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Municipal Dispute Resolution in Alberta: The *Let's Resolve* Program / Résolution de conflits intermunicipaux en Alberta. Le programme *Let's Resolve*

When conflicts arise between municipalities over issues such as annexation, amalgamation and land use, the process that is used to settle these disputes varies from province to province; most often the dispute resolution process is laid out in provincial legislation and traditionally requires the use of public hearings and consultations. Traditional dispute resolution processes are often time consuming, expensive, and create tension between affected municipalities.

Alberta is one province that has recognized the problems that arise with the dispute resolution process and in response has created a process to deal with inter-municipal conflicts that is unique within the Canadian context, the *Let's Resolve* initiative. The *Let's Resolve* program celebrated its 10th anniversary in 2008 with a Canada Award for Excellence from the National Quality Institute and an Alberta

Lorsque des conflits surviennent entre municipalités au sujet de procédures d'annexion et de regroupements et en matière d'aménagement du territoire, les mécanismes de résolution varient considérablement d'une province à une autre. Dans la plupart des cas, les mécanismes de résolution de conflits sont enchâssés dans les lois municipales et ils comprennent des obligations en matière de consultation publique. Dans certains cas, ces procédures peuvent s'éterniser et s'avérer onéreuses et elles peuvent être une source de tension entre deux ou plusieurs municipalités.

Le gouvernement de l'Alberta a mis en place un programme unique en son genre pour accompagner les municipalités dans le processus de résolution de conflits. Le programme *Collaborative Governance Initiative*, jadis connue sous le nom de *Let's Resolve*, a célébré l'année passée ses 10



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Premier's Award for Excellence (www.nqi.ca). Alberta requires municipalities to attempt mediation before appealing to the Municipal Government Board with annexation and land use conflicts. The province has set up a program that helps municipalities prepare for the mediation process, facilitates the mediation, and even provides grants to help cover the costs of the process.

Let's Resolve is a service program that provides assistance to municipalities "seeking self-directed dispute resolution through interest based negotiations." *Let's Resolve's* vision is to give all municipalities in Alberta access to dispute resolution services that allow them to effectively and efficiently develop local solutions to local issues (*Let's Resolve: The Municipal Affairs Dispute Resolution Initiative*, 2008). *Let's Resolve* promotes public confidence in local government by providing effective and innovative leadership and support to municipal organizations by encouraging intermunicipal cooperation (*Let's Resolve: The Municipal Affairs Dispute Resolution Initiative*, 2008) through mediation, education, and funding.

Background and Program Components

The genesis of *Let's Resolve* was an amendment to the *Municipal Government Act* in 1994. The amendment gave municipalities more autonomous power to govern themselves. The need for this stemmed from the rapid growth in the Alberta economy, an increased population, growth issues, and an increase in demand for land and services. In 1998, another amendment to the *Municipal Government Act* required that municipalities attempt mediation before proceeding to the Municipal Government Board¹ with annexation and land use disputes. This change in the intermunicipal conflict process was meant to encourage municipalities to deal with conflict in a less adversarial and costly manner than traditional methods involving third party decision makers. After witnessing how successful the mediation process has been in resolving intermunicipal conflicts the Alberta Government, under the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing created the Municipal Dispute Resolution Initiative in 1999. The Municipal Dispute Resolution Initiative has since been developed into a multi-component program, and the entire umbrella of services they offer is now known as *Let's Resolve*. The Municipal Dispute Resolution Initiative is

1. The Municipal Government Board is an independent and impartial body set up to make decisions on certain appeals and disputes stemming from the *Municipal Government Act*. For more information on the Municipal Government Board, see http://www.municipalaffairs.gov.ab.ca/mc_municipal_government_board.cfm

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ans d'existence en se voyant octroyer un prix d'excellence de l'Institut national de la qualité (www.nqi.ca/fr) et un prix du premier ministre de l'Alberta (*Premier's Award for Excellence*). Cette initiative offre notamment, aux municipalités l'opportunité de tenter de résoudre leurs conflits en matière d'annexion et d'aménagement avec l'aide d'un médiateur avant d'être entendues par le *Municipal Government Board*¹. De plus, la province a instauré des mesures pour aider les municipalités à se préparer en vue du processus de médiation et offre une aide financière pour aider les municipalités à couvrir les coûts encourus lors du processus de médiation.

Le but recherché par le programme *Let's Resolve* est donc de donner aux municipalités la possibilité de développer localement de façon efficace et efficiente des solutions aux problèmes de nature locale (Alberta, 2008, *Let's Resolve: The Municipal Affairs Dispute Resolution Initiative*). *Let's Resolve* fait également la promotion du leadership municipal et encourage la coopération intermunicipale. (*Let's Resolve: The Municipal Affairs Dispute Resolution Initiative*, 2008).

Historique et composantes du programme

L'idée du programme *Let's Resolve* est née suite à l'adoption d'un amendement apporté au *Municipal Government Act* en 1994. L'amendement fait en sorte que maintenant, les municipalités doivent obligatoirement passer par un processus d'arbitrage des différends avant d'être entendues par le *Municipal Government Board*. L'objectif recherché par ces changements était d'inciter les municipalités à tenter de résoudre leurs disputes de façon moins conflictuelle et à moindre coût que les mécanismes traditionnels. Après avoir été témoin du succès des expériences de médiation dans le contexte de conflits entre municipalités, le ministère des Affaires municipales et de l'Habitation (*Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing*) a donc décidé de créer, en 1999, la *Municipal Dispute Resolution Initiative*. Depuis, l'initiative du ministère a évolué et est maintenant un important programme doté de plusieurs composantes. L'ensemble des services offerts aux municipalités en matière de résolution de conflits par une division du ministère (*Municipal Dispute Resolution Services*) se nomme maintenant *Let's Resolve*.

1. Le *Municipal Government Board* est une commission municipale impartiale et indépendante qui prend des décisions et arbitre des différends entre municipalités sur des litiges portant sur des dispositions de la *Municipal Government Act*. Pour plus de renseignements, voir http://www.municipalaffairs.gov.ab.ca/mc_municipal_government_board.cfm

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run by the Municipal Dispute Resolution Services of Alberta Municipal Affairs.

Let's Resolve is a four component program, each component of the program is distinct in its function but all of the components have the common goal of developing local solutions to local issues. The four components that make up the program are:

1. Intermunicipal Dispute Resolution
2. Local Dispute Resolution
3. Dispute Resolution Education, and
4. Peer Network.

The Intermunicipal Dispute Resolution component was the first part of the program to be developed. The Local Dispute Resolution was developed in 2001 after participants from one municipality attended the education workshop and wanted to apply what they had learnt to handling disputes in other aspects of their daily operations including ratepayer interactions, public participation, land use planning, council and administration, contracts, and human resources.

The Education component has evolved from the first course that was offered to municipal employees and elected officials in 1999. The Ministry has since developed a program of eight courses to respond to the needs and the demands of municipal leaders and courses are held in numerous locations across the province (Alberta, 2008).

Finally, the Peer Network initiative encourages municipal employees to benefit from the experience and competencies of senior municipal leaders from other municipalities. These leaders or mentors are either councillors or administrators with knowledge in the field of dispute resolution and who have successfully resolved conflicts in the past. They are designated by a peer committee to help municipal employees by sharing opinions, offering advice on issues and suggesting alternative solutions to the dispute. Currently, there are six municipal leaders that are acting as mentors as part of the Peer Network initiative.

Intermunicipal Dispute Resolution

Despite the fact that new components were added to the program, *Let's Resolve's* main focus remains intermunicipal dispute resolution. The Municipal Government Act requires municipalities to use mediation to resolve disputes regarding annexation and land use; this procedure has been in place since 1998. During the last ten years,

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Let's Resolve comprend quatre principales composantes, chacune ayant comme objectif de trouver des solutions à caractère local pour résoudre les différents types de conflits auxquels sont aux prises les municipalités. Les quatre composantes du programme sont :

1. Résolution de conflits intermunicipaux;
2. Résolution de conflits locaux;
3. Formation en matière de résolution de disputes et
4. Initiative de mentorat *Peer Network*.

Le premier volet à avoir été développé est celui la résolution de conflits intermunicipaux (voir section suivante). La composante résolution de conflits locaux a, quant à elle, été créée en 2001 à la demande de fonctionnaires et d'élus municipaux d'une municipalité qui, après avoir participé aux ateliers offerts, ont manifesté le désir d'appliquer leurs nouvelles connaissances à des cas de conflits internes auxquels ils avaient à faire face. Les responsables du ministère et ceux de la municipalité ont donc développé une approche de résolution de conflits qui peut être utilisée dans les relations avec les contribuables, dans le contexte des mécanismes de consultation publique, en matière d'urbanisme, dans le cadre des relations entre les élus et l'administration ainsi que dans les contrats et les relations entre employés municipaux.

Le volet formation a quant à lui, évolué à partir du premier cours offert aux intervenants municipaux en 1999. Le ministère a développé un programme de huit cours pour répondre aux besoins des élus et des fonctionnaires municipaux et les différentes activités de formation sont maintenant offertes partout en province (Alberta 2008).

Finalement, l'initiative de mentorat *Peer Network* consiste à mettre à l'expérience et les compétences de leaders municipaux au profit d'intervenants d'autres municipalités. Ces leaders ou mentors sont des administrateurs municipaux seniors expérimentés dans le domaine de la résolution de conflits. Ceux-ci ont été nommés par un comité de pairs pour œuvrer à titre de mentors et de conseillers. Ainsi, les intervenants municipaux peuvent contacter un des six mentors désignés pour obtenir des conseils, opinions et discuter des options qui s'offrent à eux en matière de résolution de conflits.

Résolution des conflits intermunicipaux

Malgré l'ajout de nouvelles initiatives au programme, le principal volet de *Let's resolve* demeure la résolution de

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mediation has been so successful in resolving annexation and land use disputes that municipalities began applying this resolution process to other disputes, such as cost sharing and shared services.

Over the last 10 years, mediation in intermunicipal conflicts has been used 77 times involving over 100 municipalities and was successful in 95% of the cases. Mediation is required by the legislation for annexation and land use disputes, but the program also has a voluntary component that is more and more popular with local municipalities. In either situation, program staff work with municipalities to create the best possible conditions to resolve conflict, so the municipality can move forward independently with a mediator to deal with the conflict itself.

The program can rely on a roster of qualified mediators from which municipalities can choose from. Mediators are independent contractors selected by the Advisory Committee to the *Let's Resolve* program. The Advisory Committee is made up of members from the Alberta Association of Municipal Districts and Counties (AAMDC), the Alberta Urban Municipalities Associations, the Local Government Administration Association, the Alberta Rural Municipal Administrators Association, and the Alberta Arbitration and Mediation Society, along with the *Let's Resolve* staff.

Under the intermunicipal conflict resolution component, Alberta Municipal Affairs provides grants to municipalities to help cushion the costs of mediation. Between 2000 and 2007, over \$300,000 was contributed by Municipal Affairs to municipalities for mediation services.

The process of mediation begins with a presentation to councils by Municipal Affairs through Municipal Dispute Resolutions Services on the *Let's Resolve* program. The presentation is followed by preparatory work where staff ensures that municipalities have as much information as possible to determine their future course of action. Municipalities then select the mediators they wish to proceed with at which time the role of the Municipal Dispute Resolution Services diminishes.

Finally, in order to monitor the success of the program, the Ministry's staff sends out satisfaction surveys within three months following the end of the procedures.

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conflits intermunicipaux. Au cours des dix dernières années, la médiation s'est avérée tellement efficace que les municipalités ont commencé à étendre la pratique à d'autres types de conflits en matière de collaboration inter-municipale et de partage de coûts des services publics.

Au cours des 10 dernières années, la médiation a été utilisée dans 77 cas de résolution de conflits intermunicipaux impliquant plus de 100 municipalités et compte un taux de réussite de 95%. Le programme est obligatoire pour certains types de conflit identifiés dans la loi, mais est volontaire pour les autres types de dispute. C'est-à-dire que les municipalités tendent à choisir la médiation même lorsque celle-ci n'est pas requise. Le personnel du ministère collabore avec les municipalités impliquées pour et s'assure que les conditions sont en place pour que les conflits soient résolus dans le meilleur intérêt des parties et de façon à ce que les municipalités puissent traiter directement avec le médiateur pour trouver une solution au conflit. Le programme compte plusieurs médiateurs qualifiés et les municipalités peuvent choisir celui qu'elles souhaitent employer. Une fois que les municipalités ont choisi leur médiateur, le ministère se retire et laisse les parties travailler à trouver une solution au conflit.

Le ministère offre également un soutien financier aux municipalités dans le cadre de ce programme. Entre 2000 et 2007, le ministère—qui finance à hauteur d'un tiers des coûts de médiation encourus par les municipalités—a contribué plus de 300 000\$ dans ce programme.

Les médiateurs sont des contractants indépendants et doivent être sélectionnés par le comité conseil (Advisory Committee) pour pouvoir travailler dans le cadre de *Let's Resolve*. Le comité est composé de membres désignés par l'*Alberta Association of Municipal Districts and Counties* (AAMDC), l'*Alberta Urban Municipalities Associations*, la *Local Government Administration Association*, l'*Alberta Rural Municipal Administrators Association*, l'*Alberta Arbitration and Mediation Society* ainsi que des responsables du ministère.

Le processus de médiation comporte plusieurs étapes. Tout d'abord, le personnel du ministère effectue une présentation auprès des conseils municipaux impliqués. Ensuite, le travail préparatoire s'amorce. Le personnel du ministère s'assure alors que les municipalités disposent de toutes les informations nécessaires avant de déterminer la suite des choses. Puis, les municipalités doivent s'entendre sur le choix d'un médiateur. Une fois, ces étapes accomplies, le rôle de la division responsable du ministère (*Municipal Dispute Resolution Services*)

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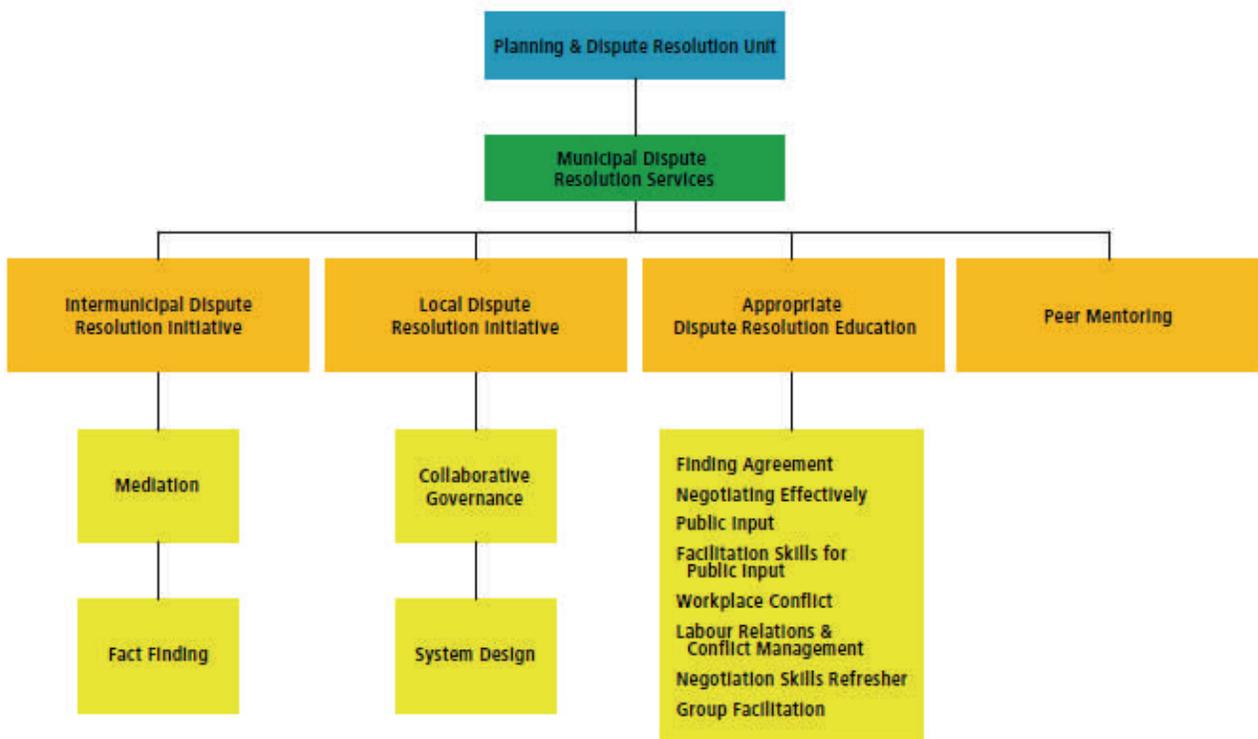
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devient plus effacé.

Finalement, afin de s'assurer du bon fonctionnement du programme, le ministère effectue un suivi auprès des municipalités impliquées par le biais, notamment, d'un sondage dans les trois mois suivants la fin des procédures.

Appendix / Annexe

Figure 1. Components and Functions of Let's Resolve / Graphique 1. Composantes et fonctions de Let's Resolve

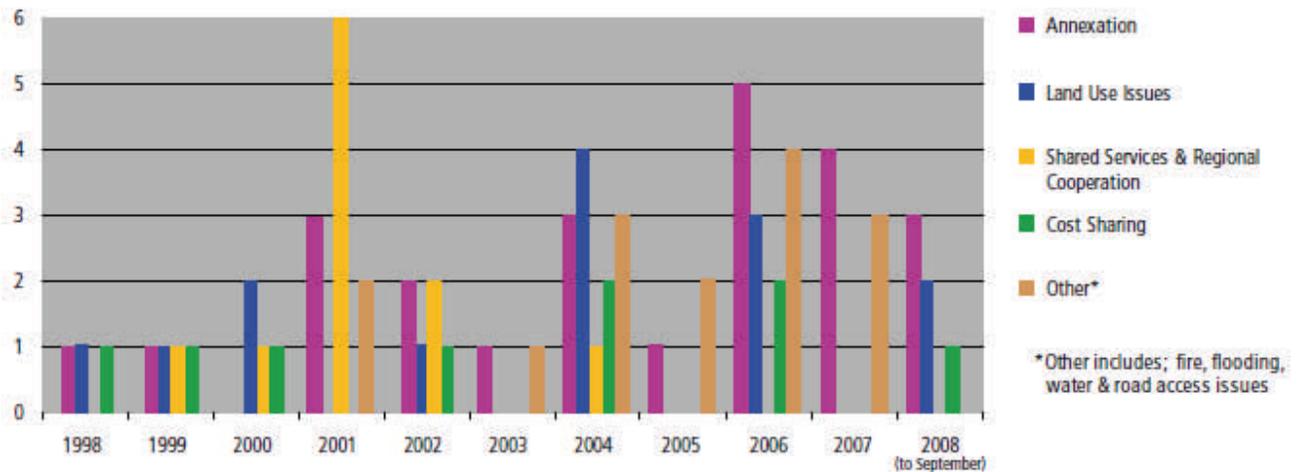


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Figure 2. Conflicts Resolved Using Mediation, by year / Graphique 2. Conflits résolus via médiation, par année



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Dispute and Alternative Conflict Resolution (Documents) / Mécanismes de résolution de conflits (documents)

With each issue, we will highlight a particular subject and illustrate what recent materials we have in the library to support it. For this issue, we have selected items that deal in whole or in part with the subject of dispute and alternative conflict resolution.

Chaque numéro, nous mettons en évidence un sujet particulier accompagné d'une liste de documents de référence récents disponibles à la bibliothèque. Ce numéro-ci, nous vous proposons des titres portant sur les mécanismes de résolutions de conflits.

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April 22-24, 2009 / 22-24 avril 2009
Corner Brook (Newfoundland and Labrador / Terre-Neuve-et-Labrador)
NLAMA's 37th Annual Convention and Trade Show
Information: Newfoundland and Labrador Association of Municipal Administrators (NLAMA),
 460 Torbay Road, St. John's, NL A1A 5J3.
 Tel.: (709) 726-6405. Fax: (709) 726-6408.
 Email: nlama@nlama.ca
 Internet: <http://www.nlama.ca/conv09.htm>

April 23-26, 2009 / 23-26 avril 2009
Watson Lake (Yukon)
2009 Association of Yukon Communities Annual General Meeting and Conference
 Information: Association of Yukon Communities (AYC),
 15-1114 1st Avenue, Whitehorse, YT Y1A 1A3.
 Tel.: (867) 668-4388. Fax: (867) 668-7574.
 Email: ayc@northwestel.net
 Internet: <http://www.ayc.yk.ca/new-page-4.htm>

April 25-29, 2009 / 25-29 avril 2009
Minneapolis (Minnesota)
APA's 2009 National Planning Conference
 Information: American Planning Association (APA),
 1600 - 122 South Michigan Avenue, Chicago, IL 60603, USA.
 Tel.: (312) 334-1250. Fax: (312) 786-6735.
 Email: Conference@planning.org
 Internet: <http://www.planning.org/nationalconference/index.htm>

April 26-29, 2009 / 26-29 avril 2009
Winnipeg (Manitoba)
MMAA 2009: 78th Annual Conference
 Information: Manitoba Municipal Administrators' Association (MMAA),
 533 Buckingham Road, Winnipeg, MB R3R 1B9.
 Tel.: (204) 255-4883. Email: mmaa@mts.net
 Internet: http://www.mmaa.mb.ca/sched/default.asp?tb_Date=4/26/2009

April 26-29, 2009 / 26-29 avril 2009
Des Moines (Iowa)
2009 APWA North American Snow Conference
 Information: American Public Works Association (APWA),
 700 - 2345 Grand Blvd., Kansas City, MO, 64108-2625, USA.
 Tel.: (816) 595-5240. Fax: (816) 595-5340.
 Email: bshaver@apwa.net
 Internet: <http://www.apwa.net/snow>

April 29 - May 1, 2009 / 29 avril à le 1ère mai 2009
Banff (Alberta)
Watertech 2009 : Water Technologies Symposium 2009
 Information: Environmental Services Association of Alberta (ESAA),
 102 - 2528 Ellwood Drive SW, Edmonton, AB T6X 0A9.
 Tel.: (780) 429-6363. Fax: (780) 429-4249. Email: info@esaa.org
 Internet: <http://www.esaa-events.com/watertech/>

April 30 - May 1, 2009 / 30 avril à le 1ère mai 2009
Red Deer (Alberta)
2009 President's Summit on the Future of Local Governance
 Information: Association of Urban Municipalities of Alberta (AUMA),
 10507 Saskatchewan Drive NW, Edmonton, AB T6E 4S1.
 Tel.: (780) 433-4431. Fax: (780) 433-4454. Email: main@auma.ca
 Internet: <http://auma.ca/live/MuniLink/Communications/Member+Notices?contentId=7328>

May 4-6, 2009 / 4-6 mai 2009
Cornwall (Ontario)
16th Annual International Conference on the St. Lawrence River: Great Lakes Ecosystem - The St. Lawrence Seaway - Gateway to the Great Lakes: Unlocking 50 years of benefits and impacts
 Information: St. Lawrence River Institute of Environmental Sciences,
 2 Belmont Street, Cornwall, ON K6H 4Z1.
 Tel: (613) 936-6620 ext. 222. Fax: (613) 936-1803.
 Email: ccollard@riverinstitute.ca
 Internet: <http://www.riverinstitute.ca/events/Conference2009/index2009.html>

May 6-8, 2009 / 6-8 mai 2009
Dawson Creek (British Columbia / Colombie-Britannique)
2009 NCMA Annual General Meeting and Convention
 Information: North Central Municipal Association (NCMA),
 206-155 George Street, Prince George, BC V2L 1P8.
 Tel.: (250) 564-6585. Fax: (250) 564-6514.
 Email: nrthcent@telus.net
 Internet: <http://ncma.enorthernbc.com/conventions.asp>

May 8-10, 2009 / 8-10 mai 2009
Dallas (Texas)
NAHB National Green Building Conference
 Information: National Association of Home Builders (NAHB),
 1201 15th Street, NW, Washington, DC 2005, USA.
 Tel.: (202) 266-8489. Fax: (202) 266-8400.
 Email: leonard@nahb.com
 Internet: http://www.nahb.org/conference_details.aspx?conferenceID=59§ionID=116&selectedTab=ContactUs

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Freeport (Bahamas)
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 Information: Commonwealth Local Government Forum (CLGF),
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 Internet: <http://www.clgc2009.org/index.cfm/pageid/280/Home>

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Upcoming Conferences (2009-2010) / Colloques et conférences (2009-2010)

May 11-12, 2009 / 11-12 mai 2009

Victoria (British Columbia / Colombie-Britannique)

2009 IPAC Procurement Conference: Strategic Procurement and Sourcing: What Does the Future Hold? / Passation de marchés et fournisseurs stratégiques : Que réserve l'avenir?
(Offered in English only / Cette conférence est offerte uniquement dans la langue anglaise)

Information: Institute of Public Administration of Canada (IPAC),

Suite 401, 1075 Bay Street, Toronto, ON M5S 2B1.

Tel.: (416) 924-8787 ext. 225. Fax: (416) 924-4992.

Email: jaube@ipac.ca

Internet: <http://www.ipac.ca/ProcurementConf>

May 12-15, 2009 / 12-15 mai 2009

Hamilton (Ontario)

2nd Climate Change Technology Conference (CCTC 2009)

Information: Engineering Institute of Canada,
1295 Hwy 2 East, Kingston (Ontario) K7L 4V1.

Tel.: (613) 547-5989. Fax: (613) 547-0195.

Internet: <http://cctc2009.ca/>

May 14-16, 2009 / 14-16 mai 2009

Gatineau (Québec)

Assises annuelles 2009

Information: Union des Municipalités du Québec (UMQ),
680, rue Sherbrooke Ouest, Bureau 680, Montréal, QC
H3A 2M7.

Tel.: (514) 282-7700 ext. 251.

Internet: <http://www.umq.qc.ca/assises/index.htm>

May 17-21, 2009 / 17-21 mai 2009

Kansas City (Missouri)

World Environmental & Water Resources Congress

Information: American Society of Civil Engineers,
1801 Alexander Bell Drive, Reston, VA 20191-4400, USA.

Tel.: (800) 548-2723 or (703) 296-6300. Fax: (703) 295-6222.

Email: smance@manceandassociates.com

Internet: <http://content.asce.org/conferences/ewri2009/index.html>

May 19-23, 2009 / 19-23 mai 2009

Chicago (Illinois)

2009 IIMC Annual Conference

Information: International Institute of Municipal Clerks,
200-8331 Utica Avenue, Rancho Cucamonga, CA, 91730, USA.

Tel.: (909) 944-4162 or (800) 251-1639.

Fax: (909) 944-8545. Email: Hq@iimc.com

Internet: http://www.iimc.com/Conference/Current_conf.shtml

May 20-22, 2009 / 20-22 mai 2009

Whistler (British Columbia / Colombie-Britannique)

2009 BC Land Summit: A Better Future: Adapting to Change

Information: British Columbia Land Summit

c/o Sea to Sky Meeting Management Inc., Suite 206, 201 Bewicke
Avenue, North Vancouver, BC V7M 3M7.

Tel.: (604) 984-6455. Fax: (604) 984-6434.

Email: info@bclandsummit.com

Internet: <http://www.bclandsummit.com/>

May 21-24, 2009 / 21-24 mai 2009

Inuvik (Northwest Territories / Territoires du Nord-Ouest)

NWTAC Annual General Meeting

Information: NWT Association of Communities,

#200, 5105 - 50th Street, Yellowknife, NT X1A 1S1.

Tel.: (867) 873-8359. Fax: (867) 873-3042.

May 24-29, 2009 / 24-29 mai 2009

King City (Ontario)

2009 Annual OAPSO Education and Training Session

Information: Ontario Association of Property Standards Officers,
5334 Yonge Street, Suite 2118, Toronto, ON M2N 6V1.

Tel.: (519) 759-4150 ext. 2361.

Email: ganderson@brantford.ca

Internet: <http://www.oapso.org/Documents/2009TrainingApp.pdf>

May 25-27, 2009 / 25-27 mai 2009

Waterloo (Ontario)

1st International Conference on Urban Drainage and Road Salt Management in Cold Climates: Advances in Best Practices

Information: University of Waterloo, Department of Geography,
200 University Avenue West, Waterloo, ON N2L 3G1.

Tel.: (519) 888-4567 ext. 33067. Fax: (519) 725-2827.

Email: mstone@uwaterloo.ca

Internet: <http://www.ogra.org/lib/db2file.asp?fileid=24503>

May 28-29, 2009 / 28-29 mai 2009

Banff (Alberta)

International Workshop on Water and Wastewater Security Incidents

Information: Canadian Water and Wastewater Association,
Unit 11, 1010 Polytek Street, Ottawa, ON K1J 9H9.

Tel.: (613) 747-0524. Fax: (613) 747-0523.

Email: atoth@cwwa.ca

Internet: http://www.cwwa.ca/2009SecurityWorkshop_e.asp

May 31 - June 2, 2009 / 31 mai à 2 juin 2009

Muskoka (Ontario)

2009 IMA Annual Conference

Information: Institute of Municipal Assessors (IMA),
10720 Yonge Street, Suite 206, Richmond Hill, ON L4C 3C9.

Tel.: (905) 884-1959. Fax: (905) 884-9263.

Email: info@assessorsinstitute.ca

Internet: http://www.assessorsinstitute.ca/document_library/2009%20Conf%20Ad.pdf

June 1-3, 2009 / Le 1^{ère} - 3 juin 2009

Whistler (British Columbia / Colombie-Britannique)

2009 Annual CAMA Conference / 2009 Congrès annuel de l'ACAM

Information: Canadian Association of Municipal Administrators
(CAMA) / L'Association canadienne des administrateurs municipaux (ACCAM),
PO Box 128, Station A, Fredericton, NB E3B 4Y2.

Tel.: 1-866-771-2262. E-mail: admin@camacam.ca

Internet: <http://www.camacam.ca/conference.asp>

Information Requests (Spring 2009) / Notes de recherche (printemps 2009)

(Examples of research work undertaken for our partners and Muniscope clients / Exemples de travaux de recherche réalisés pour nos partenaires et pour des abonnés Muniscope)

- Regulating the use of shipping containers for storage purposes in residential communities / Réglementation sur l'utilisation des conteneurs comme entrepôt en milieu résidentiel
- Water and Sewer Collections and billing appeals / Collecte et appels en matière de facturation des services d'eau et égouts
- The treatment of storm ponds (storm water run-off retention areas) / Traitement des bassins de rétention des eaux de pluie
- Official Plan policies aimed at directing specific uses, such as office or administrative services uses, to downtown areas / Politiques d'urbanisme visant certaines utilisations du sol spécifiques comme les bureaux et les centre-ville
- Planning department performance metrics / Données de performance départementale
- Property Assessment Appeal Fees / Procédures d'appels en matière d'évaluation foncière
- Municipal Accountability Measures / Mesures d'imputabilité municipale
- Impact of International and internal Trade Agreements on municipalities / Impacts des ententes de commerce internationales et internes sur les municipalités
- Taxation and Assessment Practices / Pratiques en matière de taxation et d'évaluation foncière
- Electronic Voting / Vote électronique
- Rent Banks / Banque de logements locatifs
- Ownership of Municipal Infrastructure / Propriété des infrastructures municipales
- Taxation of Satellite and Cable Providers / Taxation des fournisseurs de services de télévision par câble et satellite
- Sustainable Transportation Policies / Politiques de transport durable
- Transit Strategies / Politiques de transport en commun
- Road Dust Suppression Products / Utilisation de produits pour réduire la poussière sur les routes non-pavées
- Administration and Funding of Municipal Road Networks / Gestion et financement des infrastructures municipales
- Municipal Boards and Commissions / Commissions municipales
- Governance Arrangements for certain types of Municipal Amalgamations / Mécanismes de gouvernance en place suite à certaines fusions municipales
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Economic Development / Développement économique

EC613 A comparison of Canada's small, medium, and large cities in the knowledge economy.

/ O'HAGAN, Sean, & RUTLAND, Ted.

2008.

From/Tiré de: Canadian Journal of Urban Research 17:1, Summer 2008, p. 130-154.

[25] p. : ill., tables, bibl.

A macro-level analysis comparing the knowledge intensity of small, medium, and large cities of Canada. It contrasts knowledge intensity with demographic and income data, and considers how small and medium cities will fair in the new global economy structured around knowledge. Knowledge is assessed based on the following indicators: knowledge employment, educational attainment, patents, university enrolment, and the total number of academic publications.

EC612 Cultural planning for creative municipalities.

/ HUME, Gordon.

St. Thomas : Municipal World, 2009.

vii, 129 p. : ill., appendices, bibl. + 1 doc. : col. ill.

(Municipal knowledge series)

A practical "how to" book on municipal cultural planning and the creative city concepts for Canadian municipalities. Chapters address the following subjects related to cultural planning: developing a cultural plan; cultural mapping; economic development; downtown revitalization and heritage properties; development partnerships and opportunities; planning and placemaking tools; public art; social, environmental, and community challenges; strategic planning, priorities, and success indicators; and a global perspective on future cultural and sustainable development. It includes case studies of cultural planning in: Prince Edward County, ON; Saskatoon, SK; and Teslin, YT. Eight colour cards are included as a supplement to the book showcasing projects undertaken in Kitchener, ON; North Vancouver, BC; St. Albert, AB; Elliot Lake, ON; Burnaby, BC; Banff, AB; Summerside, PE; and Winnipeg, MB.

EC611 Destination branding for small cities : the essentials for successful place branding.

/ BAKER, Bill.

Portland : Creative Leap Books, 2007.

191 p. : appendices, bibl.

An examination of destination branding for small cities demonstrating how to uncover a "destination promise" and providing examples, tools, templates and checklists to rejuvenate a small city brand. The book provides seven steps to a community brand: assessment, brand positioning, brand expression, brand activation, brand adoption, and keeping the brand fresh and relevant.

New Documents in the ICURR Library / Nouveaux documents à la bibliothèque du CIRUR

Environment / Environnement

MR4101 Adapting to climate change : strategies for local government.

/ WALSH, Mary L.

Washington : International City/County Management Association (ICMA), 2009.

[19] p. : tables, maps, appendices, bibl.

(ICMA IQ report ; v. 41, no. 1)

Describes how some communities are taking a risk approach to planning and policymaking around the topic of climate change. The first section looks at scientific findings demonstrating the urgency of the issue; the second section details tools for climate-change adaptation (sea-level rise, water resources and flooding, higher temperatures, and agriculture and land management); the third section discusses methods for involving the public; and the last section offers case studies and examples of local government initiatives in the United States. It defines key terms related to climate change. The appendices provide guiding principles for adaptation plans and a list of supporting resources, including contact information for organizations and climate change experts.

EI508 Climate policy at the local level : a survey of California's cities and counties.

/ HANAK, Ellen, & BEDSWORTH, Louise, & SWANBECK, Sarah.

San Francisco : Public Policy Institute of California, 2008.

[53] p. : tables, graphs, appendices, bibl.

Presents the results of a survey of Californian cities and counties regarding climate-related actions and follow-up interviews. Major points of discussion include: the scope for local government action, preparing for the impacts of climate change, barriers to adoption of climate-related actions, and the factors associated with local action.

EI514 The community engagement process : a governance approach in adaptation to coastal erosion and flooding in Atlantic Canada.

/ CHOUINARD, Omer, & PLANTE, Steve.

2008.

From/Tiré de: Canadian Journal of Regional Science = Revue canadienne des sciences régionales 31:3, Autumn = Automne 2008, p. 507-520.

[14] p. : maps, bibl.

Provides details on the effectiveness of engaging citizens directly concerning the impact of climate change on coastal regions through a study that took place in Pointe-du-Chêne and Le Goulet, NB. The study attempted to build the communities' adaptive capacity in order to manage climate and weather risks and the state of their knowledge and resources prior to the engagement.

EH1027 Economic decline of forestry in rural Canada in the 21st century.

/ MCINTYRE, Bruce.

2009.

From/Tiré de: Municipal World 119:1, January 2009, p. 31-34.

[4] p. : tables

Relates the history of the forestry and timber industry in Canada, its present decline and challenges, and it offers recommendations from the Natural Resources and the Forests Products Association of Canada to protect and grow the industry.

EI512 Greenhouse gas emissions along the rural-urban gradient.

/ ANDREWS, Clinton J.

2008.

From/Tiré de: Journal of Environmental Planning and Management 51:6, November 2008, p. 847-870.

[24] p. : ill., tables, graphs, appendices, bibl.

Explores the variation in greenhouse gas emissions for select municipalities in New Jersey along the rural-to-urban gradient to illustrate how land-use and settlement patterns affect greenhouse gas emissions. It describes the impact of the residential building stock, landscape impacts, and the urban heat island phenomenon. The appendices describes how to calculate emissions using the example of Highland Park, NJ.

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Environment / Environnement

EG611 Introducing a method of human health risk evaluation for planning and soil quality management of heavy metal-polluted soils – an example from Grugliasco (Italy).

/ POGGIO, Laura, & VRŠCAJ, Borut, & HEPPERLE, Erwin.
2008.

From/Tiré de: Landscape and Urban Planning 88:2-4, December 2008, p. 64-72.

[9] p. : ill., tables, bibl.

The article presents a land-use based method for evaluating the human health risks arising from heavy-metal contaminated urban soils. It focuses on the influence of planning measures and land use changes on these risks. It presents a case study demonstrating the implementation of the human health risk evaluation method on a playground site in Grugliasco, a large Italian industrial city.

EG609 Kitchen table sustainability : practical recipes for community engagement with sustainability.

/ SARKISSIAN, Wendy, & HOFER, Nancy, & SHORE, Yollana.

London ; Sterling VA : Earthscan, 2008.

xx, 373 p. : ill., tables, index, bibl.

(Tools for community planning)

Using a metaphor of the kitchen table, the book is an exploration of the relationship between community engagement and sustainability, focusing on how community groups can achieve change. It provides a values-based approach to assist both individuals and communities undertake sustainable change. It discusses the need for transformative change and the ways that communities can generate solutions to these problems, and presents the EATING approach for community engagement with sustainability processes. EATING is an acronym for: education, action, trust, inclusion, nourishment, and governance.

EG610 A method for soil environmental quality evaluation for management and planning in urban areas.

/ VRŠCAJ, Borut, & POGGIO, Laura, & MARSAN, Franco Ajmone.

2008.

From/Tiré de: Landscape and Urban Planning 88:2-4, December 2008, p. 81-94.

[14] p. : ill., tables, appendices, bibl.

Presents a method to evaluate urban soil quality in order to ensure adequate performance of environmental functions of soil, a healthy environment, and sustainable spatial planning. It identifies problems in soil evaluation, describes the method, and presents how the method can be applied to managing present land uses and planning for future land uses.

EG612 Synergistic landscapes.

/ KIRK, Patricia L.

2008.

From/Tiré de: Urban Land 67:11/12, November/December 2008, p. 146-150.

[5] p. : col. ill.

The article looks at the move towards water conservation development in the United States. It addresses the replacement of typical stormwater retention facilities with large-scale aqua systems, landscaping with indigenous plants, green rooftops, and pocket parks.

EI513 Urban development and climate change.

/ EWING, Reid, & BARTHOLOMEW, Keith, & WINKELMAN, Steve.

2008.

From/Tiré de: Journal of Urbanism 1:3, November 2008, p. 201-216.

[16] p. : col. ill., tables, graphs, plans, bibl.

Looks at two questions related to carbon dioxide emissions in the United States: (1) what reduction in the vehicle miles travelled (VMT) is achievable in the US through regional compact development and (2) what green house gas emissions would accompany such a reduction in VMT?

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Environment / Environnement

EI509 Valuing the benefits of the urban forest : a spatial hedonic approach.

/ PAYTON, Seth, & LINDSEY, Greg, & WILSON, Jeffrey.

2008.

From/Tiré de: Journal of Environmental Planning and Management 51:6, November 2008, p. 717-736.

[20] p. : ill., tables, graphs, bibl.

Reports on a hedonic study identifying the impact of greener vegetation on urban property values at the property and neighbourhood levels. It also provides a literature summary on valuing the urban forest and annualized average willingness to pay for green. Hedonic models are estimated for Indianapolis and Marion County.

New Documents in the ICURR Library / Nouveaux documents à la bibliothèque du CIRUR

Finance / Finances

MG1156 Capital planning provides both short-term and long-term perspective.

/ MAURER, Marcia.

2008.

From/Tiré de: Government Finance Review 24:5, October 2008, p. 45-49.

[5] p. : tables

Provides an overview of the importance of a capital plan to long-term planning and addresses the specifics of capital plans. It describes: when to start planning, what a capital plan does, the costs included in a capital improvement plan, and the prioritization of capital projects. It illustrates the use of capital plans through the case of the Biogas Enhancement Program.

MG1155 Fiscal first aid.

/ KAVANAGH, Shayne C., & PURCELL, Melanie.

2008.

From/Tiré de: Government Finance Review 24:5, October 2008, p. 8-13.

[6] p.

Outlines strategies and tactics for local governments to stabilize their financial condition for more in-depth rehabilitation. It discusses: distinguishing between structural and cyclical deficits, visualizing the problems, the importance of benchmarking data, the impact of a financial downturn on citizens and employees, prioritizing services, engaging citizens, opportunities for innovation, auditing routine expenditures, reducing energy consumption, evaluating overtime usage, managing risks, addressing health care costs, implementing purchasing practices, auditing revenue sources, improving billing and collections procedures, exploring fees for services, and exploring opportunities for inter-organization cooperation.

MG1157 Long-term financial forecasting for local governments.

/ SWANSON, Christopher J.

2008.

From/Tiré de: Government Finance Review 24:5, October 2008, p. 60-66.

[7] p. : tables, graphs

Explains how local governments can utilize forecast models for long-term financial planning. It focuses on the process of developing forecast models, covering: forecasting techniques, preparing the baseline forecast, trend and correlation analysis, alternative scenarios, and expenditure forecasting. It includes a table highlighting the factors that influence revenue.

MH1317 Ontario rolls out four-year phase-in for property tax assessments.

/ GRYS, Lucie.

2009.

From/Tiré de: Municipal Monitor 13:1, January / February 2009, p. 6-10.

[5] p. : col. ill.

Begins by briefly relaying the history of the property taxation system in Ontario and the move towards greater transparency of the assessment process under the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC). It focuses on the implementation of a four-year assessment cycle to maintain regular revaluation of properties with a four-year assessment phase in to ensure increases are spread out as to not put a strenuous burden on the property owner. It relates how MPAC's evaluation is based on market value and the five factors influencing the assessment price. It also lays out the process for appeal of an assessed value and property tax relief initiatives of the Ontario government.

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General / Général

GI266 A geography of the Filipino migration to Winnipeg.

/ VACHON, Marc, & TOEWS, Wes.

2008.

From/Tiré de: Canadian Journal of Urban Research 17:1, Summer 2008, p. 107-129.

[23] p. : graphs, maps, bibl.

Looks at the demographic trends and spatial distribution of the Filipino community in Winnipeg, the largest visible minority group in the city, and provides an historical overview of Filipino immigration to Canada.

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Housing / Habitation

HH918 Condominium Act review : a discussion paper.

SERVICE NOVA SCOTIA AND MUNICIPAL RELATIONS, Condominium Act Review Committee.

[Halifax] : Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations, 2009.

[48] p. : appendices

The review of Nova Scotia's Condominium Act examines 19 issues identified by the Committee that require amendment. Each issue includes: background information, the proposed change, comments, matters for consideration, and questions raised. The issues include: conversion of small buildings; condominium maintenance and repairs; condominium insurance; reserve fund levies for small condominium corporations; objects and powers of a condominium corporation, including sale of property; rights of way and easements on the property; appointment of management companies; common elements corporations and recreational corporations; rules for use of common elements; agreements of purchase and sale; documentation for phased developments; budget estimates provided by declarants to potential purchasers; purchase of units by declarant when conducting the affairs of the condominium corporation; completion of common elements and amenities by declarant; landlord-tenant relationship between the condominium corporation and tenant of a unit; parking; charging of occupancy fees; cost of arbitration; phased development issues; and notice to mortgagees in event of catastrophic loss. Appendix B consists of a primer on condominium ownership and governance.

HG430 Greening urban townhouses.

/ MACHT, William P.

2008.

From/Tiré de: Urban Land 67:11/12, November/December 2008, p. 172, 173.

[2] p. : col. ill.

Relates how one developer built a high-end, green townhouse as infill development in Manhattan, which is up for LEED certification.

HG431 Mixed-income housing.

/ KIRK, Patricia L.

2008.

From/Tiré de: Urban Land 67:11/12, November/December 2008, p. 192-195, 202-204.

[7] p. : col. ill.

Relates how local governments in Canada and the United States are using mixed income housing to provide affordable housing. It describes the ecologically-friendly Tetry Non-Profit and Pathway Non-Profit Housing in Mississauga, ON; a mixed-use, transit-oriented development in Oakland, CA; New York City's offer of free land in exchange for affordable housing; bonus entitlements in exchange for affordability requirements in Austin, TX; and affordable housing in Raleigh, NC.

HH922 Towards new forms of social housing in Germany.

/ KNORR-SIEDOW, Thomas.

2008.

From/Tiré de: Urban Research & Practice 1:3, November 2008, p. 319-323.

[5] p.

Reports on changes to the German social housing sector since the 1970s, the privatization of social housing, the move towards using subsidies to provide social housing instead of building new developments, the use of cooperative housing as social housing, and self-organized housing in Munich and Hamburg.

New Documents in the ICURR Library / Nouveaux documents à la bibliothèque du CIRUR

Infrastructure / Infrastructures

EG614 Garbage truck fleets : a great way to go green.

/ UNDERWOOD, Joanna D.

2009.

From/Tiré de: Municipal World 119:1, January 2009, p. 21-24.

[4] p.

Relates how garbage truck fleets in the United States are switching from diesel to compressed or liquefied natural gas and the six reasons why this has been successful. It describes the motivations, process, and environmental benefits of switching the garbage truck fleet to natural gas in the Town of Smithtown, NY, in 2007.

TG281 Hamilton's Red Hill Valley Parkway : perpetual pavement helps support sustainability goals.

/ MOORE, Gary, & UZAROWSKI, Ludomir.

2009.

From/Tiré de: Municipal World 119:1, January 2009, p. 41-43.

[3] p. : ill.

The article examines the City of Hamilton's decision to use perpetual pavement, with a design life of 50 years, over conventional deep strength pavement for the Red Hill Valley Parkway. It looks at the concerns over traffic congestion and air pollution caused by rehabilitation work, how perpetual pavement works, and the example of the Don Valley Parkway in Toronto.

GE004 Island wind energy : securing our future : the 10 point plan.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND ENERGY CORPORATION.

Charlottetown : Government of Prince Edward Island = Gouvernement d'Île- du-Prince-Édouard, 2008.

30 p. : col. ill., graphs

(Securing our future : PEI environment and energy policy series ; vol. 1)

The plan states how the Province of Prince Edward Island will achieve its goal of having 500 megawatts of wind energy by 2013 in an effort to curb climate change. The ten points include: maximizing energy security, independence and price stability; generating revenue from green energy exports; demonstrating community support; building a collaborative partnership approach to cable and transmission planning; maximizing economic benefits; promoting sound land-use planning; assuring compliance with environmental review processes; promoting fair and equitable land leases; advancing a consistent taxation and business support environment; and partnering with proven developers.

MH1314 Municipal infrastructure projects : key to putting Canadians to work = Les projets d'infrastructures municipales – la solution clé pour mettre les Canadiens au travail.

Ottawa : Federation of Canadian Municipalities = Fédération canadienne des municipalités, 2009.

[27] / [27] p. : tables / tableaux

The report provides a list of over 1,000 municipal infrastructure projects that would be ready to go as early as spring 2009 if federal funding were provided. It describes the principles for federal action and lists the infrastructure projects in functional categories, e.g. transit, solid waste, etc.

Ce rapport fournit une liste de plus de 1 000 projets d'infrastructure municipale qui seront prêts dès le printemps 2009 moyennant un financement fédéral. Il décrit les principes d'action à adopter pour le gouvernement fédéral et présente les projets d'infrastructure par catégorie (transport, ordures, etc.)

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Infrastructure / Infrastructures

MH1315 Post carbon cities : oil production could peak by 2012 : what does this mean for your community?

/ LERCH, Daniel.

2008.

From/Tiré de: Planning 74:11, December 2008, p. 28-31, 33.

[5] p. : col. ill., graphs

The article looks at the problems facing local planners in regard to peak oil and declining oil availability thereafter, particularly the assumption that there will be a steady supply of affordable fuel. It then summarizes reports on energy uncertainty undertaken by local governments in the United States and Canada, i.e. Burnaby and Hamilton; the creation and findings of the task force to investigate the local ramifications of global oil decline in Portland and Spokane; and local government responses to peak oil in the UK and Australia. It concludes with a listing of five key principles for local governments to integrate into decision making and long-range planning in order to address peak oil and global warming. See also: Post carbon cities: Planning for energy and climate uncertainty: A guidebook on peak oil and global warming for local governments (EH1022) also by David Lerch.

EC614 Renewable Ontario : the province's new scheme tests how big small-scale energy can become.

/ GORRIE, Peter.

2008.

From/Tiré de: Alternatives Journal 35:1, 2009, p. 22-24.

[3] p. : col. ill.

Describes Ontario's small-scale power generation program, the Renewable Energy Standard Offer program, which is a feed tariff scheme. It details the benefits of renewable energy production as well as impediments to small-scale renewable power generation.

ME564 York Region shows leadership with strategic energy plan.

/ CROWE, Barry.

2009.

From/Tiré de: Municipal World 119:1, January 2009, p. 9-10.

[2] p. : ill.

Briefly describes the purchase of locally generated, emission-free electricity to power three area facilities and summarizes York region's Strategic Energy Plan. It looks at the energy and environmental management systems; energy supply management initiatives; initiatives to reduce or manage energy consumption by municipal facilities; sustainable development initiatives, including building retrofits, renewable energy opportunities, and LEED certification; and reporting and public awareness.

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Municipal / Questions municipales

MI736 Campaign finance and campaign success in municipal elections in the Toronto region.

/ MACDERMID, Robert.

[Ottawa] : Canadian Political Science Association = Association canadienne de science politique, 2007.

[18] p. : tables, bibl.

An examination of the sources of campaign funding for local and regional council candidates and the relationship between the amount raised and spent and campaign success in ten municipalities in the Greater Toronto Area in 2003 (Toronto, Oshawa, Whitby, Ajax, Pickering, Markham, Richmond Hill, Vaughan, Brampton, and Mississauga). The paper was presented at the Annual General Meetings of the Canadian Political Science Association, Saskatoon, June 1, 2007.

MI738 Funding city politics : municipal campaign funding and property development in the Greater Toronto Area.

/ MACDERMID, Robert.

Toronto : Centre for Social Justice Foundation for Research and Education, VoteToronto, 2009.

[56] p. : tables, bibl.

(Social Justice series)

An examination of the funding of candidates during the 2006 municipal elections in cities within the Greater Toronto Area, viz. Toronto, Oshawa, Whitby, Ajax, Pickering, Markham, Richmond Hill, Vaughan, Brampton, and Mississauga. It focuses on the variation of the proportion of individual, corporate, union, and development industry contributions, particularly the impact for winning candidates, and the relationship between the development industry and municipal politics. It discusses the regulation of campaign contributions as it applies to the GTA.

MI737 Funding municipal elections in the Toronto Region.

/ MACDERMID, Robert.

[Ottawa] : Canadian Political Science Association = Association canadienne de science politique, 2006.

[31] p. : tables, bibl.

An examination of campaign finance in ten cities in the Greater Toronto Area for the 2003 elections. It looks at campaign funding, the importance of corporate funding, the extent to which the development industry back candidates running for local office, and the implications of such donations. The municipal elections studied include: Toronto, Oshawa, Whitby, Ajax, Pickering, Markham, Richmond Hill, Vaughan, Brampton, and Mississauga. The paper was presented in 2006 at the Annual General Meetings of the Canadian Political Science Association in Toronto.

MA583 Managing local government : cases in effectiveness.

/ NEWELL, Charldean. (ed.).

Washington : International City/County Management Association (ICMA), 2008.

xii, 179 p. : ill.

Presents 19 case studies highlighting management practices from ICMA's set of 18 practices fundamental to effectiveness in local government management. It is designed to act as a tool for analyzing different perspectives of an issue in order to reach a reasonable course of action when addressing a particular problem, e.g. bridging gaps between staff and elected officials. The broad subject areas covered include: professionalism and leadership within local government management, effective community leadership, enhancing the governing body's effectiveness, local planning, human resource management, budgeting and financial management, agenda setting, policy implementation, evaluation and monitoring, and relating to other organizations. Matrices are included that map the case studies with the applicable 18 principles as well as by subject matter. See also: The effective local government manager (MG219).

MG1161 Volunteer internships benefit local governments and students.

/ POPIK, Robin.

2009.

From/Tiré de: Public Management 91:1, January/February 2009, p. 24-26.

[3] p.

The article offers advice on setting up a student internship program for a local government. It covers: types of interns, making a local government internship appealing to students, the benefits to local governments, starting an internship program, and examples of the type of course information the school should share with the local government volunteer supervisor.

New Documents in the ICURR Library / Nouveaux documents à la bibliothèque du CIRUR

Planning & Development / Aménagement et développement

HH917 Best practices in development : award winning projects 2008.

/ THOERIG, Theodore C.

Washington : Urban Land Institute, 2008.

212 p. : col. ill.

Profiles 38 international noteworthy commercial and residential projects completed in 2008. Each project includes photos, a description of the development process, and project data. All included projects are candidates for the ULI Award for Excellence. It also includes a listing of past ULI Awards for Excellence winners, beginning in 1979. The only Canadian project included is the National Ballet School of Canada/Radio City in Toronto.

HG429 Branding in area development.

/ PEEK, Gert-Joost, & VAN GELDER, Sicco.

2008.

From/Tiré de: Urban Land 67:11/12, November/December 2008, p. 160, 162-163.

[3] p. : col. ill.

Looks at successful branding for mixed use area development, which must contain several messages along a unified theme as they have to appeal to a wide array of uses. It focuses on the branding example of the Overhoeks development, a new waterfront urban quarter in Amsterdam, and another branding undertaking as part of ING Real Estate's proposal for Leidsche Rijn Centrum in Utrecht, describing the branding process and its impact on development and sales.

HG433 Building evaluation for adaptive reuse and preservation.

/ RABUN, J. Stanley, & KELSO, Richard.

Hoboken NJ : John Wiley & Sons, 2009.

xvi, 240 p., 4 leaves of plates : ill. (some col.), plans, bibl.

Discusses how to assess the structural and material integrity of existing buildings for adaptive reuse. It considers building assessment issues for structures of different scales, including: midsize commercial, small commercial, and residential buildings. Topics addressed include: architectural character of buildings from 1850 to 1960, surveying of existing conditions, electrical systems employed throughout the years, mechanical systems, plumbing, bathrooms, accessibility, fire systems, sustainability, pro forma analysis, and testing of structural integrity and systems.

MB986 By-law no. 168-08 of the Corporation of the City of Cambridge : being a by-law ... to require the removal of snow and ice from sidewalks and roofs, and to repeal By-law no. 273-05.

CITY OF CAMBRIDGE.

Cambridge : City of Cambridge, 2008.

[88] p. : maps

(By-law ; no. 168-08)

The by-law requires the removal of snow and ice from sidewalks and roofs by the owner or occupant in the City of Cambridge, ON. It also addresses: depositing snow and ice, damage to sidewalks or curbs, penalties for contravening the bylaw, and removal of snow and ice from sidewalks by the city, including the streets covered.

TE109 City of Vancouver policy report : development and building : supports item no. 1, T&T Committee agenda, January 20, 2009 : Granville Loops Policy Plan.

/ JOHNSON, R., & FRENCH, T.

Vancouver : City of Vancouver, 2008.

[46] p. : plans

A report recommending that Vancouver City Council approve the Granville Loops Policy Plan, included as appendix A, to guide future rezoning, development, and potential sale of city-owned lands in the area bounded by Drake, Pacific, and Seymour streets. The policy plan provides guidance for the redesign of the Granville loops area, the clover-shaped ramps from the Granville Bridge, including rezoning of sites, guidance on new street configuration, and parameters for future potential sale of the City-owned lands.

New Documents in the ICURR Library / Nouveaux documents à la bibliothèque du CIRUR

Planning & Development / Aménagement et développement

HG427 Getting real about urbanism : contextual design for cities.

/ ZYSCOVITCH, Bernard, & PORTER, Douglas R.

Washington : Urban Land Institute, 2008.

ix, 128, [1] p. : col. ill., plans

Describes the contextual urban design approach whose aim is to create distinctive, individual urban design based on the already present fundamental characteristics of diverse communities. The creation of places with their own character as opposed to design from a set of universal rules is dubbed "real" urbanism. Chapters address: the essential elements that must be considered when creating projects; the elements of contextual urbanism that can be used to revitalize stagnating or deteriorating developments; capitalizing on historical and contextual advantages of site and area planning for sustainable and green development; research procedures for determining key site and neighbourhood features; design approaches to resolve stakeholder concerns; the need for a detailed public framework for development, including regulatory tools for phased implementation of design; and the importance of anchoring development on the local context.

HG432 Graduated density zoning to encourage land assembly for infill redevelopment.

/ SHOUP, Donald C.

2009.

From/Tiré de: Zoning Practice 25:1, January 2009, p. 2-7.

[6] p. : ill., tables, plans

Explains graduated density zoning as a means to encourage voluntary land assembly for infill development. It discusses the benefits of land assembly, explains how graduated density zoning works, and presents a case study of Simi Valley in Los Angeles as an example of how graduated density zoning works in practice. See also: Graduated density zoning (HG423).

HH920 Great neighborhoods : places of lasting value.

/ LITT, Steven.

2008.

From/Tiré de: Planning 74:11, December 2008, p. 4-9.

[6] p. : col. ill.

The article relates the qualities that the American Planning Association (APA) associates with well-planned neighbourhoods of lasting value based on the examples of those selected as part of APA's Great Places in American program. These include: attractiveness, historic preservation, and sense of community.

HG426 Integral urbanism.

/ ELLIN, Nan.

New York : Routledge, 2006.

xxxv, 193 p. : ill. (some col.), index, bibl.

The book details the urban design approach of integral urbanism. It defines integral urbanism and elaborates on the precepts of its manifesto: hybridity, connectivity, porosity, authenticity, and vulnerability. It provides both European and American examples to illustrate the theory.

EH1025 Integrating city planning and environmental improvement : practicable strategies for sustainable urban development.

/ MILLER, Donald, & ROO, Gert de. (ed.).

Aldershot ; Brookfield VT : Ashgate, 2004.

xv, 336 p. : ill., tables, maps, index, bibl.

(Urban planning and environment)

A collection of papers describing sustainable urban development approaches. It is divided into five sections: national policy for integrating environmental and spatial planning, regional approaches to integration, city-wide approaches to integration, focusing on integration at the neighbourhood level, and employing indicators and analysis to achieve integration. Topics include: the Dutch preference for greater cohesion in environmental and spatial policy; strategies for protecting environmental quality in the spatial planning law of Austria; the effectiveness of interjurisdictional growth management in Washington State; environmental enhancement by the Environment Agency in South East England; the New York City adoption of the Dutch model of integrated environmental zoning; and the design and use of urban sustainability indicators in physical planning. Of note is chapter 16 on sustainable development as part of downtown urban renewal in Toronto.

New Documents in the ICURR Library / Nouveaux documents à la bibliothèque du CIRUR

Planning & Development / Aménagement et développement

HH923 A legal guide to urban and sustainable development for planners, developers and architects.

/ SLONE, Daniel K., & GOLDSTEIN, Doris S., & GOWDER, W. Andrew.

Hoboken NJ : John Wiley & Sons, 2008.

xv, 352 p. : ill., maps, plans, index, bibl.

An examination of the legal impediments, issues and ramifications of urban planning and development, zoning, and sustainable development in the United States. It includes chapters on: urbanist law; sustainable urbanism; working within an existing zoning framework; new approaches to zoning, including form-based codes and the smart code; impediments to the subdivision, plat-review and site planning process; retooling the common-interest community (Seaside, FL); special building types; litigation; federal policy and initiatives; and an approach to greening projects or municipalities.

EI511 Locating 'power' in wind power planning processes : the (not so) influential role of local objectors.

/ AITKEN, Mhairi, & MCDONALD, Seonaidh, & STRACHAN, Peter.

2008.

From/Tiré de: Journal of Environmental Planning and Management 51:6, November 2008, p. 777-799.

[23] p. : tables, graphs, appendices, bibl.

Examines the role and influence of wind farm opponents in the planning process in the United Kingdom, demonstrating the limited and superficial nature of objector's influence on the planning process for a wind farm in central Scotland. Concerns cited relate to: ornithology, traffic and roads, and renewable energy policy.

HH921 Mega-projects in New York, London and Amsterdam.

/ FAINSTEIN, Susan S.

2008 [i.e. 2009]

From/Tiré de: International Journal of Urban and Regional Research 32:4, December 2008, p. 768-785.

[18] p. : col. ill., bibl.

The article describes three mega-projects, predicts their likely outcomes, and compares and contrasts them. The three projects are: Atlantic Yards in Brooklyn; Stratford City and the larger Thames Gateway in London; and the South Axis and Amsterdam Southeast developments of Amsterdam South. Topics discussed include: the gentrification of Brooklyn, opposition to the projects, public-private partnerships, creating affordable housing, the retrofitting of the failed Bijlmermeer project from the 1960s and 1970s, and the office development at Amsterdam South Axis (Zuidas).

UI551 Old mega-projects newly packaged? waterfront redevelopment in Toronto.

/ LEHRER, Ute, & LAIDLEY, Jennefer.

2008.

From/Tiré de: International Journal of Urban and Regional Research 32:4, December 2008, p. 786-803.

[18] p. : tables, bibl.

The article examines the policies and practice employed in the redevelopment of Toronto's waterfront. The article investigates whether the project can be considered a mega-project and how the redevelopment compares with contemporary mega-projects. It looks at the historical institutional context, the revitalization goals, the participatory planning processes, and the problematic nature and use of public space in Toronto.

MG1158 Overhauling your zoning code.

/ EASLEY, V. Gail.

2008.

From/Tiré de: Zoning Practice 25:12, December 2008, p. 2-7.

[6] p. : ill., plans

The article presents steps to update zoning codes. It covers: diagnosing the problem with the present code, identifying potential solutions, developing a detailed working outline, writing and revising, tracking parts for elimination, testing the revised code as a solution to the initial problem, the adoption process, and monitoring the change's effectiveness. It briefly describes a number of best practices and alternatives to traditional zoning, including: conservation design, point-system, single-map system, performance zoning, form-based code, smart code, new urbanism, planned unit development, adequate public facilities / concurrency, green building design, low-impact development, and hybrid codes.

New Documents in the ICURR Library / Nouveaux documents à la bibliothèque du CIRUR

Planning & Development / Aménagement et développement

EI510 Protecting people and property : the influence of land-use planners on flood hazard mitigation in New Urbanist developments.

/ STEVENS, Mark R., & BERKE, Philip R., & SONG, Yan.
2008.

From/Tiré de: *Journal of Environmental Planning and Management* 51:6, November 2008, p. 737-757.

[21] p. : tables, appendices, bibl.

Examines the influence that the values and role orientations of particular land-use planners have on flood hazard mitigation for a selection of American New Urbanist projects.

HI628 Research note : measuring residential lot and neighbourhood changes in Hamilton, Ontario.

/ SMITH, Cameron J., & RANDALL, Todd A.
2008.

From/Tiré de: *Canadian Journal of Urban Research* 17:1, Summer 2008, p. 155-164.

[10] p. : ill., tables, maps, bibl.

Reports on the results of a study looking at the changes in residential neighbourhood form in Hamilton. The variables reported on include the changes to: street patterns, normalized street length, gross residential density, lot frontage, and front building setback.

HG428 Return on perception : four key elements of urban design create value : architecture, green spaces, water settings, and transportation.

/ JERKE, Dennis.
2008.

From/Tiré de: *Urban Land* 67:11/12, November/December 2008, p. 70-79.

[10] p. : col. ill.

The article relates the importance of focusing on good design and the additional value of applying these principles over and above the financial return. It discusses what is good design and lists the criteria for guiding evaluations of single buildings and multibuilding places or developments. It summarizes the design concepts of smart growth, new urbanism, and green building.

UH868 The social impacts of urban containment.

/ NELSON, Arthur Christian, & SANCHEZ, Thomas W., & DAWKINS, Casey J.
Aldershot ; Burlington VT : Ashgate, 2007.

xiv, 174 p. : tables, graphs, maps, index, bibl.

(Urban planning and environment)

Assesses the social impact of urban containment for American metropolitan areas. It provides a history of urban containment in the United States, the economic rationale underpinning its usage, and categorizes urban containment into four types based on how accommodating or restrictive the plans are. It provides a typology for classifying urban containment types and analyzes eight studies of the relationship between urban containment and specific urban social phenomena and processes. Specifically, it looks at the impact of urban containment on: exurban sprawl, gentrification, racial segregation, housing prices and housing affordability, economic development, central city revitalization, public health, and neighbourhood quality.

HH919 Sustainable communities.

/ LEEMING, Daniel, & RILEY, Diane.
2008.

From/Tiré de: *Ontario Planning Journal* 23:3, May-June 2008, p. 3-5 *Ontario Planning Journal* 23:4, July-August 2008, p. 11-15 *Ontario Planning Journal* 23:6, November-December 2008, p. 7-10.

[12] p. : ill.

A series of three articles on the Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design for Neighbourhood Development (LEED-ND) rating system. The first article examines the case for sustainability and assesses current dilemmas with regard to unsustainable communities and the need for change. The second article highlights the evolution of LEED-ND both in the United States and Canada. The final article summarizes sustainable built form initiatives in Canada and the UK (BedZED, Dockside Green, West Donland, Vancouver, and the Ontario Greenbelt) and lists ten key principles that differentiate significant projects.

New Documents in the ICURR Library / Nouveaux documents à la bibliothèque du CIRUR

Planning & Development / Aménagement et développement

HG425 Urban design and the bottom line : optimizing the return on perception.

/ JERKE, Dennis, & PORTER, Douglas R., & LASSAR, Terry Jill.

Washington : Urban Land Institute, 2008.

vii, 259 p. : col. ill., col. maps, appendices

Looks at how to calculate the added value generated by good urban design prior to an investment. It examines what constitutes good design, who benefits from it, and how they reap the benefits. It then focuses on design areas: building design (residential, retail, higher education facilities, and civic buildings), green infrastructure and parks, roadways, transit-oriented development, bridges, airports, and waterways and waterfronts. It concludes with recommendations on creating a culture for good design and how to invest in good design. Appendix A provides a framework for measuring design dividends and Appendix B offers a holistic approach to image systems planning.

New Documents in the ICURR Library / Nouveaux documents à la bibliothèque du CIRUR

Protective Services / Services de protection

MG1160 Issues in emergency services : big questions to ask the chief.

/ MOELLER, Bruce.

2009.

From/Tiré de: Public Management 91:1, January/February 2009, p. 12-15.

[4] p. : tables

Examines three significant issues related to fire and emergency medical services delivery for managers. These are (1) reasonable response time and accuracy of reporting, (2) disaster preparedness, and (3) the safety of emergency responders. It includes a table listing response time components.

MH1318 Planning for disasters, climate change, and sustainable development.

/ SANDINK, Dan, & FULLER, Chrystal.

2009.

From/Tiré de: Municipal World 119:1, January 2009, p. 27-30, 56.

[5] p. : tables

The article focuses on the importance of disaster mitigation, how it is a local responsibility, and what local planners can do to foster resiliency. It relates how there have been an increasing number of climate and weather-related disasters in Canada since the 1960s; defines the terms: disaster, hazard, and vulnerability as they apply to communities; details the municipal responsibility for emergency management and reduction of vulnerabilities; and looks at the role of municipal planning in disaster mitigation and how planners can educate decision makers of the importance of disaster mitigation and foster disaster resilience.

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Public Administration / Administration publique

GG337 Free on Friday : whether it's to save energy or lure young workers, states and localities are testing the four-day work week.

/ PATTON, Zach.

2008.

From/Tiré de: Governing 22:3, December 2008, p. 38-40.

[3] p. : ill.

Examines how state and local governments in the United States are implementing compressed work weeks, consisting of four ten hour days, to reduce costs. It focuses on the implementation in Utah. It includes an inset piece on the impact of compressed work weeks on innovation and productivity.

New Documents in the ICURR Library / Nouveaux documents à la bibliothèque du CIRUR

Recreation / Loisirs

RC318 (Multi)culture and the city : the representation of culture in Toronto's cultural facilities database.

/ GUDAITIS, Lia, & BUNCH, Martin J.

2008.

From/Tiré de: Canadian Journal of Urban Research 17:1, Summer 2008, p. 1-27.

[27] p. : tables, graphs, maps, bibl.

The article reports on a study of the City of Toronto's 2003 Cultural Facilities Database. The study looked at the definition of cultural facility in the database, whether the database addresses diversity issues or if it simply represented traditional concepts of culture, the types and frequency of cultural hubs in the database, and locations of Toronto's cultural hubs according to the database in relation to multicultural indicators. It also discusses multiculturalism, immigrants, and cultural capital.

New Documents in the ICURR Library / Nouveaux documents à la bibliothèque du CIRUR

Regional / Questions régionales

RH740 Commentary on the Ontario government's proposed Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe.

NEPTIS FOUNDATION.

Toronto : Neptis Foundation, 2006.

[24] p. : graphs, col. maps, appendices, bibl.

(Neptis papers on growth in the Toronto Metropolitan Region ; no. 3)

Presents research on the Ontario Growth Plan's policies and targets for residential intensification, urban growth centres, greenfield development, and the projected distribution of population growth. It concludes that although the Plan is urgently needed and sets an appropriate policy direction, it seems unlikely to achieve its own goals because the measures proposed may be unenforceable, ineffective, too generic, or too difficult to achieve.

RH741 Regional governance without regional government : the strengths and weaknesses of the Greater Vancouver Regional District : background report.

/ ARTIBISE, Alan F. J.

Vancouver : [Cascadia Planning Group], 1997.

[40] p. : ill., maps, bibl.

The report details the history of municipal organization in Greater Vancouver from 1911-1996. It then describes the current organization of the Greater Vancouver Regional District and its functions. It summarizes the strengths and achievements and weaknesses and failures of the GVRD. The report was prepared for the Regional Municipality of Ottawa-Carleton.

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Rural & Agricultural / Milieu rural et agricole

AI123 Abandoned farmland in Quebec – status and development options = Les friches agricoles au Québec : état des lieux et approches de valorisation.

/ VOULIGNY, Caroline, & GARIÉPY, Stéphane.

[Ottawa] : Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada = Agriculture et Agroalimentaire Canada, 2008.

[66] / [66] p. : col. ill., tables / tableaux, col. maps / carte col., appendices, bibl.

An exploratory study verifying the benefits to land managers and stakeholders of using an agroforestry-based approach to develop abandoned farmland in Québec. It discusses: the categorization of abandoned farmland, size and geographic location of abandoned farmland in Québec, the reasons for abandonment of farmland and the associated disadvantages, development approaches, and other solutions promoting development.

L'approche utilisée dans le présent rapport est celle de l'étude exploratoire : il s'agit de vérifier l'intérêt pour les gestionnaires et acteurs du territoire en matière de développement de l'agroforesterie pour valoriser des friches au Québec. Il y est question de la catégorisation des friches, le superficie et la situation géographiques des friches au Québec, les motifs menant à l'abandon des friches et les inconvénients qui en découlent, les approches de valorisation et les autres solutions en matière de développement.

AH154 Building collaborative capacity for research and influencing policy : the Rural Communities Impacting Policy project.

/ LANGILLE, Lynn, & MUNRO, Isabel, & ROMANOW, Paula.

2008.

From/Tiré de: Journal of Rural and Community Development 3:3, 2008, p. 23-55.

[33] p. : ill., tables, bibl.

An analysis of the various dimensions of capacity building within the Rural Community Impacting Policy (RCIP) project, which took place in Nova Scotia, as an example of capacity building in a collaborative initiative related to rural health and sustainability. The RCIP project's aim was to increase the capacity of rural communities and organizations in Nova Scotia to access and use social science research in order to influence and develop public policies relevant to health and sustainability in rural communities. It also provides background on the RCIP project and rural policy responsibilities in Canada.

AH153 Multiple capacities, multiple outcomes : delving deeper into the meaning of community capacity.

/ BECKLEY, Thomas M., & MARTZ, Diane, & NADEAU, Solange.

2008.

From/Tiré de: Journal of Rural and Community Development 3:3, 2008, p. 56-75.

[20] p. : ill. (some col.), bibl.

Presents a high-generality conceptual model for illustrating concepts and relationships on community capacity. The model describes four dimensions to community capacity: assets, catalysts, relational spheres, and outcomes. It examines definitions of community capacity through a literature review, presents an alternative definition of community capacity, and describes both the aforementioned conceptual model and a qualitative assessment tool.

AI122 Seniors in rural Canada = Les aînés des régions rurales du Canada.

/ DANDY, Kimberley, & BOLLMAN, Ray D.

Ottawa : Statistics Canada = Statistique Canada, 2008.

[56] / [56] p. : tables / tableaux, graphs / graphiques, col. maps / cartes col., appendices, bibl.

(Rural and small town Canada analysis bulletin ; v. 7, no. 8 = Bulletin d'analyse – Régions rurales et petites villes du Canada ; v. 7, n. 8)

Documents the rural-urban differences in population age structure in terms of: a) the share of the total population that is senior (65 years of age and older); b) the rate of aging of the population in terms of two measures: i. the growth in the share of the population that is senior; and ii. the growth in the number of seniors; c) the number of communities that are aging by each of these measures; and d) selected characteristics of the aging communities as compared to communities that are not aging.

le présent bulletin décrit les écarts ruraux-urbains de la structure par âge de la population comme suit : a) la proportion de la population totale que représente les aînés (65 ans et plus); b) le taux de vieillissement de la population exprimé par deux mesures : i. la croissance de la proportion d'aînés dans la population; ii. la croissance du nombre d'aînés; c) le nombre de collectivités qui vieillissent selon chacune de ces mesures; et d) certaines caractéristiques des collectivités vieillissantes, comparativement à celles qui ne vieillissent pas.

New Documents in the ICURR Library / Nouveaux documents à la bibliothèque du CIRUR

Rural & Agricultural / Milieu rural et agricole

AI124 Understanding community resiliency in rural communities through multimethod research.

/ KULIG, Judith, & EDGE, Dana S., & JOYCE, Brenda.

2008.

From/Tiré de: Journal of Rural and Community Development 3:3, 2008, p. 77-94.

[19] p. : ill., tables, bibl.

Examines three different research methods, viz. qualitative interviews, a household survey, and an analysis of health-care databases, used in a two-year multimethod study focusing on the meaning of community resiliency from qualitative and quantitative perspectives as well as the relationship between community resiliency and health status in an agricultural community, a mining and logging community, and an urban neighbourhood in Alberta.

New Documents in the ICURR Library / Nouveaux documents à la bibliothèque du CIRUR

Service Delivery / Prestation de services

EG613 Kitchen table sustainability : transform your community engagement with sustainability.

/ SARKISSIAN, Wendy.

2008.

From/Tiré de: Planning West 50:4, December 2008, p. 7-9, 11.

[4] p.

The article addresses how to use community engagement effectively to achieve sustainability. It lists the ten reasons for the failure of community engagement with sustainability, provides an example of a shallow process, presents the EATING model from "Kitchen Table Sustainability," and describes actions by different responsible bodies (governments, developers and the private sector, consultants, community engagement practitioners, community activists, NGOs, and artists and community development practitioners) to achieve sustainability. See also: Kitchen table sustainability: Practical recipes for community engagement with sustainability (EG609).

MG1159 RFP for a citizen survey : from the fictionalized city of ABC : a supplement to Citizen Surveys for Local Government : a Comprehensive Guide to Making Them Matter.

INTERNATIONAL CITY/COUNTY MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION.

Washington : International City/County Management Association (ICMA), [2008]

[9] p.

The supplement provides a sample request for proposal (RFP) for a citizen survey for the fictional City of ABC. The sample covers the survey purpose, scope of work, desired qualifications, proposal format, selection process and evaluation criteria, and terms and conditions. Running title: Request for proposals for the City of ABC citizen survey. See also: Citizen surveys for local government : a comprehensive guide to making them matter.

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Social Issues / Questions sociales

QI030 How Canadians' use of the Internet affects social life and civic participation = Répercussions de l'utilisation d'Internet par les Canadiens sur la vie sociale et la participation communautaire.

/ VEENHOF, Ben, & WELLMAN, Barry, & QUELL, C.

[Ottawa] : Statistics Canada = Statistique Canada, 2008.

[29] / [34] p. : tables / tableaux, graphs / graphiques, bibl.

(Research paper = Document de recherche Connectedness series ; no. 16 = Série sur la connectivité ; n. 16)

Presents the results of a survey and research amassed by Statistics Canada and the Connected Lives project in Toronto to explore the role of the Internet in social engagement and the opportunities it represents for Canadians to be active citizens. It investigates internet usage for a number of particular socio-demographic groups (e.g. immigrants, senior citizens, rural Canadians). The article concludes by discussing how the Internet is transforming social capital, community and Canadian society.

Le présent article repose sur les résultats d'enquêtes

et de travaux de recherche effectués par Statistique Canada et dans le cadre du projet Connected Lives à Toronto, afin d'examiner le rôle d'Internet au chapitre de l'engagement social et les possibilités qu'il offre aux Canadiens de devenir des citoyens actifs. Il examine l'utilisation d'Internet pour les groupes sociodémographiques particuliers (par exemple les immigrants, les personnes âgées, et les canadiens des régions rurales). L'article conclut par un examen de la façon dont Internet transforme le capital social, les collectivités et la société canadienne.

MH1316 Implementing social and environmental policies in cities : the case of food policy in Vancouver, Canada.

/ MENDES, Wendy.

2008.

From/Tiré de: International Journal of Urban and Regional Research 32:4, December 2008, p. 942-967.

[26] p. : tables, bibl.

The article examines the early stages of implementation of an urban food policy in the City of Vancouver. The policy was mandated on July 8, 2003, and aims to provide a "just and sustainable food system" that takes a holistic approach towards improving the economic, environmental, social and nutritional health of the city. It assesses the changes to Vancouver's governance capacity before and after the mandate based on five factors: legal status and mandated role for food policy; staffing support; integration of food policy into regulatory and legal frameworks; joint-actor partnerships and networks in planning and policy-making; and citizen participation mechanisms. The article also discusses the political context for food policy in Canada.

UI553 Poor neighbourhoods and the changing geography of food retailing in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, 1984-2004.

/ PETERS, Evelyn J., & MCCREARY, Tyler A.

2008.

From/Tiré de: Canadian Journal of Urban Research 17:1, Summer 2008, p. 78-106.

[29] p. : tables, maps, bibl.

Presents the results of an examination of the changing spatial structure of food retailing in Saskatoon neighbourhoods with a large percentage of low income inhabitants between 1984 and 2004 compared with results for other cities. It also provides a literature review on the changing geographies of urban retail in the US, UK, and Europe, and access to food stores in impoverished neighbourhoods.

UH870 Urban enigmas : Montreal, Toronto, and the problem of comparing cities.

/ SLOAN, Johanne. (ed.).

Montreal ; Kingston : McGill-Queen's University Press, 2007.

xi, 298 p. : bibl.

(Culture of cities)

An examination of the urban socio-cultural differences of Toronto and Montréal. It revolves around the question: what is the urban experience? Papers address: the comparison of cities by everyday people; the importance of history to the cultural analysis of cities; investigations of theatrical performances, urban media, festivals, and public art; the global influences of urban culture in the city, e.g. film festivals; and the influence of ethnic cultures, including ethnic Italian neighbourhoods. The final chapter includes a discussion on the response to the loss of place in new urbanism.

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Social Issues / Questions sociales

UI552 The urban question revisited : the importance of cities for social movements.

/ NICHOLLS, Walter J.

2008.

From/Tiré de: International Journal of Urban and Regional Research 32:4, December 2008, p. 841-859.

[19] p. : bibl.

The article looks at how insurgent networks are formed in cities and how these networks contribute to social movements. It examines the specific role of cities in social movements, how cities can provide the perfect conditions for mobilizing diverse and specialized resources, and how states inhibit interactions between different associations in cities. It concludes with two case studies illustrating the processes behind insurgent network structure in Paris and Los Angeles.

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Tourism / Tourisme

RC319 Marketing the imaginary of Montréal's (gay) village.

/ HUNT, Mia, & ZACHARIAS, John.

2008.

From/Tiré de: Canadian Journal of Urban Research 17:1, Summer 2008, p. 28-57.

[30] p. : ill., graphs, maps, bibl.

The article looks at the branding of the gay village in Montréal. It discusses the notion of gay villages, the emergence of gay spaces, and the spatial branding and place marketing of urban gay spaces. It then looks at the specific case of Montréal's gay village, officially recognized in 1999. It relates the history of the community from the 1970s, and the commodification of the community. It analyzes the media messages in a local magazine, *Fugues*, focusing on the portrayal and support of the community, and government and corporate promotion and depiction of the community as a tourist destination.

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Transportation / Transports

TH585 Brave new nonmotorized world.

/ WALLJASPER, Jay.

2008.

From/Tiré de: Planning 74:11, December 2008, p. 20-23.

[4] p. : col. ill., plans

Discusses present thought on planning for efficient personal transportation in the United States based on pedestrian and cycling modes of transit. It describes what is presently being done to promote active transit, including: federal funding for pilot projects; Minneapolis' strategy to promote bicycling and pedestrian activity; bicycle usage in Europe; bicycle innovations, e.g. pedal powered delivery vehicles; four-lane bike trail; bike expressways; and all-season biking. It then discusses the rise in walking and the need for more pedestrian-oriented streets.

TH584 Future shock : podcar, anyone?

/ FABIAN, Lawrence J.

2008.

From/Tiré de: Planning 74:11, December 2008, p. 24-26.

[3] p. : maps

The short article reports on a conference held in September 2008 in Ithaca, NY, on sustainable transport and the viability of podcar transit (personal rapid transit). It describes initiatives undertaken and the possibility of implementation in Ithaca.

TH583 Mobility first : a new vision for transportation in a globally competitive twenty-first century.

/ STALEY, Samuel R., & MOORE, Adrian T.

Lanham : Rowman and Littlefield, 2009.

xiv, 214 p. : ill., tables, graphs, appendices, index

The book advocates for a different approach to alleviating congestion in the United States. It focuses on a number of fundamental concepts that should guide transportation decision making to improve American mobility: a three dimensional approach to infrastructure; recognizing the hidden costs of congestion; a long-term transportation policy based on a mobility first strategy; relying on market forces and the private sector to supplement transportation infrastructure and for traffic management; effective management of traffic on existing roads; and innovative highway design and material usage. It presents seven steps to expand current road capacity, looks at mobility and travel behaviour in New York City, and discusses the need for speed in a globally competitive environment.

TG280 Parking as a catalyst for revitalization.

/ HAAHS, Timothy.

2008.

From/Tiré de: Urban Land 67:11/12, November/December 2008, p. 143-146.

[4] p. : col. ill.

Describes recent design trends for parking garages, including mixed uses and LEED certified structures. It then discusses how parking garages can be used as an economic driver and revitalization stimulant, including shared-use concepts and the importance of an appealing exterior design to act as a gateway. It includes a number of American examples.

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Urban / Questions urbaines

UH871 Going to town.

/ MEHAFFY, Michael.

2008.

From/Tiré de: Urban Land 67:11/12, November/December 2008, p. 84-89.

[6] p. : col. ill.

The article relates what downtown redevelopment policies and projects aimed at rejuvenating the urban core through sustainable development and green development policies are being implemented in Berlin, Freiburg, and Warsaw. It describes: energy requirements for homes, brownfield development, the recruitment of green technology firms, promotion of active and public transit, greenhouse gas reduction policy, and younger people populating the downtown core.

UH867 Governing cities in a global era : urban innovation, competition, and democratic reform.

/ HAMBLETON, Robin, & GROSS, Jill Simone. (ed.).

New York : Palgrave Macmillan, 2007.

xix, 267 p. : tables, graphs, index, bibl.

The book explores the linkages between globalization and urbanization, the impact of central governments on world cities, the effect of globalization on local government, and the move towards urban governance. It addresses: institutional reform in Berlin, London, and Paris; governance and urban change in Dublin; urban governance in developing countries; changing forms of urban government in Central and Eastern Europe; Chinese urban governance; challenges affecting urban governance in Latin America; metropolitan governance in Australia; the immigrant experience of urban revitalization; citizen engagement; and moving from governance to governing.

EH1026 Growing smarter : achieving livable communities, environmental justice, and regional equity.

/ BULLARD, Robert D. (ed.).

Cambridge MA : MIT Press, 2007.

xvii, 407 p. : tables, graphs, maps, index, bibl.

(Urban and industrial environments Sustainable metropolitan communities books)

A collection of 14 papers that focus on the links between race, environmental protection, civil rights, and sustainable development in the United States. It discusses smart growth and sprawl, the impact of sprawl on low income groups, racialized poverty as a product and cause of sprawl, the application of geographical and spatial data in assessing the impacts of suburban sprawl, the subjection of diesel exhaust pollution in northern Manhattan to people of colour, the impact of the relocation of business to the urban fringe, the responsibilities of metropolitan planning organizations and their impact on environmental justice and transportation equity, the relationship of smart growth and land use for disadvantaged communities, and smart growth for revitalizing environmentally challenged urban areas.

UH869 State of European cities report : adding value to the European urban audit.

ECOTEC RESEARCH AND CONSULTING NORDREGIO EUROFUTURES.

[S.l.] : European Commission = Commission Européenne, 2007.

[227] p. : col. ill., tables, graphs, col. maps, appendices, bibl.

A comprehensive study of the current state of European cities, covering 258 cities, based on the European Urban Audit. It describes urban development at a number of geographic levels: core city, larger urban zone and neighbourhoods, and investigates how the competencies of city authorities and local governments vary across Europe. Topics addressed include: the role of migration, population change and aging, urban growth and stagnation, GDP of cities, cities as employment centres, the Lisbon Benchmark, economic specialization, city size and agglomeration economies, urban competitiveness, specialized poles, regional poles, unemployment and social cohesion, housing and home ownership, education, life expectancy, air quality, urban transport, and the role of cities.

UH872 Typologies and the transformation of European cities : a perspective from America.

/ SAVITCH, Hank V., & ODOGBA, Ismaila.

2008.

From/Tiré de: Urban Research & Practice 1:3, November 2008, p. 276-290.

[15] p. : tables, bibl.

Looks at the typologies from the State of European Cities Report, viz. international cities, research cities, satellite cities and de-industrialized cities, and compares them with equivalent American cities. It examines the similarities and differences between the ways American and European cities transform themselves, and postulates on approaches to global competition. See also: State of European cities report : adding value to the European urban audit (UH869).

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Urban / Questions urbaines

UG376 Vibrant communities.

/ HANLON, Patrick.

2008.

From/Tiré de: Urban Land 67:11/12, November/December 2008, p. 80-83.

[4] p. : col. ill.

The article looks at the qualities and brand narrative of vibrant communities--communities with active commerce, opportunities, and their own sense of culture. It summarizes the seven elements of a vibrant community: community origins, community values, iconic architecture, citizen rituals and cultural rites, a lexicon reflecting local dialect and usage, and leadership. It demonstrates how these qualities contribute towards a vibrant community through the example of New York City.

UI550 Walkable streets : pedestrian behavior, perceptions and attitudes.

/ MEHTA, Vikas.

2008.

From/Tiré de: Journal of Urbanism 1:3, November 2008, p. 217-245.

[29] p. : ill., tables, graphs, maps, bibl.

Presents a qualitative examination of the impact of environmental characteristics on walking behaviour on main streets in the Town of Brookline and the City of Somerville, both of which lie within the Boston metropolitan area. The literature summary and study results are organized into seven categories: feasibility, accessibility, usefulness, safety, comfort, sensory pleasure, and sense of belonging. It concludes with a discussion of the implications for policy and design.

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Waste Management / Gestion des déchets

GI265 A cross-Canada analysis of the efficiency of residential recycling services.

/ MCDAVID, James C., & MUELLER, Annette E.
2008.

From/Tiré de: Canadian Public Administration = Administration Publique du Canada 51:4, December = décembre 2008, p. 589-615.

[27] p. : ill., tables, bibl.

Reports on a survey of 128 residential recycling producers examining the factors that predict the efficiency of residential recycling collection services in Canadian local governments. It provides a literature review on recycling costs.

GG338 Landfill gas : an increasingly popular energy source.

/ WATT, Mike.
2009.

From/Tiré de: Municipal World 119:1, January 2009, p. 17-19.

[3] p. : ill.

Details what harmful gases are emitted by landfills and how landfill gas, predominantly methane, can be used to generate electricity and heat buildings. It lists a number of items that must be addressed by municipalities wishing to convert landfill gas to energy, briefly describes landfill gas projects in Mississauga and Ottawa, and looks at potential regulations forcing municipalities to capture and flare these environmentally harmful gases.

EE062 Waste reduction & diversion : an action plan for New Brunswick = Réduction et réacheminement des déchets : un plan d'action pour le Nouveau-Brunswick.

NEW BRUNSWICK DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT, Policy and Planning Branch = MINISTÈRE DE L'ENVIRONNEMENT ET DES GOUVERNEMENTS LOCAUX DU NOUVEAU-BRUNSWICK, Direction des politiques et de la planification.

[Fredericton] : Department of Environment and Local Government = Ministère d'Environnement et gouvernements locaux, 2001.

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Outlines the Province of New Brunswick's intentions for the management, reduction, and diversion of solid waste over the next five years. It consists of a 10-point plan featuring key initiatives which are designed to help shape New Brunswick environmental and economic future by establishing clear province-wide commitments, strengthening regional priorities, and supporting waste reduction actions by individuals, communities, businesses, and institutions. The plan's 10 point plan covers: legislated waste diversion standards; a green procurement policy for government; enhanced public education and awareness; support for local and regional waste reduction initiatives; waste reduction and diversion plans; prevention of illegal dumping; advocating mandatory recycled content; industry stewardship; municipal and regional options; and consideration of landfill bans.

Le présent document expose les intentions du gouvernement provincial en matière de gestion, de réduction et de réacheminement des déchets solides au cours des cinq prochaines années. Ce plan contient dix points présentant les mesures clés visant à façonner l'avenir économique et environnemental du Nouveau-Brunswick - en établissant des engagements provinciaux clairs, en renforçant les priorités régionales et en appuyant les mesures de réduction des déchets adoptées d'abord par les particuliers, les collectivités, les entreprises et les établissements. Le plan discute les points suivants : les normes légiférées de réacheminement des déchets, le politique d'approvisionnement verte pour le gouvernement, la sensibilisation et information accrues du public, l'appui des mesures locales et régionales de réduction des déchets, les plans de réduction et de réacheminement des déchets, le prévention du dépôt illégal, le promotion du contenu recyclé obligatoire, l'intendance de l'industrie, les solutions de rechange à l'échelon municipal et la considération concernant l'interdiction aux lieux d'enfouissement sanitaire.

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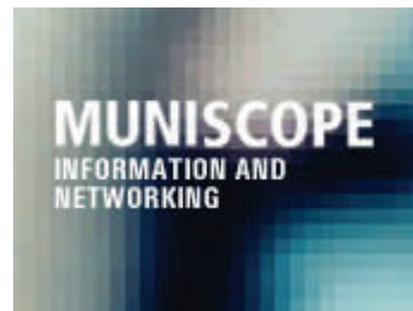
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