

2019-2022 Strategic Plan Evaluation Report to Council

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Presentation Overview

Overall Evaluation

Areas to pay attention to

Exceeds Expectations



Overall Evaluation

Impressive Characteristics

- Extensive public consultation
- Complete information on website
- Target dates met or exceeded despite COVID restrictions
- Projects providing added benefits specific to times of COVID (e.g. online portal transactions)

Overall Rating

6 projects Exceeded Expectations

6 Projects Met Expectations

- ✓ Multi-Language Customer Service
- ✓ Customer Satisfaction Program
- Reduce Stigmas through staff training and CTS support
- ✓ Urban Design Guidelines
- ✓ Complete Streets
- Community Climate Action Plan



Areas To Pay Attention To:

Budget and Project Management

Progress Reports and Presentation

United Nations Sustainable Development Goals

Public Engagement

Website

Affordable Housing

Strategic Plan
Dashboard



Exceeded Expectations

Cycling and Trails Master Plan

Housing for All Strategy

Make it Kitchener 2.0 Strategy

Corporate
Climate Action
Plan

My Kitchener Citizen Portal Corporate Equity & Anti-Racism Strategy



Cycling and Trails Master Plan

City leadership in advancing implementation during pandemic when especially needed by the public

Excellent short term and longer-term initiatives with a funding strategy for implementation

Completed ahead of time + exceeded target for additional kms of trails for year-round use





Housing for All Strategy

City leadership: land for supportive housing + quick wins

Addresses affordability across the whole spectrum + Housing as Human Right

Excellent engagement re Lived
Experience + diverse
collaboration



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Make it Kitchener 2.0 Strategy

Addresses social and environmental issues alongside economic concerns + pandemic recovery

No tax implications

Leverages city lands + UN Sustainable Development Goals A NEW ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INVESTMENT FUND

The City has the capacity to deploy up to \$110 million in catalytic investments from 2020 to 2030, to immediately support businesses impacted by the pandemic, to lead the Impact Economy and to support the critical infrastructure and programs needed to enable Difference Makers.

tax pavers may not be in a position to hear substantial tax increases. The solution is an innovative approach that leverages three funding sources which can be implemented without the need to increase property taxes.

FUNDING SOURCES





MAKE IT KITCHENER 2.0 will guide initial investments until 2025. Future strategies will guide investments beyond 2025. The timing of major investments will be contingent upon the speed at which land sales are realized, which will be influenced by market conditions. City Council will have the flexibility to determine the speed and timing of land sales.

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My Kitchener Citizen Portal

Excellent combo with website update – huge improvement for citizen accessibility + responsive to continuous improvement

Far exceeded expectations in number of accounts created

Kitchener a Canadian leader in online city services

Welcome to MyKitchener – you'll find everything you need, right here! Find a program, pay your taxes or utilities, find hospital wait times and more.

Set up your personal dashboard:



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Corporate Climate Action Plan

City leadership role in modeling behaviour to reduce greenhouse gas emissions with concrete actions and changes

Excellent to see UN Sustainable Development Goals discussed

Demonstrated commitment in completing 2 implementation reports



Corporate Strategy on Equity & Anti-Racism

Extensive involvement of equity seeking stakeholders + representation on the Task Force drove people-centered success

Set a foundation with action-oriented items for sustained, meaningful change

Most actions have already been completed reflecting a "Just Do It" attitude



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Conclusion

- ▶ Very impressive to see the number of Strategic Plan projects completed and extensive public consultation incorporated into many of the projects, despite challenges posed by COVID-19
- ► Very impressive that six completed projects clearly exceeded expectations - an outstanding accomplishment that we want to recognize and celebrate!
- Excellent working relationship with City: respect for our mandate and support for our work

