

# Village of Craven Municipal Planning Bylaw Review

## **Bylaw Development**

The Village of Craven (Village) has enlisted the services of a professional planning consultant to help in the development of new municipal planning bylaws. Together, with the help of the consultant, Council has developed draft versions of the bylaws. As part of the process, the Village is seeking feedback from ratepayers, businesses, and other important stakeholders.

## **Purpose of Planning Bylaws**

The planning bylaws include an official community plan (OCP) and a zoning bylaw. They are the tools intended to guide and manage future land use and development within the Village.

### Official Community Plan

An OCP is the foundation of the planning process and is an important tool in the management of growth and development. The purpose of the OCP is to provide a comprehensive policy framework to guide the physical, environmental, economic, social and cultural development of the municipality or any part of the municipality. The OCP establishes the Municipality's goals, objectives, and priorities with respect to land use and development and identifies policies aimed at achieving these goals.

### Zoning Bylaw

A zoning bylaw is the primary means of implementing the policies established in the OCP. The zoning bylaw divides a municipality into zoning districts, identifies permitted and discretionary uses, and regulates the development and use of land in each district. The purposes of the zoning bylaw are to control the use of land to provide for the amenity of the area within Council's jurisdiction and to provide for the health, safety, and general welfare of the inhabitants of the municipality.

## **Public Review**

The municipal bylaw adoption process, which will take place later this year, involves a public participation component, including a public hearing. However, the Village encourages interested parties to talk to their Councillor, or the municipal office, prior to the commencement of the adoption process. Feedback on the draft bylaws will be accepted up until October 4, 2024. Please contact the Village office at 306-731-3452 or [villageofcraven@sasktel.net](mailto:villageofcraven@sasktel.net) for more information on the review process.