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**Working together to make the most out of
your neighbourhood.**

This is your city and your neighbourhood. We want to understand how you experience your neighbourhood and ask for your input on what we might do to make it better. We will engage and work with you on the renewal of roads, sidewalks, streetlights, and park spaces, and promote other community opportunities to enhance how people live and interact in your neighbourhood. We commit to being open and transparent about how your input is used. Let's make the most out of your neighbourhood.

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SUMMARY

The City of Edmonton is planning neighbourhood renewal construction for Inglewood beginning in 2019 and ending in 2021.

Before construction begins, concepts created for the Urban Design Analysis, preliminary designs, and detailed designs will be created. The concepts for the Urban Design Analysis and preliminary designs will be a reflection of City policy, technical requirements (i.e., standards and guidelines), and public input.

This report shares the results of one phase of the City's public engagement efforts. In April, the City of Edmonton invited people to attend one of two identical workshops or participate in an online or hard copy survey. City representatives also attended and collected input at two longstanding neighbourhood gatherings, Neighbourhood Table at the Inglewood Community League's hall and the 124 Street Youth Drop-in Program at Inglewood School.

The people who participated in these activities were asked to share ideas to help **REFINE** a project vision and set of important elements to guide the City's work in the neighbourhood. This vision and important elements were drafted using input gathered at the Phase I stakeholder outreach workshop held in March.

The revised and, accordingly, final vision and important elements for Inglewood are:

REFINED VISION: Inglewood is a safe and walkable neighbourhood. It is welcoming to everyone, and brings people together through fun, community-building activities. It reflects its diversity and connections to Indigenous heritage.

REFINED IMPORTANT ELEMENTS

1. A safe neighbourhood, supported by lighting and visibility.
2. A walkable neighbourhood, supported by accessibility, traffic management, and safe crossings and pathways.
3. Common spaces that are functional and have amenities to support fun and community-building activities for people of all ages and backgrounds.
4. Visual representation of the neighbourhood's diversity, including Indigenous heritage.

PARTICIPATION LEVELS:

April 21 Workshop (Inglewood School)	55 people
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Community Conversations	Approx. 40 people

They were also asked to **ADVISE** the City about what is working well in the neighbourhood and what needs attention. This information will help the City create concepts for the Urban Design Analysis followed by preliminary designs for Inglewood.

Overall there was good support for the draft vision and important elements. The input that people shared led to a number of small but purposeful edits. The vision was updated to emphasize a stronger link between safety and the walkability of the neighbourhood, as well as to acknowledge that Inglewood's Indigenous connections are part of the overall diversity of the neighbourhood. The important elements were updated to put more emphasis on the types of work (i.e., traffic management, adding functions and amenities to outdoor public areas) that people want to see as part of neighbourhood renewal.

The input that people shared about **WHAT IS WORKING WELL** in Inglewood covers five themes:

The multiple uses of the green space along 122 Street from 111 - 118 Avenue, and the connectivity it provides

The role the shared use path running through the green space along 122 Street plays in biking, walking, and overall commuting

The natural look and feel, connectivity within, and feeling of safety in Winnifred Stewart Park

The neighbourhood speed limits, including 30 km/hr near schools

The fact that parking on both sides of the streets adds additional parking for residents and helps to slow down drivers

The input that people shared about **WHAT NEEDS ATTENTION** in Inglewood covers five stand out themes and 11 additional themes.

Adding more functions and amenities to existing outdoor public areas

Beautifying the green space along 122 Street from 111 - 118 Avenue

Improving grading and reducing the amount of water that pools along streets, sidewalks, and at intersections

Creating more connections within the neighbourhood by adding missing sidewalk links

Replacing heaving, cracked, and uneven sidewalks

Adding an east-west bike corridor to connect to the 127 Street corridor and the 122 Street corridor and shared use path

Addressing a lack of lighting between 114 - 117 Avenue

Improving pathways and signage that help people to access the shared use path that runs through the green space along 122 Street from 111 - 118 Avenue

Protecting mature trees

Fixing the road surfaces to eliminate potholes

Ensuring good lines of sight through outdoor public areas

Taking measures to ensure there is adequate on-street parking in areas with infill and high-density developments

Addressing speeding along 114 Avenue and shortcutting using 122 and 123 Street as well as 129 Street and 117 Avenue

Ensuring that the construction vehicles working on infill and the former Charles Camsell site are accountable for any damage to the new infrastructure

Sharing the past and present story of the former Charles Camsell site, and honouring the history

Adding decorative and naming features as well as public art that reflects the history and historical locations within Inglewood

The City's next steps are to:

1. Post the project vision and set of important elements to the project webpage at: Edmonton.ca/BuildingInglewood
2. Develop concepts for the Urban Design Analysis and preliminary designs that reflect the following:
 - a. The information from this report, along with the detailed location-based input collected throughout the public engagement activities
 - b. City policy
 - c. Technical information

In August and October, the City will offer additional engagement opportunities to get input on design ideas and concepts with the potential to support the vision and important elements for Inglewood. In November, it will introduce draft preliminary designs for public input. As the project unfolds, the City will share project updates with everyone who joins Inglewood Building Great Neighbourhoods mailing list at Edmonton.ca/BuildingInglewood.



*A local improvement is a construction project undertaken near or adjacent to residents' properties which benefits the residents' area more than Edmonton as a whole. Costs associated with the local improvement are shared differently between property owners and the City depending on whether the local improvement is City-initiated or property-owner initiated. The type of local improvement also affects the process through which property owners get to **DECIDE** whether the local improvement will proceed. Additional information on local improvements will be provided later in the project.*

PURPOSE OF THIS REPORT

- Provide an integrated view of what we heard through the:
 - April 21 and 25 workshops
 - Online and hardcopy surveys
 - Community gatherings with Neighbourhood Table and 124 Street Youth Drop-In Program
- Share the final version of the vision and important elements for Inglewood's neighbourhood renewal
- Provide information about the City's next steps for neighbourhood renewal in Inglewood

SCOPE OF BUILDING GREAT NEIGHBOURHOODS IN INGLEWOOD

The City of Edmonton is planning neighbourhood renewal construction for Inglewood beginning in 2019 and ending in 2021.

Construction includes:

- Rehabilitation or reconstruction of roads
- Replacement of curb and gutter, and streetlights
- Construction of missing sidewalk links, curb ramps, and intersection improvements

The project will also include the delivery of the 127 Street corridor concept plan that was developed in 2015 through extensive public engagement.

Arterial roads, including 111 Avenue, Groat Road, and 118 Avenue, and alleys are outside of the scope of the project.

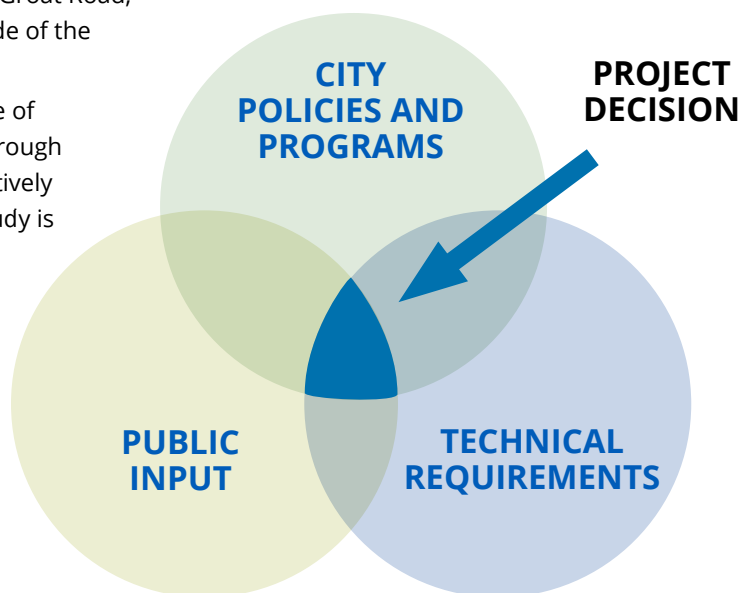
124 Street is also outside of the scope of the project; however, construction through the arterial renewal program is tentatively scheduled for 2021 and a corridor study is planned to help inform the concept design (subject to change; subject to funding).

Depending on the level of support in the neighbourhood, construction may also include two Local Improvements, sidewalk reconstruction and an upgrade to decorative streetlighting.

The project also includes an opportunity to discuss other improvements on City-owned property that enhance neighbourhood liveability and connectivity, such as:

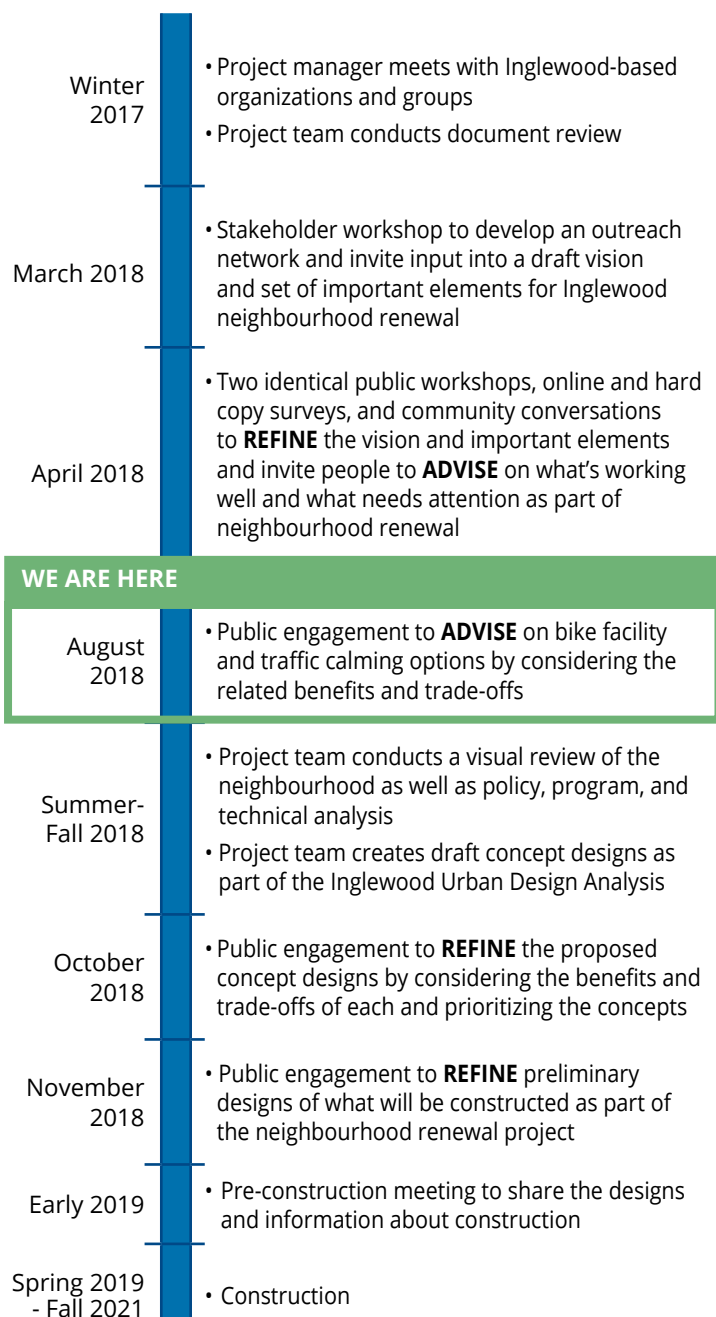
- Reflecting the neighbourhood identity
- Ways to make the neighbourhood more beautiful
- Enhancements to outdoor public areas

These improvements are subject to funding. Where possible, the City will partner with the community to explore funding opportunities.



THE PATH TO CONSTRUCTION

Building Great Neighbourhoods is a program to ensure that people who live, play, work in, and visit Inglewood make the most of it. To do this, the City offers multiple opportunities for people to learn about neighbourhood renewal and provide input into what they want to see in their neighbourhood before we proceed to construction.



Before officially initiating Inglewood's neighbourhood renewal project in early 2018, project manager, Cassie Kupsch, met with a number of established community organizations and groups to share pre-project information and learn from the community about stakeholders and communications for the project.

The first official public engagement opportunity was a Phase I stakeholder workshop in March 2018 to:

- Share information with community organizations, groups, and individuals who serve or work with people in Inglewood
- Invite these individuals to be a partner in neighbourhood renewal and share information about the project and forthcoming public engagement opportunities
- Invite these individuals, on behalf of themselves and people they represent, to **ADVISE** on a neighbourhood renewal vision and set of important elements

This was followed by two identical public workshops, an online and hard copy survey, and input through participants at two long-standing neighbourhood gatherings, Neighbourhood Table at the Inglewood Community League's hall and the 124 Street Youth Drop-in Program at the Inglewood School.

These engagement activities invited people to:

- Review a draft vision and set of important elements for Inglewood's neighbourhood renewal and provide input to help **REFINE** them
- **ADVISE** the City on what we should consider, relative to City policy and programs and technical requirements, as we draft concepts for the Urban Design Analysis and work on options for neighbourhood renewal preliminary designs

Toward the end of summer and into fall, we will host additional public engagement activities to invite input on draft concepts identified through the Urban Design Analysis and preliminary designs.

Moving into 2019, we will host a preconstruction meeting to ensure that everyone who is interested has an opportunity to see the detailed designs for Inglewood's neighbourhood and learn what to expect during construction in 2019-2021.

THE PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT SPECTRUM

When the City of Edmonton asks people to **ADVISE**, we are asking you to share feedback and perspectives that we can consider for policies, programs, projects, or services.

When we ask people to **REFINE**, we are asking you to help us adapt and adjust approaches to policies, programs, projects, or services.

ADVISE and **REFINE** are part of the City of Edmonton's Public Engagement Spectrum, a tool that explains the four roles the public can play when they participate in City of Edmonton public engagement activities. As you move within the spectrum, there is an increasing level of public influence and commitment from the City and the public.



For more information on how public engagement shapes decision making visit Edmonton.ca/PublicEngagement.

Wherever possible, the City of Edmonton strives to take an integrated approach to its public engagement activities. In addition to asking participants for feedback about neighbourhood renewal, we also used the two workshops as an opportunity to:

- Share information and receive input about the [Yellowhead Trail Freeway Conversion Program](#)
- Share information about the [Edmonton Transit Bus Network Redesign](#)

The Inglewood Community League also took the opportunity to connect with the community and to collect input on people's interest in decorative streetlighting

DATA COLLECTION

The City's April public engagement was directed to people who live, work, play, or hold an interest in Inglewood.

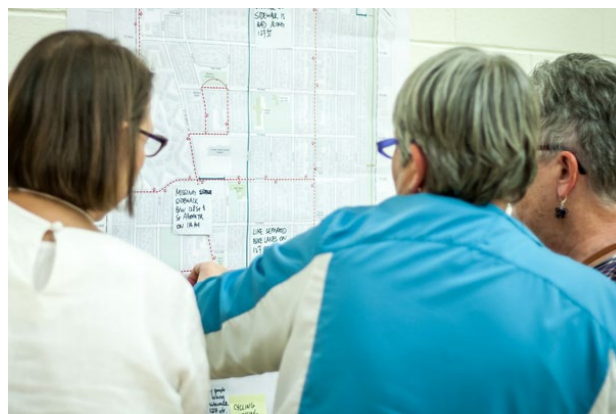
One hundred and thirty-seven (137) people participated in two identical in-person workshops held at Inglewood School on April 21 between 9:30 a.m. - 12 p.m. and the Winnifred Stewart Association on April 25 between 6:30 - 9 p.m.

Twenty (20) people submitted feedback through identical online and hard copy surveys, and approximately 40 more provided input as part of community conversations hosted during Inglewood's Neighbourhood Table at the Inglewood Community League's hall and the City of Edmonton 124 Street Youth Drop-in Program at Inglewood School.

The communication to encourage participation in the public engagement activities included:

- Direct mail to reach people in multi-family dwellings as well as single-family homes
- Emails and information packages to community organizations, institutions, and businesses
- Email to those signed up for project updates through the project website
- Signs along arterials bordering Inglewood
- City of Edmonton website

The City also enlisted support from local community organizations, institutions, and businesses to promote the opportunities to the populations they serve.



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REFINING THE VISION AND IMPORTANT ELEMENTS

As part of the April engagement activities, participants were asked to review and help to **REFINE** a vision statement and set of important elements that were drafted based on input from the March stakeholder meeting.

Of the approximately 197 people that participated in the public engagement activities, 55 provided input to help **REFINE** the vision and important elements. This included 32 participants from the two workshops, 20 via the surveys, and four from the community conversations.

To help **REFINE** the vision and important elements, participants were asked to:

- Indicate whether or not they support the draft vision
- Indicate which important elements they support
- Provide feedback on how to strengthen the drafts or provide input on other ideas to consider as part of neighbourhood renewal

By reviewing the feedback on the vision and important elements and cross-referencing all of the input about what is working well and what needs attention in the neighbourhood, there was strong rationale to make a few adjustments to the drafts.

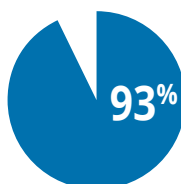


LEVEL OF SUPPORT: DRAFT VISION

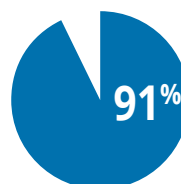


Inglewood is a safe and walkable neighbourhood that encourages fun and community-building activities. It is welcoming to everyone and reflects its Indigenous heritage and current diversity.

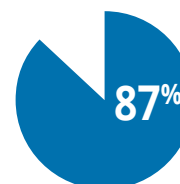
LEVEL OF SUPPORT: DRAFT IMPORTANT ELEMENTS



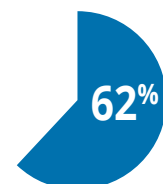
A safe neighbourhood, supported by good lighting and visibility.



A walkable neighbourhood, supported by good accessibility and safe crossings and pathways.



Common spaces that are developed to support fun and community-building activities for people of all ages and backgrounds.



Visual representation of the neighbourhood's Indigenous heritage and cultural diversity.

The refined vision and important elements are:

Refined VISION

Inglewood is a safe and walkable neighbourhood. It is welcoming to everyone, and brings people together through fun, community-building activities. It reflects its diversity and connections to Indigenous heritage.

Refined IMPORTANT ELEMENTS

- A safe neighbourhood, supported by lighting and visibility.
- A walkable neighbourhood, supported by accessibility, traffic management, and safe crossings and pathways.
- Common spaces that are functional and have amenities to support fun and community-building activities for people of all ages and backgrounds.
- Visual representation of the neighbourhood's diversity, including Indigenous heritage.

The vision was refined into three statements. The rationale for the edits include:

- Participants indicated that safety and walkability go hand in hand. They said that Inglewood must feel safe (i.e., personal security) and be safe (i.e., even sidewalks) to be walkable.
- Participants indicated that they want an inclusive neighbourhood that welcomes people and brings them together, and that fun, community-building activities are key to this outcome.
- Participants indicated that Inglewood is a diverse neighbourhood and that Indigenous people are an important, ongoing part of, rather than separate from, that diversity.

The primary focus of all four elements was kept the same. This being said, the elements were ordered according to which received the highest level of support. Each was also refined, varying from minor edits to remove subjective adjectives to expanding its focus to include neighbourhood renewal work that will help to support and achieve it. The edits and rationale for them include:

- In the first and second important elements, the adjective (i.e., good) was removed from in front of lighting, visibility, and accessibility.

This is because “good” is a subjective term and removing the reference helps to tighten the focus on the renewal work that will help to achieve safety.

- In the second important element, traffic management was added as part of the renewal work that will help to support and achieve a walkable neighbourhood. This is because participants identified speeding and traffic shortcutting as barriers to achieving a walkable neighbourhood.
- In the third important element, the phrase “Common spaces that are functional and have amenities” replaced the phrase “Common spaces that are developed.” This is to further specify what the participants identified as the renewal work required to help support “fun and community-building activities for people of all ages and backgrounds.”
- In the fourth important element, the word “cultural” was removed from “cultural diversity” because diversity is self-explanatory. In addition, diversity was moved to the forefront of the element. This is because participants acknowledged that Inglewood is a diverse neighbourhood, and the representation of Indigenous people and heritage is an important part of this diversity.

INPUT TO HELP DEVELOP DESIGN IDEAS

WHAT'S WORKING WELL AND WHAT NEEDS ATTENTION

As part of the April engagement activities, participants were asked to provide the City with advice on what is working well (i.e., strengths of the neighbourhood) in the neighbourhood and what needs attention (i.e., concerns, gaps, and opportunities) to support the creation of concepts for the Urban Design Analysis and, following that, preliminary designs for Neighbourhood Renewal. They were also asked to identify instances of missing and aging infrastructure, as well as any other ideas that should be considered for neighbourhood renewal.

The advice received through the April engagement activities will be considered in the context of City policy and programs, as well as technical requirements. The City's designs will strive to, wherever possible, reflect public input that aligns with its policy direction, program requirements, and technical necessities.

For Inglewood's neighbourhood renewal, the City has secured funding to renew:

- Roads and gutters
- Missing sidewalk links and curb ramps
- Streetlighting

Depending on the level of support in the neighbourhood, construction may also include two Local Improvements, sidewalk reconstruction and an upgrade to decorative streetlighting, which are partially or wholly funded by adjacent property owners. The City will also work with the community to consider partnerships and funding possibilities where there is a high level of interest in advancing other ideas, including related to outdoor public areas, beautification, and visual displays of neighbourhood identity.

When the City asked questions about what is working well and what needs attention, it asked participants to focus on six topics:

- Getting around Inglewood (i.e., walking, biking, and driving/on-street parking)
- Accessing public transit locations
- Using and enjoying outdoor public parks and green spaces
- Beautifying and visually reflecting the identity of the neighbourhood
- Missing and aging infrastructure
- Other ideas related to neighbourhood renewal

When asked **WHAT IS WORKING WELL** in the the neighbourhood (i.e., strengths) participant input reflects five overall themes, including two park locations and one shared use path location:

TOPIC	STRENGTHS
The green space along 122 Street from 111 - 118 Avenue	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Multiple uses, with the off-leash area, bike paths, and playground • Creates a connection between neighbourhoods
The shared use path that runs through the green space along 122 Street from 111 - 118 Avenue	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supports safe biking, walking, and overall commuting
Winnifred Stewart Park	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Has a natural look and feel with the use of trees and rocks • Good paths and sidewalks to support access and connectivity • Good lighting that supports a feeling of safety
Speed limits	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Neighbourhood speed limits, including 30 km/hr near schools
Parking on both sides of the streets	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adds additional parking for residents • Helps to slow down drivers

When asked **WHAT NEEDS ATTENTION**, where there is missing or aging infrastructure, or what else to look at as part of neighbourhood renewal, participant input reflects five stand out themes and 11 less prominent themes.

The five standout themes and the key opportunities within them include:

Adding more functions and amenities to existing outdoor public areas	
LOCATION	OPPORTUNITIES
Green space along 122 Street from 111 - 118 Avenue	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Separate the dog park from the shared use path and add fencing, add a community garden and fence it off, add more youth-oriented amenities, and upgrade the playground equipment
Winnifred Stewart Park	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Add playground equipment, a drinking fountain, and a public washroom
Community League Hall green space	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Add cooking equipment, a drinking fountain, a community garden, and a playground expansion
Inglewood School	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Add a path from north to south through the schoolyard, add a spray park, add an ice rink
MAC Islamic School	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Add a playground to the dry pond
Former Charles Camsell site	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop a healing, memorial, or reconciliation garden to honour the Indigenous connection to the site, add a soccer pitch, add an ice rink, add markets, provide access to public washrooms
Green space at the corner of 112 Avenue and 124 Street	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Transform this space so that it can be used for markets, events, and gatherings, beautify this location
John A Norris Park	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Add markets, programming, and other events, add seating areas, add a community garden, add a southside sidewalk
Westmount School	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Repair the existing sports infrastructure (e.g., the basketball hoops and nets)



<p>Improving grading and reducing the amount of water that pools along streets, sidewalks, and at intersections</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Address the drainage issues between 112 - 113 Avenue and 115 - 117 Avenue created by places where: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The drainage system is higher than the road - Infill development grading is contributing to pooling water • Address the pools of water that form in low spots around Inglewood School 	<p>Replacing heaving, cracked, and uneven sidewalks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Replace sidewalks affected by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Grading variances - Tree roots - Infill development
<p>Creating more connections with the neighbourhood by adding missing sidewalk links</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Put in sidewalks where they are missing along 112, 114, 115 and 116 Avenues between 121 and 126 Streets 	<p>Beautifying the green space along 122 Street from 111 - 118 Avenue</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Add functional landscaping, such as trees for shade and low bushes that support good lines of sight • Add murals, trees, or other beautification efforts to create better separation between this space and the neighbouring commercial area • Refer to the design for the 149 Street shared use path between 102 Avenue and 107 Avenue

The 11 additional themes include:



WHAT'S NEXT?

1. Based on participants' help to **REFINE** the vision and important elements, the City of Edmonton has adopted them for the Inglewood neighbourhood renewal project. They will be posted to the City of Edmonton's Building Great Neighbourhood webpage at Edmonton.ca/BuildingInglewood.
2. Between July and September, the City of Edmonton will use the content of this report, supplemented by the detailed location-based input collected through the engagement activities, along with policy and technical information to develop neighbourhood renewal concepts.
3. In August, the City will offer an additional engagement opportunity to get input on bike facility and traffic calming options.
4. In October, the City will offer engagement opportunities to get input on proposed concept designs with the potential to support the Vision and Important Elements for Inglewood. In November, it will introduce draft preliminary designs for public input.
5. Throughout the project the City will share project updates, including notifications about public engagement opportunities, to anyone who joins Inglewood's Building Great Neighbourhoods mailing list at Edmonton.ca/BuildingInglewood.

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Thank you for sharing your voice and shaping our city.

For more information about the project, please visit

Edmonton.ca/BuildingInglewood.

For more information on City of Edmonton public engagement, please visit

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