

BUILDING GREAT NEIGHBOURHOODS

Pleasantview Neighbourhood Renewal Newsletter – January 2020

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Through the Building Great Neighbourhoods and Open Spaces Branch, the Neighbourhood Renewal program rehabilitates residential roads, replaces street lights, sidewalks, curbs, and gutters, and adds missing sidewalk links, where possible. Other opportunities to improve how people walk, bike and drive in the neighbourhood, and how they enjoy City-owned parks and open spaces are also explored.

This newsletter intends to keep you informed of the neighbourhood renewal in Pleasantview, and when and how you can join the conversation. Planning for the Pleasantview renewal is underway and we are working with you to create a draft neighbourhood design and determine what will be built.

How we engaged

Visioning survey

We launched Pleasantview's Neighbourhood Renewal with a public visioning survey during September and October 2019 to learn how you feel about your neighbourhood and how it functions.

In total, 155 surveys were completed.

Community Walk & Ideas Workshop

A Community Walk & Ideas Workshop was held on November 2, 2019 where we identified and explored areas and ideas for neighbourhood improvements.

This activity drew 46 Pleasantview residents.

Pleasantview Draft Design Phase Timeline

FALL 2019

Building a Project Vision Together

WINTER/SPRING 2020

Exploring Opportunities

SUMMER/FALL 2020

Exploring Options and Trade-Offs

WINTER 2020/SPRING 2021

Community Feedback on Draft Design

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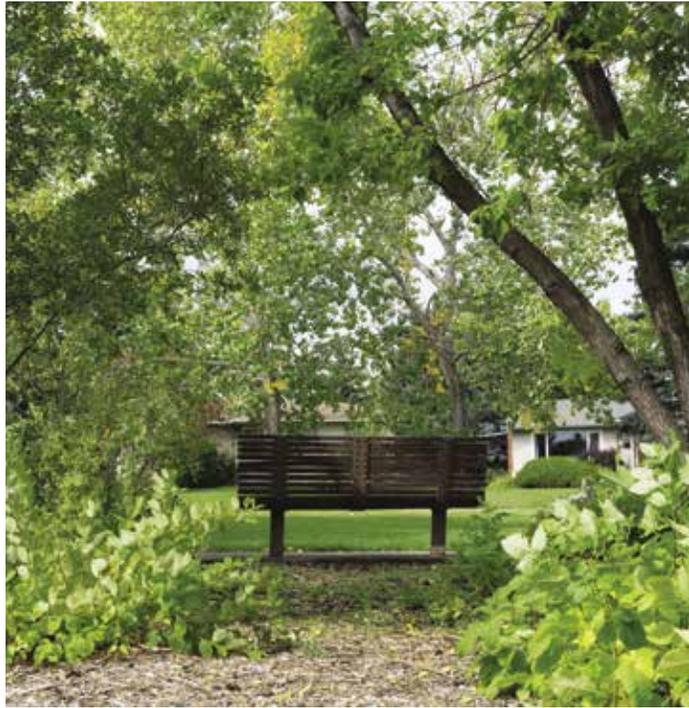


What we heard

The input you provided helps us understand concerns and issues related to current infrastructure and other areas within the neighbourhood, as well as your views, perspectives and desires for the future.

While all comments have been reviewed and considered, the following is a brief summary of what we heard most often:

- Pleasantview residents are generally satisfied with, enjoy and are proud of the neighbourhood, citing among other characteristics its central location and proximity to amenities, the community feeling, as well as its many mature trees, large lots and the variety of housing.
- Importance is placed on safety and walkability, trees and landscaping, and green and open spaces equipped with appropriate amenities for both gathering and playing.
- Specific areas are challenging when driving including 109 Street, 105 Street and 106 Street, around Mount Pleasant School (during drop-off and pickup times) as well as entering and exiting the neighbourhood.
- The safety of all users would benefit from changes to a few specific roadways and intersections to improve sightlines and minimize speeding and shortcutting.
- The pedestrian experience and safety could be enhanced with improved sidewalks, the addition of missing sidewalks and pedestrian links, better and increased lighting, and enhanced crossings.
- General improvements to parks and open spaces are desired, with increased and improved lighting, better accessibility and connections, and the addition of seating, play areas and other amenities.
- An off-leash dog park is desired.
- New bike connections and comfort improvements are desired to increase safety when biking and minimize conflicts with other road users.



Let's Talk Biking!

As part of the Bike Network, 106 Street is identified as an important north-south bike route, connecting Whitemud Drive to Saskatchewan Drive. The portion north of Pleasantview from 61 Avenue to Saskatchewan Drive has already been constructed through neighbourhood renewal.

Determining the bike facility type of the 106 Street route from 51 Avenue to 61 Avenue will take place as part of neighbourhood renewal. In addition to 106 Street, other connections will be explored.

Drop in and talk biking to help us determine how a bike lane will best fit along 106 Street, and identify missing connections in the neighbourhood.

Saturday, February 8, 2020

11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Mount Pleasant School
10541 60A Avenue NW

Tuesday, February 11, 2020

5:30 – 7:30 p.m.

Holy Spirit Lutheran Church
11223 51 Avenue NW

Exploring Opportunities

We are entering the *Exploring Opportunities* phase of renewal. During the first half of 2020, we will be working with you to build on the areas and ideas shared for improvement and enhancement, and explore opportunities that will shape the neighbourhood design.

Get involved

Save the date and watch for further details in your mailbox

We will ask you to **ADVISE** us by sharing your feedback and perspectives. Opportunities to provide feedback will also be available online.

Let's Talk Playing!

Pop in to our park pop-up to talk about playing and open spaces. How do you want to use these spaces and what improvements would you like to see? Consider lighting, amenities, furniture and the idea of a designated off-leash dog park.

Watch for more details.

Let's Talk Driving and Walking!

Stop by to talk driving and walking. Help us understand the current situation and what modifications are desired to improve traffic flow and the pedestrian experience.

Watch for more details.





Neighbourhood draft vision and guiding principles

Building a Project Vision Together

Input shared with our team over the past few months in person, in writing, and online has been used to **CREATE** a draft community vision and guiding principles which will be used to guide decision making as we develop the neighbourhood design. The guiding principles are ideas that inform how the vision should be applied to the neighbourhood design.

Please review the draft vision and principles below and provide your comments online at edmonton.ca/BuildingPleasantview by **March 31, 2020**.

Vision

Pleasantview is a welcoming, friendly neighbourhood with a diversity of residents who are proud to call it home. Pleasantview provides a safe experience for both residents and visitors who move in and through the neighbourhood using all methods of travel.

Pleasantview's neighbourhood design connects its residents and creates a strong sense of community by promoting walking and biking, and encourages gathering in safe, attractive and inviting public spaces.

Pleasantview's distinctive tree canopies and natural spaces add to the neighbourhood's charm and appeal.

Guiding principles



Create a safe and enjoyable experience for all who choose to walk.



Provide safe, user-friendly roadways and intersections that slow traffic and discourage shortcutting.



Provide connections to key destinations within and outside of the neighbourhood for those walking, biking and driving.



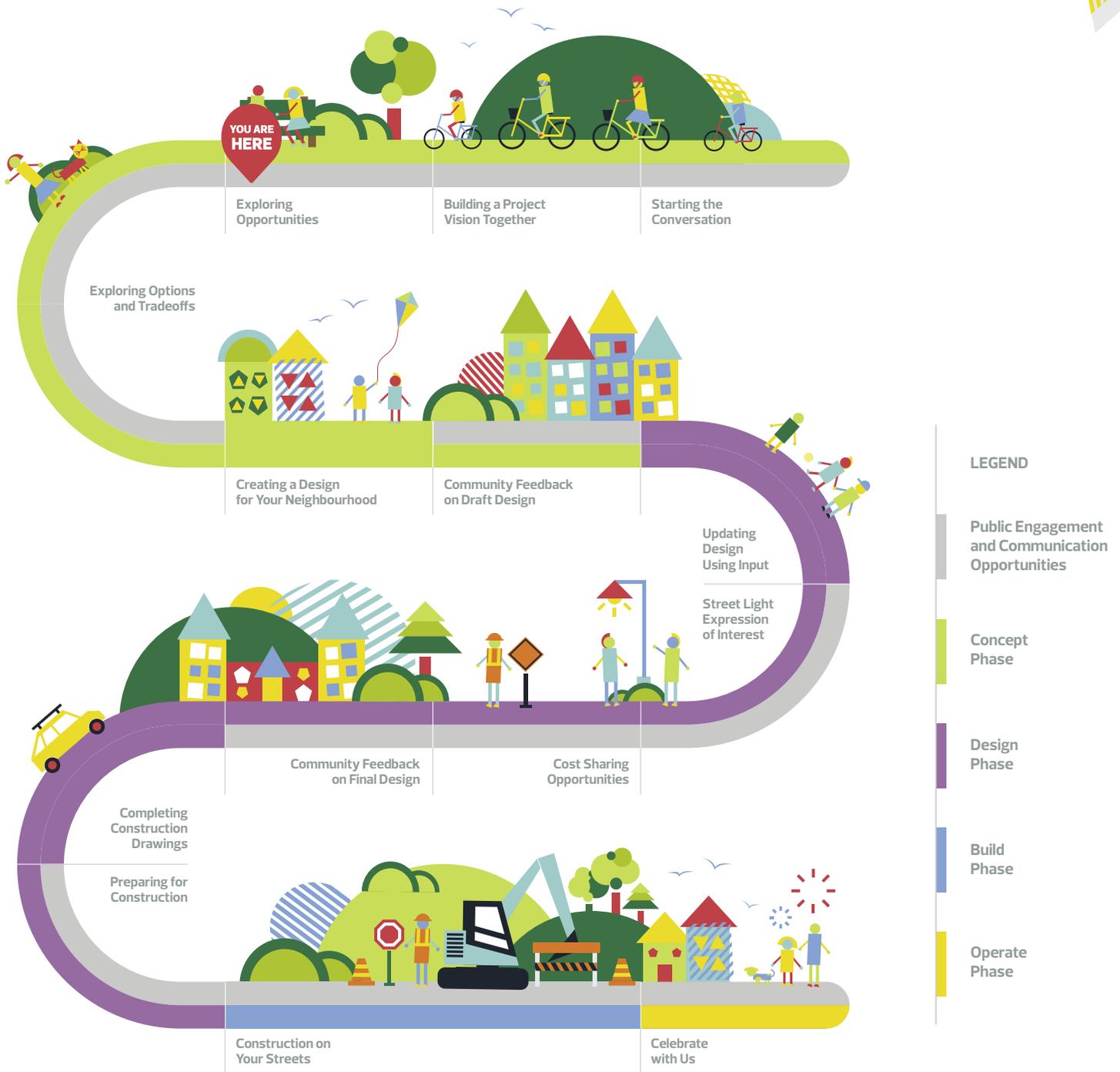
Encourage gathering and enhance the sense of community through improved open and green spaces.



Preserve and add to the neighbourhood's natural elements.



Play a part in Pleasantview's renewal



Local Improvement options during neighbourhood renewal

What is a Local Improvement?

A Local Improvement is a construction project undertaken near or next to residents' properties which is considered more beneficial to the property owner and local area than to the City as a whole. Local Improvements are part of the Neighbourhood Renewal discussions with you and your neighbours.

How is Neighbourhood Renewal paid for?

The Neighbourhood Renewal Program is paid for by a reserve fund that was built through a City-wide property tax dedicated to the program. However, two specific improvements—decorative street lights and sidewalk reconstruction—are cost-shared by the City and property owners in the neighbourhood, as they are considered a Local Improvement.

Decorative streetlight options

Through the Local Improvement process, the community will **DECIDE** on the kind of lighting that will be installed during renewal. Information about the process, styles and possible costs will be shared in the coming months.

Sidewalk reconstruction

A sidewalk reconstruction is initiated by the City as part of Neighbourhood Renewal. As a property owner, you will be able to **DECIDE** on whether you would like to proceed with sidewalk reconstruction or not. Information about cost-sharing with the City on sidewalk reconstruction and the process to provide your feedback will be shared in the coming months.

Stay informed

For more information, and to sign up for project updates, go to edmonton.ca/BuildingPleasantview.

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