

NEIGHBOURHOOD DESCRIPTION

The Secord neighbourhood is located on the western edge of Edmonton in the Lewis Farms area. Secord bounded by Stony Plain Road to the south, 215 Street (Winterburn Road) to the west, Webber Green Drive to the north, and 231 Street (the City boundary) to the west. The Secord Neighbourhood Structure Plan was adopted by Council on September 10, 2007. Development of the eastern portion of the neighbourhood began soon after and has progressed westward. Development is still underway.

Once complete, the Secord neighbourhood will have a mix of approximately half low-density dwelling units, and half medium-density dwelling units. A commercial site is planned for the northwest corner, and there is an existing commercial site in the northeast corner. A Town Centre is planned for the southeast corner of the neighbourhood, and will be shared between Secord and three adjacent neighbourhoods. Two school-park sites, and five stormwater management ponds are also planned. A pipeline corridor right-of-way is located along the southern boundary of the neighbourhood, and is landscaped as multi-use path.

The neighbourhood is named in honour of Richard Secord. Richard H. Secord was hired in 1883 as the fourth teacher of the Edmonton public school. He was later approached by John McDougall to accept a position as a clerk. A partnership between McDougall and Secord soon materialized and he became a shrewd fur trader, invested in real estate, and eventually took up private banking. He also possessed a keen political mind and was elected to the Northwest Territories Legislature in 1902.