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### MUNICIPAL RELATIONS

#### Important Notice to all Chief Administrative Officers And Elected Officials

#### **Updating Development Plans and Zoning By-laws**

*The Planning Act* requires that planning by-laws be routinely reviewed and up-to-date to ensure that planning and development decisions are based on current information and policy that aligns with a community's long-term vision and goals.

With proposed amendments to *The Planning Act* and *The City of Winnipeg Charter under Bill 37*, it is more important than ever to ensure local planning by-laws, application forms, and guides are current, to avoid unnecessary appeals and delays in decision-making.

Manitoba Municipal Relations provides professional land use advice and mapping assistance to municipalities and planning districts. The department maintains an on-line Land Use and Development Web Application ([https://www.gov.mb.ca/mr/land\\_use\\_dev/index.html](https://www.gov.mb.ca/mr/land_use_dev/index.html)). This GIS interface provides ready access to development plan and zoning information for all lands in Manitoba outside the City of Winnipeg.

The application features information representing land use designations and zones contained in the development plans and zoning by-laws adopted by municipalities or planning districts, along with Assessment Parcel Information from [Manitoba Assessment Online](#), and various base maps. It also has tools that enable users to perform land use analyses and helps them understand and visualize their community's development potential.

In addition, the department continues to provide direct financial assistance to municipalities and planning districts. Grant applications are accepted annually to up-date planning documents ([www.gov.mb.ca/grants/grant-department.html](http://www.gov.mb.ca/grants/grant-department.html)).

If you have questions or require further information, please contact your regional Community Planning office, or call the Winnipeg Office at (204) 945-2150.

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