

Vision 2026 Update: Vision 2051

Presentation to the York
Accessibility Advisory Committee

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From Vision 2026 to Vision 2051

- Vision 2026 was prepared in 2002 to update Vision 2021, an earlier strategic plan approved in 1993 that led to the creation of 450 new Regional programs and initiatives.
- Vision 2026 informs all Council decisions, the corporate Strategic Plan, departmental plans and budget and individual performance plans.
- Vision 2026 will be updated to Vision 2051
- Updates will be integrated with the update of the strategic plan.

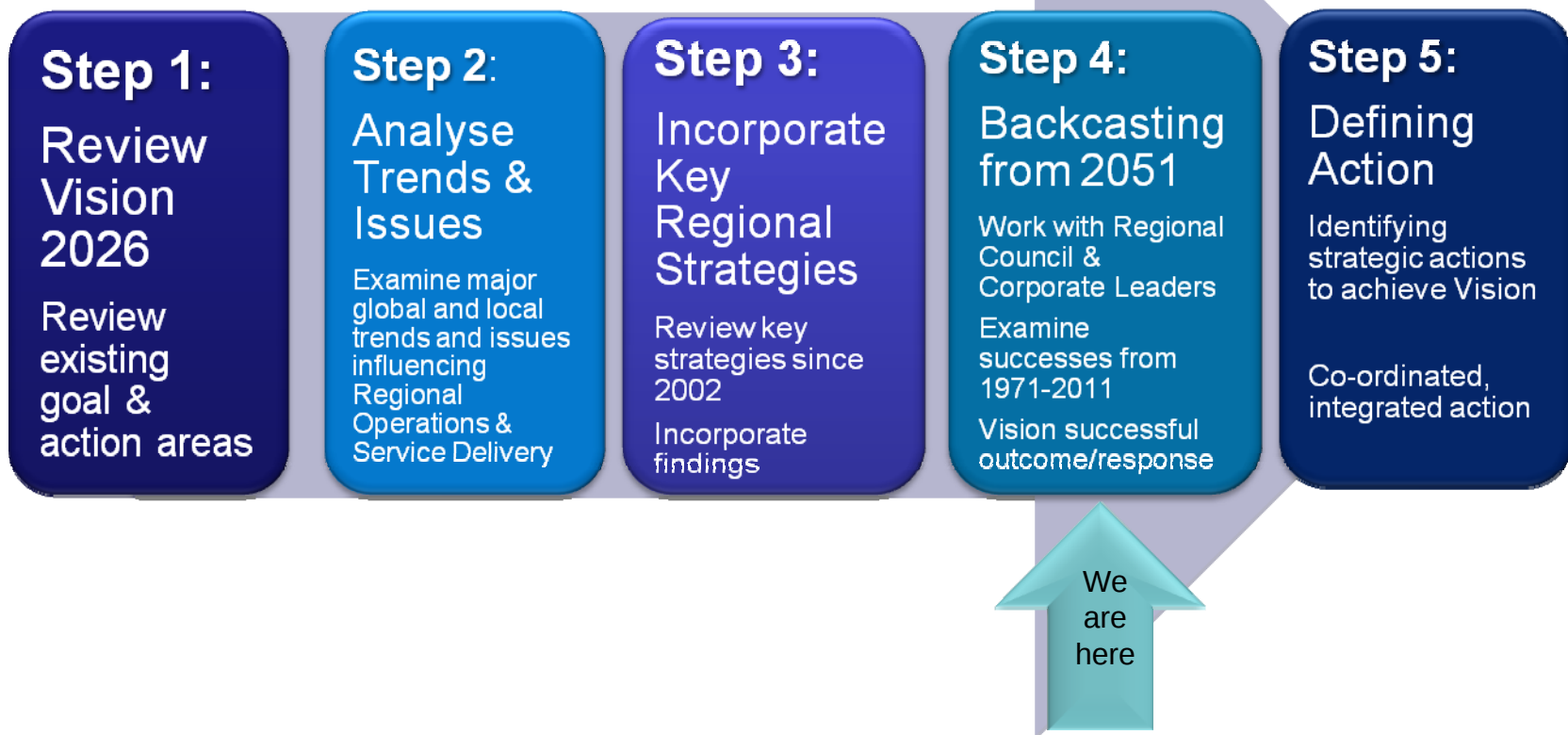
Vision 2051: 40 Year Vision

- 2011 is the 40th Anniversary of York Region



- Examine successes and accomplishments since 1971 to present.
- Transformation of York Region in past 40 years inspires broad thinking about the possibilities for the 40 years ahead.

Vision Process



VISION 2026 GOAL AREAS

1. Quality Communities for a Diverse Population
2. Enhanced Environment, Heritage and Culture
3. A Vibrant Economy
4. Responding to the Needs of Our Residents
5. Housing Choices for Our Residents
6. Managed and Balanced Growth
7. Infrastructure for a Growing Region
8. Engaged Communities and a Responsive Region

VISION 2026 ACTION AREAS

1. a) Celebrating our Diversity
2. a) Securing a Green York Region
b) Ensuring Clean Water and Air
3. a) Attracting and Supporting Businesses
4. a) Meeting People's Basic Needs
b) Supporting Safe and Secure Communities
c) Promoting Wellness
5. a) Providing Appropriate Housing Mix & Supply
b) Planning for Live, Work, Play & Learn
c) Creating Well-Designed & Liveable Communities
d) Addressing Key Housing Need s
6. a) Taking a Strategic Approach to Growth
b) Balancing Growth with the Environment
d) Planning for Human Services
7. a) Developing an Integrated Transportation Network
b) Making Transit Accessible
c) Managing and Minimizing Waste
d) Ensuring Water for Our Future
8. a) Proactively Meeting the Needs of Our Customers
b) Building High-Performance Teams
e) Being Fiscally Responsible

Update Vision

To reflect the more progressive policy pieces in the last 5 years.

Sustainability Strategy
ROP
Infrastructure Master Plans
Multi-Year Plan

Update to reflect the policy and language of these documents (20-30 year horizon). The current goals are resilient and require tweaking. Updating the action areas will be a more fulsome update.

Brings us to about a 2031 Vision

Vision 2051

To get to a 2051 Vision examine issues and trends that will impact Region in 2051, examine what York Region will look like in 2051 and back-cast to come up with updated goals and actions.

Work with Council and Advisory Group & Leaders to think tank.



Getting to a 2051 Vision

Key Trends and Issues

COMMUNITY	ENVIRONMENTAL	GROWTH & INFRASTRUCTURE	ECONOMIC	GOOD & RESPONSIVE GOVERNMENT
- Human Health; 21st century epidemics - Rapid Population Growth - Aging Population - Increased Diversity - Increasing Low Income Population - More Non-Traditional Families - Less Affordable Housing - Connection between Human Health & the Built Environment	- Enhanced Natural Heritage - Climate Change; Adaptation, Mitigation, Resiliency - Energy Use, Efficiency, Production, Renewables - Green Buildings, Building resilience - New approach to Water Management	- City Building, Intensification - Reinventing community design - Reducing the Demand for Infrastructure - Infrastructure Efficiency & Resiliency - Increased Transit Service & Use - Green Infrastructure	- Responding to a changing economy - Aging of the labour force - Service oriented jobs outpacing traditional goods producing jobs - Immigration will account for 100% net labour force growth - Green Industry - Knowledge based economy - Increasing demand high skilled labour - Jobs creation to match labour force	- Accessibility & Customer Service - Accountability; fiscal and social - Value for dollar - Increased concern about political integrity - Communication revolution - Instant access to information & response - Providing services to match resident needs - Fiscal responsibility

Human Health Epidemics

- Human Health is in crisis
- 21st century epidemics
- Children's Health
- Connection between unsustainable development and human health

Climate Change

- The climate of the Great Lakes Region which York Region is a part of, is already changing
 - Winters are getting shorter
 - Annual average temperatures are growing warmer
 - The duration of lake ice cover is decreasing as air and water temperatures rise
 - Violent storms are increasing in frequency
- Impacts on infrastructure, health care, human services, emergency services, natural systems
- Preparedness for impacts; mitigation, adaptation, resiliency

From Suburban Development to City Building & Intensification

- City Building, Intensification 40-100% intensification
 - Reinventing community design in new communities & Centres
 - Sustainability
 - Liveability
 - Health
 - Urban Design
 - water & waste management
 - Mobility
 - Retrofitting suburban developments to be more complete and compact
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Regional Economy is Changing

- Service oriented jobs outpacing traditional goods producing jobs
- Decline/off shoring of manufacturing
- Globalization vs. (your world is about to get a whole lot smaller)
- Increasing demand for high skilled labour
- Job creation to match labour force

Aging of the Labour Force

- Three major issues that impact the Regional labour force:
 - an aging population
 - decreased fertility rates
 - current immigration levels
- Over the next 5 to 10 years, aging baby boomers will retire in record numbers.
- An estimated 100,000 - 150,000 in the workforce across the Region
 - Labour shortages & gaps
 - Knowledge transfer

Communication Revolution

- Social Media social networking
- Instant access to information & response
- Avalanche of information



Sustainability Strategy (2007)

Regional Official Plan (2010)

Community & Health Services Multi-Year Plan (2010)

Housing Supply Strategy (2002)

Water and Waste Water Master Plan (2009)

Transportation Master Plan (2009)

Pedestrian and Cycling Master Plan (2008)

Long Term Water Conservation Strategy (March 2011)

Economic Strategy (2005)

Aging Workforce Study: Beyond the Boomers (2011)

Customer Service Strategy (2001)

Regional Greening Strategy (2001)

Natural Heritage Discussion Paper/Strategic
Directions (2008)

Best Practices for New Communities (2008)

Corporate Air Quality Strategy (2008)

Corporate Energy Plan (ongoing)

Integrated Waste Management Master Plan

Climate Change Adaptation (2011 target)

Local Immigration Partnership (emerging)

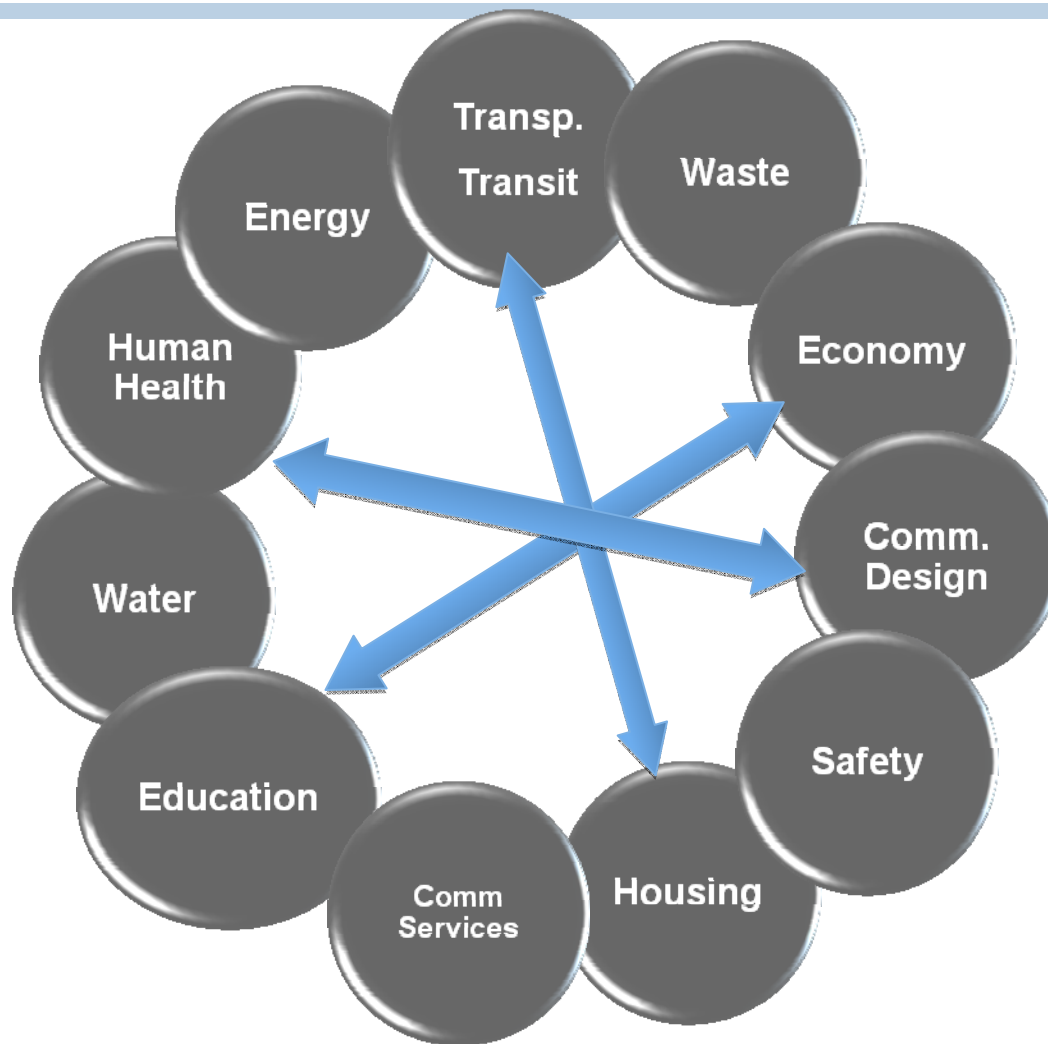
Strategies Share Common Elements

- ❑ Community well being and quality of life
- ❑ Integrated sustainability framework
- ❑ Interrelated Issues
- ❑ Co-ordinated response
- ❑ Conservation, efficiency, prevention first
- ❑ Alternative solutions & systems approach
- ❑ Quality service for YR residents expect
- ❑ Innovation & Regional leadership
- ❑ Transparency, equity, and accountability
- ❑ Integrated Services
- ❑ Fiscal Responsibility
- ❑ Funding sources
- ❑ Means of Communication
- ❑ Evaluation
- ❑ Partnerships and Collaboration
- ❑ Intelligent information systems
- ❑ New technology and trends

Strategies Illustrate 2031 in York Region

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- ❑ 1.5 million people
 - ❑ 780, 000 jobs
 - ❑ Vibrant Regional Centres and Corridors
 - ❑ Integrated Human Service delivery
 - ❑ New generation of communities
 - ❑ Innovation in water management
 - ❑ Energy resiliency; local energy
 - ❑ Renewable energy use
 - ❑ Housing to match need
 - ❑ Better live-work balance
 - ❑ Centre of innovation and excellence
 - ❑ Transportation, Housing and Employment
 - ❑ Use of Subway
 - ❑ More use of active transportation
 - ❑ Integrated Regional trail system
 - ❑ Enhanced natural heritage areas

Integration of Issues



Housing – biggest
transportation issue

Education – Economy

Community Design -
Human Health

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Session Overview

Background & Context

- Vision 2051 Trend and Issue Review
- 2031 Touch Point vision

Activity 1: Examining Trends/Issues

- Deconstructing Key Regional Trends & Issues
- Examine interrelationships

Activity 2: Backcasting

- Reframing Trends & Issues to Define a Successful Future
- Defining Actions to Achieve Results

**Transportation
Housing
Community Design
Changing Demographics
Increasing Low Income Pop.**

Next Steps

- ❑ Council Education Session April 28, 2011
- ❑ Update Report to Planning & Economic Development Committee May 4th, 2011
- ❑ AAC Forum June 2, 2011
- ❑ Defining Actions
- ❑ Council Education Session October 27, 2011
- ❑ Draft Vision 2051 document to Planning & Economic Development
- ❑ Committee in Fall 2011
- ❑ Consult on Draft Document through Fall 2011
- ❑ Final Vision 2051 document Winter 2011/2012