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## The R.M. of St. Andrews Official Response to Plan 20-50

Plan 20-50 is a long-term land-use and servicing document developed by the Winnipeg Metro Region (WMR). Its intended purpose is to establish cohesion across the 18 member municipalities in terms of infrastructure, resource management, and environmental initiatives.

In 2019, the provincial government mandated through Bill 37 the WMR, to design a plan. The bill increased the province's involvement in land use and development. Mayor Joy Sul has always had concerns that this may impact St Andrews' autonomy as decision makers. The Council of St Andrews rightfully believes that residents could lose their voice in local municipal matters.

Currently, development in St Andrews is guided by zoning by-laws, secondary plans, and the RM is a member of the Red River Planning District.

"A decision will be made regionally at a higher level, and the impact will be felt at the local level," said Brent Olynyk, the Chief Administrative Officer for St Andrews.

Although St Andrews supports the concept of a regional plan, Mayor Sul said, "more communication of Plan 20-50 to the public must take place before it can be finalized, as the RM of St. Andrews **does not support the plan as it is currently written**. Plan 20-50 needs to go back to the public to have that consultation process, in the same way that all other legislative decisions have been approved in the past."

R.M. of St. Andrews Council