



BUILDING GREAT NEIGHBOURHOODS

North Glenora Neighbourhood Meeting One with Community League April 17, 2012 7:00 to 8:40p.m.

Attending from the Community League

- David Van Meter
- Bruce Jakeway
- Rob Henderson
- Ryan Young
- Donna Jackson
- Margaret French
- Steve Twigg
- Agnes Brennan
- Andrea Laurie
- Bill MacDonald
- Pearl Biggar
- Frank French
- Suzanne McAfee
- Dave Caskenette
- Guy Sopiwnyk
- Jeff Schurek
- Elizabeth Turner

Attending from the City of Edmonton

- 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 North Glenora 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 North Glenora.
- 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:

League: The City put in new curb in one location and it is cracked after one year. Who fixes this?
City: If the sidewalk doesn't form as we expect then we come back to fix it. There is a two year warranty on the sidewalks. City has improved the construction of sidewalks using a gravel base and more rebar that helps minimize cracking and extends the life of the sidewalks.

League: At what point did it become our responsibility to pay for city owned sidewalks?
City: This was a project that Council initiated in 1995 as there were no funds to address sidewalk reconstruction. It was successful and the 50/50 cost share was made policy in 1997. Since then 25 neighbourhoods have had their sidewalks reconstructed using this formula.

League: What if I have a corner lot?
City: Property owners pay the 50% cost of reconstructing the sidewalk on the short side of their property plus 15% of the costs of the long side of the sidewalk.



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League: How does a person know if someone is opposing the sidewalk reconstruction?

City: Each Property Owner will receive a local improvement notice outlining the costs and information on how to petition against the improvement. No action needs to be taken on the part of the property owner if they want their sidewalks constructed.

League: How do we take a vote?

City: Each property owner would fill in the package that is provided with their Local Improvement notice if they wanted to petition against sidewalk reconstruction.

League: How do we know this is going to happen this time?

City: This is part of a three year capital program. The contracts for construction are now done up to six years. In the past they were one year contract cycles and that sometimes caused planned reconstruction to stop.

League: What about speeding and shortcutting and oddly shaped intersections?

City: We will look at the areas you have identified and see what changes can be made that meets current design criteria.

City: Does North Glenora Community League have suggestions around pedestrian and cycling access, traffic access or opportunities to improve the livability of your neighbourhood?

League: Yes. Areas of concern include a missing sidewalk along 135 Street. There is a sidewalk by the church where there are concerns.

City: We would like to hear more about your suggestions; can the League send us an email that outlines suggestions and areas of concern?

League: Yes, the League will send an email to the address provided.

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/buildinggreateighbourhoods