

112 AVENUE ENHANCEMENTS

62 STREET TO 68 STREET

The 112 Avenue Enhancements project is part of a larger plan to reconstruct the roadway between 50 Street and 68 Street. The aim of this project is to develop a concept plan for the area between 62 Street and 68 Street, with a specific focus on the commercial area from 64 Street to 66 Street. The design may include the installation of aesthetic enhancements such as street furniture, decorative street lights and landscaping.

This work builds on key themes expressed during fall 2012 to spring 2013 public consultation, which included discussion around potential design elements that could be invested in the community during the reconstruction project. Local residents identified the target areas for this investment and expressed a desire to showcase the distinctiveness of the Bellevue and Highlands neighbourhoods.

Complete Streets

In May 2013, the City of Edmonton adopted a Complete Streets policy that represents a change in roadway design philosophy.

The 112 Avenue Reconstruction project has been selected as a Complete Streets pilot. The policy guidelines allow for greater flexibility in the design process. As a result, the project can address comments from the community such as adding boulevard space to provide more separation between vehicles and pedestrians, and adding boulevard trees, where possible.

Project Scope

The area under consideration is called “Public Realm” and is part of the road right-of-way, the area between the curb and the property line.

The public is being asked for input on options such as:

- Street furniture including benches, bicycle racks and sidewalk amenities
- Decorative street light styles
- Barriers, such as metal screens or bollards, between street furniture and the roadway
- Decorative neighbourhood signage, including historical signs and community message boards
- Enhanced landscaping



Metal barriers



Bollards



Benches

The project scope does not include:

- lane reconfigurations
- crosswalk or bus stop locations
- changes to speed limits

Project Background - 112 Avenue Reconstruction

The City of Edmonton is planning to reconstruct 112 Avenue between 50 and 68 Streets in 2014.

The reconstruction of the arterial road involves the complete replacement of the roadway, curbs, gutters, streetlights and sidewalks. Following public input and technical analysis, City Council voted in March 2013 to retain the four-lane configuration when reconstructing 112 Avenue.



Public Involvement Process

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Public input has been instrumental in defining design solutions that meet the needs of the community. When considering a potential lane reduction and developing a recommendation, the project team gathered input from key stakeholders, user groups and the general public through interviews, community workshops, open houses and a telephone poll that surveyed 900 people.

We heard the most important factors to consider included enhancing walkability and pedestrian safety along 112 Avenue, maintaining the lowest travel time, and reducing potential for neighbourhood shortcutting.

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Public involvement for the 112 Avenue Enhancement project includes stakeholder interviews and meetings with Highlands and Bellevue community league representatives and business owners or operators from the commercial area.

During the September 16, 2013 Open House, the project team is asking for feedback by filling out our survey available at the meeting and online at edmonton.ca/112avenue.

What's Next

Preliminary and detailed design work on 112 Avenue reconstruction is continuing with an information session slated for early 2014 in advance of construction. At that meeting, the project team will also report back on feedback gathered from the September 16, 2013 112 Avenue Enhancements Open House and through our online survey. Installation of the corridor enhancement will occur in tandem with the roadway reconstruction.

For More Information

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