### Planning Factor: Governance

#### Theme: Community and our Environment – Controlled Growth

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| Governance   | • Community involvement in decision-making and shared governance  
• Local government is appreciated and supported  
• Province shares responsibility and provides more resources to local governments so they can play a role in development initiatives  
• Community decides what kind of industrial development it wants and creates the conditions to attract it based on competitive advantage  
• More information and direction is provided to local government  
• Increased revenue sharing from higher levels of government to local government  
• Roles and responsibilities are clarified  
• Regionally and locally sensitive criteria are used when applying policies, demonstrating more flexibility by the provincial government  
• Change in governance reflects change in values  
• More proactive and solutions focused – rather than reactive to issues  
• Emphasis on solutions rather than managing issues and problems leading to more long term thinking and planning  
• Governance is more holistic, regionalized and integrated  
• Community values are modelled/reflected through governance  
• Government policy supports a balance of the 5 capitals (genuine wealth)  
• Corporations are legislated to consider more than shareholder profit as a measure of success.  
• More citizens are engaged/included in the political process  
• Trends are towards more decentralized and participatory styles of governance  
• Examples – Water for Life and Land-use frameworks |
| Regional planning | • Room for people to live and work  
• Resources are managed efficiently |
| Generational change | • Next generation is more educated, environmentally conscious; more globally connected; more responsive and quick to implement change  
• More exciting elections and a mobilized electorate  
• More citizen activism leads to more accountability and more consultation prior to decisions  
• New immigrant population needs to acclimatize to Canadian forms of Governance  
• New workers/immigrants not interested in or have experience with democratic processes |