



Urban Planning and Economy  
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## National Urban Park Initiative

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## Background

- Parks Canada has launched a new program, the National Urban Park Program
- The City of Edmonton and Parks Canada have engaged in early discussions to learn more about the Program, and the opportunities it presents

# The City Plan Implementation Approach



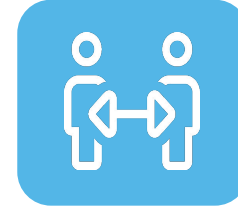
## Planning, Policy & Regulation



## Process & Service Delivery



## Data & Measurement



## People, Partnerships & Change Management

### Examples

- District Planning
- City Planning Framework
- Zoning Bylaw Renewal
- Prioritized budgeting
- Business planning
- Operational service delivery
- Measures and targets
- Transparent reporting
- Organizational change management
- External relationships and partnership





## Goals of the National Urban Park Program

A national urban parks policy is currently under development by Parks Canada.

Sites considered for advancement through the program will include those that:

- contribute to national conservation targets;
- create parks close to large population centres;
- advance shared priorities, including reconciliation.



## Potential Sites in Edmonton

- A small site, or a network of small sites, in the River Valley
- A large, continuous segment of the River Valley and Ravine System
- Tableland land natural areas

## Considerations

- Governance and decision-making
- Roles and responsibilities
- Long-term land use planning
- Federal jurisdiction, regulations, policies, and processes
- Impacts to partners and community groups



## Next Steps

- Statement of Collaboration
- Technical work, engagement, and business planning

# Thank You.

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