

imagineKelowna



Community Voices

A photograph of two women sitting at a table outdoors, practicing calligraphy. The woman on the left, with dark hair in a ponytail and wearing a blue patterned shirt, is writing on a piece of paper with a brush. The woman on the right, with light brown hair and wearing a grey shirt, is also writing. The table is covered with a red cloth and has various calligraphy supplies including brushes, ink stones, and papers. In the background, a person in a red shirt is partially visible. The image is decorated with a semi-transparent grey banner at the top containing the text 'Community Voices' and a pattern of white triangles and dots.

What Does Imagine Kelowna Mean To You?







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I imagine Kelowna... affordable for university students as small, cozy & natural. Not overpopulated and over flowing with large mansions & congested traffic. I imagine Kelowna as a bike & outdoor community.

I imagine Kelowna... as a beautifully diverse city full of culture, art and community. I want to see our green spaces maintained and the uniqueness of our city promoted.




Caring & Trust

"Part of our brand – how we look after each other"

Natural Resources

"First impressions is that anyone who lives here is extremely lucky not only to live here, but to be reminded of how special natural environment can be and how it's really important how we preserve them."



**What does
Imagine Kelowna
mean to you?**

Collaboration

"Partnership thinking is so important for the valley. We share the same air quality, we share the same watershed, we share so many other things, and the actions of one will affect the other"

Lake


"We need to respect, honour the lake that has supported us for centuries"

Growth

"Hold developers more accountable to what they develop and how they develop it"
"City does not respect its own by-laws/zoning"

Innovation

"Fostering creativity and enabling our young people so that they can shape & influence the future of Kelowna"



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Growth

" Stronger focus on architecture and push the developers to be more thoughtful and develop this place that honors the natural beauty around us."

Environment

"Our natural environment is really the underpinning of everything in our community"

Transportation

"Transportation is about to be turned on its head. From active transportation, and mentality of the individual around hiking, biking, to work, driverless cars. "

Arts & Culture

You want an inclusive, vibrant community – support the arts.

Share

"The key to Kelowna's future is the ability to listen to their citizens and engage them"

Engagement Reports





- Phase 1 Engagement & Youth Leadership Initiative Summary
- Young Professional Study – in partnership with COEDC



- On Point Event Summary

Juliet Anderton and Allan Nielson-Welch Consulting

- Thought Leaders Workshop Summary



- Community Forum Report

Vision & Values

***“ We can’t predict the future.
Flexibility and adaptability is what is going
to help us through all the changes.
Values last longer than plans,
we can’t prepare for everything in the future.”***

Kelowna Resident

Principles & Community Goals



*“Kelowna has all the right building blocks,
and with proper planning
can be a very progressive city going into the future.”*

Kelowna Resident

Connected Community



Connected Community Goals



- Embrace diverse transportation options to shift away from our car-centric culture
- Create great public spaces that bring people together
- Provide opportunities for people of all ages, abilities and backgrounds
- Cultivate a world class arts and culture scene



Smarter Community

Smarter Community Goals



- Support innovation to help drive equitable economic development
- Take action and be resilient in the face of climate change
- Build healthy neighbourhoods that support a variety of households, income levels and life stages.



Responsible Community

Responsible Community Goals



- Concentrate on growing vibrant urban centres and stop facilitating urban sprawl
- Preserve Okanagan Lake as a shared resource
- Strengthen the protection of our land, water and air resources
- Protect agricultural land and promote sustainable farming

Collaborative Community



Collaborative Community Goals



- Engage with the Okanagan's traditional past and heritage as foundations for building a just community
- Nurture a culture of entrepreneurship and collaboration
- Foster resident-driven solutions

Next steps

- December to end of January – Affirm
- Community Ownership & Alignment
- Successful City Workshop (Council)
- February/March 2018 – Full Report & Presentation to Council for endorsement

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