

2025 Work Plan

Socio-Cultural Economic Development Advisory Committee (SCEDAC)

Mandate

The Socio-Cultural and Economic Development Advisory Committee (SCEDAC) will contribute, support and advise on a number of key initiatives from Council's Strategic Plan including key initiatives that will advance social, cultural and economic development, collaborative partnerships, prosperity and most importantly improve quality of life for the residents of our Langley City; and community asset development that will focus work with current community assets to draw attention to the needs and vision of community health, well-being, social equity and inclusion that will be an integral part of creating a vibrant and sustainable community and economy.

Objectives

Objective 1:. Promote Langley City as the Regional Hub of the Fraser Valley, the Place to be; an intelligent and thriving community that embraces social, cultural and economic innovations that improve the quality of life for our residents

Advisory committee members are community ambassadors and have an advisory role on key initiatives that support Council's strategic plan and align with the mandate of this committee.

Objective 2: Create and embrace innovative opportunities and models across sectors and the community to foster prosperity, diversity, equity, and inclusion.

Committee members will be innovative leaders in their own areas of expertise. Members will provide advice on creating innovative pathways that will help to grow a vibrant, inclusive community

Objective 3: Provide advisory input to the creation of an innovative Socio-Cultural Economic (SCE) Framework.

Committee will provide their advice and input to the work underway to create a SCE Framework

Objective 4: Provide advisory input to update the Attract and Retain Business Plan.

Committee will provide their advice and input to all components of the development of a new Economic Development Strategy (EDS)

Objective 5: Develop strategies and partnership with KPU, businesses, entrepreneurs and others to realize the vision for the Glover Road Innovation District. A dynamic

neighbourhood that encourages student housing, tech and research businesses, creative industries, start-ups, and maker spaces.

Committee members will work in partnership to develop strategies that realize the vision for the new Innovation District

Objective 6: Promote new investment opportunities with the development industry with emphasis on Transit Oriented Development with high performance and sustainable built form.

Objective 7: Develop strategies and partnership with government agencies, community groups and entrepreneurs to secure capital funding for an iconic destination arts and cultural facility.

Objective 8: Advocate to senior levels of government to create partnerships that support the City's progressive socio-economic pathways of equity, integration, diversity and inclusion through an implementation plan that emerges from the Socio-Cultural Economic Framework.

Objective 9: Provide advisory inputs to the creation of a solutions-based social-economic implementation plan that supports outputs from community dialogues.

Staff have ongoing community dialogues. Committee will provide inputs to the creation of an implementation plan that will support outputs

Objective 10: Implement a comprehensive approach that integrates the City's Strategy Domains including Natural and Built Environments, Social Infrastructure, Cultural Infrastructure, and Economic Infrastructure through a principle-based approach (see diagram below).



Principles

- Innovation
- Equity
- Inclusion
- Diversity
- Accessibility
- Sustainability
- Community

Action Plan 2025

Action Items	Timeline	Responsibility	Expected Outcomes	Resources
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General				
A. Review TOR and draft work plan for 2025	Feb 2025	All	General understanding of the committee, its role and responsibilities	Staff
B. Intelligent Community orientation	Feb 2025	All	Create understanding of an intelligent community (video), ICF Awards process, and Community Accelerator Strategy	Social Planner (SP) and EDA
C. Briefing on Calendar of related activities and events	Feb 202	All	Provide opportunities for the committee member to attend and support related activities and event that are scheduled.	Staff
Objective 4 - EDS IMPLEMENTATION				
A.EDS next steps and formation/purpose of the FoodTech Subcommittee. Mandate will be to explore opportunities (and challenges) re agtech, supply chain, market opportunities (eg.non-alcoholic beverages), branding, exporting, sustainable packaging, start-up ecosystems and innovation space	Feb 2025 and ongoing	All	Update on EDS Strategy, Implementation update, Presentation on purpose and the process being undertaken for the FoodTech Subcommittee.	EDA Subcommittee is comprised of volunteers from SCEDAC and external subject matter experts (non-SCEDAC members) who will be providing advice to assist the subcommittee to fulfill its mandate as permitted under SCEDAC's Terms of Reference.

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enablement in The Innovation District.				<p>Subcommittee members confirmed as follows:</p> <p>Jaret Lang SCEDAC Brent Elliott SCEDAC Johnny Webb SCEDAC</p> <p>SCEDAC staff: Wendy Dupley, Dena Kae Bena and Francis Cheung</p> <p>Dr Deepak Gupta: KPU Dr Paul Adams: KPU Amit Golan: CKF Stuart Lilley: CEO Refeed Canada Graham Wood: CEO Sacred Waters Development Alan Hill: Tres Community.</p> <p>Additional members may be added as needed.</p>
A. Work through components of the ICF Community Accelerator Program	March- Sept 2025	All	Committee to discuss relevance and synergies for community implementation.	EDA
B. Committee review progress on strategy implementation e.g. Online tool.	Ongoing March – Nov 2025	All	Committee to provide input and advice to new initiatives being implemented	EDA

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C. EDS Update. Progress Presentation to Council	November 2025	All	Committee to provide input	EDA
Objective 2 - INNOVATION				
A. innovation updates on FoodTech	March - November 2025	All	For information and discussion on its alignment and influence - ongoing	EDA
B. ICF Community Accelerator Strategy – Innovation discussion	March 2025	All	Review video training and discuss best practices and innovative models and synergies	EDA
C. Review new Innovative web based tools for Economic Development, to include: Data visualization tool	April 2025	All	Committee to review provide advice on community webinars or training session which increase awareness and adoption and usage throughout the community and support Ec Dev activities	EDA
D. FoodTech Hub branding	Sept 2025	All	Committee and FoodTech Subcommittee to provide input and advice on a brand discovery process – naming and logo creation Outcome: Recommendation to council on a name for a Langley City Food Tech District	EDA and Consultant

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Objective 4-STRATEGIC INITIATIVES				
A. Citizens' Assembly Activation-Community Safety, Well-being and Resiliency Policy transformation and community implementation mobilization	February-October 2025	All	Committee to provide input	Strategic Initiatives and Social Planning (SI-SP)
B. KPI Dashboard-Proto-type completion and activation	February-June 2025	All	Proto-type review and input	Strategic Initiatives and Social Planning (SI-SP)
C. KPI Dashboard-Early activation	June-December 2025	All	Dashboard (Early activation) review, monitoring and data stewardship input	Strategic Initiatives and Social Planning (SI-SP)
D. Resiliency Framework	February-June 2025	All	Committee to provide input	Strategic Initiatives and Social Planning (SI-SP)
Objective 5-COMMUNITY-ACTION BASED SOCIO-CULTURAL AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND COLLECTIVE IMPACT				
A. Indigenous Reconciliation and Relations	February-December 2025	All	Committee to provide input and participate when available in activities and events	Strategic Initiatives and Social Planning (SI-SP)
B. Langley City 2025 Village Café Series-Civic Engagement and Participation	February-December 2025	All	Committee to provide input and participate when available in activities and events	Strategic Initiatives and Social Planning (SI-SP)
C. Station Café Operations Testing and On-going Operations	February-December 2025	All	Committee to provide input about social marketing, civic café engagement, and link to broader socio-economic and cultural community development	Strategic Initiatives and Social Planning (SI-SP)
D. Shared Outcome Approach to Respond to the needs of vulnerable individuals-Coordinated Access (digital platform-access, referral,	February-December 2025	All	Committee to receive update reports and provide input into cross-systems and sector activation and participate in data	Strategic Initiatives and Social Planning (SI-SP)

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resource directory, and aggregate level data)			stewardship activities (data and trend monitoring)	
E. Shared Outcome Approach to Respond to the Needs of Vulnerable Individuals- REACT (Health Canada funded) socio-tech platform to support real-time access to guidance, support, and services to divert non-emergency calls from frontline responders	February-December 2025	All	Committee to receive project update reports and provide input	Strategic Initiatives and Social Planning (SI-SP)
F. Shared Outcome Approach to Respond to the Needs of Vulnerable youth and their families-Project Blackfeather	February-December 2025	All	Committee to receive project update reports and provide input into initiative's sustainability plan	Strategic Initiatives and Social Planning (SI-SP)

Per each committee/task group's Terms of Reference (TOR):

The committee or task group may undertake multiple initiatives; however, if staff resources are required, the advisory body shall undertake only one initiative at a time.

The committee or task group does not have the authority to give direction to staff or to commit to expenditure of funds.

Action recommended by the committee or task group must be done by resolution to City Council and with their approval prior to implementation.