

Terms of Reference: Housing

Council Term:	2017-2021 Council Term
City Council Sponsor(s):	Councillor M. Walters Councillor S. McKeen
Supporting Department:	Citizen Services
Administration Lead:	Rob Smyth / Jackie Foord
Initiative Status:	Existing

Mandate

This initiative will leverage Edmonton's Affordable Housing Strategy (2016-2025) to increase the supply of affordable housing in Edmonton.

Desired Outcomes

- Outcome #1: Increased Supply. Edmonton has an adequate supply of safe, quality, affordable housing in all areas of the city.
 - Catalyze the construction of non-market affordable housing units in Edmonton.
 - Secure affordable housing investment from other levels of government.
- Outcome #2: Strategic Investment. All affordable housing investment in Edmonton is strategic and responds to areas of highest need.
 - Clarify and update the policy framework governing the City of Edmonton's affordable housing investment decisions.
 - Work with stakeholders to spread affordable housing investment across all areas of the City.
- Outcome #3: Collaboration. The City of Edmonton works with partners across all sectors to deliver affordable housing in new and innovative ways.
 - Establish innovative partnerships between the City, non-profit and private developers to create new (inclusive) affordable housing models.
 - Develop collaborative relationships to maximize the collective impact of Edmonton's affordable housing providers.

Existing Related Corporate Programs

- Developer-Sponsored Affordable Housing (Policy C582)
- Secondary Suites
- Affordable Housing Development-Fee Rebate
- Surplus School Sites (Policy C583)
- Residential Living Teams (Safe Housing, Problem Properties, Project Watch)
- EndPoverty Edmonton
- In-fill Edmonton
- Recover: Urban Wellness Plan
- Landlord and Tenant Advisory Board
- HomeEd (City-owned Housing Management Body)
- Transit-Oriented Development Edmonton

Timelines

- The Work Plan will be presented to Council on June 12, 2018.
- This Council Initiative will report to the Executive Committee, with the exception of the final year in which the second report will be made to City Council.

Key Stakeholders

- Edmontonians, in particular households in core housing need.
- Edmonton's affordable housing providers, including its largest housing providers (Capital Region Housing, homeEd, Right at Home, Greater Edmonton Foundation, Habitat for Humanity) as well as many others.
- Other community partners such as Indigenous organizations, Homeward Trust, Edmonton Community Development Company, Edmonton Federation of Community Leagues, Edmonton Metro Regional Board, United Way, health and social service agencies, and post secondary institutions
- Private land development and residential business sectors in Edmonton (represented by UDI Edmonton, CHBA and others)
- Government of Alberta
- Government of Canada

Financial Implications

- In the past, this Council Initiative has been supported by the existing staff and operational resources contained in the City of Edmonton's Housing Section.

Any estimated financial and human resources for future work will be identified in the work plan that will be presented to City Council on June 12, 2018.