



## **New Subdivision By-law and Municipal Service Systems Specifications Manual Approved**

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The Municipality of the County of Kings recently updated a key Planning Document outlining important requirements for matters involving land use, including subdividing lots or altering property lines and setting minimum standards for installing public infrastructure for new developments.

The new [Subdivision By-law \(By-law #114\)](#) and related [Municipal Service Systems Specifications Manual](#) came into effect Jan. 14, 2026. Both documents were approved by Municipal Council on Dec. 2, 2025, and formally approved by the Provincial Director of Planning and Minister of Municipal Affairs in January.

“The adoption of these documents is one example of Council’s commitment to addressing concerns residents have raised regarding new development. Municipal Council and staff sincerely thank the consultants, engineers, developers, subject matter experts, and community members who shared their thoughts throughout the review process,” said Mayor Dave Corkum.

The Subdivision By-law provides direction for altering property boundaries, including changing property lines and creating or consolidating lots. The by-law ensures new properties meet municipal requirements for development and serviceability. The Municipal Service Systems Specifications Manual outlines the minimum standards for building or enhancing public infrastructure (roads, sewer, stormwater assets, etc.) associated with larger developments.

“These updates come on the heels of an extensive review process that examined how to bring these important technical documents in line with current provincial legislation while meeting the needs of the day at the community level. We’re excited to now have the end result – requirements for safe, clear and consistent processes – in use,” said Director of Planning and Inspection Services Trish Javorek.

The new Subdivision By-law replaces a dated By-law that was first approved by Municipal Council in 1995, and the refreshed Municipal Service Systems Specifications Manual brings a document from 1997 up to date. Both documents are available online via the [Municipality’s website](#). For more information, please contact Director of Planning and Inspection Services Trish Javorek at [tjavorek@countyofkings.ca](mailto:tjavorek@countyofkings.ca) or 902-690-6167.

