

Review of Environmental Initiatives

The Comprehensive Zoning Bylaw Review contains several topics considered to be environmental in nature. These topics have been grouped together into a separate sub-project. The City is working with a consultant with expertise in this area to complete the review and provide draft amendments to [Bylaw No. 8770, Zoning Bylaw, 2009 \(Zoning Bylaw\)](#).

A steering committee was created to oversee the project, with staff from the Departments of Planning and Development, Building Standards, and Sustainability.

Project Scope

The topics identified under the scoping phase of the project included:

- Green roofs and rooftop gardens;
- Bonus options for developments which include environmental features incorporated into the design;
- Net Zero building standards / Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design;
- Electric vehicle parking and charging station requirements;
- Adaptive reuse of older buildings; and
- Sustainable landscaping practices.

In addition to the topics identified, the consultant has reviewed actions from the [Official Community Plan](#), [Low Emissions Community Plan](#) and the [Green Infrastructure Strategy](#) to determine which actions apply to potential amendments to the Zoning Bylaw. The consultant may include other relevant topics or innovative practices from their research.

Key Deliverables

The consultant will provide a summary of municipal best practices and draft amendments to the Zoning Bylaw with supporting documents.

Timeline / Next steps

A preliminary report with best practices and draft recommendations was received in October 2022 and reviewed by the Steering Committee.

Engagement with stakeholders will occur in late 2022 and early 2023, with draft Zoning Bylaw amendments being developed following engagement. This engagement will include the Saskatoon Environmental Advisory Committee.

Public engagement will be promoted via project e-newsletters, social media and standard public notice, and gathered through the project Engage Page.

It is anticipated that Bylaw amendments will be considered by Municipal Planning Commission and City Council in the first quarter of 2023.