

University Endowment Lands

Official Community Plan Update

Community Webinar

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Land Acknowledgement

Introductions



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Agenda

Introductions

OCP Update – What and why now? 30 min

OCP Update – Scope

Q&A 15 min

Break 5 min

Breakout Discussions 60 min

What's Next 10 min



Ground Rules

Listen to the information being presented

Make space for others to share

Consider different perspectives

Challenge ideas, not people

Be respectful and contribute to a safe space

Practice self-care

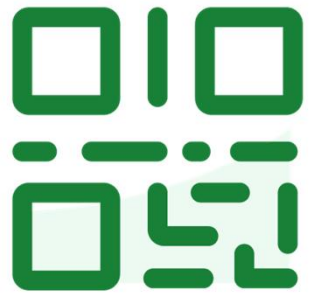


Q&A

- 15-minutes for Q&A following the presentation
- Questions can be submitted during the presentation
- Submit your question in the chat to Alex Miller (host)



Introductions




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Where in the UEL do you live?

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Are you a homeowner or renter?

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How long have you lived in the UEL?

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Which best describes your household?

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OCP Update

- The UEL has launched an Official Community Plan (OCP) Update.
- The existing OCP was adopted in 2005, and a lot has changed since then.
- There is new legislation that we must align with by the end of the year.
- The OCP Update process will be compressed to meet the provincial deadline.
- The OCP Update is your chance to share your ideas and help shape our community's future.

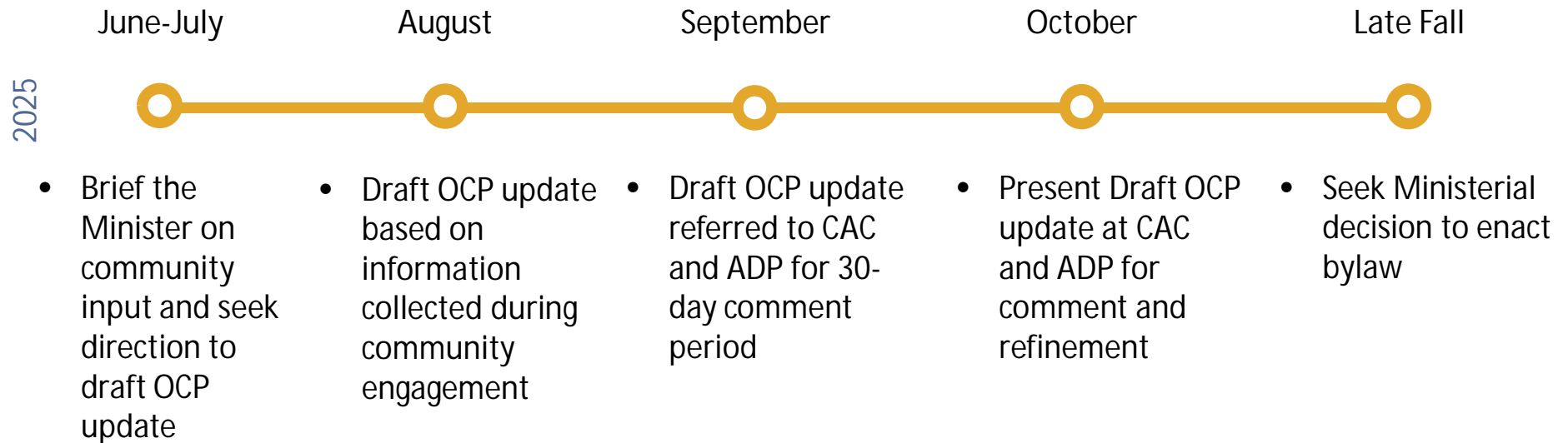


OCP Update – Timeline



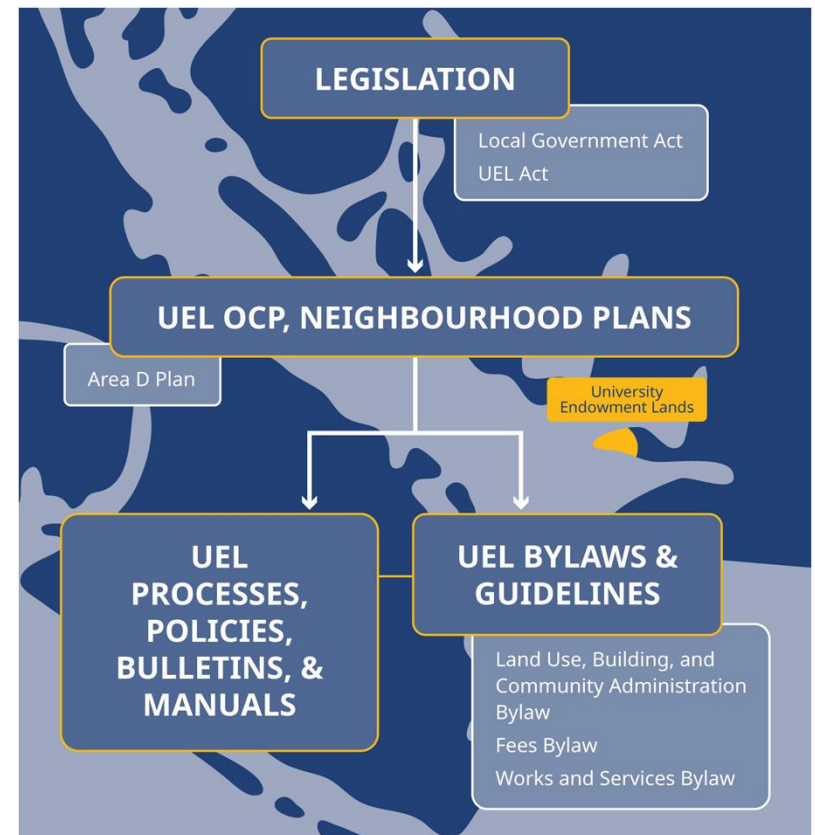
OCP Update – Timeline

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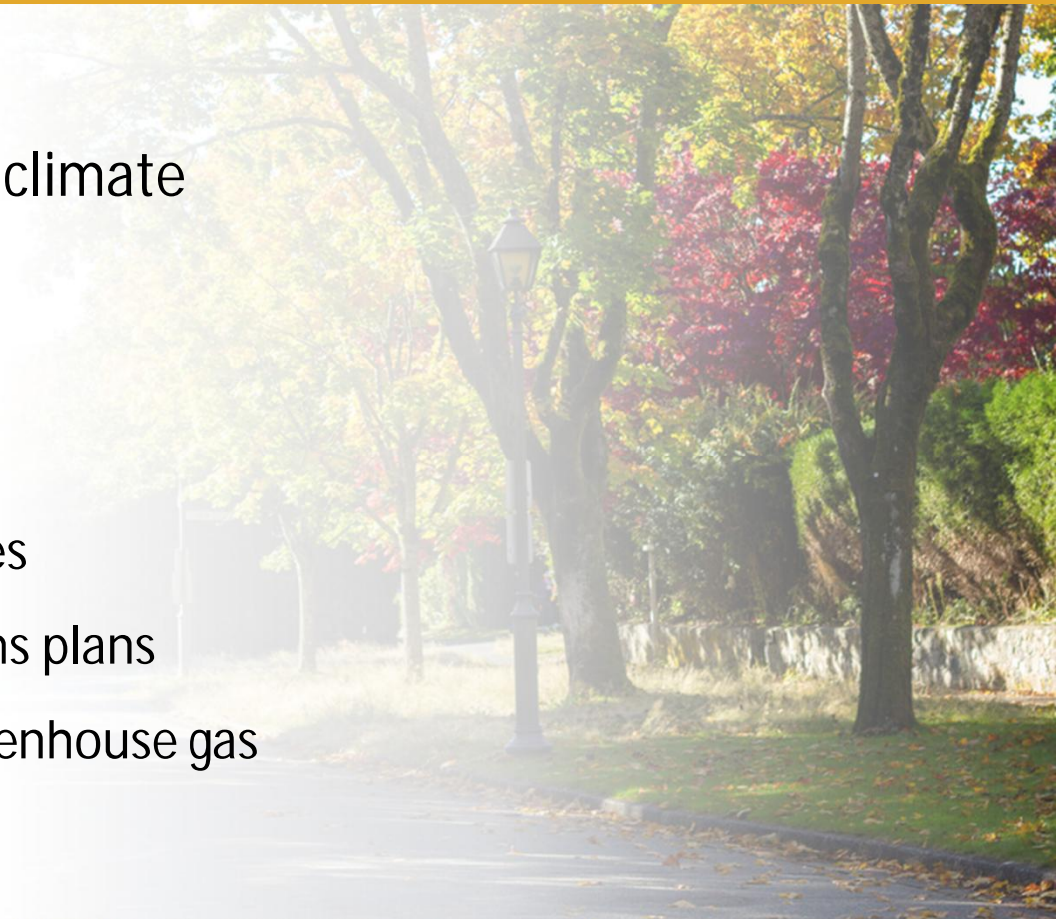
What is an OCP?

- Broad statement of policies and objectives.
- Guides decisions on planning and land use.
- Forward-looking, describes the long-term vision of a community.
- Informed by provincial policy
- Must comply with provincial legislation
- All bylaws must be consistent with the OCP.



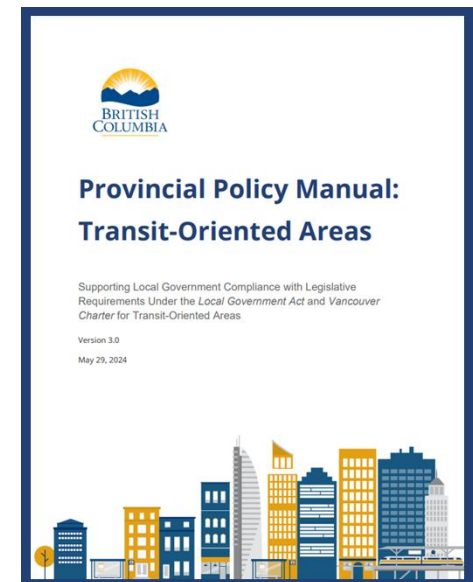
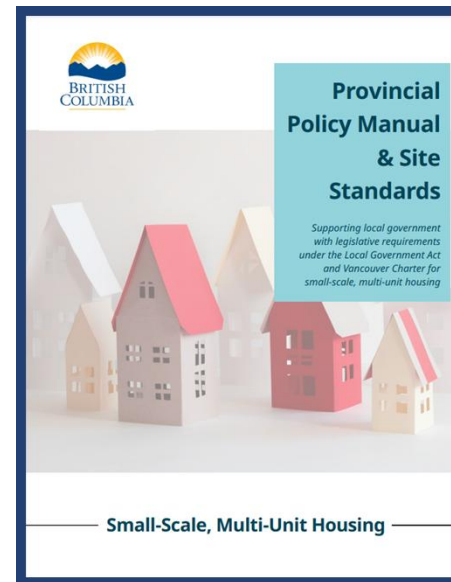
What is an OCP?

- Addresses matters like housing, transportation, infrastructure and climate change.
- Includes:
 - Existing and proposed land use
 - Existing and proposed public facilities
 - Major road, sewer and water systems plans
 - Policies and targets for reducing greenhouse gas emissions



Why are we updating the OCP now?

- Provincial housing initiatives - the Homes for People Action Plan.
 - Bill 44 - Small-Scale Multi-Unit Housing (SSMUH)
 - Bill 47 - Transit-Oriented Areas (TOA)
- Increasing the supply of housing, building more homes for more people, faster.



Why are we updating the OCP now?

- The UEL Administration was directed by the Minister to align the OCP with the new legislation.
 - ✓ Amend the *Land Use, Building and Community Administration Bylaw*
 - ✓ Complete an Interim Housing Needs Report (IHNR)
 - 🕒 Update the OCP by December 31, 2025
- Launching the OCP Update now ensures there are multiple opportunities for community education and engagement.

OCP Update – Scope

- A focused update of the OCP – not a fulsome OCP Review
- Include land use designations and policies to implement the new legislation
 - Small-Scale Multi-Unit Housing and Transit Oriented Areas
- Plan for the housing needs identified in the Interim Housing Needs report
- Community input and technical planning analysis will inform the land use designations and policies that are drafted
- Includes two (2) rounds of community engagement

OCP Update – Scope

What is up for discussion?

- Housing is a big focus, but not the only policy area being addressed
- How can we make the community more complete and livable?
- The OCP Update will also explore:
 - Accessibility for all ages and abilities
 - Services and amenities
 - Commercial and/or institutional uses
 - Greenhouse gas emissions
 - Climate change
 - Tree canopy
 - *and more ...*

OCP Update – Scope

What is not included in this discussion?

- Legislative changes and mandated timelines
 - Bill 44: SSMUH
 - Bill 47: TOA
 - December 31, 2025
- Development guidelines outlined in the Land Use, Building and Community Administration Bylaw e.g., height, density, setbacks etc.
- Future Skytrain plans – no provincial announcement has been made



OCP Reviews

Did you know OCPs must now be updated every five (5) years?

- A new provincial requirement that will include public engagement
- Ensure OCP provides for the 20-year total # of housing units
- Plan for housing over the longer-term
- Include policies that address a broader range of housing types
- A more fulsome OCP Review will occur in 5-years with more opportunities for community input

Q & A

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- Is there anything you would like us to clarify?
- Is there anything you would like us to provide more detail on?
- Submit your question in the chat to Alex Miller (host)
- Questions will be posted to the project webpage

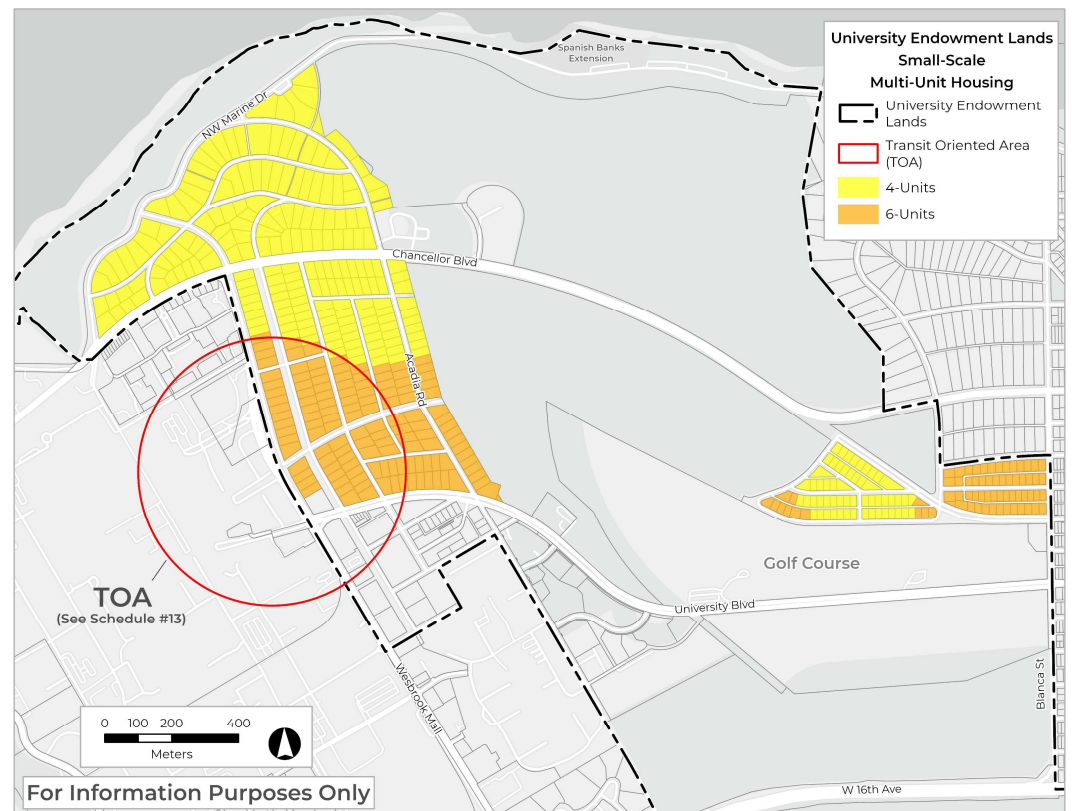


Q & A

Q1. How were the 4-unit and 6-unit lots determined on the map?

Lots greater than 280m² and within 400m of a "Frequent Transit Service" bus stop were identified for 6-units.

Measurements (as the crow flies) were taken from existing bus stops along University Blvd.



Q & A

Q2. How will community input be considered in the OCP Update?

- Community engagement is an important part of the planning process.
- Community input will be considered alongside:
 - Provincial legislation and policy
 - Results of the Interim Housing Needs Report
 - Technical planning analysis
- All community input is referred to the Minister for consideration

Break

Breakout Discussions

What's Next?

Stay informed!

Keep an eye on the UEL webpage for updates:

 www.universityendowmentlands.gov.bc.ca

Questions? Contact UEL Administration:

 planUEL@gov.bc.ca

Spread the word!

Materials available:

- Posters
- Newsletters
- Discussion guides
- Comment cards

Get involved!

Community Webinar

February 4, 2025

6:00pm – 8:00pm

Online via Zoom

We are here

Community Survey

February 25, 2025 (Launch)

March 7, 2025 (Close)

Online & Workshop



Community Workshop

March 4, 2025

4:00pm – 8:00pm

Ielám Community Centre
(5490
Shortcut Road)



What to expect

- Survey
 - Questions designed to learn more about community values
 - Questions seeking input on specific policy directions
- Workshop
 - Information boards on display for drop-in visitors
 - Interactive boards to gather community input
 - Small roundtable discussions on key policy areas
- What We Heard Reports
 - Public report following engagement
 - Summarizing what we did, what we heard, what's next

Our ask

Spread the word

Raise awareness

Encourage friends, family and
neighbours to get involved

Thank you!