

# Regional Official Plan Amendment (ROPA) 14

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## Brock District Plan

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Planning & Economic  
Development Committee

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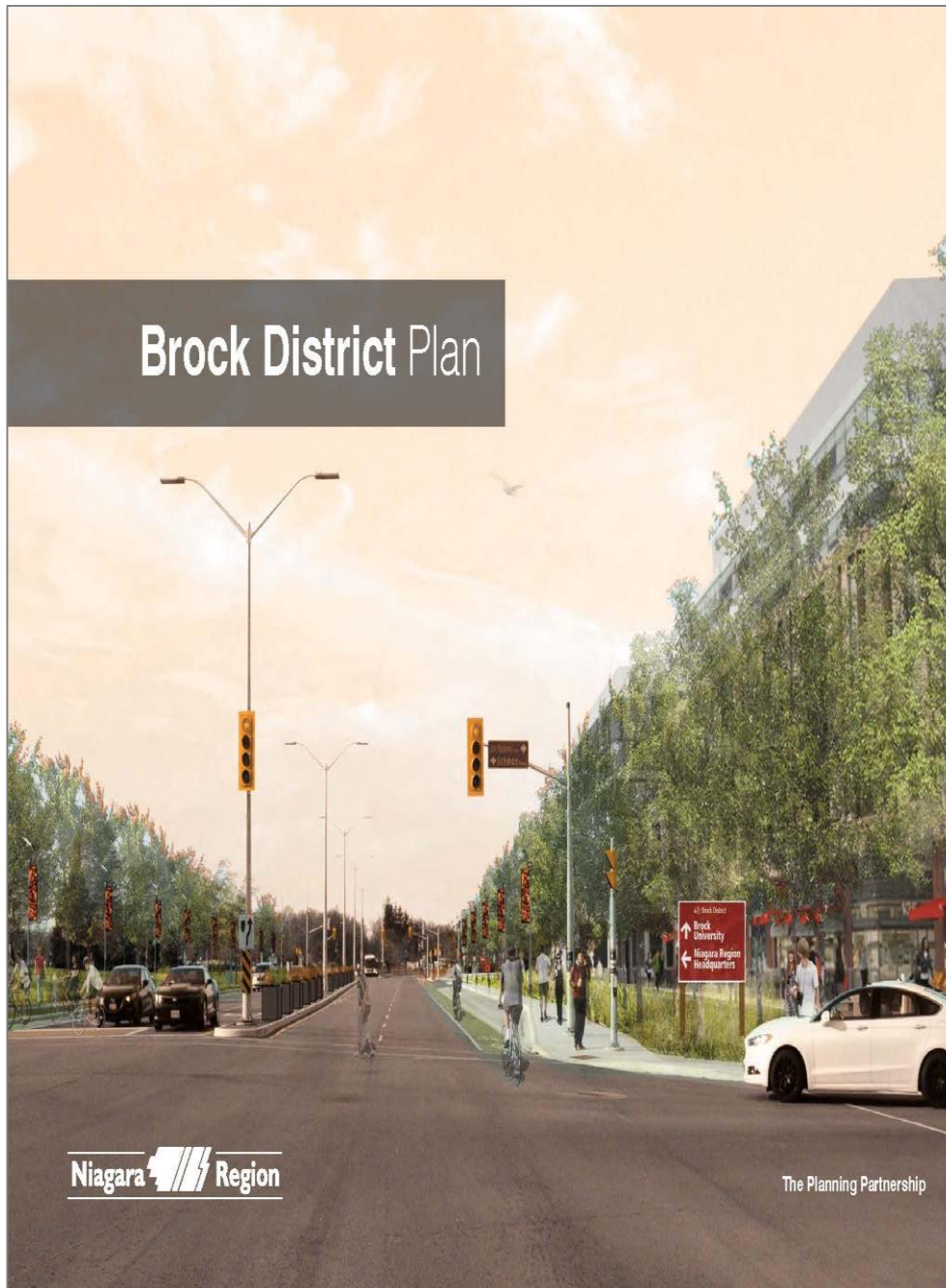
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# What is a District Plan?

- Proactive planning strategy to drive growth and economic prosperity.
- Sets Regional vision and framework for planning, design and development of a complete community
- Serves as a guide for multiple stakeholders to coordinate development and investment efforts.
- Direction for additional study/planning updates to benefit the area.

# Timeline: Brock District Plan

Brock District Plan  
initiated

2015

Endorsed by Thorold,  
St. Catharines, Brock University  
and received by NEC

2017

ROPA 14 presented for  
adoption into the  
Regional Official Plan

2019

2016

Brock District Plan  
finalized and endorsed  
by Regional Council

2018

ROPA 14 initiated.  
Statutory Public  
Meeting Sept. 5<sup>th</sup>





St. Catharines

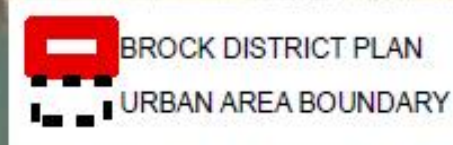
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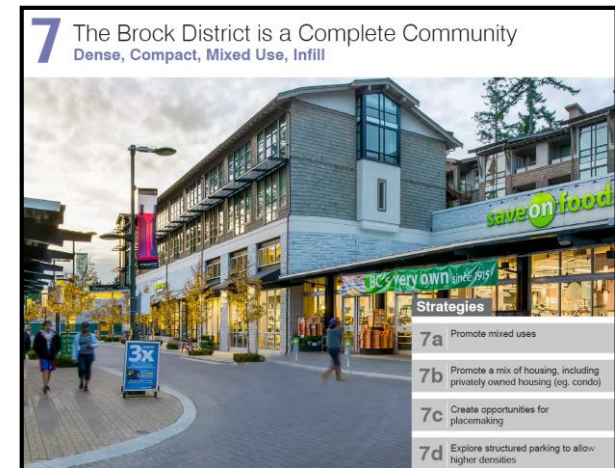
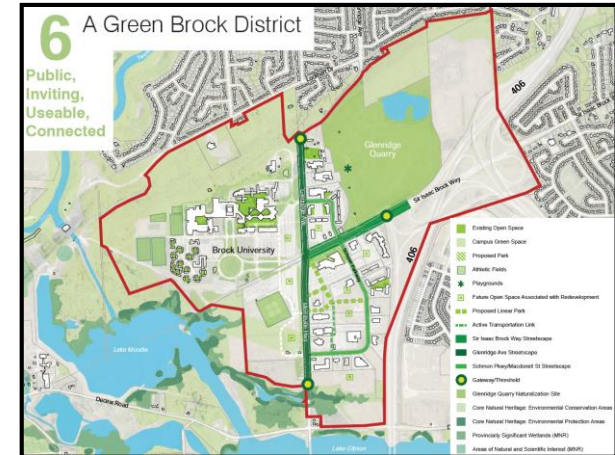
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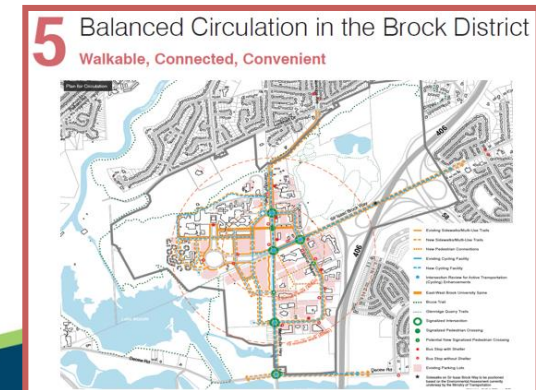
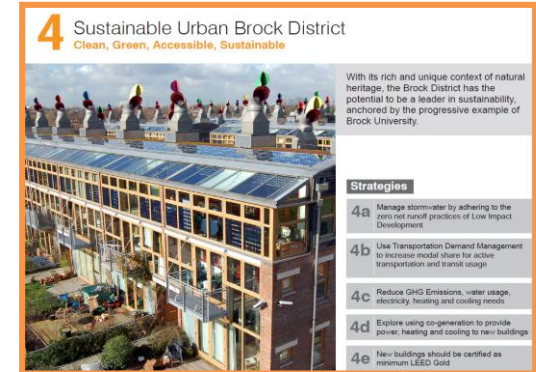
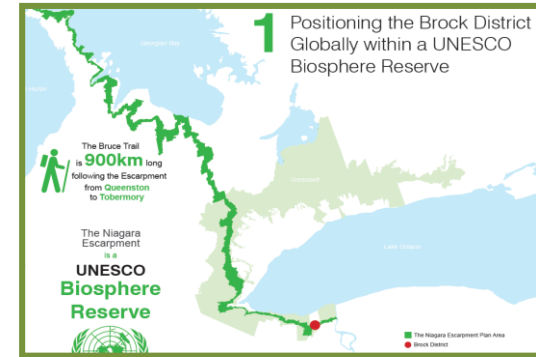
# Brock District Plan **Vision:**

To leverage the unique economic driver of Brock University and to transition the area from a lower density employment area to a higher density mixed use centre that is comprehensively and sustainably planned for social and economic success, and environmental sustainability.



# Frameworks:

1. Positioning the Brock District globally within a UNESCO Biosphere Reserve
2. Setting the Brock District in the Niagara Escarpment
3. Gateways to the Brock District
4. Sustainable Urban Brock District
5. Balanced Circulation in the Brock District
6. A Green Brock District
7. The Brock District is a Complete Community



# ROPA 14

A policy framework for the Brock District Plan area that guides future growth to support the creation of a complete, sustainable community.

## The Policy Framework

General Objectives ( Policy 4.G.14.A )	Specific Objectives ( Policy 4.G.14.B )	Policies ( Policy 4.G.14.C )
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>✓ Provides general direction for the area.</li><li>✓ Establishes the importance of the District Plan.</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>✓ Each specific objective relates to a key framework of the District Plan.</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>✓ Guidance for: gateways, urban design &amp; active transportation elements.</li><li>✓ Directs for additional work and continued collaboration to implement the Brock District Plan.</li></ul>

# Brock Technical Advisory Committee

TAC is responsible to implement recommendations and actions of the District Plan, including project and policy coordination.

## TAC Membership





# Regional Headquarters International Plaza



## Gateways



# Recommendation

- ✓ Conforms and does not conflict with the Provincial and Regional policy.
- ✓ Implements the Council-endorsed Brock District Plan and promotes ongoing collaboration.
- ✓ Supports the transformation of the area to a complete, sustainable community.
- ✓ Supports area as a Regional economic driver.

## Next steps

- Council to approve ROPA 14.
- Appeal period.
- Technical Advisory Committee continues to implement.