## MALMO PLAINS NEIGHBOURHOOD RENEWAL

Neighbourhood Community Newsletter - June 2020

#### 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 Neighbourhood Renewal Program in particular has a longterm outlook of providing quality neighbourhood infrastructure. Neighbourhood renewal ensures that neighbourhood infrastructure is maintained, safe, and serves the people who live in that community, and depend on this work.

While many of us are working from home or in an alternate situation, the Malmo Plains project team is continuing to work on your neighbourhood design to ensure construction remains on schedule to begin in 2021. While in-person public events are postponed and physical distancing is a priority, we remain committed to delivering project information and meaningful public engagement opportunities as efficiently and safely as we can.

For Malmo Plains Neighbourhood Renewal, we are hosting online engagement opportunities in June 2020. More information is on the reverse side.

## **Malmo Plains Neighbourhood Renewal**

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Beginning in Spring 2021, Malmo Plains will experience neighbourhood renewal. Through the City of Edmonton's Building Great Neighbourhoods and Open Spaces branch, the Neighbourhood Renewal program will rehabilitate roads, replace street lights, curb and gutters, repair sidewalks, and connect missing sidewalk links where possible in Malmo Plains. Cost sharing opportunities will be made available through the Local Improvement process for sidewalk reconstruction and decorative street light upgrades in the neighbourhood. Other opportunities to improve city-owned parks and public spaces will also be explored.

### **Draft Design details**

Since the launch of Malmo Plains' Neighbourhood Renewal in June 2019, the project team has been gathering local knowledge, understanding technical constraints and opportunities and reviewing City policies and programs, working towards developing a Draft Design for the neighbourhood that we are now ready to share with you.

The design options shared at the workshops held on January 28, 2020 were refined into the Draft Design and shows how each proposed improvement works together to make the most out of your neighbourhood. At this stage in the project, we invite you to help REFINE the Draft Design by sharing what you think about the proposed changes to Malmo Plains.

#### How decisions are made

Neighbourhood Renewal decisions are made based on three components:

- Technical requirements what infrastructure best meets the area's needs, where it can fit and what impacts it will have to the immediate and surrounding area
- City policies and programs how City initiatives and activities are implemented
- Public input local knowledge of the community



## **Online engagement opportunities**

Access all online engagement opportunities on the project webpage: edmonton.ca/**BuildingMalmoPlains** 

#### **Draft Design Online Engagement**

A video of the Draft Design will walk through the proposed improvements for park spaces and walking, biking and driving connections for Malmo Plains. **Available online June 15, 2020.** 

#### **Questions?**

Ask your questions online and our project team will respond. **Available from June 15 to June 29, 2020.** 

#### **Online Survey**

After you watch the video, complete the online survey to tell us what you think about the proposed changes. **Available from June 15 to June 29, 2020.** 

#### **Paper Survey**

If you prefer to have paper copies of the materials, including the survey, please contact Emily McDonald at **emily.mcdonald@edmonton.ca** or **780–442–7031** to arrange for a copy to be delivered to you.

## **Cost Sharing Opportunities**

Decorative street lights and sidewalk reconstruction are Local Improvements that are cost-shared by the City and property owners in the neighbourhood.

Standard street lights will be replaced as part of Neighbourhood Renewal process. However, property owners in each neighbourhood will have the opportunity to upgrade to their community's choice of decorative street lights through a community-led local improvement process. The City can provide support by sharing the options available for decorative street lighting and help gather feedback at future public engagement opportunities. Please contact Emily McDonald at **emily.mcdonald@edmonton.ca** if you are interested to learn more. The decorative option would need to be determined and submitted to the City by **July 2, 2020**.

Sidewalk reconstruction is also a cost-shared improvement. Residents will have the opportunity to decide if this improvement proceeds or not. Sidewalks installed where currently missing are 100% City funded.

For more information on Local Improvements and the decision processes, please visit edmonton.ca/**LocalImprovements** for more detailed information.







Malmo Plains Neighbourhood Renewal Public Engagement Schedule

**JUNE – JULY 2019** Building a Project Vision Together

#### **SEPTEMBER 2019** Exploring Opportunities

JANUARY 2020 Exploring Options and Trade-offs

#### **JUNE 2020**

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> Community Feedback on Draft Design

#### FALL 2020 Community Feedback on Final Design

WINTER 2021 Preparing for Construction & Local Improvement Decisions

SPRING 2021 – FALL 2022 Construction on Your Streets

FALL 2022 Celebrate with Us!

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