

# **Planning, Infrastructure and Economic Development Department**

## **Planning Services**

### **2018 Budget Briefing Note**

#### **Description**

Planning Services is part of the Planning, Infrastructure and Economic Development (PIED) Department, a department that champions the city-building agenda – from planning and delivering growth activities and infrastructure, to managing our assets and investments, to fostering economic prosperity.

Planning Services reports primarily through Planning Committee, and includes Development Review – Rural Services (reports through the Agricultural and Rural Affairs Committee).

Planning Services plays a very important role for the City of Ottawa. By managing the evolution of the city, we are helping to enhance the quality of life so that people can live, prosper and connect in neighbourhoods, buildings and spaces that are vibrant, well designed, safely built and sustainable.

#### **Programs/Services Offered**

- Provide multi-disciplinary review and approval of development applications on a geographic basis (including planning, engineering, urban design, parks, environment and trees, transportation and heritage considerations)
- Online development applications search tool providing information on current development applications;
- Administer the Brownfields Redevelopment Program
- Issue permits for permanent signs on private property, including processing sign minor variances
- Compliance and zoning reports

- Issue permits and conduct inspections of new pool enclosures
- Develop policies and by-laws related to permanent signs on private property and pool enclosures
- Provide technical support to the planning application process, including circulation, report coordination, notification and legislative support, and consolidation of legislative instruments; and
- Procure, customize, and implement a new Land Management System (LMS) to replace the legacy MAP system for business that are provided by Building Code Services, Development Review, Right of Way Permit, and Committee of Adjustment