



Strathmore's Future: Community Vitalization Project
 Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)
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Question	Answer
<p>Why is the Town considering building a new space vs. renovating the current office space or purchasing an existing building?</p>	<p>Detailed environmental and engineering assessments were conducted to determine if the current space could be renovated to alleviate the health and safety issues and accommodate growth. The results indicated that it was not cost effective to upgrade and renovate the space.</p> <p>Regarding purchasing and renovating existing buildings, this was also investigated, and it was felt that it was also not cost effective to renovate each space and it would not be efficient for residents and businesses to conduct Town business if they are required to visit multiple locations. There is currently no existing structure that can provide enough space for all Town services. A 'one-stop shop' was deemed the best solution going forward. A new building will also allow for enhanced accessibility for people with disabilities.</p>
<p>Why is the location of the Municipal Building in Kinsmen Park?</p>	<p>The North-East corner of the Kinsmen parking lot will be the location of the new Municipal Building. Kinsmen Park is a hub of the community and located in Strathmore's vibrant downtown area. It is a space for many gatherings and events that bring the community together. The location of the Municipal Building is an opportunity to add amenities and new features in the park and become an integral part of the vitalization and enhancement of Downtown Strathmore. Ensuring residents and businesses can access the Town's services in a central location is important to ensuring the efficient delivery of services.</p>
<p>What will the new Municipal Building look like?</p>	<p>It is too early to answer that as the Town is still in the first phase of planning. A preliminary design has been completed and is now on display at the Town Office. Construction will commence in 2019.</p>
<p>What are the features of the new facility?</p>	<p>The proposed features include: public washrooms and change facilities for Kinsmen Park, community space that can be used by local groups to offer programs and services to the public (weekends and after hours), an independent café/concession offering services to users of Kinsmen Park, Council Chambers and space for all Town of Strathmore staff to provide services to the community with the exception of the Fire and Operations departments.</p>
<p>When will the public engagement for the Vitalization of Kinsmen Park take place?</p>	<p>Additional public engagement will take place in the coming months of 2019. More details will be available on the Town's web site and social media channels.</p>
<p>When will the construction of the Kinsmen Park improvements start?</p>	<p>It is too early to answer fully as the Town is still in the first phase of planning. This is a longer-term project that will continue into 2019.</p>
<p>What will happen to the current Municipal Building?</p>	<p>The current building will be torn down and made available for seniors housing developments.</p>
<p>How can I stay informed of the future updates to Kinsmen Park and the Municipal Building space?</p>	<p>The Town's website and social media channels are the best sources for ongoing updates and will be updated monthly.</p>

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