Capital Line South LRT Extension - Fact Sheet
Century Park to Ellerslie Road

The Capital Line South LRT Extension is part of the City of Edmonton's Transportation Master Plan to expand LRT service to all sectors of the City by 2040.

Background

In 2008, City Council approved the Concept Plan for the Capital Line South LRT Extension from Century Park to the south city limit. The Concept Plan confirmed the LRT corridor (route) and alignment (where the tracks will be within the corridor).

In 2010, preliminary engineering for a portion of the Capital Line South LRT Extension, from Century Park to Ellerslie Road, was completed. At that time the project was called the South LRT Extension. This 4.5 km line is high-floor style and includes an underpass at 23 Avenue, bridge crossings at Blackmud Creek and Anthony Henday Drive, and an operations and maintenance facility south of Anthony Henday Drive. The south terminus of the project is at a future combined LRT station, transit centre, and Heritage Valley Park & Ride facility on the northwest corner of Ellerslie Road between 127 and 135 Streets.

About the current Capital Line South Extension project

In September 2016, the federal government provided funding to support further development of the LRT Network plan by the City of Edmonton. As one of several City transit projects utilizing this funding, the City is now undertaking supplemental work on the Capital Line South LRT Extension. Updating of the Phase 1 preliminary design, from Century Park to Ellerslie Road, was initiated in June 2017, and is scheduled for completion at the end of 2018. Phase 2 Concept Design, from Ellerslie Road to 41 Avenue SW, has recently started and is scheduled for completion in 2019. No timeline or funding for Phase 1 or 2 construction have been confirmed.

The Phase 1 work has looked at the feasibility of adding a station adjacent to Twin Brooks and the potential for crossings to be raised or lowered, from street level, at Saddleback Road, and 9 and 12 Avenues on 111 Street. Integration of the stations and corridor treatment into the adjacent communities, with respect to aesthetics and materials, was also reviewed.
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Moving Ahead

There have been many opportunities for the public to provide input and feedback for Phase 1 of the Capital Line South LRT Extension.

Surveys – Two surveys were conducted; in the summer of 2017 and in the summer of 2018. A summary of both surveys’ results can be found on the project web page at www.edmonton.ca/capitalsw. These results were provided to City Council as part of the City Administration’s recommendations for potential changes to the Concept Plan.

Community Advisory Committee - A neighbourhood focussed community group was struck to build relationships and trust, promote engagement activities, share information, identify issues, opportunities and concerns, and see opportunities to minimize and mitigate impacts related to the updating of the Phase 1 preliminary design. Five meetings with the project team and this group have been held since November 2017, with representatives reporting back to their community leagues and groups.

Pop-Ups – A variety of pop-up dates and locations took place throughout the summer and early fall of 2017 and 2018. At the pop-ups, the public answered the survey questions under the guidance of the staff. Surveys completed at the pop-ups are included in the survey summary, outlined above.

Bulletin - A bulletin with extensive updated information about the Capital Line South LRT Extension was distributed to communities in proximity to the line in June 2018.

Public Meetings – The first public meeting was held on November 29, 2017. On September 18 and 20, 2018, additional meetings were held (same content each date) to respond to feedback received in 2017, and to provide new information. These meetings provided project updates, the opportunity for feedback and for questions to be answered by project staff. Input received at these meetings is shared back through a What We Heard Report, which is available on the the project website, edmonton.ca/capitalsw.

What’s Next?

Non-Statutory Public Hearing - The project team will present the Phase 1 updates/changes to the 2010 plans at a City Council Non-Statutory Public Hearing on January 22, 2019 (originally scheduled for November 6, 2018, but postponed by City Council). The public may register to speak at this meeting via edmonton.ca/meetings or calling the Office of City Clerk at 780-496-8178.

Phase 2 Concept Design - Phase 2 concept design has just commenced for the Capital Line South LRT Extension, from Ellerslie Road to 41 Avenue SW (the south city limit). This design will be considered in association with the Heritage Valley Neighbourhood Area Structure Plan 14.

For more Information about the Capital Line South Extension

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