



Sustainability Report Card 2020 Review

Civic Committees Review

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Purpose and Use

Purpose of the Report Card

- Acknowledge that developers, builders, designers, etc. have an important role in creating sustainable communities
- Focus on sustainable design principles
- Requirement for rezoning, development permit, and heritage alteration permit applications
- Identifies performance measures based on community sustainability values
- Intended to be a summary of overall project sustainability
- Integrated with other development approval requirements

Mixed-Use Sustainability Report Card

Port Moody Sustainability Pillars

Environmental

- Environmental sustainability aims to improve and maintain ecosystem benefits through the protection of natural capital (e.g. land, air, water, minerals etc.).

Social

- Social sustainability aims to create places that promote wellbeing, by understanding what people need from the places they live, work, and play

Cultural

- Cultural sustainability focuses on maintaining cultural beliefs, cultural practices, heritage conservation, and culture as its own entity.

Economic

- Economic sustainability focuses on improving social equality, supporting long-term economic growth and improving the standard of living.

Use of the Sustainability Report Card

1. Applicant completes a report card for the type of project and submits to the City Planner
2. Planner reviews the report card and forwards to staff in various departments for feedback
3. Planner determines preliminary score and discusses this with applicant and other staff
4. Opportunity for applicant to improve score
5. Final score is determined by Planner
6. Copy of report card and score is submitted to Community Planning Advisory Committee and Council with the application details

Project Report Card Summary FOR CITY USE ONLY – TO BE FILLED OUT BY THE PLANNER				
Project Address/Name:			File No:	
PROJECT SCORE SUMMARY	Cultural	Economic	Environmental	Social
Total Pillar Points Available	23	16	57	38
Sum Of Items Not Applicable	Cultural na	Economic na	Environ na	Social na
Maximum Achievable Score (Total Pillar Points – Sum of Items N/A)	Maximum Cultural Achievable	Maximum Economic Achievable	Maximum Environ Achievable	Maximum Social Achievable
Minimum Score (Sum of Applicable Baseline Items)	Minimum Cultural Score	Minimum Economic Score	Minimum Environ Score	Minimum Social Score
Missed Points (Sum of Applicable Items Not Achieved)	Missed Cultural Points	Missed Economic Points	Missed Environ Points	Missed Social Points
TOTAL PILLAR SCORE ACHIEVED (Total Points Achieved out of Applicable Items)	<input type="text"/> Cultural <input type="text"/> / <input type="text"/> Possible Cultural # <input type="text"/> %	<input type="text"/> Economic <input type="text"/> / <input type="text"/> Possible Economic # <input type="text"/> %	<input type="text"/> Environ <input type="text"/> / <input type="text"/> Possible Environ # <input type="text"/> %	<input type="text"/> Social <input type="text"/> / <input type="text"/> Possible Social # <input type="text"/> %
OVERALL SUSTAINABILITY SCORE (Sum of Four Pillars)	<input type="text"/> Overall <input type="text"/> / <input type="text"/> Achieved #		<input type="text"/> Overall <input type="text"/> %	



Background and Process

Evolution of the Report Card

- Sustainability Checklist adopted in 2008
- Updated the Checklist in 2016, resulting in a new format and renamed the Sustainability Report Card
- Report Card reviewed by civic committees
- Council approved Sustainability Report Card in 2017
- Used for several years by development applicants, City staff, Council, and Community Planning Advisory Committee

April 2020 Council passed a motion that the Sustainability Report Card be referred to all civic committees for their review and comments on relevant sections

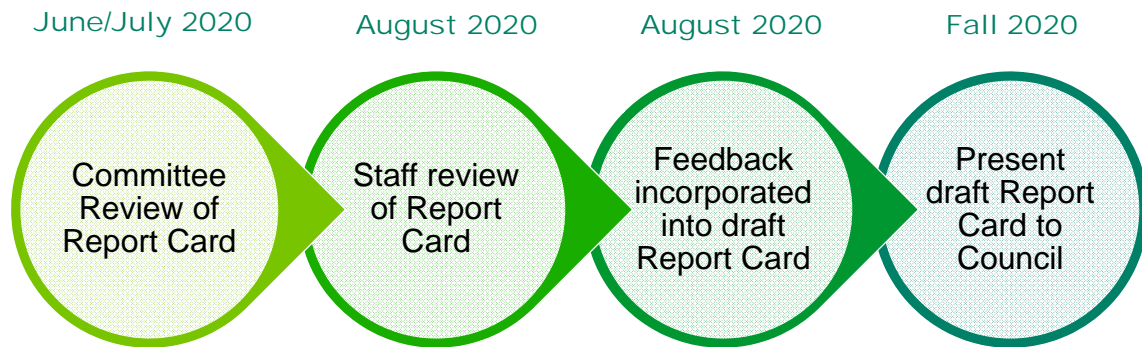
Continuous Improvement

The Report Card is expected to adapt with:

- New and updated requirements
- Shifting community and City priorities
- Applicant and staff experience
- Changes in development approval process

Staff have undertaken several reviews of the Report Card since 2008 and will continue to monitor the effectiveness and use of the Report Card that may inform periodic updates and revisions.

2020 Report Card Review Process



What We've Heard So Far

Concerns Expressed – Development Applicants & Planners

- Fairness and accuracy of scoring and weighting
- Reflection of current policy e.g. some initiatives are now requirements
- Confusion on how to fill out the report card, leading to additional time for applicants and city staff
- Difficult format to continuously update based on new policies
- Confusion on what measures should be recorded under each pillar
- Unclear objectives of the Report Card and follow up on commitments
- Unclear on expectations of a “passing” score

Suggestions Provided – Development Applicants & Planners

- Provide examples of an “ideal” completed Report Card
- Alternative grading system such as N = needs improvement, E = excellent, M = meets expectations
- Simplify question format to be “Yes/No”
- Remove initiatives that are now required
- Review and revise, if necessary, points assigned and reporting of overall scores
- Have the report card auto-calculate the scores



Committee Feedback

Committee Role

Participate in the Report Card Review as:

- Special interest group
- Subject matter expert
- Providing guidance and feedback on:
 - Community priorities
 - Ease of use and comprehension
 - Relevancy



Environmental Sustainability Section Overview

- Protecting and enhancing environmentally sensitive areas and the urban forest
- Providing habitat for species and wildlife and reducing impacts such as light pollution
- Supporting the improvement of air quality by encouraging active and low-carbon mobility
- Providing stormwater retention, evaporation and groundwater protection in addition to potable water conservation
- Incorporating energy efficient design through energy systems, envelope improvements, and green building certifications

Economic Sustainability Section Overview

- Increasing long-term employment on a variety of land uses
- Supporting the use of low-carbon mobility to increase accessibility to nearby shops and services
- Increasing intensive use of land for employment purposes
- Providing a regional destination that attracts tourism
- Redevelopment of previously developed land that may be potentially contaminated (brownfield sites)

Social Sustainability Section Overview

- Providing accessible, adaptable housing units
- Minimizing shadowing and privacy impacts to nearby areas
- Incorporating a diverse mix of site uses, including different, flexible housing types on the site
- Ensuring affordable housing and embedding crime prevention design
- Building public and private amenities (e.g. green space, child care facility etc.)
- Providing urban vitalization by involving affected nearby land owners/occupants
- Education and awareness of sustainable features

Cultural Sustainability Section Overview

- Integrating and increasing the number of and access to public art
- Encouraging creative design that supports culture
- Incorporating heritage value through design, conservation, restoration, and rehabilitation
- Reuse and salvage of materials and artifacts with historical value or authenticity
- Creating space for creativity in the arts (e.g. art studio, dance space, live-work units etc.)
- Increasing street beautification beyond minimum City requirements

What we'd like from you

Your feedback will inform the next version of the Sustainability Report Card

- Please complete the feedback form individually or as a Committee
- Submit digital copy to lsampliner@portmoody.ca **OR**
- Submit hard copy to City Hall reception



Thank You