

Municipality of Cumberland Policy 10-12

Public Participation Policy

1. This Policy is entitled "Public Participation Policy".
2. In this Policy:
"planning document(s)" means
 - i. a municipal planning strategy and a land use bylaw adopted to carry out the municipal planning strategy;
 - ii. an amendment to a municipal planning strategy and a land use bylaw; amendment to carry out the municipal planning strategy amendment, and
 - iii. a subdivision bylaw and an amendment to it
3. As per Section 204(1) of the *Municipal Government Act*, Council shall adopt, by policy, a public participation program concerning the preparation of planning documents.
4. It shall be the intent of Council that for all new Municipal Planning Strategy and Land Use Bylaw document approvals that, at minimum, one Public Meeting shall be held at a time(s), location(s) and date(s) to be determined by Planning Staff and that this meeting(s) shall be advertised in the local newspaper(s) and other media as deemed necessary.
5. It shall be the intent of Council that for all Municipal Planning Strategy amendments that, at minimum, one Public Meeting shall be held at a time, location and date to be determined by Planning Staff and that this meeting(s) shall be advertised in the local newspaper(s) and other media as deemed necessary.
6. The meetings shall be open to all members of the public and may include a staff presentation, open house or workshop style of gathering and shall allow members of the public to ask staff or Councillors, if present, questions and to make a presentation to staff of no more than 15 minutes.
7. This Policy comes into force upon adoption.

Clerk's Annotation For Official Policy Book

Date if Notice to Council Members of Intent to Consider [7 days minimum]: May 19, 2010

Date if Passage of Current Policy: June 9, 2010

I certify that this Policy was adopted by Council as indicated above.

Clerk

Date