

Land Management

NEW

PREPARED BY: Corporate and Strategic Services COUNCIL APPROVAL DATE:

EFFECTIVE DATE:

REFERENCES: Municipal Government Act PREVIOUS REVISION DATE:

County Policy C-PD15 Dedication and Use of Municipal Reserve, Environmental Reserve, and Environmental Reserve Easement County Policy C-PD16 Municipal

Reserve Disposition

FUNCTION: Property Management LS REVIEW DATE: May 12,2020

PURPOSE

Parkland County has an extensive inventory of general and reserve lands. These lands hold monetary, environmental, community and recreational value for the County.

The purpose of this policy is to guide the acquisition, management and disposal of these lands in an efficient, transparent and responsible manner.

POLICY STATEMENT

Authority & Responsibility:

The Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) or their delegate is authorized and responsible for the acquisition, management and disposal of lands or interests in land in accordance with this Policy.

Acquisition of Land:

The County will acquire lands in accordance with current and future municipal requirements in order to accommodate growth, programming, operations and infrastructure needs.

The County will acquire lands in an economically efficient manner. The County will strive to acquire lands through negotiation and agreement before resorting to expropriation.

Management of Land:

The County will annually review its inventory of lands to identify lands that may be available to lease or license.

The County will give priority to leases and licenses for agricultural, community and recreational purposes.

The County will limit the term of a lease or license to five years unless a longer term is approved by Council.

The County will ensure all leases and licenses may be canceled before the completion of the term in order to ensure lands are available for municipal purposes.

Disposal of Land:

General Land

The County will annually review its inventory of lands to identify lands that may be surplus and may be disposed of. Lands which are being used for County programming or operations should not be disposed of until such programming or operations have concluded.

The County will ensure dispositions of land are at or above fair market value and economically beneficial to the County.

SCOPE

This policy applies to all County lands.