

POLICY NUMBER: C565

REFERENCE: ADOPTED BY:

The Way Ahead City Council
The Way We Grow

The Way We Move SUPERSEDES:

The Way We Green
The Way We Live

PREPARED BY: Sustainable Development Department DATE: 8 February 2012

TITLE: Transit Oriented Development

Policy Statement:

The City of Edmonton, through its planning, decision making processes and leadership, supports transit and land use integration. This optimizes the use of public transportation, increases mobility choices of Edmontonians and creates vibrant and diverse neighbourhoods to support a sustainable transit system and concentrate Edmonton's future urban form.

The City supports Transit Oriented Development that:

- 1. Establishes land uses around LRT stations and transit centres to reflect the characteristics of surrounding areas and each station or centre's role in the network.
- 2. Focuses medium and higher density residential, retail and employment growth around LRT stations and transit centres to support City investment in transportation infrastructure.
- 3. Creates a safe, direct and convenient circulation system for all modes of transportation, with an emphasis on public transit, pedestrians and bicycles that connects people and places.
- 4. Grows through collaboration, cooperation, partnerships, public information and education programs.
- 5. Increases transit ridership and reduces the number of automobile kilometers driven.

To encourage Transit Oriented Development, the City of Edmonton will:

- 1. Enact bylaws, procedures, directives, processes, programs and guidelines.
- 2. Promote, collaborate, cooperate and partner.
- 3. Communicate land use and infrastructure expectations.
- 4. Prepare Station Area Plans.

The purpose of this policy is to:

Establish the application of the Transit Oriented Development Guidelines to provide certainty to citizens, business and administration.