

Hi E-Panel,

Here is your November/December OCP Update check-in:

### What We Heard & Crafted Report

The project presented the What We Heard & Crafted report to the Committee of the Whole on Tuesday November 21<sup>st</sup>. The report highlights:

- **What We Did Snapshot** – the processes used to analyse the feedback and craft the vision statement
- **How We Listened** – the engagement tactics used to collect public feedback
- **How We Communicated** – the methods used to promote public engagement opportunities
- **Who Shared Their Voice** – which equity-deserving communities received targeted engagement and the demographics from the online survey
- **What We Heard - Main Themes** – the themes that emerged from public feedback analysis
- **Lessons Learned** – a reflection on lessons from this engagement initiative that we will try to learn from for the project's next public engagement period anticipated in Spring 2024

Read the report and watch the presentation by visiting the project website:

[Nelson2050.ca](https://nelson2050.ca)

### Nelson 2050 Vision

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Nelson 2050 Vision Survey and visited with us at pop-ups. From an analysis of the public feedback collected, main themes were identified. Main themes were then consolidated into 4 Foundational Values. These 4 Foundational Values were used along with the 3 Guiding Principles of Climate, Equity, and Health to develop the Nelson 2050 Vision below.

## 4 Foundational Values



## Nelson 2050 Vision

*Our welcoming heritage-rich mountain town is committed to community well-being by prioritizing equity, health and climate action.*

*All Nelsonites are able to find affordable housing, live in walkable neighbourhoods, access efficient cost-effective transit, and meaningfully participate in public life.*

*Our collective choices make us climate leaders, safeguarding and regenerating our ecological, economic and social systems for future generations.*

*Art, education, diverse cultures, reconciliation and recreation enrich our daily lives, infusing our community with an active, healthy and creative spirit that respects and appreciates the land we call home.*

### Advisory Committee Re-cap – Thursday November 30, 2023

The [project website](#) has been updated with the presentations from the last Advisory Committee meeting. This meeting featured a project update presentation and a presentation from the Housing Needs Assessment consultant [M'akola Development Services](#). The Housing Needs Assessment is a [provincial requirement](#) for an OCP and M'akola presented on initial findings. The final report is anticipated to be completed in March 2024.

### New Provincial Legislation

The government of BC has introduced Bills to update the Local Government Act. Bills 44, 46, 47 pertain to changes for residential development, development financing and transit-oriented areas. After adoption, a policy manual will be sent to municipalities with more detailed regulation changes which will impact our policy frameworks at the City of Nelson including the OCP and Zoning Bylaw. For more information on the legislation, please visit the provinces website and review their resources:

- [More small-scale, multi-unit homes coming to B.C., zoning barriers removed](#)
- [Legislation introduced to deliver more homes near transit hubs](#)
- [Legislation introduced to streamline delivery of homes, services, infrastructure](#)

Small Housing BC collaborated on a video with About Here that explores how limitations on size, financial viability and extra rules are just some of the most cited reasons for the lack of missing middle housing from emerging. Uytas explores what BC can learn from other jurisdictions, and outline how pragmatic policy solutions such as introducing strata-titling can deliver more attainable housing.

**Watch it here:** [This was supposed to fix the housing crisis...](#)

Have a great holiday season and we will send out another check-in in the New Year!

With gratitude,

Tara

On behalf of the OCP Update team