

## **Community Direction Statement:**

**With 50,000 residents, our community of Fort Saskatchewan:**

**Provides a great quality of life within our neighbourhoods where everyone can grow age and stay.**

**Builds on its heritage, connects people, and fosters innovation.**

**Creates great places for residents and visitors to enjoy.**

**Supports a resilient economy for everyone to achieve and thrive.**

## **Pillars:**

### **Our Connections**

- o A variety of transportation options
- o Social connections with residents
- o A strong sense of pride in our community
- o Easy access to amenities
- o A welcoming environment for new residents
- o Community events and festivals

### **Our Success**

- o We seize the opportunities that come from our location in the Capital Region
- o We are the gateway to the Alberta Industrial Heartland and industries further north
- o We celebrate and support our local businesses
- o We serve as a regional service hub for surrounding communities
- o We pursue a diverse economy that focuses on innovation, emerging trends, expanding industries and job creation
- o We embrace growth downtown that supports business

### **Our Neighbourhood**

- o There is housing to meet everyone's needs throughout their life stages
- o There are amenities and activities for all residents
- o They have a mix of uses to help meet daily needs close to home
- o There are recreation opportunities close to home
- o Neighbourhoods are designed to be easily walkable
- o They feel safe throughout

### **Our Place**

- o We celebrate and protect the river valley and our natural environment
- o We respect and celebrate the history of our place
- o We celebrate the diverse cultures of Fort Saskatchewan
- o Downtown is a vibrant place where people come to shop, eat, learn and celebrate together

### **Our Resilience**

- o We work together – our businesses, citizens, organizations and government
- o We are committed to emergency preparedness, ensuring we are prepared for incidents emerging from our changing climate and unforeseen incidents
- o We make economically, socially, and environmentally conscious decisions.
- o We maximize our existing infrastructure and plan for long-term efficiency, cost and resiliency when considering new infrastructure