

Valley Line West - MINUTES

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

Edmonton

November 26, 2024 7 to 8:30 P.M. | GOOGLE MEET

Members		Attendance
Zone "F"		
Andrew Chau	First Capital Realty – Brewery District & Long Street	
Andrew MacIsaac	Downtown Edmonton Community League	
Cadence Bergman	Edmonton Chamber of Commerce	
Christine (Co-Director)	Co-Civics Director, Oliver Community League	
Dan Young	City Market Downtown	
Emma Zurawell	Oliver Community League	
Haylie Thomlison	BentallGreenOak – Unity Square	
Imran Ahmad	Oliver Community League	✓
Kajsa Duke	Public at Large	
Karen VanDerLaan	Queen Mary Park Community League	
Luwam Kifleariam	124 Street Business Association	
Martyn Bell	Queen Mary Park Community League	
Natalie Tremblay	Co-Civics Director, Oliver 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	

Zone “G”		
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	
Aaron Nathan	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	✓
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COE / MIP / Guests

Brian Latte	Project Director, COE	✓
Wade Wilson	Valley Line LRT Stakeholder Relations/CWG Facilitator	✓
Tania Gonzalez	Valley Line West LRT Communications Advisor, COE	
Meghan Capicio	Valley Line LRT Communications and Stakeholder Engagement Associate	✓
Jonathan Cox	Deputy Construction Manager, Marigold Infrastructure Partners	✓
Jennifer Sheehan	Communications Manager, Marigold Infrastructure Partners	✓
Lynley Kotyk	Senior Communications Advisor, Marigold Infrastructure Partners	
Sheila Keenan	Valley Line West LRT Communications Advisor, COE	

	DISCUSSION ITEMS	ACTION BY:
1	Welcome & Introductions	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The meeting participants introduced themselves. 	
2	Confirmation of Agenda	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The agenda was not required due to a lack of attendance at the previous meeting. 	
3	Previous Minutes	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The minutes of the previous meeting were not required. 	
4	Status of Action Items	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No action items from the previous meeting. 	
5	MIP Construction Update	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A copy of the MIP/City presentation accompanies these minutes. Marigold will reopen the Stony Plain Road Bridge & 131 – 139 St to vehicle & pedestrian traffic on November 30. Construction continues on 107 Street, and work will soon shift to the west side of the road. Traffic disruptions and pedestrian detours can be expected. Traffic on 104 Avenue between 107 Street and 121 Street will shift to the north side of the road to facilitate upcoming construction. Traffic on 104 Avenue/Stony Plain Road between 121 Street and 129 Street will shift to the north side of the road to facilitate upcoming construction. On Stony Plain Road, traffic will be shifted south, and one lane in either direction will be maintained. North/south traffic on 149 Street will reopen to full capacity. Work continues at most stops, stations, and utility complexes. Drainage work to begin in January. Light plants and generators are being used alignment-wide to facilitate winter work. 	
6	City of Edmonton Update	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A copy of the MIP/City presentation accompanies these minutes. The City has collaborated with Marigold Infrastructure Partners (MIP) to regularly meet with medium and large stakeholders through MIP-hosted stakeholder meetings. The City leads the proactive outreach program to engage with residents, small businesses, and other organizations as required. MIP and the City regularly meet with community leagues and business improvement areas along the alignment. If you would like MIP and the City to present and answer questions about Valley Line West at one of your community league meetings, please contact us. 	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Valley Line West 2024 booklet <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The City shared that they have a Valley Line West information booklet available online and printed copies as well. Please contact Wade if 	

	<p>you would like a hard copy mailed to you. https://www.edmonton.ca/sites/default/files/public-files/ValleyLineWest-LRT-Booklet.pdf</p>	
7	Round Table	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Aaron asked when the Stony Plain Road bridge opens, what North/South accesses will be open between 139 Street - 131 Street. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Jonathan shared that 136 Street and 134 Street will be opened and 132 Street will follow in a few weeks. 	Aaron/Jonathan
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Todd asked when the traffic flip to the north side of Stony Plain between 156 Street and 149 Street would take place. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Jonathan shared that Marigold needs to complete the flip in December and has no firm dates at the moment as they are still scheduling this work. ○ Jenn S. shared that Marigold is also working on safety plans for when crews flip to the north side of Stony Plain Road. 	Todd/Jonathan/Jenn
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Todd raised concerns about the work explanation along Stony Plain Road between 156 Street and 149 Street, noting it was glossed over despite the area experiencing significant impacts for multiple construction seasons. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Jonathan shared that he understands Todd's frustration. Marigold will be sequencing work differently when they start work on the north side of Stony Plain Road. 	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Anthony expressed that the 149 Street and 156 Street intersections were very backed up this season due to the construction. Anthony also shared kudos to MIP for getting noticeable work done this season. 	Anthony
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Imran shared that the presentation was informative and thanked the City and Marigold. 	Imran
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Aaron thanked the City and Marigold for the presentation and shared that he would share the information provided with students, parents and teachers. 	Aaron
8	Citizen Working Group Close-Out	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Wade shared with attendees that this will be the last Citizen Working Group meeting. ● Wade shared that as major construction projects move through the stages, the amount of influence external stakeholders have on the project changes. The project is now in the Build stage, moving from engagement to more of an information sharing, questions, and concerns meeting ● Jack explained the history of the Citizen Working Group meetings. After construction launched, there was less opportunity for influence, so the City and Marigold saw a decline in attendance and discussion. ● The City and MIP have numerous ways for you to stay informed, share your concerns, and ask questions. ● Brian Latte, Project Director for Valley Line West, thanked members for their participation and time in these meetings. ● The City and Marigold thanked members for attending. ● Wade shared that Citizen Working Group members will be invited to join the project team for the “First Ride” when Valley Line West opens 	