



SUBJECT: Vision to Focus (V2F) integrated reporting update as of December 31, 2022

TO: Committee of the Whole

FROM: Corporate Strategy

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Wards Affected: All

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Date to Council: February 14, 2023

Recommendation:

Receive and file Vision to Focus (V2F) integrated reporting update as of December 31, 2022 as contained in appendix A of corporate strategy report CS-06-23.

PURPOSE:

Vision to Focus Alignment:

- Building more citizen engagement, community health and culture

Background and Discussion:

The 2018-2022 Burlington's Plan from Vision to Focus (V2F) is a living document requiring monitoring, measuring and reporting. It is the role of leadership to be aware of changes in circumstances (e.g. global pandemic) and assess the impact of these changes on the overall 4-year plan (V2F, page 22). This monitoring, measuring and reporting is expected to occur annually.

In V2F, Burlington City Council made a commitment:

"We will share regular updates on the implementation and progress of the plan with the citizens of Burlington. We will let our community know our achievements and progress on the 2018 to 2022 Burlington Plan: From Vision to Focus that helps realize our long-term vision for the City of Burlington." V2F, page 3.

In February 2022, Council received the first [V2F progress report](#) as of December 31, 2021 (refer [CS-02-22](#)).

Strategy/process

Successful Completion

Since our progress report as of end of Q4 2021, we have seen the completion of 2 additional key actions since June 30, 2022 to bring the totals to:

- 7 of the 12 key priorities as indicated on pages 5 and 6 of the [V2F progress report](#)
- 22 of the 39 key actions and 14 initiatives not considered key actions as indicated on pages 7 to 16 of the [V2F progress report](#).

Within the specific focus areas, the City has accomplished the following additional initiatives:

- ***Focus Area 1: Increasing Economic Prosperity and Community Responsive City Growth***

- 1.04 Define Burlington's expectations for population and jobs to 2041 as part of the Halton Region's Municipal Comprehensive Review.

With the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing approval of the Region of Halton's official plan amendment 49 (ROPA 49) with modifications, the second phase of work for the Municipal Comprehensive Review (MCR) is complete. A number of modifications to ROPA 49 impact Burlington including adding new urban land in Burlington, converting Regional employment area designations and extending the planning horizon to 2051. ROPA 49 as approved with modifications defines Burlington's expectations for jobs and population to 2041 as 240,050 people and 114,330 jobs and 265,160 people and 124,390 jobs to 2051. With this decision and information, staff are now working to establish a local planning vision for the areas impacted by the Minister's decision on ROPA 49 for consideration by Council in early 2023. This work is necessary to inform a process with the Region and local municipal partners to develop a clearly defined plan for where and when growth is expected to occur in order to coordinate the delivery of significant and critical infrastructure to support that growth.

- ***Focus Area 4: Building More Citizen Engagement, Community Health and Culture***

- 4.07 Initiate and implement a Corporate Volunteer Strategy based on recommendations from the Mohawk Future Ready Leadership Team to create a simple and seamless system for residents to volunteer their time with the city.

Through volunteering, residents can and are making a positive impact in our community and taking advantage of the opportunity to gain experience, enhance or build skills and participate in the community. With over 500 volunteers registered through the City's new system – Better Impact – our community is being assisted in a variety of city activities; for example: Adult programs; Advisory committees; Animal Services; Child, youth and family programs; Festivals and events; Neighbourhood Rinks; Skating; Student Theatre; Swimming; and Tyandaga Golf Course. Volunteer recruitment will continue as business units identify needs.

Financial Matters:

Each initiative either has its own budget (e.g. projects, taskforces, etc.) or is contained within the base budget of the relevant service.

Total Financial Impact

Not applicable

Source of Funding

Not applicable

Other Resource Impacts

Not applicable

Climate Implications

The City's long-term vision sees City of Burlington as a leader in the stewardship of the environment while encouraging healthy lifestyles. Significant progress has been made in Vision to Focus' Focus Area 3 – supporting sustainable infrastructure and a resilient environment - with the completion of a number of the key actions. These actions work collectively to not only reduce greenhouse gas emissions from city operations but also to support the City of Burlington in adapting to climate change.

Engagement Matters:

Staff leads for the V2F initiatives are engaged in the update process for timely status updates

Conclusion:

Goals, strategies, objectives and activities are all achievable; some over longer time periods than others. What each has in common is the need to monitor and track to see how progress is made in achieving the stated goal or objective and completing the activities. Monitoring and reporting matter because of accountability. City of Burlington management and staff are accountable to City Council. City of Burlington council is accountable to the citizens of Burlington.

Respectfully submitted,

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Appendices:

- A. CS-06-23 V2F Integrated Reporting – as of December 2022

Report Approval:

All reports are reviewed and/or approved by Department Director, the Chief Financial Officer and the Executive Director of Legal Services & Corporation Counsel.