



CITY OF PORT ALBERNI MASTER PLANS 2025

PRESENTATION TO ACRD ACCESSIBILITY COMMITTEE MEETING, FEB. 11, 2025

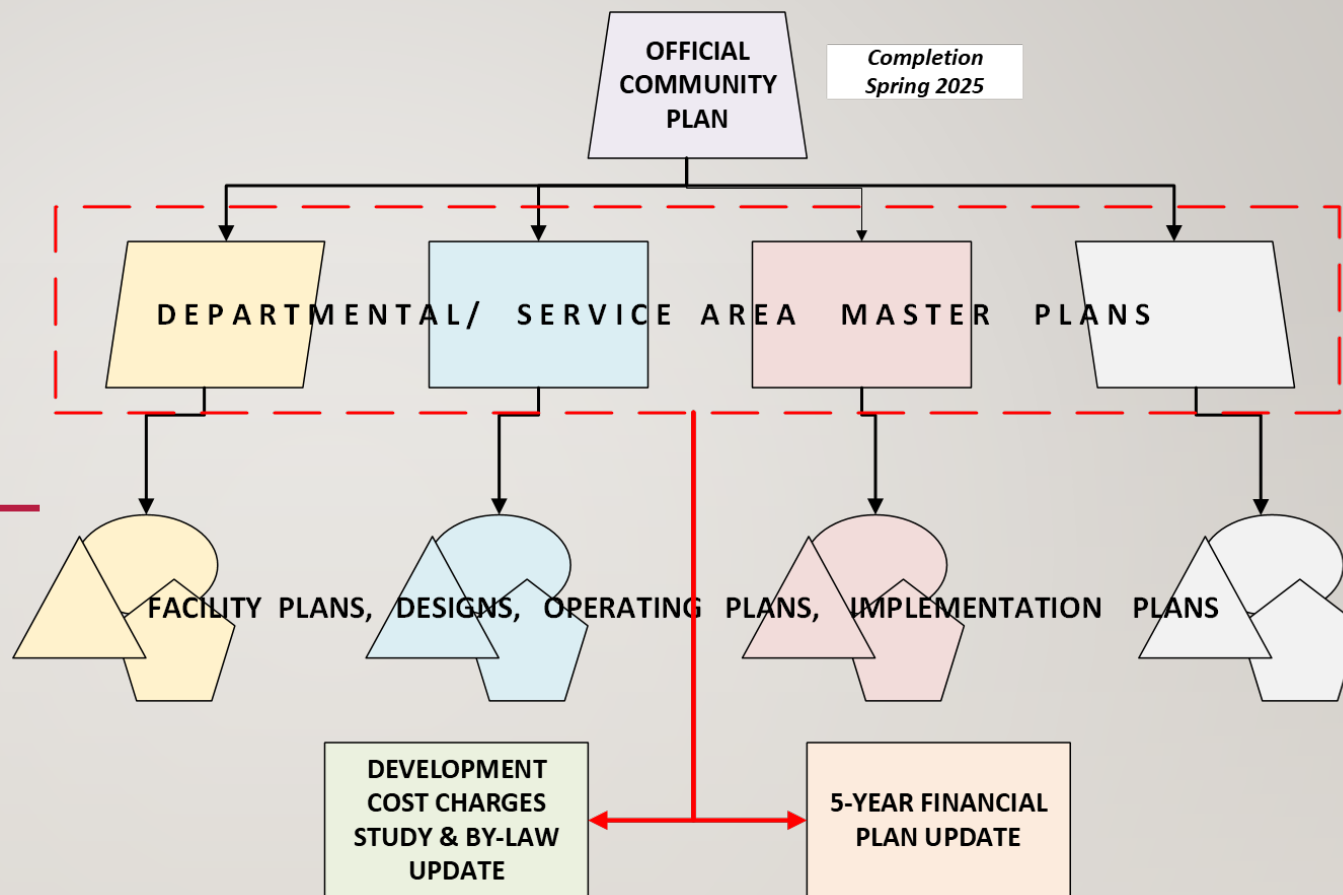
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STRATEGIC PLANNING OVERVIEW

OCP makes high-level policy, growth management, and climate action decisions.

Successive level of strategic planning adds detail and makes more specific decisions, strategies and budgets, service-by-service.



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CURRENT AND UPCOMING MASTER PLAN PROJECTS

Phase I: *Assess Current Conditions,
Understand Needs*

Phase II: *Strategic Framework,
Develop Draft Goals and
Strategies*

Phase III: *Develop and Adopt Master
Plan*

Project Stage	Project
Project Nearly Complete	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fire Services Master Plan
Phase I Nearly Complete	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parks, Recreation & Culture Dept. Master Plan
Phase I in Progress	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transportation Master Plan • Stormwater & Combined Sewer Master Plan
Starting Early 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sanitary Wastewater Master Plan
Starting Mid/Late 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Watershed Protection Plan • Drinking Water Master Plan
2026	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Development Cost Charges Study



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- Facility Condition Assessments: **Completed Nov 2024**
- Phase I Community Engagement: **Sept – Oct 2024**
 - Drop-In Ideas Session / Open House at Echo Centre
 - Public Survey; Ideas submission portal (letsconnectpa.ca)
 - Interest Group Meetings
- Phase I Reporting (Council & public): **Mar 2025**
- Phase II Community Engagement: **May-Jun 2025**
- Master Plan Complete: **est. Dec 2025**



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ENGAGEMENT HIGHLIGHTS: ACCESSIBILITY

ROUND 1 ENGAGEMENT "AT A GLANCE"



- 35% of survey respondents identified **accessibility for all ages and abilities** as a **Most Important Value/Principle**.
- **New / Improved Washrooms** ranked highest on needs (28% of survey respondents)
- Some respondent input included:
 - Need for accessible playgrounds
 - Need for low barrier washrooms/change rooms
 - Need for improvements to steep trails / more trails suited for all ages and abilities

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- Traffic Data Collection: **Aug - Sept 2024**
- Phase I Community Engagement: **Feb - Mar 2025**
 - Drop-In Ideas Session / Open House
 - Public Survey & Ideas Submission portal (letsconnectpa.ca)
 - Interest Group Meetings (**March**)
- Road Condition Assessment: **May – Jun 2025**



7 POTENTIAL INTEREST GROUPS – ACCESSIBILITY

(preliminary)

- ACRD Accessibility Committee
- Cdn. Hard of Hearing Assoc.
- Cdn. National Institute for the Blind
- HandyDART
- PA Assoc. for Children with Developmental Disabilities
- inclusionBC
- AC Continuing Care
- Disability Alliance BC
- Echo Sunshine Club
- Others?



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- <https://www.letsconnectpa.ca/master-planning>
- Email to master_plans@portalberni.ca

Thank you!

