

***Recovery and Resilience:***  
***Reimagining the possibilities for planning and the future***



***Call for Presentations***



**What does it mean to recover and be resilient?** Planning, as a profession, is ideally placed to offer support in times of difficulty. The disruption of dominant paradigms offers a chance to develop new solutions to old problems, and creates imperatives to plan for future challenges. When executed correctly, recovery can go above and beyond, creating a more prosperous future than was previously possible. How can planning make a difference following challenges and uncertainty?

## ***Recovery and Resilience: Reimagining the possibilities for planning and the future***

Do you have a presentation idea that *highlights ways communities and those involved in planning are finding innovative ways to contribute to recovery and resiliency efforts after an interruption to the status quo?* This is an excellent opportunity to engage and share information with all stakeholders involved in local planning (elected officials, planning professionals, academics and the public).

**Date of 2022 Planning Conference: End of May/early June**

**Conference Format: Hybrid—One in-person day; two half-days online (more details on page 4)**

## Presentation Categories

The 2022 Manitoba Planning Conference Program Committee is seeking presentations that address our conference theme *Recovery and Resilience: Reimagining the possibilities for planning and the future*. As the economic, environmental and social landscape changes in Manitoba, our communities face common issues and strive to adapt. Whether you are planning within the context of the public or private sector, involved with land use, community, or the environment, your role is critical for a prosperous future. Although topic ideas may include, but are not limited to the following list, your presentation should *highlight new knowledge and insight on topics that contribute to a prosperous Manitoba*.

- *Demographic shifts and implications for planning*
- *Connectivity, mobility, and accessibility*
- *Planning with Indigenous communities and organizations, and contributing to reconciliation*
- *Economic development, including regional approaches*
- *Managing water quality and quantity*
- *Transition from planning to action*
- *Public transportation – from small communities to big cities*
- *Covid-19 recovery and lessons learned*
- *Disaster planning*
- *Climate change resilience*
- *Housing; affordability, intensification, green buildings*
- *Workforce solutions – attracting and retaining talent*
- *Social planning and building equitable communities*

## Presenters Responsibilities

Each presenter or group of presenters

1. must submit a proposal as described on page 4 on or before January 7, 2022
2. must indicate intent to attend and register for the conference
3. will be responsible for all expenses, including travel, accommodation, conference registration, non-sponsored meals and miscellaneous charges







## *How to Submit Your Proposal?*

*Presentation Abstract submissions must include the following:*

1. *Title of the presentation, which clearly indicates the topic*
2. *Name(s) of presenter(s), job title, academic background, institutional or corporate affiliation and contact information including e-mail address and telephone number*
3. *Presenter's previous speaking experience, including relevant speaking engagements*
4. *Proposed presentation format*
5. *Short (50 word) summary of the presentation for inclusion in the program*
6. *Clear and concise description or abstract of the session (300 words) for the selection process*
7. *Specialized equipment requirements*

All proposals must be submitted to Rayson Wong by email at [rayson.wong@gov.mb.ca](mailto:rayson.wong@gov.mb.ca). The submission deadline is **Friday, January 7, 2022**.

If you have any questions, please contact **Rayson Wong** by email at [Rayson.Wong@gov.mb.ca](mailto:Rayson.Wong@gov.mb.ca) or by phone at **(431) 276-9741**.

## *Notification of Results*

You will be notified by **January 28, 2022** as to whether or not your presentation has been accepted.

## *Recommend a Speaker*

We are always looking for high quality presentations. If you have seen one, or you know someone whose expertise in a subject you feel is exceptional, please send us whatever contact information you have available. With your help, others in the planning community can benefit from their knowledge at a future conference.

## *Planning Conference Format and Presentation Types*

In order to maximize the chances that the 2022 Planning Conference will run unhindered in accordance with any restrictions that may be applied at the time, **the Conference will consist of one in-person day followed by two half-days online.**

### **In-person day**

The in-person day would offer opportunities for mobile tours, in addition to a keynote speech and a banquet. The in-person event will respect any COVID protocols that may be applicable at the time of the conference. To minimize the risk of cancellation, outdoor tours are encouraged, and travel to and from sites should be made privately (ie. attendees should be able to arrive to the site, or travel between sites if more than one location, by foot or private vehicle)

#### *Mobile Tours*

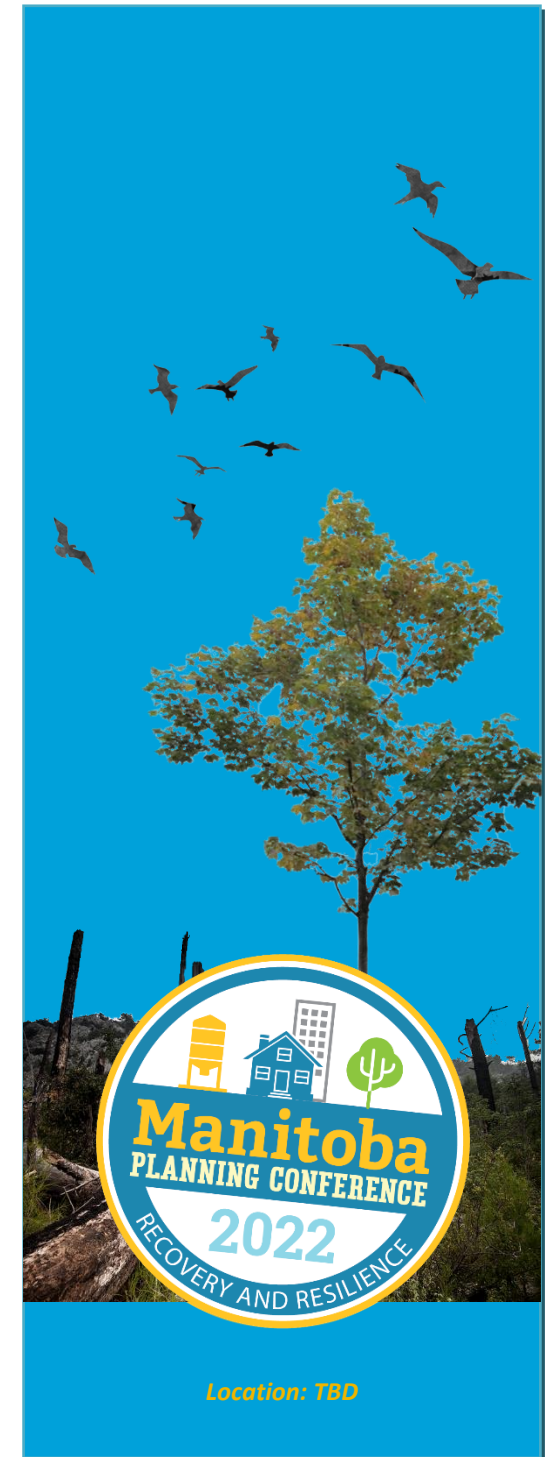
*2 to 3 hours in length (1-2 leaders). May be walking tours and/or site visits. Outdoor tours are encouraged*

### **Virtual Conference – two half-days**

The virtual portion of the program will include concurrent sessions such as panel discussions and standard training sessions. One individual or group of presenters (limit of three presenters per group) may submit a maximum of two different presentations.

#### *Concurrent Sessions*

*1 hour in length, including 5 to 10 minutes for any questions and discussion (1-3 speakers). Please note the sessions will likely be conducted virtually.*





## ***Selection Criteria & Review Process***

While we strive to include all proposals submitted, the Conference Program Committee reserves the right to select those proposals that best reflect the conference theme and format. The Conference Program Committee, composed of volunteers from practice and academia, will review all proposals, and selection will be based on the following criteria:

### ***Recovery and Resiliency:***

*Relevance to the conference theme*

*Presenter's expertise, knowledge and ability to engage and challenge delegates*

*Consistency of the submission with the minimum information and format requirements listed on page 3*

*Proposed session's fit within the conference streams*

*Ability to exemplify and articulate a specific activity or approach and have real world application*

***The Manitoba Planning Conference thanks you for your interest in our conference.***

Remember that you must submit your proposal in accordance with the requirements on pages 3 and 4 via email to [rayson.wong@gov.mb.ca](mailto:rayson.wong@gov.mb.ca) by **January 7, 2022** to be considered for this year's conference.

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