

**GRIDS 10 Directions – proposed revisions incorporating Our Future Hamilton themes and stakeholder / public comments:**

**Bold** – additions / modifications by staff, stakeholders and public

~~Strikethrough~~ – deletions by staff, stakeholders and public

1. **Plan for climate change mitigation and adaptation, and reduce greenhouse gas emissions.**
2. Encourage a compatible mix of uses in neighbourhoods, **including a range of housing types and affordabilities**, that provide opportunities to live, work, **learn, shop** and play, **promoting a healthy, safe and complete community.**
3. Concentrate new development **and infrastructure** within existing built-up areas and within ~~the a firm~~ urban boundary **through intensification and adaptive re-use.**
4. Protect rural areas for a viable rural economy, agricultural resources, environmentally sensitive recreation and the enjoyment of the rural landscape.
5. Design neighbourhoods to improve access to community life **for all, regardless of age, ethnicity, race, gender, ability, income and spirituality.**
6. Retain and **intensify existing employment land**, attract jobs in Hamilton's strength areas and targeted new sectors, **and support access to education and training for all residents.**
7. Expand transportation options **through the development of complete streets** that encourage travel by foot, bike and transit, and enhance efficient inter-regional transportation connections.
8. Maximize the use of existing buildings, infrastructure, and vacant or abandoned land.
9. Protect ecological systems **and the natural environment, reduce waste**, improve air, land and water quality, **and encourage the use of green infrastructure.**
10. Maintain and create attractive public and private spaces and respect the unique character of existing buildings, neighbourhoods and ~~settlements~~ **communities, protect cultural heritage resources, and support arts and culture as an important part of community identity.**

**Alignment with Our Future Hamilton and Strategic Plan priorities:**

Strategic Priority	Reflected in GRIDS Directions?
<b>Community Engagement &amp; Participation</b> <i>Hamilton has an open, transparent and accessible approach to City government that engages with and empowers all citizens to be involved in their community.</i>	Yes, #5, with modifications to address inclusiveness and accessibility in neighbourhood design.
<b>Economic Prosperity &amp; Growth</b> <i>Hamilton has a prosperous and diverse local economy where people have opportunities to grow and develop.</i>	Yes, #3, #4, #6, and #8, with modifications to #6 to address intensifying existing employment lands and supporting education for all.
<b>Healthy &amp; Safe Communities</b> <i>Hamilton is a safe and supportive city where people are active, healthy and have a high quality of life.</i>	Yes, #1, #2, #3, #4, #5, #7, #9, and #10, with modification to #2 to address affordable housing and healthy and safe community.
<b>Clean &amp; Green</b> <i>Hamilton is environmentally sustainable with a healthy balance of natural and urban spaces.</i>	Yes, #1, #2, #3, #4, #7, #8, #9, with modification to #9 to address waste reduction.
<b>Built Environment &amp; Infrastructure</b> <i>Hamilton is supported by state of the art infrastructure, transportation options, buildings and public spaces that create a dynamic City.</i>	Yes, #2, #3, #6, #7, #8, #10 with modification to #7 to include complete streets.
<b>Culture &amp; Diversity</b> <i>Hamilton is a thriving, vibrant place for arts, culture, and heritage where diversity and inclusivity are embraced and celebrated.</i>	Yes, #5, #10, with modification to #10 to add arts and culture.

**Additional revisions resulting from stakeholder and public comments:**

***Direction #1:***

- Separate climate change mitigation and adaptation and reduction of greenhouse gas emissions as separate goal and move to #1

***Direction #2:***

- Add reference to provision of affordable housing and opportunities to 'learn'

***Direction #3:***

- Remove reference to "firm" urban boundary
- Add "infrastructure" and "through intensification and adaptive re-use"

***Direction #5:***

- Add reference to 'spirituality'

***Direction #6:***

- Add 'access' to education

***Direction #10:***

- Add 'protection of cultural heritage resources'