



EDC SUB-COMMITTEE MINUTES

Location: Hybrid (ET 03-340 / Google Meet)

Thursday, August 22, 2024

MEMBERS:

T. Ziola, Chair
J. Mills, Vice Chair
D. Brown
N. LaMontagne
J. Monfries

PRESENT:

T. Ziola, Chair

D. Brown

J. Monfries

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

P. Spearey, Urban Planning and Economy Department
A. Rowan, Urban Planning and Economy Department

A. CALL TO ORDER AND RELATED BUSINESS

A.1. CALL TO ORDER

T. Ziola called the meeting to order at p.m.

A.2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOTION: T.Ziola

Motion to adopt the September 26, 2024 Agenda

SECONDED: D. Brown

The motion passed unanimously.

A.3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

MOTION: J. Mills

Motion to adopt the August 22, 2024 meeting minutes

SECONDED: D. Brown

The motion passed unanimously.

A.4. REQUESTS TO SPEAK

None.

B. NEW BUSINESS

B.1. 2024-25 Work Plan - Engagement Update

- P. Spearey provided an update on the ongoing EDC engagement thus far, including the [spreadsheet](#) of Committee input and recommended actions.

B.2. 2024-25 Work Plan - Prioritizing Actions

- P. Spearey presented a [slide deck](#) outlining Administration's proposed approach to developing recommendations, highlighting four outstanding items that Administration requires further direction on: feedback/debriefs, informals/formals, EDC review of policy documents, and project exemptions.
- Feedback/Debriefs:
 - The Subcommittee discussed ways in which the Committee could see the end result of their comments (ie, how their comments influenced what was ultimately built).
 - D. Brown suggested auditing a few sample EDC projects to achieve this.
 - J. Monfries suggested a process where the applicant can show the Committee how their comments have been addressed after the formal presentation has taken place.
 - T. Ziola suggested that a debrief between the development planner and Committee take place after the Formal presentation.
- Informals/Formals:
 - The Subcommittee discussed potentially making informal presentations mandatory. There are concerns about Committee capacity, as well as how this would impact project timelines.

- P. Spearey suggested to the Subcommittee that making Informal presentations mandatory would require considerable engagement (with Industry as well as City of Edmonton stakeholders, potentially Council). If the Committee would like to pursue this, this item may need to be addressed in the 2025/26 Work Plan to ensure sufficient engagement. **Info.**
- Policy Documents:
 - D. Brown suggested that these Policy Documents be handled on a case by case basis. Unless there is a direct relationship between the Policy and EDC, we should not be seeing all of these documents.
- Exemptions:
 - P. Spearey informed the Committee that development planners have been receiving very high volumes of small scale residential housing (missing middle) projects.
 - The Subcommittee discussed that rowhouses should be generally exempted, except in certain cases of high impact.

C. OTHER BUSINESS

D. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 5:07p.m.

E. NEXT MEETING

Thursday, September 26, 2024 at 4:00 p.m. Hybrid (ET 03-340 / Google Meet)