

# Working Together for Our Community's Future - *Our People-Based Community Strategic Plan*

## Our Mission

Our City is built on relationships – between citizens and their government, businesses and public institutions, city and region – all interconnected, mutually supportive, and focused on the brightest future we can create together.

If you have any questions or would like more information regarding the Community Ward meetings, please call 311.



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## Our Vision: Windsor - Dream, Dare, Do

Windsor is a desirable city full of history and potential, with a diverse culture, a durable economy, and a healthy environment, where citizens share a strong sense of belonging and a collective pride of place.

## Our Four Pillars: Themes and Objectives

### ***Our Economy: Cultivated and Competitive***

- Business Growth – Cultivate a positive and diverse economic environment for business growth.
- Productive Partnerships – Bring together community leaders and local government to stimulate the economy.
- Gateway Opportunities – Promote tourism and hospitality, making the most of our advantages as a key Canadian gateway.
- Global Outreach – Show the world the City of Windsor is an outstanding place to live, work, and visit.
- Skills Development – Help our educational institutions develop a skilled and adaptable workforce.

### ***Our Culture: Distinctive & Diverse***

- Safe City – Ensure public safety and the protection of residents, visitors and property.
- Distinctive Neighborhoods – Encourage neighborhoods to be proudly distinctive.
- Heritage Honoured – Preserve heritage structures that tell the story of our past.
- Healthy Living – Create a community where citizens can pursue a healthy lifestyle and reach their full potential.

### ***Our Government: Responsive & Responsible***

- Financial Well-Being – Maintain and improve the City's financial health.
- Responsive Services – Be accountable for providing top-quality municipal services that serve citizens better.
- Beneficial Partnerships – Develop innovative partnerships among the public, private and not-for-profit sectors.
- Public Engagement – Engage citizens openly and frequently in decisions that affect their lives.
- Administrative Talent – Build and maintain a dynamic administrative team.
- Political Leadership – Support City Council to collaborate, cooperate, and creatively lead Windsor into its next great era.

### ***Our Environment: Clean & Efficient***

- Environmental Improvement – Preserve and enhance the natural environment and our urban green spaces.
- Smart Development – Develop land efficiently, attractively, and in ways that protect the environment.
- Energy Conservation – Be an energy-efficient community.
- Infrastructure Care – Improve the physical infrastructure, buildings, and public structures.

## Strategic Priorities

### Council to Pursue Over Next 4 Years

#### Our Economy: Cultivated and Competitive

That the City of Windsor consider a focused approach to the improvement of the **image of the community in order to promote opportunities for economic prosperity, tourism and community pride.**

That the City of Windsor encourage and develop partnerships respecting post secondary institutions and the hospital sector for the purpose of the development of a **Center for Excellence in our educational institutions and the permanent development of a new Medical School.**

#### Our Culture: Distinctive & Diverse

That the City of Windsor explore with the support of the heritage community the development of **museums** that will celebrate the City of Windsor's heritage and cultural diversity.

That the City of Windsor promote the development of a **safe community** to live work and play through the development of an effective and supportive community policing program which is focused on safe streets and strengthened neighborhoods

#### Our Government: Responsive & Responsible

That the City of Windsor promote and encourage the concepts of **regional planning** through the development of

*collaborative regional partnerships which work towards a strong regional economy, environmentally friendly growth, effective and efficient infrastructure.*

*That the City of Windsor identify and support opportunities to increase **public engagement and participation while ensuring transparency and accountability** in the effective delivery of programs and services for the community.*

#### Our Environment: Clean & Efficient

*That the City of Windsor work with residents, and senior levels of government and appropriate stakeholders to develop a **balanced border solution** that facilitates cross border traffic while protecting our neighbourhoods and improving our quality of life.*

*That the City of Windsor continue efforts to develop a **community revitalization strategy** to address re-development of Brownfields, Community Improvement Plans and Business Improvement areas.*

*That the City of Windsor develop a systematic and sustainable plan that will lead towards the **elimination of basement flooding** within the area with combined sewer system.*

## Ward Specific Priorities (2006-2010)

### WARD 1

- Reduce trucks on city streets
- Border solution
- Greening of Ward 1

### WARD 2

- Sandwich development – explore opportunities for re-use of jail, and entice new financial institution to area
- Urban village
- Strategy to deal with abandon derelict homes

### WARD 3

- Reduce/eliminate basement flooding
- Improve property standards – e.g., reduce graffiti,
- BIA revitalizations / neighborhood strengthening

### WARD 4

- Signature recreational facility
- A four year infrastructure plan
- Annexed Lands - Servicing Plan – integrating of area with City of Windsor

### WARD 5

- Environmental Assessment Plan
- Strengthened Community Policing
- Infrastructure Roads – keep improving the road quality

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