

2.9 SERVICE POLICIES

The provision of services is often an important means of implementing planning and directing urban growth and development. The delivery of services within the Village is divided between the Municipality and the Village of New Minas.

The Municipality is responsible for the provision of storm sewers and for the collection of refuse. The Municipality also contributes to the financing of fire protection.

The Village of New Minas provides water and sewage collection to the residents. Water is financed by a user rate paid by the user. Sewers are financed by a deemed user rate charged to the property owner. Sidewalks and street-lighting are also provided by the Village that levies a special rate for this service.

There has been a strong program of service upgrading in the Village since 1975, with many of the goals and objectives of the Plan being met. In general, most areas have access to Village sewer and water. The one major exception is the area west of the 101 access and immediately south of Highway 101. This area has been provided with Village water but does not have sewer. It is the intent of the Village of New Minas to examine the possibility of extending the sewage system to service this area.

The existing water and sewer systems have sufficient capacity to enable the Village to approximately double its present population. Engineering estimates have indicated that both systems could accommodate an additional 3,500-4,000 persons for a total population of 7,500-8,000. Once this population figure is reached, further growth could only be accommodated by expansion of both systems.

POLICIES

1. *It shall be the policy of Council that all new development will be serviced by Village sewer and water.*
2. *It shall be the policy of Council to prepare a storm drainage plan for the Village of New Minas, to prevent future problems caused by new development through the effective and economical development of storm drainage facilities in New Minas.*
3. *It shall be the intention of Council that upon completion and adoption by Council of the New Minas storm drainage plan referred to in Policy 2, developers will be required to submit drainage plans to be evaluated by the Municipal Engineer to ensure downstream facilities can adequately accommodate the proposal.*
4. *It shall be the policy of Council pursuant to part (a) of this policy to amend the subdivision bylaw for the Municipality of the County of Kings to require storm drainage plans in accordance with the New Minas Storm Drainage Plan.*

5. *It shall be the policy of Council that subdivision proposals will only be approved when the Municipality is satisfied that the proposals will not create flooding problems, both on and off the site.*
6. *It shall be the policy of Council to require developers to reimburse the Municipality where upgrading of downstream drainage facilities are required to service the proposed development.*
7. *It shall be the policy of Council that storm drainage systems shall be separated from sanitary sewer systems.*
8. *It shall be the policy of Council that the developer shall be responsible, at his expense, for the provision of water, sewage collection, storm drainage and roads in accordance with the Subdivision Bylaw.*

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