Continuum of Public Involvement for the City of Edmonton

	THE INCREASING LEVEL OF PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT IN AND INFLUENCE ON DECISION MAKING						
	INFORMATION SHARING	CONSULTATION			ACTIVE PARTICIPATION		
PUBLIC Involvement Building Blocks	Sharing information to build awareness	Testing ideas or concepts to build knowledge	Collaborating to develop solutions to build commitment		Sharing decision making to build ownership	Delegating decision making to build responsibility	
THE PURPOSE OF THIS TYPE OF INVOLVEMENT IS:	To present information to the public about issues that may affect them	To provide information and receive feedback or comments	To involve stakeholders in the development of solutions		To partner with stakeholders in the development of recommendations	Stakeholders have the responsibility for making the decision	
	INFORMATION SHARING IS A KEY COMPONENT OF THE ENTIRE CONTINUUM						
THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE CITY	Information Provide complete, objective, reliable, timely and easy to find and understand information	Consultation Define goals and processes clearly state the purpose and limits of the exercise and the City's commitment for the use of the public input			Active Participation Provide time and flexibility to facilitate a dialogue between City representatives and the public and a defined process for integrating decisions into the process		

Examples of types of involvement processes are included in the Process Tools and Methods Section page 25