

2026 OCP Amendment

Regular Council

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What is an Official Community Plan ?

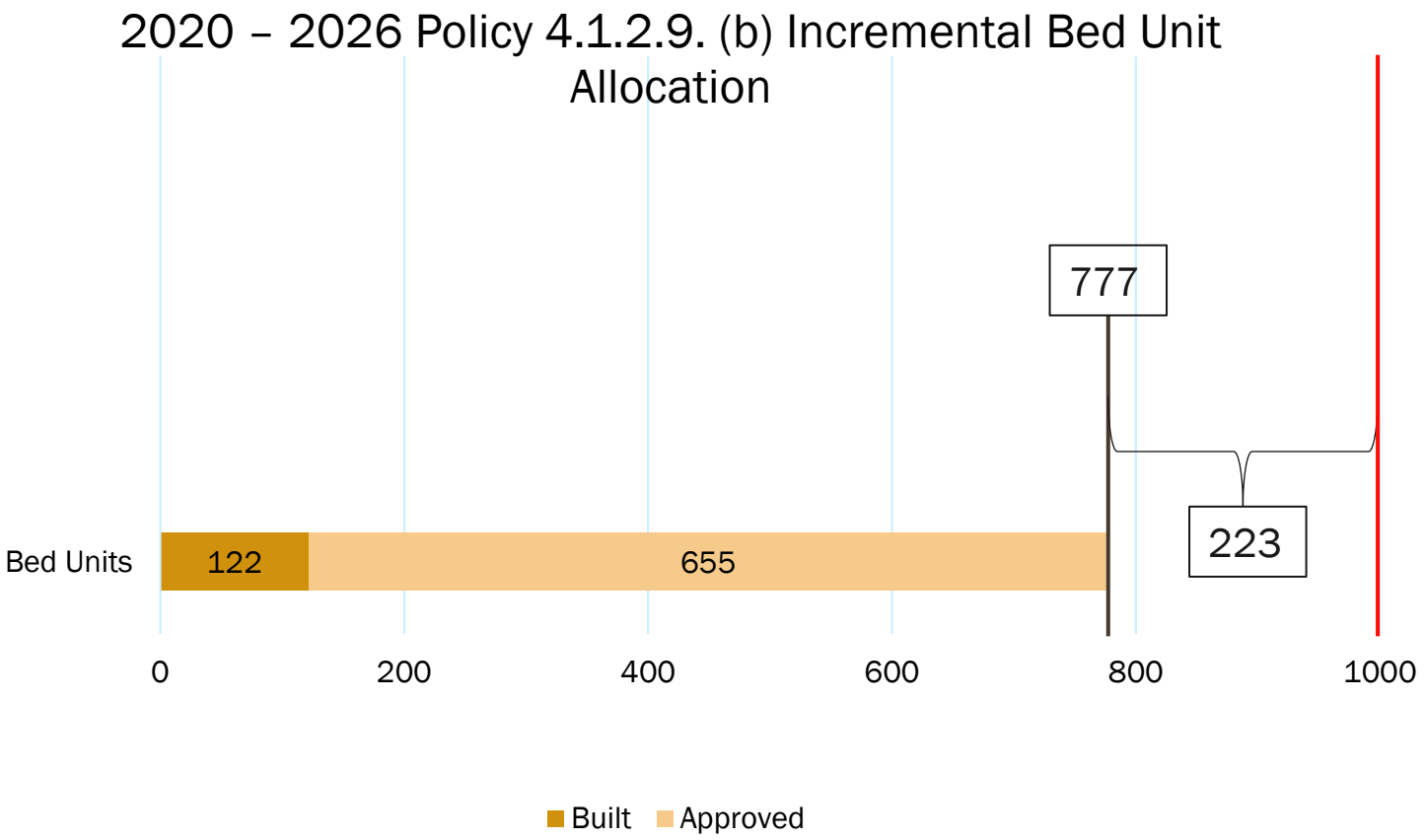
- Shaped by the community and sets the long-term community direction
- Establishes objectives and policies that guide decisions on community planning and land use management
- All bylaws and works undertaken must be consistent with the Official Community Plan

Project Objectives

- Increase bed units to support employee housing initiatives
- Support implementation of the Whistler Creek West (WCW) Neighbourhood Plan
- Amend three land use designations for parcels identified in the Whistler Municipal Land Strategy to support potential employee housing initiatives
- Address Schedule A mapping errors

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Bylaw No. 2527 - Increase of 1,500 additional bed units to support private sector and municipal employee housing initiatives



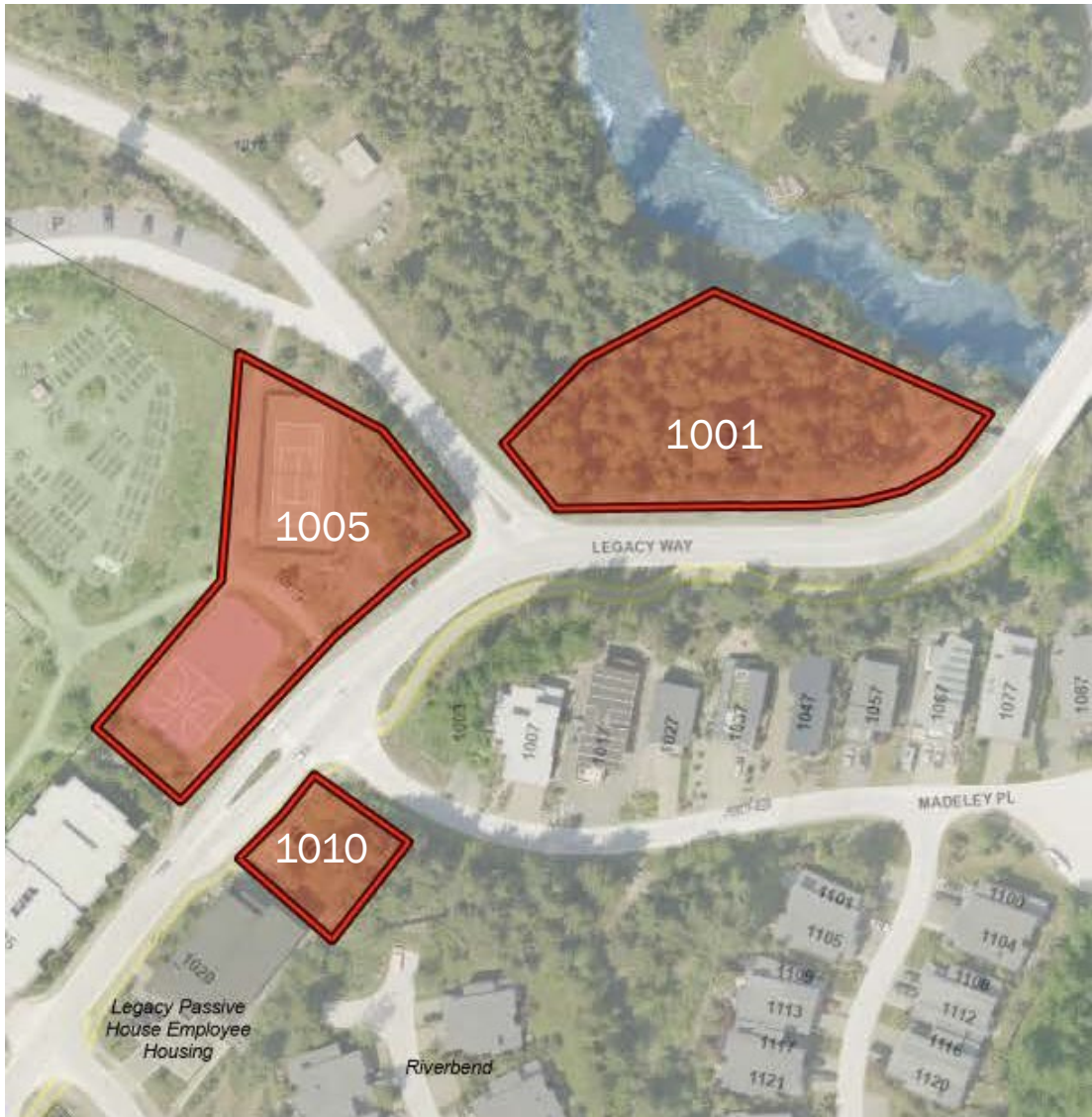
Bylaw No. 2528 - Implement WCW Neighbourhood Plan

- Endorsed by RMOW Council on December 16, 2025
- Will frame the municipal led rezoning
- Proposed OCP amendments:
  - Add 3,500 additional bed units
  - Attach to the OCP
  - Identify on OCP Schedule A
  - Policy text updates



Bylaw No. 2531 - Amend OCP land use designations of employee housing priority parcels

- Identified in Whistler Municipal Land Strategy
- Dedicated Parkland
- Current:
  - Parks and Recreation
    - 1010 Legacy Way
    - 1005 Legacy Way
  - Protected Natural Area
    - 1001 Legacy Way
- Proposed:
  - Residential - Low to Medium (detached/multiple)



Project Timing and Phases



Phase 1: **Define** April – July 2026	Phase 2: **Gather** August – September 2026	Phase 3: **Narrow Down** October – December 2026	Phase 4: **Decide** January – February 2027*
Setting-up the project, completing analysis and preparing the proposed bylaws.	Completing early consultation and gather community feedback.	Refining proposed amendments and hold a public hearing.	Finalizing the proposed bylaws and following-up on the decision outcome.

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Early Consultation Requirements

Consultation Requirements		Proposed Consultation
Framework Agreement – Article 7: OCP and RMOW Act Amendments	Early consultation required with First Nations	• Bylaw referrals ○ Líl̓wat Nation ○ Squamish Nation ○ SLRD Board ○ School District No. 48 ○ Mountain Resorts Branch ○ Community Organizations
***Local Government Act* – Section 475**	Council must consider early and ongoing consultation with: • SLRD Board • Adjacent regional districts and municipalities • First Nations • Boards of Education • Provincial & Federal Government	
***Local Government Act* – Section 476**	Council must consult with Boards of Education	

Consultation and Engagement Summary



Phase 1: **Define**	• Project webpage • Add Your Voice event • Housing and Strategy Committee • Property notification signs

Phase 2: **Gather**	• Bylaw referrals
	  ○ Líl̓wat Nation
	  ○ Squamish Nation
	  ○ SLRD Board
	  ○ School District No. 48
	  ○ Mountain Resorts Branch
	  ○ Community Organizations
	• Online questionnaire
	• Online information session
	• In-person drop-in session
	• 3 Community pop-ups
	• Housing and Strategy Committee

Phase 3: **Narrow Down**	• Public hearing
Phase 4: **Decide**	• Public information follow-up

Recommendations

That Council has considered sections 475 and 476 of the *Local Government Act* and article 7 of the *Framework Agreement* between the province, the Líl̓wat Nation, the Squamish Nation, Whistler Blackcomb and the Resort Municipality of Whistler, and endorses the early and ongoing consultation for the 2026 Official Community Plan amendment project as outlined in Administrative Report No. 26-063; and

That Council consider giving first reading to:

- "Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw (Growth Management and Housekeeping) No. 2527, 2026";
- "Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw (Whistler Creek West Neighbourhood Plan) No. 2528, 2026"; and
- "Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw (Employee Housing Parcels) No. 2531, 2026".

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