



DRYDEN

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City of Dryden to Host Public Open House on Draft South Van Horne Master Plan

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The City of Dryden is inviting residents, businesses, community organizations, Indigenous communities and other interested members of the public to attend a City-led Open House on the Draft South Van Horne Master Plan on September 17, 2026, from 4:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. at City hall Council Chambers.

The Draft South Van Horne Master Plan has been prepared by the City to establish a long-term planning framework for the approximately 30-acre South Van Horne waterfront area. The Master Plan considers the future balance of residential and commercial development, public open space and amenities, waterfront access, environmental protection, trails, servicing, transportation and the protection of Wabigoon Lake.

The Open House will provide an opportunity for the community to review the Draft Master Plan, speak with City staff and provide feedback before the document is finalized and returned to Council for consideration.



Open House Details

Date: September 17, 2026

Time: 4:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Location: City Hall Council Chambers

Purpose: To gather public input on the Draft South Van Horne Master Plan and the future planning framework for the waterfront area.

The City is interested in hearing community perspectives on the appropriate mix of residential and commercial uses, public waterfront access, open space and recreational amenities, trails and pedestrian connections, views toward the waterfront, environmental protection and other priorities for the South Van Horne area.

The Draft Master Plan is a planning framework and does not constitute approval of a specific development proposal. Future development will remain subject to applicable technical studies, servicing requirements, planning approvals and further decisions of Council.

The broader Master Plan study area includes approximately 10 acres of City-owned land as well as approximately 20 acres that remain in provincial ownership.

Residents who are unable to attend the Open House may also provide written comments by email to vanhornemasterplan@dryden.ca or in writing at City Hall at 30 Van Horne Avenue, Dryden. Comments received will be reviewed by staff and considered as the Draft Master Plan is refined prior to returning to Council.



The Draft South Van Horne Master Plan and supporting information will be available at www.dryden.ca/your-government/plans-reports-and-studies

Following the engagement period, City staff will prepare a consultation record summarizing the feedback received, consider revisions to the Draft Master Plan where appropriate, and return the document to Council for further consideration.

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