

1.3 MASTER PLAN OBJECTIVES AND PLANNING PROCESS

On November 5, 1991, City Council approved open space development as the focus for preparation of the Master Plan. The following objectives were developed to guide the planning process.

1. To develop a Master Plan for the area described as Planning Priority 1 and 2 which expands on the Concept Plan and provides technical, policy, and financial data on which to base decisions about future river valley park development by:
 - 1.1 Determining requirements and standards for disabled accessibility.
 - 1.2 Developing standards and proposed alignments for trail development.
 - 1.3 Completing program statements for the four major park areas, developing design standards for park amenities and establishing the physical relationships of program elements for each site.
 - 1.4 Identifying projects with tourism marketing potential.
 - 1.5 Defining the future relationships between existing facilities and the proposed new developments.
 - 1.6 Studying issues associated with the valley system, to include:
 - linkages to other department facilities,
 - linkages to residential areas remote from the river,
 - linkages to adjacent municipalities.
2. To expand the Resource Management Plan concept by further defining the relationships between the management functions to a level compatible with the master plan program statements.
3. To develop processes which provide for effective public participation in development of the Master Plan and the Resource Management Plan.
4. To complete technical studies and Environmental Impact Assessment and Historical Resources Impact Assessment as required.
5. To refine development and maintenance cost estimates consistent with the program statements developed for park and trail systems, and develop realistic funding mechanisms and phasing for the works identified.
6. To establish the boundary of the Urban Park so as to define the area in which Provincial funding can be spent.

A planning process was outlined to accomplish these objectives. This is found in Figure 2.

Figure 2

MASTER PLAN DEVELOPMENT PROCESS

