



## Citizen Working Group - Zone "E" (Mill Woods)

### MINUTES

Meeting # 9	Location: Golf Course Maintenance Building Mill Woods Golf Course, 4540 - 50 Street
Date: October 2, 2018	Time: 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Members		Attendance
Leigh Makarewicz	North Millbourne Community League	✓
Mariah Samji	North Millbourne Community League	
Carol Guo	Mill Woods Town Centre	
Joan Kirillo	MCARFA	✓
Mitch Baxter	Leefield Community League	
Wil Tonowski	Leefield Community League (alternate)	
Dennis Emmerling	Woodvale Community League	✓
Al Aben	Woodvale Community League	
(Currently unassigned)	Lakewood Community League	
Michael Neuherz	Public at Large / Mill Woods Seniors Association	
Paul Conway	Public at Large	✓
Jack Stuempel	Community Relations Advisor (Facilitator)	✓

Guests		
Dean Heuman	TransEd LRT	✓
Ginny Kulak	Valley Line Southeast Communications Support	✓



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1.	Welcome and Introductions	Action by:
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Members introduced themselves, and Ginny Kulak was welcomed as part of the Valley Line Communications team, present to capture notes to form the minutes of the meeting.</li> </ul>	
2.	Confirmation of Agenda	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The agenda was confirmed.</li> </ul>	
3.	Previous meeting minutes	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The minutes of the previous meeting were accepted as circulated.</li> </ul>	
4.	Status of Action Items	
	<p>i. <u>Community league sign partnership opportunities (TransEd)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Progress update: The Woodvale Community League sign has been temporarily relocated. Efforts continue to resolve the matter of a permanent location. Jack reiterated that any communities not directly on the alignment need to continue working with their NRCs through the City of Edmonton in relation to community league signs.</li> </ul> <p>ii. <u>Business access signage (TransEd)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dean indicated that TransEd has worked to address access and visibility concerns among the businesses in the area of 28 Avenue.</li> </ul> <p>iii. <u>Site tour (TransEd/Jack)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A site tour took place on April 28, which was attended by several members of the Citizen Working Group.</li> </ul> <p>iv. <u>Residential parking program presentation (Jack)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Jack noted that at the last meeting, there was discussion of inviting Brian Murphy (CoE, Parking Services) to speak directly to the Community Leagues. However, group members indicated a preference to have Brian speak at a future CWG meeting. Jack will work to arrange this.</li> </ul> <p>v. <u>Supply TPSS drawings (TransEd)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dean brought renderings to the meeting, to illustrate the appearance and landscaping at traction power substations (TPSS). Building walls will be brown to reflect the colour theme for the area, and there will be space for public art, arranged with the Edmonton Arts Council. Landscaping will be designed in such a way that the art will be showcased and visible.</li> <li>Dean indicated that TransEd will be responsible for landscaping maintenance on the Valley Line alignment, and will confirm how much space on either side of the track is included in this envelope, particularly in the vicinity of the hill beside the Golf Course.</li> </ul>	<p>TransEd/ Jack</p> <p>Jack</p> <p>TransEd</p>



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	<p>vi. <u>Review lane markings (TransEd)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>At the last meeting, Kevin stated he would be talking to traffic coordinators to improve delineation on 28 Avenue. This item was covered under the project update (item 5 below).</li> </ul> <p>vii. <u>Clarify &amp; meet re pipeline work (TransEd)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Kevin (TransEd stakeholder relations) arranged a meeting at Mill Woods Golf Course with TransEd, Mill Woods Golf Course and the pipeline companies to share information around timelines. The pipeline companies indicated they should be finished in the area in the next couple of weeks, weather permitting.</li> </ul> <p>viii. <u>North-to-west left turn at 44 Ave (Jack)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>There had been a suggestion from the group that the City consider a protected north-to-west left-turn phase for the signal at 50 Street and 44 Avenue. Jack has shared the concern within the City but has not received conclusive guidance on the issue as of yet. He will continue to bring it forward.</li> </ul>	Jack
5.	<b>Project Update</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Jack provided photos of recent milestones (including the tunnel breakthrough, site tour, LRV arrival and first rail).</li> <li>Dean provided an update on behalf of TransEd: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>One of the first two spans poured for the Whitemud LRT Bridge did not meet TransEd’s standards, and it was destroyed and recycled. Replacement will occur in the near future. Traffic conditions in the area are expected to be better for next year.</li> <li>Crews are working to complete paving on 28 Avenue. Delineators will be moved in order to ensure proper lane markings are down.</li> <li>At the intersection of 28 avenue and 66 Street, track bed has been poured.</li> <li>The last of the pipeline work in the area of the Grey Nuns hospital is nearing completion. There is a possibility 31 Avenue can be opened to right-in, right-out traffic for the winter.</li> <li>The traffic “flip” at 38 Avenue should happen within a month-6 weeks.</li> <li>The LRV delivered this summer is at the Operations and Maintenance Facility (OMF). The OMF does not have its exterior cladding (will be an aluminum finish) yet.</li> <li>Track bed is being installed from Whitemud Drive to 51 Avenue. Testing (rail tests, LRV tests, first un-powered, then powered) will begin next spring. Final landscaping and the glass in the stops won’t be completed until the line is ready to open. Roads</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	



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	<p>should be “99% done” by Fall 2019 (signalized, lanes in final form).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ In the area of Davies Yard, elevated track spans should be going up within the next 4 weeks.</li> </ul>	
<b>6.</b>	<b>Round Table</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Appreciation was expressed to to TransEd for keeping Connors Road and the Bonnie Doon traffic circle open and usable during construction.</li> <li>● Group members consider the removal of the right turn lane on westbound 82 Avenue at 83 Street (to turn north onto 83 Street) to a problem. Dean advised that the turn lane will be reintroduced this Fall (2018).</li> <li>● Group members inquired whether overall, the project was on target to be operational in December 2020. Dean stated that TransEd’s updated construction schedule is currently with the City of Edmonton for approval. All parties are working toward the target date of December 2020.</li> <li>● A group member had heard there would be crossing arms at the intersections in Mill Woods. Dean clarified that is not the case; there will be no arms at crossings.</li> <li>● In response to an inquiry, Dean confirmed the LRT will run at the same speed as vehicle traffic.</li> <li>● Frustration was expressed with the process of relocating the Woodvale Community League sign, including the interim placement. There is a desire for better and more timely communication and follow-through with the members of the Citizen Working Group.</li> <li>● Concern was expressed over the adequacy of lane markings on the Whitemud, where lane drift is common. Group members also noted problems with the ramp onto 66 Street from the Whitemud, as it backs up, as a left turn cannot be made until the very end of it. Dean will investigate.</li> <li>● Group members asked when the Community Update brochure will be ready. Dean responded that it would probably be next week, and it will be electronic. Leigh requested 20 printed copies, which Dean will provide to her. (Post-meeting note: the Fall 2018 update brochure for this area is posted on TransEd’s website at <a href="http://transedlrt.ca/resources/community-updates-for-october-2018-whitemud-drive-to-mill-woods">http://transedlrt.ca/resources/community-updates-for-october-2018-whitemud-drive-to-mill-woods</a>.)</li> <li>● It was suggested TransEd plan to make a presentation to the Mill Woods Presidents’ Council when it is ready to roll out its safety program.</li> </ul>	<p>Dean</p> <p>Dean</p> <p>Dean</p>
<b>7.</b>	<b>Next meeting</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● The group agreed to target Tuesday, March 5, 2019 for the next meeting.</li> </ul>	

Notes by Ginny Kulak & Jack Stuempel