What is Neighbourhood Renewal?

The Neighbourhood Renewal Program is part of the Building Great Neighbourhoods and Open Spaces Branch.

The program:

- Renews and rebuilds roads, sidewalks and street lights in mature neighbourhoods
- Neighbourhood Renewal is delivered in coordination with other City departments and projects in the area
- Through coordination we can also improve other elements including intersection safety, pedestrian and bike connections, and parks and green spaces
Calder Neighbourhood Renewal – What’s included?

Infrastructure upgrades:

+ Regrading and paving of local and collector roads*
+ Replacing sidewalks**
+ Replacing street lights
+ Constructing new sidewalks where missing

Other potential elements:

+ Implementing connections that help people move (walk, bike, drive, transit)
+ Making improvements to green spaces/parks (trees, furniture, beautification)
+ Mitigating neighbourhood traffic issues
+ Upgrading to decorative street lights**
+ Reviewing signal timing and crossings on main roads

*Necessary utility work is coordinated prior to Renewal construction
**Subject to local improvement outcome

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Calder Neighbourhood Renewal – What’s NOT included

Infrastructure upgrades:

+ Main roads
+ Alleys
+ Development/redevelopment on non City-owned land
+ Maintenance issues (snow clearing/lawn mowing/waste services)
  + Concerns will be forwarded to the appropriate City work area
Project phases

Definitions and engagement opportunities

**Concept**
A high-level plan for what could be built

**Design**
A new neighbourhood design that includes geometry for roads and sidewalks, as well as specific design elements such as materials

**Build**
Construction of the new neighbourhood design

**Operate**
Full function of the new neighbourhood design

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Concept Schedule

- Spring/Summer 2019: Visioning
- Fall 2019: Exploring Opportunities
- Winter 2020: Exploring Options and Trade-Offs
- Spring 2020: Draft Design

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How decisions are made

Public Engagement Input:
- **Refine** Neighbourhood Renewal vision and important elements
- **Advise** on neighbourhood assets, opportunities, and priorities
- **Refine** infrastructure options
- **Advise** on preliminary design
- **Decide** on sidewalk reconstruction improvement

City Policies and Programs:
- City’s Strategic Plans – The “Ways”
- Active Transportation Policy (Sidewalk Strategy: Bicycle Transportation Plan)
- Local Improvement Policy
- Breathe – Green Network Strategy
- Winter City Guidelines
- VisionZero
- Community Traffic Management Policy
- and more

Technical Requirements:
- Infrastructure Assessments
- Complete Streets Design and Construction Standards
- Universal Design
- Crime Prevention through Environmental Design
- Urban Design Framework
- and more

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Blue sky visioning

With the community, we have been busy dreaming up a vision for Calder tomorrow. Today we are working together to **CREATE** a vision for Calder’s tomorrow. This vision will guide the decision making for Calder Neighbourhood Renewal and community-led initiatives.
What we asked

**Calder today**

+ How do you see or experience your neighbourhood today?

**Calder tomorrow**

+ What about Calder today is important to **KEEP** the same for Calder tomorrow?
+ What about Calder today is important to **CHANGE** for Calder tomorrow?
+ What could we **ADD** or enhance in your neighbourhood to make it greater?

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How we asked

Throughout the month of May, we offered opportunities to provide input through the following methods:

- An online survey was available for the public to complete.
- Seven small group meetings were held with members and representatives from the following groups and organizations:
  - Al Rashid Mosque Youth Group
  - Northwest Edmonton Seniors Society
  - Calder School Parent Council
  - Grade 8 and 9 Career Studies classes at Rosslyn School
  - Brownie Group at Calder Community Hall
  - Indigenous Seniors Centre
- Two community pop-ups were held at the Lauderdale Off Leash Area, and near businesses along 127 Avenue and 129 Avenue.
- Visioning boards were placed at various locations around Calder for residents to provide comments.

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Show us where you live, work, and play in Calder
Calder today

How do you experience Calder today?

The word cloud below represents the key themes we heard across all engagement opportunities about Calder as it is seen or experienced today – the larger the text, the more the perspective was shared.
Calder tomorrow

What about Calder today would you like to KEEP the same?
Calder tomorrow

What about Calder today would you like to CHANGE?

Ice Rink  Outdated Parks and Amenities
Crime  Sidewalk Conditions  Infill
Theft  Infrastructure Conditions  Safety Concerns
Road Conditions  Maintenance Issues

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Calder tomorrow

What could we ADD in Calder to make it greater?
Seniors’ perspective

The word clouds below represent the key themes we heard through our conversations with seniors who live or move through Calder.

**Today**

- Infill
- Aging Parks
- Lack of Parking
- Diversity
- Transient Population
- Family Friendly
- Maintenance Issues
- Aging Infrastructure
- Lack of Bus Routes
- Rental Properties

**Tomorrow**

- Improved Lighting
- Walking Trails
- Curb Ramps
- Pathways
- Improved Sidewalks
- Bike Users
- Walkability
- Playground Only Spaces
- Improved Roads
- Amenities in Parks
- Improve Bus Service

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Youth perspective

The word clouds below represent the key themes we heard through our conversations with youth who live, play or move through Calder.

Today

Aging Infrastructure
Trees Speeding
Lack of Activities

Tomorrow

Kid Friendly Amenities
Community Garden
Improved Sightlines

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Parents’ perspective

The word clouds below represent the key themes we heard through our conversations with the parents of children who attend Calder elementary school.

Today

Tomorrow

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Calder vision statement

Building Great Neighbourhoods and Neighbourhood Services worked in collaboration with a group of community representatives to review the key themes from our engagement opportunities and drafted the following vision statement to represent those themes:

“Calder is a well maintained, diverse, historical rail community. Bright and happening for all ages and backgrounds, Calder is rich with natural beauty, heritage and community pride. It is a neighbourhood full of connections to services and amenities for all ages. Calder is unique in its historical significance and how together we live, work, play and gather. It has a small town feel within a big city.”
Calder guiding principles

The future of Calder will be grounded in a commitment to the following guiding principles:

1. **Greenery**: Features a natural beauty full of green spaces and tree lined streets.

2. **Accessibility and connections**: Provides freedom of movement through safe and accessible connections for all ages and abilities, whether they walk, bike, drive or take transit in the community.

3. **Historical pride**: Values and maintains its unique character stemming from its strong history, heritage, and community pride.

4. **Sense of community**: Prides itself on the neighbourhood's diversity and togetherness, fostered through friendliness of residents, public gathering spaces, public art, regular community programs, events and initiatives.

5. **Local amenities**: Offers a wide range of services and amenities for all ages, in and around the neighbourhood.

6. **Neighbourhood safety and attraction**: Feels safe and inviting with friendly people, active public spaces, cared for properties and well-lit parks and pathways.

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# Building a community vision together

## Vision statement

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Guiding principles

The following guiding principles are ideas which inform how the vision should be applied to the neighbourhood design and used to inform the choices for community-led initiatives. These principles are unique to your neighbourhood and:

+ Include important elements to be considered in your neighbourhood's design
+ Tell us the most important things to consider
  - when making design plans to renew your neighbourhood
  - when making decisions on community-led initiatives

Please work with us to further develop each of these guiding principles.
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Guiding principles

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Stay connected!

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Help us improve the way we communicate with you

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Any other communications channels you can recommend?
Help us make future engagement opportunities like this one better

How can we make it easier for you to participate in or attend public engagement opportunities?
What can we do with a community vision?

Once the community has created a vision for their future aspirations, residents can identify areas of interest they wish to pursue.

**Building Great Neighbourhoods:**

+ will work with residents to plan for infrastructure projects

**Neighbourhood Services:**

+ will support community-led initiatives that support social, recreational, and economic aspirations

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Next steps

The next phase of this project will be **Exploring Opportunities** which will include a public walk and workshop in September 2019 to explore opportunities for Neighbourhood Renewal.

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Community Engagement Advisory Group

We will be forming a Community Engagement Advisory Group (CEAG) to support public engagement throughout Calder’s Neighbourhood Renewal.

Members of the CEAG are recruited to reflect the diverse makeup of the community to ensure that the City uses strategies which reach the widespread community, and that people feel heard and know their input is valued.

To become a member of the CEAG, please contact Project Manager Laura Shewchuk at Laura.Shewchuk@edmonton.ca or 780-944-0728.