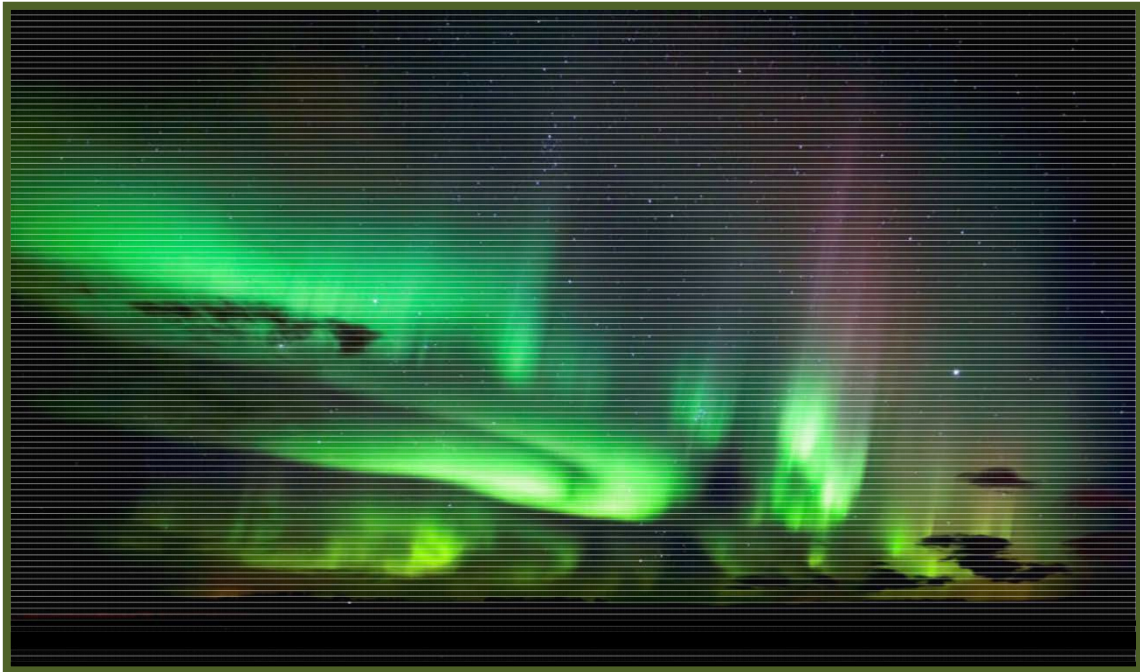


# County of Northern Lights

2019 to 2021



## Strategic Issues

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## Northern Lights County Council

### Mission Statement

It shall be the **Mission** of the County of Northern Lights to:

- A. Provide good government;
- B. Provide services, facilities, and other things that, in the opinion of Council, are necessary or desirable for all or a part of the County; and
- C. Develop and maintain safe and viable communities.





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### **Vision Statement**

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It is the **Vision** of the Council of the County of Northern Lights to strive for innovative decision-making, proactive planning, and regional cooperation in order to promote our citizens' lifestyles, freedoms, and opportunities. This will be achieved by providing enhanced qualities of life, effective and efficient services, and healthy/sustainable communities.



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### GOAL: MAINTENANCE AND EXPANSION OF ROAD INFRASTRUCTURE

Strategic Initiative	Responsible Party	Target Date	Status
➤ Revise Road Standards Policy establishing Sustainable service levels	McLaughlin/Council	2019	
➤ Continue to do in house shoulder pulls and maintain shoulder pull budget at \$500,000	McLaughlin		
➤ Look at service level modifications to find possible improvements/savings	All		
➤ Establish & fund bridge reserve for future replacements/major repairs	Hunter		
➤ Continue with long term planning for Bridge replacements	McLaughlin		
➤ Develop a long term paving plan	McLaughlin	2020	to be brought forward for discussion in 2019
➤ Provide a draft to Council for a program to charge for installation and construction of approaches.	McLaughlin	2019	
➤ Look at regravol program and develop a plan	McLaughlin	2019	



for decreasing the amount of gravel placed on  
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roads, based on road type, or increase the years of rotation for regravelling program (i.e. every 4 rather than 3)

This would be part of the road standards policy

- Continue discussions with Alberta Transportation regarding the repairs to bridges where “faulty” concrete was utilized. Lobby for funding for these repairs

CAO/Council

2019

Resolution going to 2019 RMA spring convention

- Apply for grants and proceed with Hawk Hills drainage projects when funding is at 75%

McLaughlin

No funding available yet Applied for Community Resilience Program but were denied

- Maintain GIS system to include condition ratings on assets for the development of an Asset Management Plan.

Public Works



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### GOAL: PROVISION OF SAFE, POTABLE WATER TO RESIDENTS

Strategic Initiative	Responsible Party	Target Date	Status
➤ Review Water Policy and determine continued Sustainability and validity. Make necessary modifications	Council	2019	
➤ Determine appropriate sources of funding for future projects and continue to lobby for ICIP.	Hunter/Council/DPW	2019	
➤ Review rates and levels of subsidy for water service, including connection fees.	Hunter/Council	2019	
➤ Continue discussions and finalize agreement with Town of Peace River for the supply of water to the south waterline, and the associated water rates.	Council	2019	
➤ Research subsidized water delivery to areas where rural distribution service will likely not reach	Council/DPW	2020	
➤ Provide funds for water “add ons” of \$1.5 million total to ensure continued expansion	Hunter	ongoing	



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- Undertake review of idle service fees to ensure costs of all services are fairly distributed Administration 2019



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### **GOAL: MAINTAIN OR REDUCE BUDGET LEVELS**

Strategic Initiative	Responsible Party	Target Date
➤ Capital budgets to be reduced and kept lean	All	
➤ Maintain service levels as much as possible	All	
➤ Continue to look for reductions and increased efficiencies	All	





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### GOAL: ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Strategic Initiative	Responsible Party	Target Date
➤ Promote the County through trade shows, new promotional items, to assist with attraction and retention of businesses.	Ec Dev/Comm services	
➤ Review business plan from Manning Seed Cleaning Co-op and continue to look for alternatives (regional vs local?)	Council	



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### GOAL: BYLAW ENFORCEMENT

Strategic Initiative	Responsible Party	Target Date
➤ Review potential solutions for bylaw enforcement locally and regionally. Cost vs benefit	All	This was not included in 2019 -2021 budget