# BUILDING GREAT NEIGHBOURHOODS

132 Avenue Newsletter – April 2021

132 Avenue between Fort Road and 127 Street has been chosen for Collector Renewal with construction anticipated to start in 2023. Collector renewal will rehabilitate the road, curbs and gutters, add missing sidewalk links, replace street lights and repair sidewalks. Improving how people walk, bike, drive and gather in and around 132 Avenue will also be explored and the City will look for opportunities to enhance 132 Avenue in coordination with other City projects. Cost sharing opportunities may be made available through the Local Improvement process for sidewalk reconstruction and decorative street light upgrades.

This newsletter provides updates on the 132 Avenue Renewal Project and details on when and how you can join the conversation.

We will continue to invite you to participate in a variety of ways, then we will share what we heard from you and your neighbours and show how the information was used to inform the draft and final design.

# **EXPLORING OPTIONS AND TRADEOFFS**

Since the launch of 132 Avenue's Collector Renewal in September 2020, the Project Team has been gathering local knowledge, examining technical constraints, exploring opportunities and reviewing City policies and programs. Coming up next in the 132 Avenue Renewal project, we will explore design options for 132 Avenue that reflect what we heard from the community. We will explain and discuss any associated benefits and tradeoffs of the design options and gather your feedback and ideas to be considered as we move toward a draft design.

There are a number of ways that you can engage with us and share your feedback!

# Live Online Sessions

As we enter the Exploring Options and Tradeoffs phase of 132 Avenue's Collector Renewal, we will be hosting four online sessions. The Project Team will walk through design options and answer your questions on:

· Driving

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- Traffic calming
- Biking
- Walking
- Parking
- Gathering spaces
  and community features

Please join one of the four sessions that best accommodates your schedule. Below are the dates and times of the online sessions:

April 27, 6:00 – 8:00 pm April 29, 2:00 – 4:00 pm May 4, 2:00 – 4:00 pm May 6, 6:00 – 8:00 pm

To register please visit edmonton.ca/132Avenue. If you cannot attend the online sessions, project information and a video will be posted to the project website for you to watch at your convenience. In addition to the online sessions, the following information will be available from April 13 – May 20, 2021 on edmonton.ca/132Avenue:

#### **Exploring Opportunities and Tradeoffs details**

Review detailed information on the options and tradeoffs for driving, traffic calming, biking, parking and gathering spaces and community features on 132 Avenue through project information and a video.

#### Feedback: Online survey

Explore potential options for renewal and see how each option may impact the neighbourhood. Build an understanding of preferences for tradeoffs and provide your feedback through an online survey.

#### Feedback: Talk to the Project Team

If you do not have internet access or if you prefer to engage in a different manner, 132 Avenue's Project Team is available to schedule one-on-one phone calls with interested participants to share information, answer questions and gather input. Please contact Y Station, the consultant supporting the 132 Avenue Renewal Project Team, if you would like to share your feedback via phone: (780) 451-4444.

## **HOW DECISIONS ARE MADE**

The City makes Collector Renewal decisions using a combination of policy and program information, public engagement input and technical requirements.

City policies and programs such as the Complete Streets Design and Construction Standards, Safe Mobility Strategy and Winter City Strategy provide the overall direction for Collector Renewal designs. As each project is unique, the Project Team asks for input from area stakeholders and considers technical aspects such as design standards, conflicts with utilities, etc. to determine the final design.

#### Stay in the know!

Sign up to receive email project updates and find information at **edmonton.ca/132Avenue.** 

Email us at buildinggreatneighbourhoods@edmonton.ca.

Call us at 311.

### 132 Avenue Collector Renewal Project Timeline

SEPTEMBER 2020 Starting the Conversation

SEPTEMBER – OCTOBER 2020 Building a Vision Together and Exploring Opportunities

APRIL – MAY 2021 Exploring Options and Tradeoffs

FALL 2021 – WINTER 2022 Community Feedback on Draft Design

SPRING 2022 Community Feedback on Final Design

SPRING – FALL 2022 (if applicable) Cost Sharing Opportunities

WINTER 2022/23 (if applicable) Local Improvement Decisions & Preparing for Construction

SPRING – FALL 2023 Construction on Your Streets

For more information and to sign-up for project updates, please visit edmonton.ca/132Avenue

# COVID-19

While the COVID-19 pandemic has impacted nearly every aspect of daily life, it hasn't changed the fact that Edmonton is still the thriving city we love. We are continuing to build and better our city because robust and healthy infrastructure is critical to a safe and healthy Edmonton.

The Collector Renewal Program in particular has a longterm outlook of providing quality infrastructure. Collector Renewal ensures that infrastructure is maintained, safe, and serves the people who serves the people who live on and use 132 Avenue, and depend on this work.

The Project Team will continue working on the 132 Avenue design to ensure construction remains on schedule to begin in 2023. With public events and gatherings still paused, we are committed to delivering project information and meaningful public engagement opportunities efficiently and safely.