QUEEN ALEXANDRA NEIGHBOURHOOD

ENGAGE 106-76
PRE-CONSTRUCTION INFORMATION SESSION

WELCOME

Tuesday, April 4, 2017
Our Lady of Mount Carmel School (10524 76 Avenue)
6:00pm – 9:00pm
VISION

To transform 106 Street and 76 Avenue into walkable, bikeable, and livable public spaces that connect people. The Vision will be achieved when the four Engage 106-76 principles are met.

Note: the Vision and Principles for Engage 106-76 were co-created by the City of Edmonton and community representatives. It takes into account the Complete Streets Guidelines and "The Way We Move" Transportation Master Plan, and is consistent with the City's strategic direction for future transportation planning.

PRINCIPLES

Accommodate all users by:

- Recognizing the needs of all transportation types, including walking, biking, motor vehicles, and public transit.
- Giving transportation priority to the most vulnerable road user (example: child over adult, or pedestrian over cyclist).
- Designing the corridors as part of a larger network of roads, so that together the network gets all people where they need to go using their preferred mode of transportation.
- Serving as community bridges, connecting neighbours along, across and within the corridors.
- Functioning at the human scale, ensuring all road users feel safe in their choice of transportation.
- Act as showcase streets that celebrate the community’s beauty, history, commerce, residents. Encourage future quality infill redevelopment.
BACKGROUND

• Started as grassroots initiative in Queen Alexandra, QA Crossroads.
• Grew into Engage 106-76, which came to include Strathcona, Belgravia, McKernan, Allendale, Pleasantview, and Empire Park for more cohesive planning of the corridors as a whole.
• Opportunity to transform 106 Street and 76 Avenue into walkable, bikeable, and livable public spaces.
• Construction will begin in Queen Alexandra in 2017 as part of Neighbourhood Renewal, with anticipated completion of the entire corridor by 2020.

PILOT ENGAGEMENT

Goals:
• Empower people to make a positive difference.
• Create opportunities for collaboration between City and community members towards a common goal.
• Ensure all City staff working on the project are engaged participants who understand project goals and community context.

Expected Results
• Community partners have a better understanding of City processes.
• City staff have a greater understanding of community priorities and dynamics.
• Higher level of interest and participation in the project, because community partners can see how their contributions affect the outcome.
• Formation of new networks and relationships.
• A stronger and more resilient community.
• Design for 106 Street and 76 Avenue that achieves the project’s Vision and Principles.
CORRIDOR ENHANCEMENTS

- Roadway repaving/reconstruction.
- Replacement of sidewalks and streetlights.
- Protected bike lanes running on both sides of the corridors.
- Maintaining on-street parking wherever possible.
- Five raised crosswalks and a raised intersection (106 St & 76 Ave) to improve pedestrian safety and discourage speeding.
- Adding missing sidewalk links.
- Retain access to alleyways and private driveways.
- Additional traffic controls, road signs, and markings at key locations for improved operation and safety.
- Minimizing impacts to mature trees.

KEY MESSAGING

- A protected bike lane is physically separated from vehicle traffic, parked cars, and sidewalks to create a safe cycling environment and minimize conflicts between cyclists, pedestrians, and drivers.
- Once the protected bike lanes are constructed, parking along 106 Street and 76 Avenue will not be permitted for the majority of the corridor.
  - Parking bays have been strategically located along the corridor to allow for some parking, however, some trees will need to be removed or relocated.
  - The parking bay locations were decided based on tree health and size.
  - The intent is to retain as many trees along the corridor as possible to preserve the aesthetics of the area while still allowing for parking opportunities.
- The City is committed to providing year-round cycling facilities.
  - The City’s Snow and Ice Control Policy is currently being reviewed to address maintenance requirements for new cycling infrastructure across the City.
  - This project will be included in the review, as well as other priority cycling corridors such as 102 Avenue and 83 Avenue.
- The City is currently working on a public education plan to inform people how to cycle through the new bike facilities and will be presenting it later in the year.