MUNICIPALITY OF EAST FERRIS

STRATEGIC PLAN 2019-2022: ACTIONS, IMPLEMENTATION & MEASUREMENT



VISION

Our home/notre chez-nous: residents and government working together to build a vibrant and healthy rural community.



MISSION

We provide high quality public services, through collaboration and partnerships, to promote community health and wellbeing for all.



GUIDING PRINCIPLES

Transparency: Openness of government decision making and operations

Sustainability: Good stewardship of community assets & natural resources

Responsiveness:

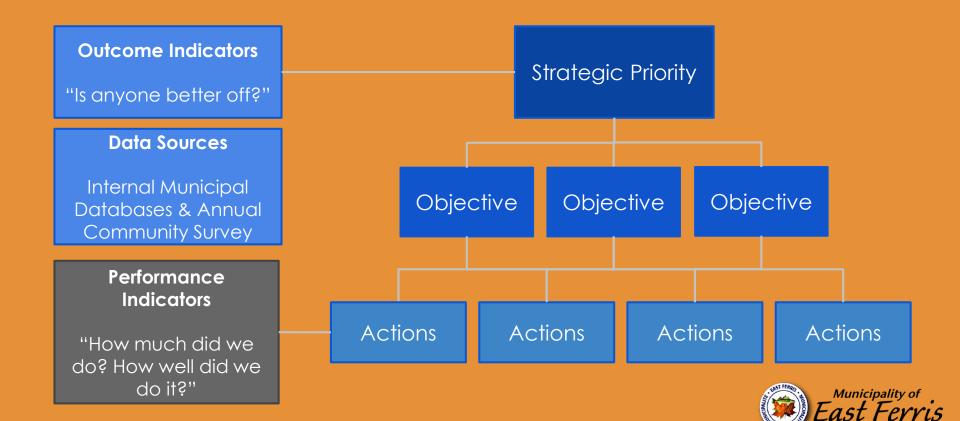
Resources & ability to adapt to changing community priorities



STRATEGIC PLAN PRIORITIES









A positive and inclusive sense of place, belonging and community.



Build Our Community

Strengthen Community Partnerships

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Preserve and Promote Our Heritage

Utilize and Safeguard Community Assets

Respond to Community Needs



Action	Lead	Year	\$
Develop a volunteer recognition program.	Municipal Clerk	2019	Staff time
Organize an annual volunteer recognition event (review/revamp).	Manager of Facilities & Recreation	2019-2022	\$1,500 / year
Plan and implement annual Canada Day Event .	Manager of Recreation and Facilities	2019-2022	\$2,000 / year
Update Community Facilities Master Plan for sports, recreation, leisure and culture for all age groups.	Manager of Recreation & Facilities	2019-2020	\$2,500
Strengthen our safety and security programs via the development of a Community Safety and Well-Being Plan in partnership with other municipalities.	Municipal Clerk	2019-2020	Staff time

Action	Lead	Year	\$
Investigate and recommend a solution for moving forward with the building of a new municipal office and fire hall with advice from the Municipal Office Advisory Committee.	CAO	2019-2020	Staff time
Investigate opportunities for shared use of municipal and school facilities (reciprocal agreements).	Manager of Recreation & Facilities	2019-2020	Staff time
Plan and implement a Centennial Celebration with advice from the Centennial Celebration Committee.	CAO and Manager of Recreation and Facilities	2019-2021	\$20,000

Action	Lead	Year	\$
Preserve and promote our heritage and sense of community by developing a policy that identifies how the municipality supports local organizations and citizen leadership.	Manager of Recreation & Facilities	2020	Staff time
Develop an annual information booklet for Recreation and Economic Development programs and events.	Manager of Recreation & Facilities and Manager of Planning & Economic Development	2020-2022	\$1,750 / year

Action	Lead	Year	\$
Create a strategy on how to improve our existing village cores as community hubs focused on social connectedness, walk- ability, and green spaces.	Manager of Recreation & Facilities	2021	\$5,000
Develop an Active Transportation Plan.	Manager of Facilities & Recreation	2022	\$2,500
Promote affordable housing and seniors services through the development of various policies.	Manager of Planning & Economic Development	2022	\$0
Develop a Community Cultural Master Plan .	Manager of Facilities & Recreation	2022	\$5,000

% of residents who reported that the municipality has increased its efforts to respond to community needs (\uparrow) .



of residents who reported volunteering with local community organizations/events (†).

% of residents who reported a strong sense of belonging to community (\uparrow) .

% of residents who reported that the municipality has increased its efforts to preserve and promote heritage (\uparrow).





A strong local economy to support youth, families, and seniors.



Grow Our Local Economy

Retain and Support Local Business Pursue Economic Development

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Attract New, Diverse Business and Industry Develop, Promote, and Fill Vacant Commercial Properties



Action	Lead	Year	\$
Complete an inventory of municipal properties and recommend the sale of properties deemed surplus.	Manager of Planning & Economic Development	2019	Staff time
Utilize the Community Improvement Plan (CIP) to promote the development of vacant commercial properties.	Manager of Planning & Economic Development	2019	\$500
Advocate for the delivery of more modern, adequate and reliable high-speed internet service throughout the municipality to service the needs of the residents and business community.	CAO and Manager of Planning & Economic Development	2019-2020	Staff time
Keep the Business Registry on our website current.	Municipal Clerk	2019-2022	Staff time

Action	Lead	Year	\$
Facilitate discussion with potential service providers for the expansion of medical and well-being services .	CAO	2020	\$500
Create an e-blast business contact list in order to circulate relevant information to businesses.	Manager of Planning & Economic Development	2020	Staff time
Develop a " new business" welcome package.	Manager of Planning & Economic Development	2020	\$1,500
Update the Economic Development Strategy to focus on identifying and increasing community services and promoting our businesses.	Manager of Planning & Economic Development	2020	\$5,000

Action	Lead	Year	\$
Review Policies and By-Laws affecting businesses to determine whether changes are needed to ensure we are providing a business-friendly environment .	Manager of Planning & Economic Development	2020	Staff time
Examine the need/demand for a farmer's market.	Manager of Planning & Economic Development	2020	\$500
Pursue expansion of Natural Gas service into our community.	CAO	2019-2022	Staff Time
Investigate the feasibility of establishing an industrial park on existing municipal property.	CAO and Manager of Planning & Economic Development	2021	Staff time



of registered businesses in business directory on municipal website (\uparrow) .

of building permits issued (\uparrow).

 $value of building permits issued (\uparrow).$

of Community Improvement Plan applications approved (†).

% of businesses registered in directory who reported that the municipality's by-laws and policies offer a business-friendly environment (↑).





A place where residents are engaged, empowered, welcomed and wellserved by their municipality.



Provide Good Governance

Open and Transparent Communication

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Meaningful Community Engagement

Fiscal Sustainability Efficient and Effective Service Delivery



Action	Lead	Year	\$
Develop a Complaint and Service Request Policy.	Municipal Clerk	2019	Staff time
Draft a new zoning by-law .	Manager of Planning & Economic Development	2019-2020	\$7,500
Re-skin website , review content and look at increasing access to information, ensure compliance with accessibility legislation, and upgrade for mobile use.	CAO and Manager of Planning & Economic Development	2019	\$8,000
Update Establishing Regulating By-Law for Fire Services.	Fire Chief	2019	Staff time
Update Open-Air Burning By-Law .	Fire Chief	2019	Staff time

Action	Lead	Year	\$
Report annually on Strategic Plan implementation progress.	CAO	2019-2022	Staff time
Review Provincial Mutual Aid Participation By-Law .	Fire Chief	2019	Staff time
Obtain Superior Tanker Shuttle Certification.	Fire Chief	2019	\$3,000
Draft an Offence By-Law to provide the municipality with an alternative means of enforcing municipal by-laws.	Municipal Clerk and Chief Building Official	2019-2020	\$3,000
Update Smoking By-Law to take into consideration Provincial legislation regarding vaping and cannabis use.	Manager of Facilities & Recreation	2019	Staff time

Action	Lead	Year	\$
Update financial policies : Reserve Funds, Debt Management, and Long-Term Funding and Financing	CAO/Treasurer	2020	Staff time
Develop a communication policy , to improve public communications and access to municipal information, with strategic advice from the Communications Committee.	CAO and Municipal Clerk	2020	Staff time
Develop a Parks Use By-Law to provide basic rules around operation and conduct of users.	Manager of Facilities & Recreation	2020	Staff time
Review Emergency Management Control Group structure and recommend changes.	Fire Chief	2020	Staff time

Action	Lead	Year	\$
Increase Automatic Aid Agreements with neighbouring municipalities (personnel and tankers).	Fire Chief	2020	Staff time
Update Asset Management Plan.	Municipal Engineer	2020	\$7,500
Develop a Community Engagement Policy to guide meaningful opportunities for resident engagement in the Municipality's democratic process.	Municipal Clerk	2020	\$500
Update Procurement By-Law	Municipal Clerk and CAO	2021	Staff time
Update Property Standards By-Law.	Chief Building Official	2021	Staff time

Action	Lead	Year	\$
Investigate opportunities for providing public-facing GIS on our website.	Manager of Planning & Economic Development	2022	\$5,000
Provide customer service delivery training programs for staff.	CAO	2022	\$2,500

% of residents who reported being satisfied with quality of municipal services delivered (1).

% of residents who reported that the municipality has increased its communication efforts with residents (†).

% of residents who believe the municipality offers meaningful engagement opportunities for local decision making ([†]).

Property taxes as a % of household income are at or below the average of municipal comparators.



Provide Good Governance



A leader in local environmental stewardship.



Protect Our Environment

Stewardship of Natural Resources

Maximize Landfill Lifespan

Support Environmental Partnerships +

Promote Environmental Education



Action	Lead	Year	\$
Facilitate strategic discussions with relevant organizations to protect our lakes from Blue Green Algae .	CAO	2019-2020	\$500
Update studies related to Trout Lake and Lake Nosbonsing (water management/water quality, etc.)	Manager of Planning & Economic Development	2019-2020	\$17,500
Promote environmental programs being delivered by the North Bay-Mattawa Conservation Authority and other local organizations.	Manager of Planning & Economic Development	2020-2022	\$250 / year
Organize an annual Community Clean Up Day to keep our community clean.	Municipal Engineer	2020-2022	\$500 / year

Action	Lead	Year	\$
Educate residents on the benefits of prolonging the life of our landfill site via website content and an annual recycling information mailout.	Municipal Engineer	2020-2022	\$500 / year
Recommend climate change reduction measures , that are aligned with Ontario's Environment Plan Preserving and Protecting our Environment for Future Generations, during annual budget deliberations.	CAO/Treasurer	2020-2022	Staff time
Review, prioritize, and implement recommendations from the Waste Recycling Strategy and the Waste Composition Study .	Municipal Engineer	2021	\$7,500



% of residents who are aware of what materials can be recycled and collected at curbside ([†]).

Total amount of solid waste diverted from landfill site (\uparrow) .

of joint collaborative activities to address environmental issues and concerns (\uparrow).

% of residents who reported that the municipality has increased its efforts to protect the environment and natural resources (†).



INTEGRATED PLANNING AND REPORTING CYCLE

Community Engagement Continuous Improvement

Strategic Plan 2019-2022

Council Priorities

Business Planning Resource Allocation Performance Management



TIMELINES FOR COMMUNICATION/REPORTING

Internal Staff	Council	Community
Quarterly	Annually	Annually
- Performance	- Outcome	- Outcome
(% Actions	Indicators	Indicators
Completed)	Performance	Performance
- Challenges	(% Actions	(% Actions
- Successes	Completed)	Completed)
	- Challenges	- Narratives
	- Successes	Municipality of East Ferris