

# Valley Line West - MINUTES

Citizen Working Groups F & G  
(Downtown/Groat & Stony Plain Road)



Meeting # 12, March 30, 2022 3:00 P.M. to 4:30 P.M. | GOOGLE MEET

Members		Attendance
<b>Zone "F"</b>		
Andrew Chau	First Capital Realty – Brewery District & Long Street	
Andrew MacIsaac	Downtown Edmonton Community League	
Cadence Bergman	Edmonton Chamber of Commerce	
Dan Young	City Market Downtown	
Daniel Morin	Oliver Community League	✓
Haylie Thomlison	BentallGreenOak – Unity Square	
Jared Candlish	Oliver Community League	
Kajsa Duke	Public at Large	✓
Karen VanDerLaan	Queen Mary Park Community League	
Luwam Kiflemariam	124 Street Business Association	✓
Martyn Bell	Queen Mary Park Community League	
Puneeta McBryan	Edmonton Downtown Business Association	
Robert Summers	Westmount Community League	
Sarah Proudlock	124 Street Business Association	✓
Sarah Ricardo	Edmonton City Centre	
Thomas Oster	Public at Large	
Tony Nunes	Altus Group / BentallGreenOak – Unity Square	
<b>Zone "G"</b>		
Allan Bly	Grovenor Community League	
Barb Busse	Britannia Youngstown Community League	
Brandon Schatz	Stony Plain Road and Area Business Association	
Christine Lefebvre	Old Glenora Conservation Association	✓
Craig Werner	School sector - Glenora School Parent Advisory Council	
Currently unassigned	Glenora Community League	
Dinah Plamondon	Public at Large	✓
Peter Doell	West Jasper / Sherwood Community League	✓
Rod Matheson	Crestwood Community League	
Taylor Soroka	Jasper Place Wellness Centre	
Todd Janes	Stony Plain Road and Area Business Association	✓
Tony Lovell	Canora Community League	
Jack Stuempel	Community Relations Advisor (Facilitator)	✓
<b>COE / MIP / Guests</b>		
Brad Baumle	Construction Manager, Marigold Infrastructure Partners	✓
Danielle O'Brien	Valley Line LRT Communications & Engagement	✓

Hazel Battad	Engineering Project Manager, VLW	✓
Jennifer Sheehan	Stakeholder Relations Lead, Marigold Infrastructure Partners	✓
Olga Mikheenkova	Valley Line LRT Communications & Engagement	✓
Rowan Anderson	Valley Line LRT Communications & Engagement	✓
Tim Wilson	Valley Line LRT Communications & Engagement	✓
Wade Wilson	Valley Line LRT Communications & Engagement	✓

	DISCUSSION ITEMS	ACTION BY:
1	Welcome & Introductions	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Meeting participants introduced themselves.</li> </ul>	
2	Confirmation of Agenda	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The agenda was adopted as circulated.</li> </ul>	
3	Previous Minutes	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The minutes of the previous meeting were accepted as circulated.</li> </ul>	
4	Status of Action Items	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Glenora School / MIP to meet <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>MIP reported that this meeting is awaiting arrangements by the school council.</li> </ul> </li> <li>b) City team follow-up with Glenora School Council re shortcutting study <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The VLW team has connected the traffic study team and the Safe Neighbourhoods team with the school council, and MIP will provide the appropriate construction-related safety communications support during construction.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
5	Project Update (Marigold)	
	<p><u>Highlights included:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Presentation of an overview video (<a href="https://youtu.be/ZQQYNHEaEDo">https://youtu.be/ZQQYNHEaEDo</a>)</li> <li>A reiteration of Marigold's commitment to reduce disruption through alternative planning and scheduling, dust and noise mitigation and reducing impacts to traffic.</li> <li>Past and upcoming work</li> <li>Roadway construction and impacts</li> </ul>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Utility complexes</li> <li>● Ongoing information sources, including local resident notifications, website and online construction notices</li> </ul> <p>A copy of the MIP presentation accompanies these minutes.</p> <p><u>Questions/Discussion</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Communications regarding Valley Line West-related utility work don't always seem well integrated with direct project communications. It would be helpful to confirm an EPCOR contact for the local business associations and/or have EPCOR participate at meetings of the Citizen Working Group to provide utility updates. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <b>ACTION:</b> Confirm EPCOR contact</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Timing for construction of the Stony Plain Road bridge crossing Groat Road: The bridge is tentatively expected to be out of service from about January 2023 to August 2024.</li> <li>● The locations, appearance and setbacks for the utility complexes is of interest: There has been some confusion with the change of the planned location of the one to be constructed in Westmount from 124 Street to 125 Street (post-meeting note: this location is now reflected on the Marigold website). It was explained that the utility complexes are generally set back and landscaped. Examples can be seen in a number of locations along Valley Line Southeast.</li> <li>● Access closure notifications: Residents affected by any permanent access closures have been notified directly. Information on construction activities, including traffic management and the latest bulletins, can be found on Marigold's website (<a href="https://marigoldinfra.ca">https://marigoldinfra.ca</a>).</li> <li>● Social media information sharing: Citizen Working Group members wishing to share information with their communities are encouraged to share social media posts (e.g. retweet) rather than copy web content to ensure the shared information is most accurate and up-to-date.</li> <li>● Preservation of trees: Unnecessary removal of trees is not only opposed by the community, but it is also costly for the contractor, and therefore trees are preserved wherever possible.</li> </ul>	<p>Wade</p>
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Neighbourhood shortcutting due to local traffic disruptions: This remains a concern. There may be a role for the City’s Vision Zero Street Labs program.</li> </ul>	
6	Round Table	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Raising concerns between meetings: Construction-related concerns should be raised with MIP directly. Citizen Working Group members may request a meeting at any time if a matter arises that would benefit from discussion by the group.</li> </ul>	
7	Next Meeting	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The combined group agreed to target October 26, 2022, at 3 pm for the next meeting.</li> </ul>	

**Meeting notes by Jack Stuempel**

