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During 2012, Council approved the Town of Aurora Strategic Plan and a Strategic Plan Actions and Measures Document. The Strategic Plan provides direction to corporate plans, department plans, business plans, budget and individual performance plans. As part of this, all new budget requests will include a description of how the requested funding supports the implementation of the Strategic Plan.

In each operating department's Business Plan document their 2015 initiatives that support the Town's Strategic Plan have been identified and classified under the appropriate Strategic Plan Goal.

The following provides a categorized listing of all 2015 identified initiatives by Strategic Goal.

COMMUNITY GOAL: Supporting an exceptional quality of life for all

Description of Initiative	Completion Date
CAO/Administration	
Continued pursuit of obtaining Silver (Level 2) Certification from Excellence Canada. Submit certification application.	December, 2015
Creation of a more robust system of communications / public engagement for Planning and other consultations.	June, 2015
Strategic Plan Update.	September, 2015
Organizational Review.	December, 2015
Legal & Legislative Services	
Draft work plan and clean-up of Town By-Laws to assist with the future implementation of a Municipal Code for the Town.	Ongoing
Establish procedures/policy and bring forward a By- Law for Council to allow the Town Clerk to officiate wedding ceremonies.	September, 2015
Corporate & Financial Services	
Introduce multi-year budgeting and other budget process changes to improve accountability, and streamline budget preparation and review cycles.	November, 2015
Explore partnership opportunities for efficiency in government with Newmarket for IT services.	December, 2015
Enable Town website for e-commerce capability.	March, 2015

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Planning & Development Services	
Preparation of a new Comprehensive Zoning Bylaw.	June, 2015
Building/By-Law & Customer Service	
Commence the development of a Customer Experience Plan in support of Excellence Matters initiative	2016
Commence a review the corporate mail process and implement process improvements.	March, 2016
Fire Services review and inspections on building code matters – process improvements. Linked to service level review.	September, 2015
Zoning Bylaw Review	December, 2015
Review and update ICI development agreements.	December, 2015
Infrastructure & Environmental Services	
Convert street lights to LED for energy savings. Strategic Environmental Master Plan.	December, 2015
Town Wide Stream Erosion Management Plan Strategic Environmental Master Plan.	December, 2015
Parks & Recreation Services	
Public Art Policy.	June, 2015

ECONOMY GOAL: Enabling a diverse, creative and resilient economy

Description of Initiative	Completion Date
CAO/Administration	
Creation of a Business Improvement Area in Downtown Aurora.	September, 2015
Conduct a comprehensive study to explore further shared service and collaboration opportunities among the N6 municipalities.	June, 2015
Development of a Tourism Strategy	May, 2015
Legal & Legislative Services	
Clarifying legal ownership of parking lot adjacent to Temperance Street in order to facilitate the objectives of the Promenade Study.	September, 2015
Complete the update of the Town-owned land index.	September, 2015
Corporate & Financial Services	
Develop long term fiscal sustainability plan.	January, 2016

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Planning & Development Services	
To complete detailed streetscape designs for the Aurora Promenade.	September, 2015
Building/By-Law & Customer Service	
Temporary and Permanent Sign Bylaw Review.	September, 2015
Parks & Recreation Services	
Pricing Policy.	December, 2015

NATURAL ENVIRONMENT GOAL: Supporting environmental stewardship and sustainability

Description of Initiative	Completion Date
Legal & Legislative Services	
Continue to implement records & document management plan (TRIM) phases 3 & 4.	Ongoing
Purchase and implement a new e-agenda system for Council and Committee meetings.	January, 2016
Corporate & Financial Services	
Implementation of paperless billings (e-billings) for tax and water.	January, 2016
Planning & Development Services	
Preparation of Green/ Sustainable Development Guidelines.	June, 2015
Building/By-Law & Customer Services	
Begin the development of a Septic Maintenance Program as required by Building Code regulatory changes.	March, 2016
Infrastructure & Environmental Services	
Implement clear bags for household waste SM4RT Living Plan.	June, 2015
Parks & Recreation Services	
Disposition of Vacant Buildings.	September, 2015