

NEIGHBOURHOOD DESCRIPTION

The Ozerna neighbourhood is located within the Edmonton North Area Structure Plan (ASP), also known as the Lake District, and defines the ASP's southeast corner. The neighbourhood is bounded by 167th Avenue to the north, 66th Street to the east, 153rd Avenue to the south and 73rd Street to the west. Ozerna is surrounded on all sides by other residential neighbourhoods.

Ozerna's physical design was based on the "neighbourhood unit concept," a neighbourhood design plan popularized in the 1950s to 1970s which features a central school and park site within walking distance of residents. In addition to Ozerna's central park site, a stormwater management lake and linear park that runs on top of the powerline right-of-way provide additional open spaces and pedestrian connections for neighbourhood residents. The neighbourhood concept also clearly separates arterial roads from the internal traffic network to minimize short-cutting through the neighbourhood.

Residential construction within Ozerna began in the 1980s and continued on well into the 2000s. Ozerna was planned to accommodate predominantly single-detached homes, and the majority of housing units within the neighbourhood are in this form. The neighbourhood does include some medium density residential components, including semi-detached homes, row-houses and low rise apartment buildings.

All neighbourhoods located within the Lake District are named after a body of water, or a term for water, in a language other than English. Ozerna is a Ukrainian word that means "lake area."