

NEIGHBOURHOOD DESCRIPTION

Grovenor is an older neighbourhood that began to experience development beginning in the 1910s. Development came in surges, and responded to the pre-WWI land boom, the expansion of the railways, and the extension of street car service to the area. The McKinnon Ravine influenced the layout of the lots near the ravine, but the majority of the neighbourhood conforms to a grid pattern of streets.

Grovenor is dominated by single-detached residences, but since the 1960s redevelopment has occurred in the form of duplexes and low rise apartments. Infill redevelopment continues to be a feature of this neighbourhood, and new residential structures have been built every decade providing a wide range of housing types and styles throughout the community.

Commercial development in Grovenor is concentrated along Stony Plain Road. A commercial centre is also located on 149th Street, which provides a range of amenities for local residents. McKinnon Ravine forms the southern boundary of Grovenor and allows residents easy access to the North Saskatchewan River Valley via walkways and trails.

The name Grovenor came into use for the area after World War II. Part of the Grovenor neighbourhood was originally known as Westgrove, which was developed around 1907. The origin of the name Grovenor is not known.