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TITLE: Complete Streets

Policy Statement:

Streets that reflect the surrounding area, are safe and welcoming to all users are important for the quality of life, competitiveness and growth of our city. The City of Edmonton will utilize the principles of Complete Streets in all new and rehabilitation projects that take place on public road right-of-way. Complete Streets are intended to:

- Provide travel options for all users and trip purposes in a safe, accessible, context sensitive manner in all seasons;
- Form a network of streets that together accommodate all users and allow for efficient and high quality travel experiences;
- Be adaptable by accommodating the needs of the present and future through effective space allocation for the many functions of the street;
- Contribute to the environmental sustainability and resiliency of the city;
- Consider both direct and indirect costs, as well as the value of the roadway and the adjacent real estate; and
- Be vibrant and attractive people places in all seasons that contribute to an improved quality of life.

The City of Edmonton will implement the Complete Streets principles by:

1. Enacting bylaws, procedures, directives, processes, programs, guidelines and standards.
2. Promoting, collaborating, cooperating and partnering with developers, communities and surrounding jurisdictions.
3. Identifying existing or future streets as Main Streets and designing these streets in consultation with the public to an enhanced urban standard.

The City of Edmonton provides for the designation of certain streets as “Main Streets”. Main Streets are not only transportation links, they are streets that will be designed to act as strong community places and often have a tie to business and community revitalization. Main Streets support a mix of street-oriented land uses. Main Streets are designed and maintained to an enhanced standard as specified in the Complete Streets Guidelines.

The purpose of this policy is to:

Acknowledge that the design of all streets will reflect the characteristics of the area and all users (cyclists, pedestrians, truck drivers, auto drivers, young and old citizens and people who have mobility challenges) of the roadway and that an integrated, connected network approach is needed to serve all modes.