

Edmonton

Project update

The public feedback received during Rounds 1 and 2 is used to influence the design, where possible. We encourage you to continue to engage and share your thoughts!

The new infrastructure is designed to be in place for 30 to 50 years.



To review the What We Heard report for Exploring Options and Tradeoffs, visit edmonton.ca/BuildingWihkwentowin.



Local Improvements

Local improvement is a project that benefits your neighbourhood more than the municipality as a whole. It is typically undertaken near or next to your property and is paid, in whole or in part, by the benefitting property owners through a local improvement tax. As part of Neighbourhood Renewal, two specific improvements—decorative street lights and sidewalk reconstruction—are cost shared by the City and owners of property in the neighbourhood.

+ Decorative street light upgrades:

Neighbourhoods can upgrade from standard galvanized street lights (included in Neighbourhood Renewal) to decorative street lights, with optional features including colour, pole styles and arm types.

Decision: Community members initiate whether to explore installing decorative street lights.

Cost: If the local improvement moves forward, property owners pay the difference to upgrade from standard to decorative street lights.

+ Sidewalk reconstruction:

The City launches the local improvement process for sidewalk reconstruction.

Decision: Every property owner in the project area will receive information on how to decide whether the sidewalk reconstruction should move forward.

Cost: If the local improvement moves forward, the cost of sidewalk reconstruction is split 50/50 between the property owner and the City of Edmonton.

More information on how and when you can participate in local improvement processes will be shared later in the project planning stages.

For more general information about local improvements, go to edmonton.ca/Localimprovements.



City policies

Multiple City policies and guidelines provide specific direction to the Neighbourhood Renewal Project Team to inform the development of the new neighbourhood design. In previous issues, we highlighted The City Plan, The Bike Plan, Community Traffic Management Policy, Corporate Tree Policy and Climate Resilience Edmonton: Adaptation Strategy and Action Plan, Winter City Design Guidelines, Active Transportation Policy and Access Design Guide.

In this newsletter we highlight the following:

Complete Streets Design and Construction Standards –

Integrate best practices in design guidance to support the planning, design and construction of streets in Edmonton that are safe, attractive, comfortable and welcoming to all users in all seasons.

Safe Mobility Strategy – Transportation safety needs to focus on all modes of travel. People moving outside of vehicles are not as protected and are at much higher risk. The Safe Mobility Strategy, along with Complete Streets, helps inform design for the safety, and equal protection for the most vulnerable users.

Next steps

Your feedback from both Round 1 and Round 2 of the Exploring Options and Tradeoffs stage of public engagement is being used to understand overall preferences and concerns and identify what the neighbourhood, as a whole, deems important. The next step will be to determine which option, or blend of options, will be further developed to create a holistic neighbourhood draft design. Analysis will continue to confirm technical feasibility, and how the preferred options work together as a

system to maintain necessary movement and flow for all modes of transportation and connect to destinations both in and outside the neighbourhood.

The What We Heard report for Exploring Options and Tradeoffs is now available online.

Your next opportunity to provide input will be during our Community Feedback on Draft Design engagement. Watch for details in early 2026.

Volunteer to join the Wihkwentowin ᐃᓄᑦᑐᕋᐅᐅᓂᐅ Committee

We are now recruiting volunteers to join the newly formed Wiikwewitowin ᐃᓄᑦᐅᐱᓂᓂ Public Engagement and Communications Committee (The Wiikwewitowin ᐃᓄᑦᐅᐱᓂᓂ Committee).

The Wihkwentowin ᐃᓄᑦᐅᐱᓂᓂ Committee is a group of community members and representatives of the Project Team that work collaboratively to ensure transparency and open communication during the planning and design phases for Wihkwentowin ᐃᓄᑦᐅᐱᓂᓂ Neighbourhood Renewal.

The Wihkwentowin ᐃᑦᓴᓂᐅᐱᓪᓗ Committee members⁷ will support the Project Team in identifying any gaps in interested and affected parties and support the public engagement and communications efforts. This includes sharing information and promoting engagement events with the broader community. While the committee may be asked to share local knowledge and brainstorm ideas, it will not be involved with decision making or influencing the neighbourhood design.

If you are interested please contact Becky Redford,
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Stay informed

For more information and to sign up for project updates, visit edmonton.ca/BuildingWihkwentowin*

**Residents who signed up for updates at edmonton.ca/BuildingOliver do not need to sign up again.*

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