



BUILDING GREAT NEIGHBOURHOODS

Grovenor Neighbourhood Meeting One with Community League Executive April 3, 2012 7:00 to 8:15 p.m.

Attending from the Community League

Erin Mirth, President
Linda Sorochan, Secretary
Vince, Director at Large
Earl Clements, Neighbourhood Watch
Kelly Armstrong, Grow Forward Grovenor

Attending from the City of Edmonton Building Great Neighbourhoods Team

Darryl Mullen, Active Transportation
Steve Aguiar, Transportation Operations
Cathy Dytiuk, Office of Great Neighbourhoods
Janice Scott, Drainage Services
Gail Gravelines, Communications
Jennifer Finnigan, CRC

The Building Great Neighbourhoods Team met with the Grovenor Community League to share the City's plans to renew and replace sanitary and storm sewers, reconstruct roads, curbs and sidewalks on City owned property and replace streetlights starting in 2013.

The City presentation included:

- An outline of the Building Great Neighbourhoods process and timing.
- A question to the league about any initiatives underway that could align or impact opportunities for any City Capital investment.
- The City listening to league suggestions for capital improvements that could be made during the construction process to improve pedestrian and cycling access and the livability or attractiveness of Grovenor.

- An overview of the Local Improvement Process and the choices property owners will make.
- A request for the Community League's help in advertising future Building Great Neighbourhood meetings.

The following provides an overview of the discussion:

Playground

City: We would like to know what projects you currently have underway in your neighbourhood.

League: We did our spray park last year and completing that in coming months. Will build a gazebo and barbecue over the next few weeks.

The League is currently investigating the process of upgrading our playground. Playground assessed as being in good condition (three to five years left) not urgent but will have to be done. We are in the process of forming a committee and beginning that process. The current playground is constructed of pressure treated wood.

City: There is a grant program that is targeted to playground development called the Neighbourhood Park Development Program. We encourage the Community League to work with their CRC to access the resources through this program. We would like to be informed as to the status of the Playground/Park development to ensure that there are no timing conflicts with construction in 2013/2014 and be aware of potential opportunities.



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Neighbourhood paths

League: What about fixing paths in the neighbourhood?

City: The City encourages the Community League if they are aware of paths in the area that they feel need to be addressed or missing to let us know.

Sidewalks

League: There are areas in the neighbourhood that haven't got a sidewalk: In front of the community league, for instance.

City: During a field review, an assessment will be done to see what options are available in this area due to ownership of land (School Board or City of Edmonton) and to mitigate any impact on trees.

These areas will be included in the preliminary design that will be presented at the all-resident meeting later at the next neighbourhood meeting.

Streets

League: The street in front of the school gets lots of traffic. Can it be made wider?

City: All roads are assessed in the neighbourhood and changes to the roads are based on current road standards. During the review, we will look at this road to see what changes can be made. These will be shown in the preliminary design that will be presented at the next neighbourhood wide meeting.

Pedestrian Lights

League: Are pedestrian lights in scope? Is the area across the road to the ravine part of this?

City: Work is currently underway to determine the scope of work for the Grovenor neighbourhood. This will be part of the information presented at the next neighbourhood wide meeting this fall.

Communications

League: Are you able to attend a Saturday May 5th event to share this information?

City: A public meeting will be held to share information to residents and property owners. We will follow up on this request to see what can be provided.

League: We can post information on the Grovenor Community League Website. We have a newsletter that goes out the beginning of May. We will send you the contact for the newsletter. We also have a Facebook account and would like City to provide a blurb for social media.

City: Thank-you, we will be in touch with you to follow up and provide you with additional information.

Next Steps:

The City of Edmonton will host a neighbourhood wide meeting where all residents and property owners are invited to review preliminary designs that show neighbourhood improvements.

The presentation shown at the Community League tonight will be posted on the website. As well as any handouts that were provided. Please visit: www.edmonton.ca/buildinggreatneighbourhoods