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Purpose

This policy establishes the parameters for a safe and connected infrastructure network for pedestrians and cyclists within Rocky View County (the County).



Policy Statement

- 2 Council is committed to developing and integrating safe and comprehensive infrastructure accessible to users of all ages and abilities.
- The County develops an infrastructure network for active transportation for human-powered movement, such as walking and cycling.
- 4 Council recognizes the value that a connected active transportation network provides to local and regional users.



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- 5 Council considers funding ongoing development of the active transportation network through:
 - (1) applicable multi-year financial plans, and
 - (2) the annual operating and capital plan budget process.
- 6 The County engages the public before developing the County's active transportation network.

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- When feasible, the County considers developing the active transportation network within County owned or administered land.
- The County collaborates with adjacent municipalities in an effort to establish seamless active transportation network connectivity across jurisdictional boundaries.
- 9 The County pursues opportunities for collaborative relationships in order to develop and facilitate the expansion of its active transportation network.
- At the County's discretion, subdivision and development proposals provide for active transportation network needs and connections.
- Active transportation network infrastructure is subject to a dedicated asset management program providing adequate budget to accommodate an established maintenance and lifecycle program.



References

| Legal | · Auth | orities |
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Related Plans, Bylaws, Policies, etc.

- N/A
- Rocky View County Active Transportation Plan: South County, as adopted by Council resolution no. 1-18-10-23-08, as amended or replaced from time to time
- Rocky View County Parks and Open Space Master Plan, as adopted by Council resolution no. 1-11E31-05, as amended or replaced from time to time
- Rocky View County County Servicing Standards, adopted by Council resolution no. 188-13, as amended or replaced from time to time
- Rocky View County Parks and Pathways: Planning, Development and Operational Guidelines, 2013

Related Procedures

Other

- N/A
- N/A

Policy History

Amendment Date(s) – Amendment Description

 2019 December 10 – Council amended to establish roles and responsibilities and current practices.

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Review Date(s) – Review Outcome Description

 2019 November 27 – Minor changes recommended to align with current County practices and standards.



Definitions

12 In this policy:

- (1) "active transportation" means any form of human-powered transportation, typically walking or cycling;
- "active transportation facility" means active transportation network infrastructure that has been engineered and designed with the intent to permit off-street pedestrian and bicycle use;
- (3) "active transportation network" means any infrastructure designed and developed in accordance to standards comprised of singular or combined elements of bicycle facilities or active transportation facilities;
- (4) "asset management program" means a structured plan that indicates how a group of assets is managed. The plan describes the characteristics and condition of infrastructure assets, the levels of service expected from them, planned actions to ensure the assets are providing the expected level of service, and capital strategies to implement the planned actions;
- (5) "bicycle facility" means active transportation network infrastructure that has been engineered and designed with the intent to permit designated on-street bicycle use;
- (6) "Council" means the duly elected Council of Rocky View County;
- (7) "County" means Rocky View County;
- (8) "County owned or administered land" means land legally owned by the County including municipal reserves, environmental reserves, municipal and school reserves, public utility lots, fee simple lands, and land owned by another party but administered by the County including but not limited to road allowances, easements, leased and licensed land;
- (9) "emergency services vehicle" means any vehicle that is designated and authorized to respond to emergencies including vehicles operated by police services, peace officers, fire protection services, bylaw officers, ambulance and paramedic services, gas disconnection units, and emergency response units;

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- (10) "Municipal Government Act" means the Province of Alberta's Municipal Government Act, RSA 2000, c M-26, as amended or replaced from time to time;
- (11) "Rocky View County" means Rocky View County as a municipal corporation and the geographical area within its jurisdictional boundaries, as the context requires; and
- (12) "subdivision" means subdivision as defined in the Municipal Government Act.

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