6.4.3 Lethbridge is a Walkable, Bicycle Friendly City

The intent of these policies is to improve active modes of transportation

Policies

- 1) Develop and maintain a commuter oriented citywide integrated pedestrian and bicycle network
- 2) Develop and maintain a sidewalk and pathway network that encourage safe, efficient, comfortable movement options for all residents
- 3) Design new neighbourhoods, and retrofit existing neighbourhoods, to improve pedestrian and cyclist access to destinations within and outside of neighbourhoods
- 4) Ensure that future commercial and industrial developments provide convenient pedestrian access from adjacent sidewalks and bus stops
- 5) Ensure that City owned/controlled pedestrian/cycle networks are accessible for mobility challenged persons

Example Actions

- 1) Incorporate adequate bike parking in private and public developments throughout the City
- 2) Improve the grade of the pathway adjacent Whoop-up Drive
- 3) Explore alternatives to facilitate pedestrian bicycle mobility across the river valley
- 4) Investigate the development a public bicycle sharing program
- 5) Develop programs to reduce conflicts with pedestrians, cyclists, personal mobility devices and automobiles

6.4.4 Lethbridge is Expanding in a Responsible Manner

The intent of these policies is to provide a framework for orderly growth that reflects the Plan Your City Vision

Policies

- 1) Discourage non-contiguous growth and expansion of the built environment within the City
- 2) Protect agricultural land from premature subdivision and development to prevent fragmentation
- 3) Require the completion of Area Structure Plans and Outline Plans prior to the development of new areas
- 4) Encourage and promote an adequate supply of land that is planned and available for servicing to meet market demand
- 5) Encourage and promote growth patterns that maximize the use of existing infrastructure and services in order to avoid or delay the construction of new infrastructure
- 6) Support a range of choice of new expansion areas for residential, commercial and industrial development
- 7) Provide Municipal Reserve (MR) School Reserve (SR) and Municipal and School Reserve (MSR) pursuant to the requirements of the City of Lethbridge as authorized by the Municipal Government Act and the joint use agreements between the City of Lethbridge and the School Boards
- 8) Encourage and promote proposals for future development have been reviewed with regards to impacts of sour gas wells, pipelines and facilities
- 9) Development in new residential growth areas, not already addressed in existing policies, is to occur as financing and infrastructure is available

Example Actions

- 1) Continue to monitor the supply and demand of serviced land
- 2) Collaborate with the local development industry to ensure a choice of residential locations
- 3) Investigate and determine appropriate benefits and costs for new growth