *Local Government Act* states that, "An Official Community Plan is a statement of objectives and policies to guide decisions on planning and land use management, within the area covered by the plan, respecting the purposes of local government."

Section 877 of the Act outlines the required content as follows:

"A community plan must include statements and map designations for the area covered by the plan respecting the following:

1. The approximate location, amount, type, and density of residential development required to meet anticipated housing needs for a period of at least five years;
2. The approximate location, amount, and type of present and proposed commercial, industrial, institutional, agricultural, recreational, and public utility land uses;
3. The approximate location and area of sand and gravel deposits that are suitable for sand and gravel extraction;
4. Restrictions on the use of land that is subject to hazardous conditions or that is environmentally sensitive to development;
5. The approximate location and phasing of any major road, sewer, and water systems;
6. The approximate location and type of present and proposed public facilities including schools, parks, and waste treatment and disposal sites; and
7. Housing policies of the local government respecting affordable housing, rental housing, and special needs housing."

Section 878 outlines optional policy statements that a local government may include in the community plan as follows:

- "1. Policies of the local government relating to social needs, social well-being, and social development;
2. A regional context statement consistent with the rest of the community plan as it relates to regional, social, economic, and environmental objectives;

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3. Policies of the local government respecting the maintenance and enhancement of farming in an area designated for agricultural use in the community plan; and
4. Policies of the local government relating to the preservation, protection, restoration, and enhancement of the natural environment, its ecosystems, and biological diversity."

## KAMPLAN 2004 PROCESS

KAMPLAN 2004: The Official Community Plan was prepared through an extensive process of community consultation, including direction provided by an Advisory Planning Committee, a Technical Committee, and frequent meetings with major stakeholders in the community, including neighbourhood associations, the Business Improvement Associations, the Thompson Rivers University, and others. The KAMPLAN Advisory Committee was composed of residents from throughout the City, as well as representatives from the development and real estate industries. The Technical Committee was composed of City staff who provided continuing and timely input on City initiatives such as the Tournament Capital of Canada Facility Expansion Program, the water treatment plant, the Liquid Waste Management Plan, and Safer City. Stakeholder input, such as that provided by the Business Improvement Associations or the non-profit sector, provided specific feedback on issues relevant to each stakeholder group. The chronology of the KAMPLAN 2004 process is outlined on the following table.

Based on the input received through the KamTalk community conference and the public open houses conducted in May and June of 2002, the KAMPLAN Advisory Committee developed a community vision that would provide the guiding principles to KAMPLAN 2004.

November 2001	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• KamTalk Community Conference.</li></ul>
February 2002	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Formation of KAMPLAN Advisory Committee.</li></ul>
March 2002	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• First meeting of KAMPLAN Advisory Committee.</li><li>• KamTalk proceedings published.</li></ul>
April 2002	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Issue identification with KAMPLAN Advisory Committee.</li><li>• Technical Committee review of issues.</li></ul>
May/June 2002	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Public open houses at eight locations throughout the City.</li></ul>
Summer 2002	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Review of secondary plans.</li><li>• Technical analysis of demographic and development trends.</li></ul>

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October/November  
2002

- Development of Kamloops Vision Statement with KAMPLAN Advisory Committee.
- Presentation on KAMPLAN to non-profit sector.

December 2002

- Preparation of policy framework.

January/February  
2003

- Review of policy framework by KAMPLAN Advisory Committee and Technical Committee.

March-June 2003

- Draft KAMPLAN 2004 prepared.

Summer 2003

- Review of draft KAMPLAN 2004 by KAMPLAN Advisory Committee and Technical Committee.

October 2003

- Second draft of KAMPLAN 2004 prepared and reviewed by committees.

December 2003

- Public open houses to present KAMPLAN 2004.

January/April  
2004

- Workshop on KAMPLAN with City Council to discuss major changes.
- April 27th first reading by City Council.

May/December  
2004

- Forward document to TNRD, Agricultural Land Commission, and other agencies.
- Revisions.

May/June 2005

- Second Reading.
- Public Hearing.
- Adoption.

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### **COMMUNITY VISION**

Kamloops will continue to provide the best quality of life for all residents by:

- building strong and diverse neighbourhoods;
- providing a variety of housing types;
- encouraging healthy and active lifestyles;
- supporting cultural and athletic pursuits;
- diversifying economic and educational opportunities; and
- maintaining sustainable environmental stewardship.