

# City of Port Alberni

### **Corporate Strategic Plan 2012-2016**



### **2014 UPDATE**



### City of Port Alberni Corporate Strategic Plan 2012 – 2016 2014 Update

### Vision

The City of Port Alberni has adopted the Alberni Valley Vision created through the public process led by Outlook 20/20.

### The CITY OF PORT ALBERNI is a vibrant waterfront community at the heart of the West Coast that...

- Is sustainable and environmentally responsible,
  - The City of Port Alberni is committed to principles of economic, social and environmental sustainability. The City provides environmentally responsible services and infrastructure that meet our current and future needs.
- Is safe caring and healthy,
  - The City of Port Alberni is committed to creating a safe and healthy community. The City provides safe and accessible facilities, parks and open spaces for the enjoyment and well being of its citizens. The City is proud of it innovative and responsive parks, recreation and cultural services. The City's greatest asset is the "social capital" created by the active involvement of staff and volunteers in all aspects of service delivery.
- Has a robust and diverse economy,
  - The City encourages and supports economic development and the creation of a diversified economy, through active promotion of the City and partnering with a wide range of stakeholders. The City is business friendly and ensures policies and by-laws support a diversified economy including entrepreneurial activity, industry, small business, agriculture and tourism. The City recognizes the waterfront as our greatest natural asset and works to ensure that it integrates residents, tourists, arts, culture, industry and innovation.

#### • Is welcoming, accessible and attractive,

 The City of Port Alberni is an attractive and livable city. We embrace and celebrate our natural, historical, cultural and geographic resources. Residents and visitors are welcomed and included in all aspects of service delivery. The City is recognized for service excellence through staff consistently delivering high quality services and meeting the needs of the public.

#### • and Is actively creating its future

 Mayor and Council provide strong leadership based on a long term vision and ensure public participation in setting priorities. Citizens have access to all public information and participate in decisions that affect their well-being. The City includes economic, social and environmental factors in their decision making processes. The city is fiscally responsible and creates a climate for investment and involvement by its citizens.

### Mission

### Our Mission is to enhance the quality of life of residents and taxpayers by creating a vibrant waterfront community.

- providing or facilitating the delivery of high quality core municipal services and programs;
- balancing economic, environmental and social benefits
- being fiscally responsible;
- planning and encouraging development to ensure a thriving economy and a strong tax base;
- maintaining sustainable infrastructure;
- providing leadership and building partnerships (internal/external), which will be of benefit to the City.

Each city department is guided by their strategic service plan which contributes to achieving the City's Vision and Mission.

### **Our Values**

These value statements are the expression of our organization's fundamental beliefs which define our management style and behaviour.

City Council, municipal staff and volunteers are committed to the following values:

- Service to Others providing high quality, reliable and friendly customer service.
- **Respect** consideration for the beliefs and needs of others.
- **Integrity** honesty in all dealings and the courage to act and live by these values.
- **Innovation** open to change and learning in order to improve effectiveness and efficiency.
- **Contribution** pride in one's work and the recognition and appreciation of skills and accomplishments.

### Four Pillars Approach

The 'Four Pillars' approach to municipal government planning recognizes the need to balance social, environmental, economic and cultural perspectives. There is an emphasis on 'sustainability', ensuring that the needs are being met today but also that future requirements are being strategically addressed.

### Sustainability – a definition

The standard definition for Sustainability is: "Sustainable development is development that meets the needs of the current generation without impairing the ability of future generations to meet their own needs." The Bruntland Report – United Nations World Commission on Environment and Development, 1987



### **Strategic Goals and Objectives**

The Strategic Plan grounds itself in five Strategic Goals with related Objectives. Each objective is broken into specific Initiatives and each initiative into Tasks which also detail where possible the sphere of influence, time frame, responsibility, and resources required.

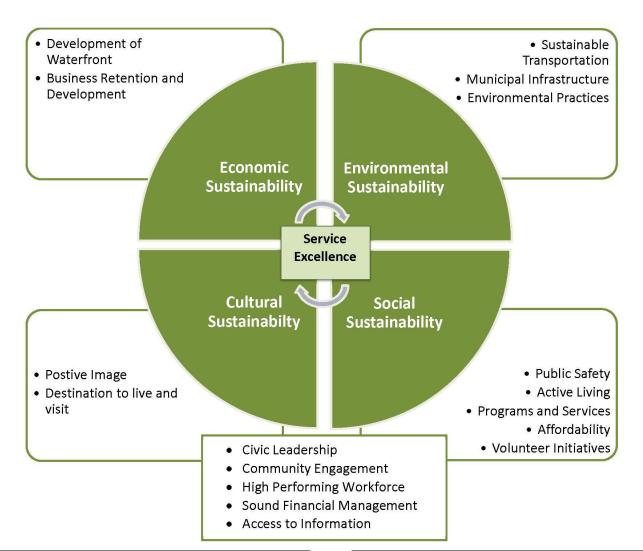
The structure of the Strategic Plan is based on a hierarchy of:

Vision>

Goals>

Objectives> Initiatives>

Tasks>



### **Time Periods**

*Immediate and on-going*: these are initiatives that are on-going and should continue, or that should be undertaken within the next 6 months

**Short-term**: these initiatives should be undertaken (or at least initiated) between 6 months to one year of the present time.

*Medium-term*: these actions should be undertaken between 1 and 3 years from now.

*Long-term*: these are actions that should be undertaken in 3-10 years' time, or beyond as circumstances require.

### **Spheres of Influence**

**Corporate Operations** – As a corporation, employer and owner of land and facilities, the City undertakes these activities.

*Municipal Jurisdiction* – The City has legislated jurisdiction in this area.

*Influencing Others* – The City has limited involvement and responsibility for the item. They can take on a small or contributing role, but they are not directly responsible for the provision or planning of the service.

*No Responsibility or Not Applicable* – the City has no responsibility for this item.

### Five Strategic Goals with Objectives- Summary

### Strategic Goal #1: A responsible, livable and environmentally sustainable community.

- Objective 1.1 Provide sustainable transportation corridors.
- Objective 1.2 Provide and sustain needed municipal infrastructure for now and future generations.
- Objective 1.3 Promote sustainable environmental practices.

## Strategic Goal #2: An engaged, inclusive, healthy and socially sustainable community.

- Objective 2.1 Support public safety through provision of protective services.
- Objective 2.2 Ensure high quality of life through the promotion of active living.
- Objective 2.3 Ensure access to City programs and services.
- Objective 2.4 Address issues of affordability.
- Objective 2.5 Maintain and grow 'social capital' by supporting volunteer initiatives.

### Strategic Goal #3: A vibrant, prosperous and economically sustainable community.

Objective 3.1	Promote the development of the waterfront.

Objective 3.2 Encourage business retention and development.

#### Strategic Goal #4: A creative and culturally sustainable community.

- Objective 4.1 Ensure a positive image of the City.
- Objective 4.2 Promote Port Alberni as a destination to live and visit.

### Strategic Goal #5: An effective organization with responsive leadership and service excellence.

- Objective 5.1 Provide civic leadership through the setting of priorities.
- Objective 5.2 Utilize effective public participation processes to increase community engagement and participation.
- Objective 5.3 Ensure a responsive and high performing workforce.
- Objective 5.4 Provide sound financial management to create long term financial stability.
- Objective 5.5 Provide proactive access to information.

### Strategic Goals and Objectives with related Initiatives As prioritized by City Council – October 2012

Within the Strategic Plan, each Goal and Objective is supported by one or more specific initiatives as identified below:

## Strategic Goal #1: A responsible, livable and environmentally sustainable community.

#### Objective 1.1 Provide sustainable transportation corridors.

- Initiative 1.1.1: Investigate additional Roger Creek crossing.
- Initiative 1.1.2: Develop waterfront Industrial Road.

### Objective 1.2 Provide and sustain needed municipal infrastructure for now and future generations.

- Initiative 1.2.1: Implement a sustainable road maintenance program.
- Initiative 1.2.2: Implement Treatment Upgrades to meet drinking water quality standards.
- Initiative 1.2.3: Implement Liquid Waste Management plan to enhance Sewage Treatment
- Initiative 1.2.4: Implement Flooding Mitigation on lower 3rd Avenue
- Initiative 1.2.5: Sustainable Major Facility Maintenance Program

#### **Objective 1.3 Promote sustainable environmental practices.**

- Initiative 1.3.1: Facilitate Redevelopment of brownfield sites.
- Initiative 1.3.5: Develop District Energy System to heat local buildings with renewable biomass.

## Strategic Goal #2: An engaged, inclusive, healthy and socially sustainable community.

#### Objective 2.2 Ensure high quality of life through the promotion of active living.

- Initiative 2.2.1: Develop long term plan for new Aquatic Centre
- Initiative 2.2.2: Lobby and support initiatives to ensure citizens have access to appropriate health care.
- Initiative 2.2:3: Draft and implement a trails and bikeways network masterplan.

#### Objective 2.3 Ensure access to City programs and services. (physical & affordable)

- Initiative 2.3.1: Maintain affordable taxes
- Initiative 2.3.2: Effective Public Transit system

#### Objective 2.4 Address issues of affordability.

• Initiative 2.4.1: Adopt sustainable land use regulations

#### Objective 2.5 Maintain and grow 'social capital' by supporting volunteer initiatives.

Initiative 2.5.1: Increase profitability of McLean Mill

# Strategic Goal #3: A vibrant, prosperous and economically sustainable community.

### Objective 3.1 Promote the development of the waterfront.

- Initiative 3.1.1: Develop Plywood Site for combination of Industrial and public access use.
- Initiative 3.1.3: Support Port Authority initiative to expand operations and obtain Asia Pacific Gateway designation.

### Objective 3.2 Encourage business retention and development.

- Initiative 3.2.1: Uptown Revitalization including tax exemption opportunities
- Initiative 3.2.2: Provide Industrial tax cap and revitalization incentives

### Strategic Goal #4: A creative and culturally sustainable community.

### Objective 4.1 Ensure a positive image of the City.

- Initiative 4.1.1: Update bylaws to better address derelict and nuisance properties.
- Initiative 4.1.2: Partner with other agencies to address social issues in uptown area.

### Objective 4.2 Promote Port Alberni as a destination to live and visit.

- Initiative 4.2.1: Undertake community marketing and promotion
- Initiative 4.2.2: Increase community Educational Opportunities

## Strategic Goal #5: An effective organization with responsive leadership and service excellence.

### Objective 5.1 Provide civic leadership through the setting of priorities.

- Initiative 5.1.1: Creation and implementation of a long term vision and goals
- Initiative 5.1.2: Utilize 'four pillar' approach to priority setting, decision making and progress reporting
- Initiative 5.1.3: Work with all levels of government to achieve priorities.
- Initiative 5.1.4: Cooperate with ACRD and PAPA on Regional Transportation Committee

## Objective 5.2 Utilize effective public participation processes to increase community engagement and participation.

• Initiative 5.2.1: Provide enhanced opportunities for public input

### Objective 5.3 Ensure a responsive and high performing workforce.

• Initiative 5.3.1: Complete Succession Plan

### Objective 5.4 Provide sound financial management to create long term financial stability.

• Initiative 5.4.1: Explore regionalization of services or development of district municipality

### Objective 5.5 Provide proactive access to information

• Initiative 5.5.1: Increase public access to information

# Detailed Framework of Tasks Associated with each Initiative including – Sphere of Influence, Time Period, Responsibility & Resources

# *Goal 1: Environmental Sustainability* – a responsible, livable and environmentally sustainable community

• Objective 1.1: To provide sustainable transportation corridors.

			Sphere of	Time	<b>D</b>		esource
	Initiatives	Tasks	Influence	Period	Responsibility	Rec HR	uirements Financial
1.1:1	Investigate additional	Review existing Transportation Plans	Corporate Operations	Short Term	Planning, Engineering		
	Roger Creek crossing	Consultant review of a Roger Creek crossing including a pedestrian only option. Confirm preferred route Provide pros and cons of optional routes. Include feasibility, trip generation, traffic movement, future growth, costing.	Corporate Operations	Med term	Planning, Engineering	Consu Itant firm	Budget
		Borrowing Approval	Corporate	Mid to long term	Clerk City Manager		2014 Referendum Question
		Right of Way acquisition	Corporate Operations	Mid to long term			
		Construction		Very long term			
1.1:2	Develop waterfront Industrial	Acquire right of way through WFP and Catalyst lands	Corporate Operations	Short term	Engineering, City Manager		2014-2015
	road	Proceed with Design Phase 1 (Ship Creek Road to Bruce Street)	Corporate Operations	Ongoing	Engineering, Planning	Consu Itant	Undertaken 2013
		Resolve land ownership along the corridor –	Influencing Others WFP,PAPA, Catalyst	Medium Term	City Manager, Engineering, Planning		
		Design Phase III (Argyle to Redford St)	Corporate Operations	Medium Term	Engineering, Planning		Budget
		Design Phase II (Bruce Street to Argyle Street)	Corporate Operations	Medium Term	Engineering, Planning		Budget

# • Objective 1.2: To provide and sustain municipal infrastructure for now and future generations

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1.2:	sustainable road	Asset Management assessment of road network	Corporate Operations	Short term	Engineering		
	maintenance program	Incremental budget increase	Corporate Operations	Medium Term	Council		Budget
1.2:2	1.2:2 Implement Treatment Upgrades to meet drinking water quality standards	Present a Water Treatment plan to VIHA for approval to reach compliance over a 5-10 year on the basis of filtration deferral for Sproat Lake.	Influence Others	Short term	Engineering		Funded by increased water rates
		Pursue with ACRD the participation of Beaver Creek and Cherry Creek in Regional Treatment option.	Influence Others	Short term	City Manager, Engineering Council		
		Negotiate with Catalyst for the use of the Sproat Lake water supply main	Influence Others	Short term	<u>ACRD</u> <u>City</u> <u>Manager,</u> <u>Engineering,</u> <u>Council</u>		
		Begin Preliminary Design of Phase 1	Corporate Operations	Complete	Engineering		
		Implement new Water Rate Structure and Water Conservation Plan measures	Corporate Operations	Ongoing- Plan Developed	Engineering		
1.2:3	<ul> <li>Implement</li> <li>Liquid Waste</li> <li>Management</li> <li>plan to</li> <li>enhance</li> <li>Sewage</li> </ul>	Complete land negotiations with Catalyst for Lagoon acquisition	Corporate operations	Complete	City Manager		cost funded from grants & sewer rates
	Treatment	Complete Liquid Waste Management Planning Process	Corporate Operations	Short term	Engineering	Con sulta nt	
		Complete design of the new Wastewater Treatment System upgrades and integration of Catalyst lagoon.	Corporate Operations	Short Term Ongoing	Engineering	Con sulta nt	

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	Initiative	Tasks	Influence	Period	Responsibility	Requ HR	uirements Financial
1.2:4	Implement Flooding Mitigation on lower 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Obtain resources to address issue - Reapply for funding	Corporate Operations Influence Others	Short term	Engineering		2.3 million project
	Avenue	Design flood works	Corporate Operations	Short term Ongoing	Engineering	Cons ultant	
		Build flood works	Corporate Operations	Mid to long term	Engineering	Contr actor	
1.2:5	Sustainable Major Facility Maintenance Program	Facility Maintenance Listing – complete facility audits for all civic buildings and create of a listing of the required major repairs. Develop a Maintenance Strategy including budgets and implementation strategy for the required facility improvements	Corporate Operations	I/OG	Parks and Recreation		Budget

### Objective 1.3: To promote sustainable practices

	Initiative	Tasks	Sphere of Influence	Time Period	Responsibility	Resourc Require HR	
1.3:1	1.3:1 Facilitate Redevelopm ent of brownfield sites	Develop Industrial Tax Exemption Bylaw as an incentive to address brownfield issues.	Municipal Jurisdiction	I/OG	Engineering, Economic Development , Planning, Clerk		
		Lobby provincial government for changes to assessments and brownfield legislation	Influencing Others	I/OG	Mayor and Council		
1.3.5	District Energy System Development	Continue to pursue grant funding from GMF and Gas Tax Funds	Complete	I/OG	Economic Development & Consultant		
		Finalize Designs and Budgets	Corporate Operations	Short Term	Economic Development & Consultant		

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Initiative	Tasks	Sphere of Influence	Time Period	Responsibility	Resource Requirements	
					HR	Financial
	Negotiate Project	Influencing	Short	Economic		
	partners if desired to	Others	Term	Development		
	defray capital costs			& Consultant		
	Sign contracts with					
	local orgs wanting to					
	connect					
	Undertake		Medium			
	Construction		Term			

### City of Port Alberni – 2014 Strategic Plan *Goal 2: Social Sustainability* – an engaged, inclusive, healthy and socially sustainable community

• Objective 2.2: To ensure a high quality of life through the promotion of active living.

	Initiative	Tasks	Sphere of Influence	Time Period	Responsibility	Resour Require	rce ements
						HR	Financial
2.2:1	Develop long term plan for new Aquatic Centre	Develop Funding Strategy for the future development of the new facility.	Corporate Operations	I/OG	Parks & Recreation		Budget
		Create a referendum package for the development of the new Aquatic Centre	Corporate Operations	Long term (5- 10 years)			City and ACRD budget
2.2:2	Work with Island Health to bring new services/ procedures to the community						
2.2:3	Draft and implement a trails and bikeways network masterplan	Jointly develop masterplan with ACRD and stakeholder input	Corporate Operations Influencing Others	Ongoing	Parks and Recreation Engineering ACRD Community		
		Develop mapping, brochures, signage promoting trails and bikeways	Corporate Operations Influencing Others	Short term	Parks and Recreation Economic Development ACRD Community		
		Undertake or support others on trail development projects especially those that increase interconnectivity of existing trails	Corporate Operations Influencing Others		Parks and Recreation Economic Development		
		Plan and install improvements, signage and laning that promotes safe cycling routes on City streets	Corporate Operations		Engineering		

# • Objective 2.3: To ensure access to City programs and services (physical, affordability)

	Initiative	Tasks	Sphere of Influence	Time Period	Responsibility	Resourc Require HR	-
2.3:1	Maintain affordable taxes, fees and charges	Monitor tax, fees & charges levels in other communities of similar size and endeavor to be below average	Corporate Operations		Council City Manager Council City Manger Finance Engineering Parks & Recreation		
2.3:2	Effective Public Transit system	Liaise with Transit Provider (Diversified) an BC Transit regarding service levels	Corporate Operations Influencing others	ongoing	Finance Engineering		
		Encourage BC Transit to undertake ridership satisfaction surveys regularly	Influencing others				
		Jointly Investigate expansion of service into regional and First Nation areas	Influencing others				

### • Objective 2.4 – To address issues of affordability

	Initiative	Tasks	Sphere of Influence	Time Period	Responsibili tv	Resourc Require HR	-
2.4:1	2.4:1 Sustainable Land Use Regulations	Undertake Zoning Bylaw review including evaluation of secondary suites and keeping of bees chickens	Corporate Operations	Complete 2014	Planning		Assessed value increase = more tax collected
		Complete review and prepare bylaw	Corporate Operations	Complete	Planning/ Clerks		

# • Objective 2.5 – To maintain and grow "social capital" by supporting volunteer initiatives.

	Initiative	Tasks	Sphere of Influence	Time Period	Responsibility	Resourc Require HR	-
2.5.1	Increase profitability of McLean Mill	Review McLean Mill financials Request marketing and financial volunteers from the community Develop and implement financial and marketing plan specific to McLean Mill	Corporate Operations Influencing Others Corporate Operations	Short term Short term Short term	Economic Development Development Economic Development		
		Develop marketing plan for heritage attractions, including proactive liaison with tourism	Corporate Operations	Medium term	Museum		

# *Goal 3: Economic Sustainability* – A vibrant, prosperous and economically sustainable community.

### • Objective 3.1: To ensure the development of the waterfront.

	Initiatives	Tasks	Sphere of Influence	Time Period	Responsibilit	Resour	ce ements
			initiaenee	i onou	y	HR	Financial
F C II P	Develop Plywood Site for combination of Industrial and public access	Issue RFP for Lot A for industrial or waterfront commercial type use	Corporate Operations	Complete	Economic Development , Parks & Recreation, Engineering		
	use	Plan for improvements to Lot C to promote public access.	Corporate Operations	Ongoing	Parks & Recreation, Engineering		
		Meet semi-annually with WFP to discuss removal of restrictive covenant	Influencing Others	I/OG	Council City Manager Economic Development		
3.1.3	Support Port Authority initiative to expand operations and obtain Asia Pacific Gateway designation		Influencing Others		Council City Manager Economic Development		

# City of Port Alberni – 2014 Strategic Plan Objective 3.2: To encourage business retention and development

Goal	Initiatives	Tasks	Sphere of Influence	Time Period	Responsibilit	Resour Require	
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3.2:1	Community Revitalization including tax exemption opportunities	Acquire anchor tenants by working with Zellers property owner and real estate firm to encourage redevelopment of the property.	Influence Others	Complete	Economic Development , Planning		
		Prepare an aggressive tax revitalization bylaw for the Uptown.	Municipal Jurisdiction	Complete			Business tax reductions will result in residential increases to maintain services
		Advertise bylaw to potential developers and businesses	Corporate Operations	Ongoing			
		Assist developers in addressing issues making sale or lease of property difficulty	Municipal Jurisdiction	Ongoing			
	3 <sup>rd</sup> Avenue Uptown Traffic Pattern Review	Prepare draft traffic calming intitiatives for uptown to discourage industrial traffic on 3rd	Corporate Operations	Short Term	Engineering		
	Arts District	Encourage further development of Rotary Arts District	Influence Others				
3.2.2	Provide Industrial tax cap	Complete 5 year "tax cap" agreement for Class 4	Municipal Operations	Complete 2012- 2016	City Manager, Finance		Industrial reductions offset by residential

### City of Port Alberni – 2014 Strategic Plan *Goal 4: Cultural Sustainability* – a creative and culturally sustainable community

### • Objective 4.1: To ensure a positive image of the City of Port Alberni

	Initiative	Tasks	Sphere of Influence	Time Period	Responsibilit y	Resource Requiremen HR	nts Financial
4.1:1	Update bylaws to better address derelict/nuis ance properties	Prepare building standards bylaw	Municipal Jurisdiction	Complete			
		Implement bylaws	Corporate Operations	Ongoing		Increase staff resources	budget
4.1:2	Partner with other agencies address social issues in	Develop a process to address 'root' causes of issues.	Municipal Jurisdiction	I/OG	Corporate Services		
		Carry out process activities with volunteer committee	Influence Others	Short term			
	uptown area	Work with businesses, residents, NGOs, etc. to implement longer term solutions	Influence Others	Medium Term			

### • Objective 4.2: To promote Port Alberni as a destination to live and visit

	Initiative	Tasks	Sphere of Influence	Time Period	Responsibility	Resource Requirem	
						HR	Financial
4.2:1	Undertake Community Marketing and	Develop and implement a community marketing plan.	Corporate Operations		Economic Development		
	Promotion	Investigate Promotional Signage opportunities	Corporate Operations /Influence Others		Economic Development		
		Review effectiveness of existing Directional way finding signage and make improvements if needed.	Corporate Operations		Planning/ Engineering Economic Development		
4.2.2	Increase community Educational Opportunities	Liaise with SD70, NIC, JIBC, VIU and other education providers to pursue new programs	Influence others		Economic Development		

### City of Port Alberni – 2014 Strategic Plan *Goal 5: Service Excellence* – an effective organization with responsive leadership and high quality service delivery

### **Objective 5.1:** To provide civic leadership through the setting of priorities

	Initiativa	Taaka	Sphere of	Time	Deeneneihility	Resourc	
	Initiative	Tasks	Influence	Period	Responsibility	Require HR	Financial
5.1:1	Creation and implementati on of a long term vision	Update strategic priorities. Produce a Strategic Plan and update regularly.	Corporate Operations	I/OG	Council		
	and goals	Reporting on achievement of priorities including changing format for Council reports and annual report		I/OG	City Manager		
5.1:2	Utilize 'four pillar' approach to priority	Implement Strategic Planning software	Municipal Operations	I/OG	Human Resources Information Services		1 – 3,000
	setting, decision making and progress reporting.	Change format for Council reports to reflect 'four pillar' approach to achievement of Strategic Plan	Municipal Operations	I/OG	City Manager		
5.1:3	Work with all levels of government to achieve	Establish and operationalize Protocol Agreements with local First Nations.	Municipal Jurisdiction	I/OG	Council City Manager		
	priorities	Provincial Government?	Continue liaise with Province through UBCM and				
		Federal Government?	Liaise with MP regularly				
5.1.4	Participate with ACRD and PAPA on Regional Transportation Committee	Lobby senior government for new "Connector Road" route in/out of Alberni Valley	Influencing others. MOTH		Council City Manager Engineering Economic Development		

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• Objective 5.2: To utilize effective public participation processes to increase community engagement and participation

	Initiative	Tasks	Sphere of Influence	Time Period	Responsibility	Resource Require	ments
						HR	Financial
5.2:1	Provide enhanced opportunities	Review budget process for potential improvements	Corporate Operations	I/OG	City Manager, Council		
	for public input	Undertake Public Satisfaction Survey at least every 3 years as part of the Strategic Planning Process	Corporate Operations	Short term	City Manager		15,000
		Evaluate 'Coffee with the Mayor/Open Door' program	Corporate Operations	I/OG	City Manager, Council		
		On-line social media presence through establishing a new website	Corporate Operations	I/OG	Information Services	Add. staff	10,000

### • Objective 5.3: To ensure a responsive and high performing workforce

	Initiative	Tasks	Sphere of Influence	Time Period	Responsibility	Resourc Require HR	
5.3:1	Complete Succession Plan	Review all departments and pending retirements.	Corporate Operations	I/OG	Human Resources		
		Develop a skills inventory for positions and provide training					

Objective 5.4: To provide sound financial management to create long term financial stability

	Initiative	Tasks	Sphere of Influence	Time Period	Responsibility	Resourc Require	
						HR	Financial
5.4:1	Explore regionalization of	Obtain support from ACRD	Influence Others	I/OG	Council City Manager		
	services or development of district municipality	Complete an Alberni Valley Service Delivery Efficiency Review					Budget

# City of Port Alberni – 2014 Strategic Plan Objective 5.5: To provide proactive access to information

	Initiative	Tasks	Sphere of Influence	Time Period	Responsibili	Resour Require	ements
					ty	HR	Financial
5.5:1	Increase public access to information	Ensure agendas, minutes and legislative history is available on line	Corporate Operations	Complete	Information Services Clerks		25 – 30,000
		Streaming of Council video on-line	Corporate Operations	On Hold	Information Services		3 – 7,000
		On-line social media presence through establishing a new website	Corporate Operations	Ongoing	Information Services		4,000
		Increase public use of detailed GIS maps on- line	Corporate Operations	I/OG	Information Services Planning		5- 10,000

The following are Objectives that were identified in the planning process.

## Strategic Goal #1: A responsible, livable and environmentally sustainable community.

#### Objective 1.1 Provide sustainable transportation corridors.

• Initiative 1.1.3: Investigate additional East Bypass Ring Road.

## Objective 1.2 Provide and sustain needed municipal infrastructure for now and future generations.

• Initiative 1.2.6: Museum/ Heritage Facility Upgrades

#### **Objective 1.3 Promote sustainable environmental practices.**

- Initiative 1.3.2: Reduce emissions from woodstoves and outdoor burning.
- Initiative 1.3.3: Explore further opportunities for recycling and composting.
- Initiative 1.3.4: Undertake Facility Audits and Energy Conservation.

## Strategic Goal #2: An engaged, inclusive, healthy and socially sustainable community.

#### Objective 2.1 Support public safety through provision of protective services.

• Initiative 2.1.1: Work towards a regional fire service

#### Objective 2.2 Ensure high quality of life through the promotion of active living.

• Initiative 2.2.2: Work towards regional provision of recreation service.

### Objective 2.5 Maintain and grow 'social capital' by supporting volunteer initiatives.

- Initiative 2.5.2: Work with Volunteer Groups to promote Heritage Attractions
- Initiative 2.5.3: Promote the Community Investment Program
- Initiative 2.5.4: Support youth involvement and participation

## Strategic Goal #3: A vibrant, prosperous and economically sustainable community.

#### Objective 3.1 Promote the development of the waterfront.

- Initiative 3.1.2: Increase public access to the waterfront (including public walkway)
- Initiative 3.1.4: Promote development of the west side of the Somass River and Alberni Inlet

#### Objective 3.2 Encourage business retention and development.

- Initiative 3.2.3: Increase employment opportunities in the community.
- Initiative 3.2.4: Explore development of currently unused Industrial lands

### Strategic Goal #4: A creative and culturally sustainable community.

#### Objective 4.2 Promote Port Alberni as a destination to live and visit.

- Initiative 4.2.3: Innovative re-development of Argyle Street
- Initiative 4.2:4: Promote Development of Seniors Oriented Housing and Facilities in Port Alberni.

## Strategic Goal #5: An effective organization with responsive leadership and service excellence.

#### Objective 5.3 Ensure a responsive and high performing workforce.

- Initiative 5.3.2: Implement Return to Work program (COR Program
- Initiative 5.3.3: Implement a Performance Review Process.

### **Other Initiatives identified**

# *Goal 1: Environmental Sustainability* – a responsible, livable and environmentally sustainable community

### • Objective 1.1: To provide sustainable transportation corridors.

	Initiatives	Tasks	Sphere of Influence	Time Period	Responsibility	Resource Requirements	
						HR	Financial
1.1:3	Investigate additional East Bypass Ring Road	Consult with MOT, IT ACRD, and PAPA on the new Outer Ring Road Proposal	Influencing Others	Short term	Planning, Engineering, Economic Development		
	T thing T to dd	Support construction of Ring Road	Influencing Others	Med term	Planning, Engineering	Consu Itant	Budget
		Right of Way acquisition	Influencing Others	Mid to long term			
		Construction		long term			

Objective 1.2: To provide and sustain municipal infrastructure for now and future generations

	Initiative	Tasks	Sphere of Influence	Time Period	Responsibility	Resource Requirements	
						HR	Financial
1.2:6	Museum/ Heritage Facility	Develop long term Museum Expansion Plan	Corporate Operations	Long term	Museum		Budget
	Upgrades	Redesign and renovate Historic Train Station and interior exhibits to improve visitor flow, retail sales, customer service, staff security	Corporate Operations	Short term	Museum/IHS		Budget
		Implement gift shop/ enhance museum entrance (revenue generation)	Corporate Operations	Short term	Museum		Budget

### Objective 1.3: To promote sustainable practices

	Initiative	Tasks	Sphere of Influence	Time Period	Responsibility	Resource Require	
			initiaenee	1 oneu		HR	Financial
1.3:2	Reduce emissions	Revise woodstove bylaw	Corporate Operations	I/OG	Fire		
	from woodstoves and outdoor	Support ACRD woodstove bylaw review	Influencing Others	Short term	Council, Fire		
	burning	Enhance education re: woodstove use to minimize emissions	Corporate Operations	Short term	Fire		
		Revise bylaws to ban all outdoor burning		Medium term	Clerk, Fire		Budget
		Provide enforcement			Planning Bylaw		
		Provide alternatives i.e. curbside pickup of yard waste or drop off depot	Corporate Operations		Engineering		
1.3:3	Explore further opportunities for recycling	Revise Solid Waste Management Plan with ACRD	Corporate Operations Influencing Others	Short term	Engineering		
	and composting	Develop an Organic Waste Plan with options and costs	Corporate Operations	Short term	Engineering		
		Facilitate public input on service demand	Corporate Operations	Short term	Engineering		
		Undertake pilot project for composting service chosen	Corporate Operations	Medium term	Engineering		
1.3:4	Undertake Facility Audits and	Complete facility energy audit for all civic buildings	Corporate Operations	I/OG	Parks and Recreation		
	Energy Conservation	Develop an upgrade strategy including budgets and implementation strategy for the required facility energy improvements	Corporate Operations	I/OG	Parks and Recreation		Budget

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# *Goal 2: Social Sustainability* – an engaged, inclusive, healthy and socially sustainable community

Objective 2.1: To support public safety through the provision of protective services

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			Sphere of	Time		Resource	
	Initiative	Tasks	Influence	Period	Responsibility	Require	
						HR	Financial
2.1:1	Work towards a regional fire service	Develop Automatic Aid agreement and obtain Council and ACRD approval.	Corporate Operations	I/OG	Fire, City Manager		
		Implement Automatic Aid Agreement	Corporate Operations	Medium term			
		Develop North Island Hazardous Response	Municipal Jurisdiction	Medium term			
		capability					
		Develop regional or north island hosted records management system	Corporate Operations	Medium term			Budget
		Merge two or more Alberni Valley Fire Departments – explore interest. Pass PAFD to ACRD jurisdiction.	Municipal Jurisdiction	Medium term			
		Influence ACRD to merge two or more fire departments	Influencing Others	Medium term			

# • Objective 2.2: To ensure a high quality of life through the promotion of active living

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	Initiative	Tasks	Sphere of Influence	Time Period	Responsibility	Resource Require	
	in induit o		Innaoneo	1 onou	reepeneisinty	HR	Financial
t r F r	Work towards regional provision of recreation	Regional fees and charges – conduct an annual meeting to review proposed fees and charges	Corporate Operations	I/OG	Parks and Recreation		
	service	Work with ACRD staff to develop the cost to deliver Recreation Services for all valley residents.	Corporate Operations	Short term	Parks and Recreation		City and ACRD budget
		Prepare a joint report for the review of City Council and the ACRD Board for the delivery of Regional Recreation Services.	Influence Others	Medium Term	Parks & Recreation, City Manager		

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# • Objective 2.5 – To maintain and grow "social capital" by supporting volunteer initiatives.

	Initiative	Tasks	Sphere of Influence	Time Period	Responsibility	Resourc Require HR	-
2.5:2	Work with Volunteer Groups to promote Heritage Attractions	Work with partner societies to maintain, improve exhibits, present events, undertake marketing, advertising for heritage resources	Corporate Operations	I/OG	Museum Economic Development		
2.5:3	Promote Community Investment Program	Market program so that all organizations are aware of the opportunities. Utilize results of final evaluations to strengthen program.	Corporate Operations	I/OG	Corporate Services		
2.5:4	Support youth involvement and participation	Work with Civics and Social Justice classes to support youth involvement in municipal government	Corporate Operations	I/OG	Corporate Services		
		Establish a Youth Council that provides recommendations directly to Council	Corporate Operations	Short Term	Corporate Services		

# *Goal 3: Economic Sustainability* – A vibrant, prosperous and economically sustainable community.

### **Objective 3.1:** To ensure the development of the waterfront.

	Initiatives	Tasks	Sphere of Influence	Time Period	Responsibility	Resourc Require	-
						HR	Financial
	3.1:2 Increase public access to the waterfront (including a Waterfront park/ walkway)	Acquire waterfront lands as they become available	Corporate Operations	I/OG	Parks & Recreation, Economic Development, Planning		
		Complete the waterfront master plan in partnership with local First Nations	Corporate Operations	Short term	Planning		
		Hire a Landscape Architectural Consultant to conduct public meetings in order to create a program for the future development of the site	Corporate Operations	Short term	Parks & Recreation		Budget
		Identify potential partners and project funding	Corporate Operations	Medium term			Budget
		Make (re)development applications conditional on providing a walkway	Municipal Jurisdiction	I/OG			Budget
3.1:4	Promote development of west side of the Somass River/Alberni Inlet	Meet with Island Timberlands semi- annually to discuss their private property development opportunities.	Influencing Others	I/OG	Council Economic Development		

### • Objective 3.2: To encourage business retention and development

	Initiative	Tasks	Sphere of Influence	Time Period	Responsibility	Resour Require	
						HR	Financial
3.2.2	Prepare Revitalization Tax Exemption		Corporate Operations	Medium	Clerks Finance City Manager		

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	Agreements and Bylaw for industry					
3.2:3	Increase employment opportunities in the	Assist large employers in recruitment of employees to address succession needs	Influencing Others	I/OG	Economic Development	
	community	Prepare recruitment video	Municipal Jurisdiction	I/OG		\$30,000
3.2:4	Explore development of unused	Identify infrastructure improvements required to attract new industry	Influencing Others	Medium term	Economic Development	
	Industrial lands	Assist Island Timberlands in securing infrastructure	Influencing Others	Medium term	Economic Development	
		Advertise sites availability on Opportunities BC website including Cameron Shops, Link Mill, Catalyst Roger St site.	Corporate Operations	Medium term	Economic Development	

### *Goal 4: Cultural Sustainability* – a creative and culturally sustainable community

### • Objective 4.2: To promote Port Alberni as a destination to live and visit

	Initiative	Tasks	Sphere of Influence	Time Period	Responsibility	Resource Requirem	ents
4.2:3	4.2:3 Innovative re- development of Argyle Street	Identify economic, financial and social costs and pros/cons of a terraced development on Argyle Street	Corporate Operations	I/OG	Economic Development, Planning, Engineering	HR	Financial
		Meet with key stakeholders and public to determine support	Corporate Operations	Mid term			
		Identify sources of financing including Commercial Revitalization Tax Exemption Bylaw	Corporate Operations	Short term			
		Prepare rendering and preliminary cost estimate	Corporate Operations	Short term		Contract	\$15,000
		Design and implement 'Arts/Heritage' interpretive signs for Argyle Street and beyond . Liaise with Rotary Art group in development.	Corporate Operations Influence Others	Medium term	Museum Economic Development		
4.2:4	Promote Development of Seniors Oriented Housing and	Determine needs for Seniors housing in Port Alberni	Corporate Operations	Short term	Economic Development VIHA BC Housing Local NGOs		
	Facilities in Port Alberni.	Attract Developers to undertake Seniors Housing Development in PA	Corporate Operations Influencing Others	Medium term	Economic Development Developers		

### City of Port Alberni – 2014 Strategic Plan *Goal 5: Service Excellence* – an effective organization with responsive leadership and high quality service delivery

•	Objective 5.3:	To ensure a responsive and high performing workforce
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	Initiative	Tasks	Sphere of Influence	Time Period	Responsibility	Resourc Require	-
						HR	Financial
5.3:2	Implement Return to Work	Develop RTW policy and program (including wellness programs)	Corporate Operations	Short term	Human Resources		
	program (COR	Train all supervisors in implementing program		Short Term			
	Program)	Implement program		Short Term			
5.3:3	Implement a Performance	Develop program for Management positions	Corporate Operations	Short term	Human Resources		
	Review Process	Implement program	Corporate Operations	Short term			

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	Initiative	Priority May 2013	Priority March 2014
	1: Environmental Sustainability	-	
	tive 1.1: To provide sustainable transportation corridors.	Γ	
1.1:1	Investigate additional Roger Creek crossing	2	2
1.1:2	Develop waterfront Industrial road	1	2
Objec	tive 1.2: To provide and sustain municipal infrastructure for now a	and future q	enerations
1.2:1	Implement a sustainable road maintenance program	4	1
1.2:2	Implement Treatment Upgrades to meet drinking water quality standards	4	
1.2:3	Implement Liquid Waste Management plan to enhance Sewage Treatment	5	
1.2:4	Implement Flooding Mitigation on lower 3 <sup>rd</sup> Avenue		
1.2:5	Sustainable Major Facility Maintenance Program		
	tive 1.3: To promote sustainable practices		
1.3:1	Facilitate Redevelopment of brownfield sites	Other	
<mark>1.3:5</mark>	Develop District Energy System		3
	2: Social Sustainability		
Objec	tive 2.2: To ensure a high quality of life through the promotion of a	active living	•
2.2:1	Develop long term plan for new Aquatic Centre	Other	Other
<mark>2.2:2</mark>	Lobby and support initiatives for access to appropriate health care		3
<mark>2.2:3</mark>	Draft and implement a trails and bikeways network master plan		3
Objec	tive 2.3: To ensure access to City programs and services (physica	I, affordabil	ity)
2.3:1	Maintain affordable taxes, fees and charges	3	2
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5.1:1	Creation and implementation of a long term vision and goals			
5.1:2	Utilize 'four pillar' approach to priority setting, decision making and			
	progress reporting.			
5.1:3	Work with all levels of government to achieve priorities			
<mark>5.1:4</mark>	Cooperate on Regional Transportation Committee		Other	
Objec	tive 5.2: To utilize effective public participation processes to incre	ase commu	nity	
engag	ement and participation			
5.2:1	Provide enhanced opportunities for public input			
Objec	tive 5.3: To ensure a responsive and high performing workforce			
5.3:1	Complete Succession Plan		Other	
Objec	tive 5.4: To provide sound financial management to create long te	rm financial	stability	
5.4:1	Explore regionalization of services or development of district municipality			
Objec	tive 5.5: To provide proactive access to information			
5.5:1	Increase public access to information			

### **Other Objectives**

	Initiative
Goal 1	1: Environmental Sustainability
Object	tive 1.1 Provide sustainable transportation corridors.
1.1.3	Investigate additional East Bypass Ring Road.
	tive 1.2 Provide and sustain needed municipal infrastructure for now and future
	ations.
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	tive 1.3 Promote sustainable environmental practices.
	Reduce emissions from woodstoves and outdoor burning.
	Explore further opportunities for recycling and composting.
	Undertake Facility Audits and Energy Conservation.
	2: Social Sustainability
	tive 2.1 Support public safety through provision of protective services.
2.1.1	Work towards a regional fire service
	tive 2.2 Ensure high quality of life through the promotion of active living.
	Work towards regional provision of recreation service.
	tive 2.5 Maintain and grow 'social capital' by supporting volunteer initiatives.
	Work with Volunteer Groups to promote Heritage Attractions
	Promote the Community Investment Program
	Support youth involvement and participation
	3: Economic Sustainability
	tive 3.1 Promote the development of the waterfront.
	Increase public access to the waterfront (including public walkway)
	Promote development of the west side of the Somass River and Alberni Inlet
	tive 3.2 Encourage business retention and development.
	Increase employment opportunities in the community.
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	4: Cultural Sustainability
	tive 4.2 Promote Port Alberni as a destination to live and visit.
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	Promote Development of Seniors Oriented Housing and Facilities in Port Alberni.
	5: Service Excellence
	tive 5.3 Ensure a responsive and high performing workforce.
	Implement Return to Work program (COR Program)
5.3.3	Implement a Performance Review Process