

# Pickering Official Plan Review

Special Council Meeting  
May 27, 2024

City of  
**PICKERING**

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# Purpose of Meeting

1

Host a statutory public meeting for the City of Pickering Official Plan Review

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Present details about the Official Plan Review process

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Introduce a Background Paper to start the Official Plan Review conversation

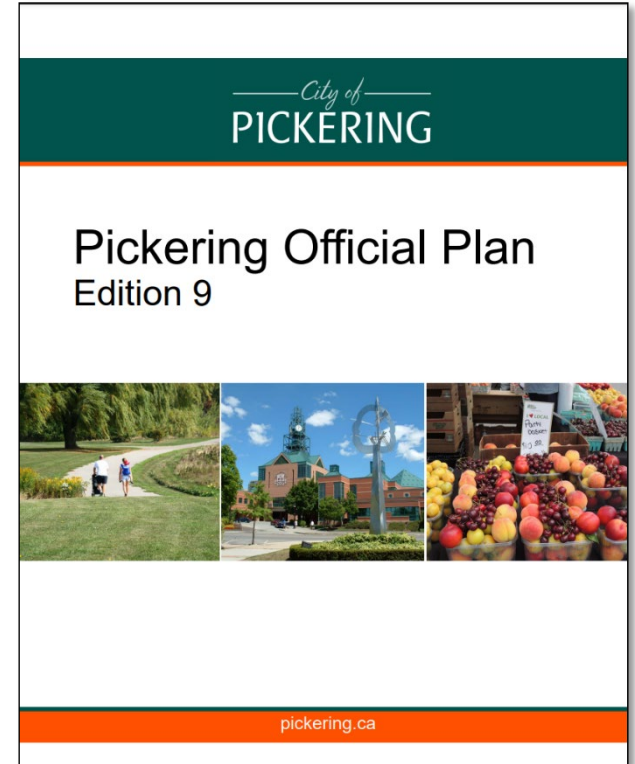


# What is an Official Plan?

An Official Plan is the Municipality's primary, long range, comprehensive planning document, that provides the framework for land use decision-making in the City.

The Policy Framework includes:

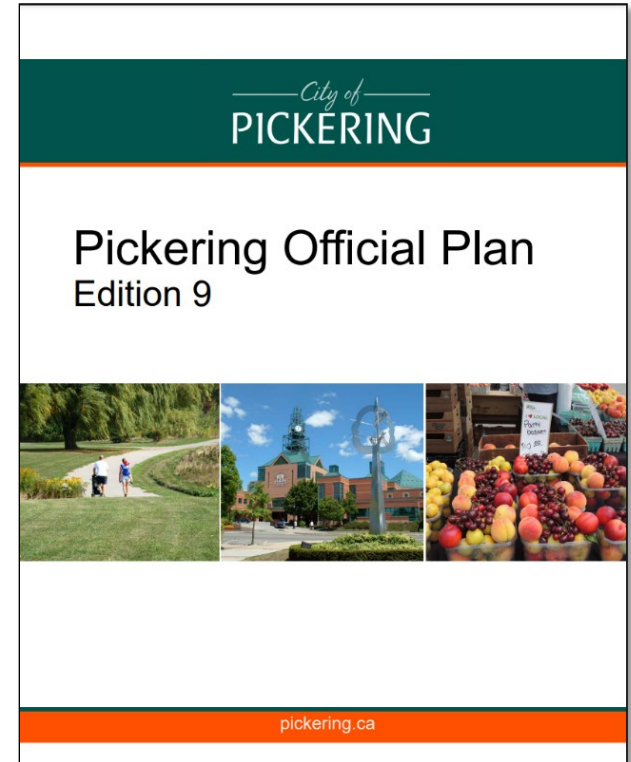
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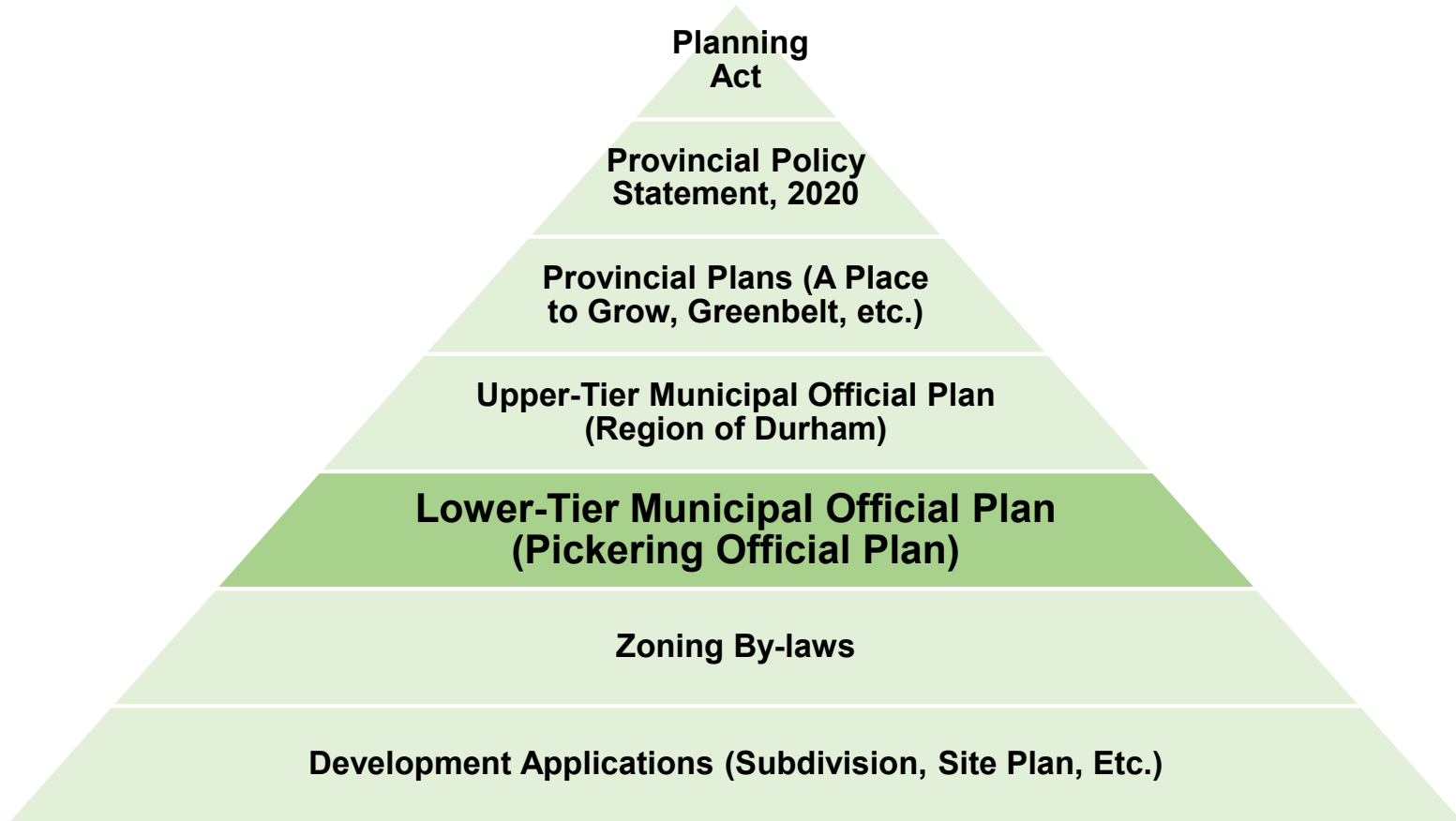
# Pickering Official Plan

The Plan provides direction on matters such as:

- Where new housing, industry, offices and shops will be located, and in what order parts of the community will grow.
- What services will be needed, such as roads, watermains, sewers, parks and schools.
- Where open spaces will be located and how the natural environment will be protected.



# Planning Hierarchy in Ontario



# Why Review the Official Plan?

## Requirements

- ➔ Planning Act
- ➔ Provincial Policy Changes
- ➔ Region of Durham Official Plan

## Opportunities

- ➔ Pickering is Growing
- ➔ Review vision and community priorities
- ➔ Align with other Pickering initiatives

# Project Tagline and Imagery

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- Project Milestones**
- P1 - Discussion Papers:**
    - Community Priorities & Vision
    - Growth Management & Urban Structure
    - Natural Heritage & Sustainability
    - Housing & Affordability
    - Community Structure
    - Agricultural, Rural Areas & Hamlets
  - P2 - Release of Draft Changes to Official Plan**
  - P3 - Release Final Recommended Official Plan**
  - Statutory Public Meeting**
  - Recommendation Report to Council**
  - P4 - Council Adoption of the Official Plan**



## Phase One

Background & Research

- Background Research
- Special Meeting of Council
- Policy Review & Analysis
- Release Background Paper
- Community Engagement Strategy
- Discussion Papers on Specific Topics:
  - ▶ Community Priorities & Vision
  - ▶ Growth Management & Urban Structure
  - ▶ Natural Heritage & Sustainability
  - ▶ Housing & Affordability
  - ▶ Community Structure
  - ▶ Agricultural, Rural Areas & Hamlets
- Community Engagement

## Phase Two

Policy Drafting

- Draft Official Plan Preparation
- Review Policy Analysis and Community Engagement Comments
- Create New Policies and Amend Existing Policies
- ▶ Release of Draft Changes to Official Plan for Comment
- Community Engagement:
  - Receive Feedback on Proposed Draft Pickering Official Plan

## Phase Three

Policy Recommendations

- Community Feedback:
  - Draft Official Plan Revisions
- ▶ Release Final Recommended Pickering Official Plan for Comment
- ▶ Statutory Public Meeting and Presentation to Council
- ▶ Recommendation Report to Council
- Community Engagement:
  - Plan Revisions Based on Statutory Meeting Comments and Council Direction

## Phase Four

Final Approval & Implementation

- ▶ Council Adoption of the Official Plan
- Submit Council Adopted Plan to Approval Authority
- Modifications from Approval Authority
- Notify Interested Parties of Final Approval

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# Community Engagement

➔ Creating an Engagement Strategy

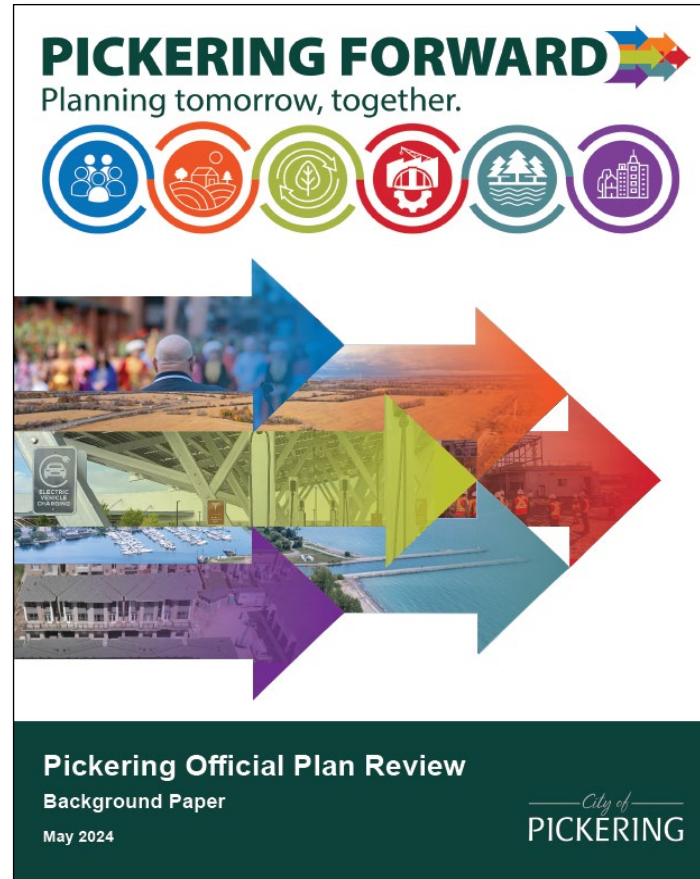


➔ Engagement Consultant

➔ Engagement Methods



# Background Paper



# Next Steps

- ➔ Release of Discussion Papers
- ➔ Community Engagement



# We Want To Hear From You!

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