

Neighbourhood and Alley Renewal is coming to Hairsine!

Through the Neighbourhood Renewal Program, the City rehabilitates your residential roads, replaces street lights, repairs sidewalks and, where possible, connects missing sidewalk links. Alley Renewal will also be included as part of this project and involves alley reconstruction and repaving, improvements to surface drainage, where possible, and upgrading of existing lighting to LED fixtures. Other opportunities to improve parks and public spaces are also explored. Construction is scheduled to begin in spring 2024.

Planning has been underway for Hairsine's Neighbourhood Renewal since summer 2021. We have been busy reviewing resident feedback, understanding technical opportunities and constraints and incorporating City policies into a single draft design for the neighbourhood. The design will show you how each proposed improvement for walking, biking, driving, rolling, playing and gathering, works together as a system to provide the best neighbourhood experience for all users.

In this newsletter, we want to share with you a summary of the engagement activities from the Exploring Options and Tradeoffs stage, and invite you to participate in the upcoming engagement where we will show you the draft design.

Scope Map

Hairsine neighbourhood boundary

Roads in scope

Collector road

Local road

Alley



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Hairsine Neighbourhood Renewal Schedule

DECEMBER 2021

Building a Project Vision Together

MARCH 2022

Exploring Opportunities

OCTOBER 2022

Exploring Options and Tradeoffs



APRIL 2023

Community Feedback on Draft Design

FALL 2023

Community Feedback on Final Design

WINTER 2024

Preparing for Construction & Local Improvement Decisions

SPRING 2024— **FALL 2026**

Construction on your streets

What's next?

Community Feedback on Draft Design

In April 2023, we will be ready to share the draft design for your feedback.

Learn about and share your feedback on the draft design:

The survey will be open from **April 17 – May 15** at edmonton.ca/**BuildingHairsine**. You can also visit the project page to review the draft design and sign up for an electronic mailout to be reminded when the survey is posted.



Through all engagement opportunities, you will have a chance to win one of two \$100 City of Edmonton attraction and recreation gift cards!



Draft Design Booklet and Video

A draft design booklet and narrated video will be posted on the project website for your viewing. The information will include proposed improvements for open space, biking, driving and traffic safety



Online Survey

Tell us what you think about the proposed changes for Hairsine. The survey can be accessed from the project website at edmonton.ca/**BuildingHairsine**



Community events

Join us in the neighbourhood to learn more about the draft design. Find us outside of the Hairsine Community League at 3120 139 Ave NW:

- + Saturday, April 22, 1pm 5:30pm
- + Monday, May 1, 3:30pm 5:30pm



Virtual open house

Join us on April 24 to hear from the Project Team about draft designs and provide your feedback. You can sign up for this free event on the project website at edmonton.ca/**BuildingHairsine**



Have a question for the Project Team?

Ask your questions by filling out the online form on our project website and our Project Team will respond. You may also call **311** to arrange a conversation with a Project Team member

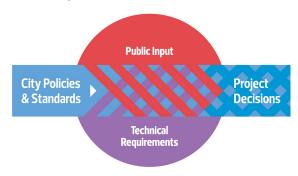
No online access?

If you do not have online access, please contact **311**, call **780–499–3679** or email **BuildingGreatNeighbourhoods@edmonton.ca** to connect with a Project Team member to arrange for a paper copy of the draft design and survey to be delivered to you in April 2023.

How decisions are made

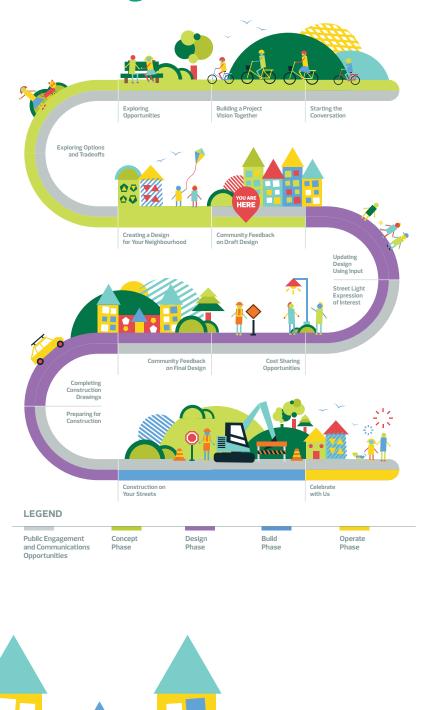
City policies and programs such as the Complete Streets Design and Construction Standards, Safe Mobility Strategy and Winter City Strategy provide the overall direction for Neighbourhood Renewal designs. As each neighbourhood is unique, the Project Team asks for input from residents who live, work and play in the neighbourhood, while considering technical aspects such as roadway widths and conflicts with utilities and trees to determine what will fit in the neighbourhood.

This process helps to ensure the decisions we make are fiscally responsible, align with best practices, consider the existing public and private infrastructure, land uses and activities in the neighbourhood and result in the best outcomes for our city.





Road map to Building Great Neighbourhoods





Hairsine Community Vision & Guiding Principles

The Vision and Guiding Principles for Hairsine's Neighbourhood Renewal were drafted with input received from residents and stakeholders in December 2021 – March 2022. The draft was posted online for feedback during the **Exploring Options and Tradeoffs** stage in September – October 2022 and modified based on this input prior to being finalized.

Hairsine Community Vision

Hairsine is a generationally and culturally diverse community that is safe, family–friendly and welcoming for all residents and visitors. There are lots of green spaces, amenities, parks and trees offering many opportunities to enjoy Hairsine's beautiful surroundings. We are proud to have safe and accessible connections to and from other neighbourhoods, nearby businesses and amenities for people of all ages and abilities. The many children who live and learn in Hairsine feel safe when walking, driving and rolling to and from school. We are continuously looking for ways to celebrate our diversity and foster positive relationships between neighbours.

Guiding Principles



Hairsine is a family – and kid-friendly neighbourhood with safe spaces, parks and amenities to enjoy



Hairsine has beautiful green, open spaces with picnic tables and benches for friends, family and neighbours to gather and build relationships with one another



Hairsine has upgraded sidewalks, roadways and wide pathways throughout the neighbourhood that provide safe and accessible connections for people of all ages and abilities



Hairsine has well-lit spaces, crosswalks and streets



Hairsine honours and celebrates the cultural diversity of all residents and visitors





Reporting back on Exploring Options and Tradeoffs

The Hairsine Neighbourhood and Alley Renewal Project Team organized the following opportunities for the public to share their thoughts on the most important considerations when looking at tradeoffs for design options. This input helped the Project Team **REFINE** the options into a draft design Neighbourhood and Alley Renewal.



Online Survey

An online survey was available from September 19 to October 14, 2022. We shared specific ideas for Neighbourhood and Alley Renewal in Hairsine and asked you questions to help **REFINE** options for the following themes:

- + Biking, driving and traffic safety
- + Walking, rolling and public transit
- + Open spaces

33 survey participants



Website

- + 400 unique visits to edmonton.ca/BuildingHairsine
- + 113 downloads of the design package
- + 31 video views

In-Person Meetings

- + 50 people at St. Bonaventure Catholic School Meet the Teacher night
- + 50 people at John D. Bracco Junior High School Meet the Teacher night
- + 172 people at Hairsine Community League Day
- + 70 people at a Clareview Recreation Centre intercept event

342+ conversations in community



How We Communicated

- + 3,653 postcards delivered
- + 13 yard signs
- + 3,443 newsletters delivered
- + 2 road signs

+ 25 posters

6,000+ touchpoints with community



Local Improvement Information

As part of the renewal process, there are two Local Improvements that apply in the Hairsine neighbourhood: Sidewalk Reconstruction and Decorative Street Lights.

What is a Local Improvement?

A Local Improvement is a project that benefits your neighbourhood more than the municipality as a whole. It is typically undertaken near or adjacent to your property and is paid, in whole or in part, by the benefitting **property owners** through a Local Improvement tax.

Sidewalk Reconstruction

Sidewalk replacement is a cost-shared improvement. This means property owners are responsible for 50 per cent of the cost and the City pays the other 50 per cent. Property owners therefore have the opportunity to decide if new sidewalks are installed, and may petition against this Local Improvement per the Municipal Government Act. If the sidewalk Local Improvement process is successfully petitioned against, sidewalks will remain as is and will be maintained for safety by the City. Any future sidewalk replacement would need to be requested and funded 100 per cent by the adjacent property owners.

New sidewalks installed where currently missing are 100 per cent City funded.

A notice will be sent out in **early 2024** for property owners to provide feedback.









Decorative Street Lights

New standard galvanized street lights are included in the Neighbourhood Renewal process at no additional cost to the property owner. However, property owners have the opportunity to upgrade to their community's choice of decorative street lights through a community-initiated Local Improvement process. As property owners pay the difference to upgrade from standard to decorative lights, community support must be demonstrated for a decorative option through an Expression of Interest (EOI).

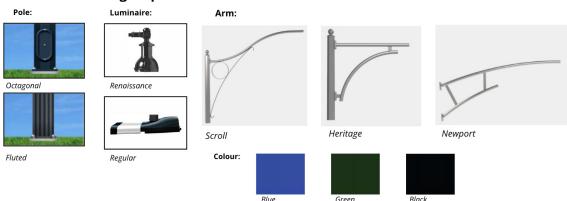
Volunteers in your community take the lead to determine the level of community interest in updating to decorative lighting, and to begin the Local Improvement process. The City can provide support by sharing the options available for decorative street lighting and help gather feedback at future public engagement opportunities.

The community must submit its choice of decorative lighting (colour, pole, arm, and/or luminaire) from the options below to the City for consideration by June 3, 2023. The community proposal can be sent to BuildingGreatNeighbourhoods@edmonton.ca for review.

In the late summer of 2023, the City will send out an EOI package containing estimated costs, asking registered property owners to indicate whether they support the Local Improvement. The EOI will need to be returned to the City during the fall of 2023 (exact date will be determined later in the year). The cost of decorative lights depends on the lighting option selected, the borrowing finance rate, the number of street lights and the number of property owners sharing the expense. The exact cost for the Local Improvement would be included on your tax notice the year following the decorative street light installation.

For more information on the process, visit edmonton.ca/**BuildingHairsine**.

Decorative Street Light Options



Decorative Street Blades

As part of the Neighbourhood Renewal, the community has the option to receive decorative street blades throughout the neighbourhood at no additional cost to property owners. Street blades can contain a community logo, historic street name and the year the neighbourhood was established.

Volunteers in your community take the lead to determine the level of community interest in decorative street blades and to begin the design process. The City can provide support by sharing the options available for decorative street blades, create simple logo designs and help gather feedback at future public engagement opportunities. Your Neighbourhood Renewal Project Team can work with the volunteers to develop a schedule to ensure the design is finalized as part of the renewal design. To learn more, call 780-499-3679 or email Building Great Neighbourhoods@edmonton.ca.

There are five different colours, 15 shapes and a variety of fonts that the neighbourhood can choose from (except for the main address area which requires a standard font). To the right are some examples of street blades created in other neighbourhoods.

Decorative Street Blade Examples



Stay Informed and Engaged

For more information regarding the Hairsine Neighbourhood and Alley Renewal, upcoming public engagement activities and to subscribe for project updates, please visit edmonton.ca/BuildingHairsine.

Hairsine Playground Project Update

Hairsine Community League and the Hairsine Park Committee will be working together to create a new park space for the community and neighbouring schools to enjoy for years to come. The same space will be used and updated to create a useable community space for all ages.

The committee is looking for community members who have a desire to help in the next steps of the process; planning and fundraising. The playground project is a community-led project and is outside the Neighbourhood Renewal scope of work. Please contact John or Amanda Fleming at **secretary@hairsine.ca** to become involved!





