Building Great Neighbourhoods

In 2019, Alberta Avenue will see the replacement of its aging collector and local roadway surfaces, streetlights, and sidewalks as part of the City of Edmonton’s Neighbourhood Renewal program for mature neighbourhoods. Planning for this renewal has just begun. A new dedicated City branch, Building Great Neighbourhoods, will also explore the redevelopment of other City owned areas within the community, including green spaces and parks, and look for opportunities and funding to make desired upgrades and enhancements in coordination with the Neighbourhood Renewal program.

Get Involved!

This is your city and your neighbourhood. We want to understand how you experience your neighbourhood and ask for your input on what we might do to make it better. We will engage and work with you on the renewal of roads, sidewalks, streetlights, and park spaces, and promote other community opportunities to enhance how people live and interact in your neighbourhood. We commit to being open and transparent about how your input is used. Let’s make the most out of your neighbourhood.

How We Will Use Your Ideas

We will use the ideas from this event to help create plans for Alberta Avenue. We will share those plans in summer and fall and ask members of the public how we can make them better. To come up with the plans for Alberta Avenue, we look at three types of information:

- The rules and guidelines that we set for our organization (e.g. policy document)
- Design and construction rules (e.g. technical information, construction standards)
- Ideas from people like you (e.g. survey input, workshop input)

Timeline

The following timeline depicts the progress to date and the next steps in the renewal process including future public engagement opportunities.

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Future Public Engagement Opportunities

Find out more by going to: edmonton.ca/BuildingAlbertaAvenue or call 311
Vision Statement

How Did We Develop The Vision?

In February, we invited the community to participate in a Community Walk and Ideas Workshop to discuss opportunities for improving Alberta Avenue’s roads, sidewalks, curb and gutters, lights and outdoor public parks and green spaces. We asked the participants at this meeting to share ideas on their aspirations for Alberta Avenue. We used these ideas, coupled with our survey results, to develop a vision and a set of core values to consider in the neighbourhood renewal plans. The vision we heard from the community is defined as:

“
Neighbourhood renewal in Alberta Avenue will build a safe and accessible community, for all ages, abilities and incomes. We welcome everyone and will make it easy for people to walk, get to places in the neighbourhood, sit and get together to visit and play.”

Does the Vision Statement align with your aspirations for the Alberta Avenue community? What do you like about the vision? What can be changed? Use the post-it notes to leave your comments.
Core Values

The Core Values were developed based on the feedback from the Community Walk & Ideas Workshop. Please use stickers to indicate all the Core Values that are important to you.

1. Walking and barrier-free accessibility.
2. Having a sense of belonging and telling their own stories as a community.
3. Having viable options to walk, bike, and use transit.
4. Gatherings and festivals including Deep Freeze and Kaleido.
5. Being part of an inclusive and diverse community.
6. Keeping with the unique character of heritage homes and mature trees.
7. Encouraging positive opportunities and community-building.
8. Activities for all-ages, abilities and incomes.
9. Visiting amenities, shops, cafes and restaurants.
10. Making the most of parks and green spaces.
11. Celebrating the unique community identity and mix of cultural heritage.
12. Limiting harmful impacts from crime and improving safety at all times of day.

Do the core values align with the aspirations of the community? Have we missed anything? Should any be removed? Use the post-it notes to leave your comments.
Where Is Renewal Occurring?

Building Great Neighbourhoods will be undertaking construction in Alberta Avenue in 2019–2022, between 89 Street to 97 Street and 111 Avenue to 122 Avenue. The project does not include 118 Avenue, which recently underwent revitalization, as well as 95 Street south of 118 Avenue, which is defined as an arterial road and follows a different funding program. Please refer to the map below to view the roads within the scope of this project.
Funding for Neighbourhood Renewal

Cost Shared Elements

The Neighbourhood Renewal Program is paid through a combination of property taxes, provincial funding and cost-sharing with Alberta Avenue property owners for specific neighbourhood local improvements.

The cost shared elements are:

- Sidewalk renewal
- Decorative street lights

These cost shared local improvement opportunities need to be approved by 50%+1 of property owners.

Decisions will be made by property owners in later phases of this project.

Local Improvement Key Dates

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<td>City sends Expression of Interest (EOI) notices to registered property owners</td>
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<td>Deadline for property owners to submit signed EOI form</td>
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Learn more at: edmonton.ca/localimprovements

Decorative Street Lights

During the neighbourhood renewal the City covers the full cost to replace all street lights with standard galvanized steel poles, LED lights and street address blades. The community has the option to upgrade to decorative street lights, as a cost-sharing opportunity. The following options are available:

Pole Colour:

- Blue
- Black
- Dark Green

Decorative Arm:

- Newport
- Scroll
- Heritage

Pole Style:

- Octagonal
- Fluted
Next Steps

Thank You For Participating In Our Public Event!

The next steps for renewal in Alberta Avenue will include an analysis of the feedback gathered at this event and the Online Survey. We will then engage in a technical workshop with internal stakeholders to begin to transform the ideas for neighbourhood renewal into concepts. The concepts will be presented to community members at the next Public Event in June 2018. Over the summer, the Project Team will finalize the concepts and develop preliminary drawings to be presented to the public again in Fall. In early 2019, an information session will be held to inform residents about the construction plans. Soon after construction will commence, and will be staged throughout the neighbourhood until the Fall of 2022, at which point Alberta Avenue will have successfully completed the renewal process. The Project Team will also host a Wrap-Up Celebration at the end of the first construction season to thank everyone for their support and involvement. Please see below for all the future engagement events that you could attend in the future.

Future events include:

- June 2018 – Draft Concepts Public Event
- October 2018 – Preliminary Plan Public Event
- February 2019 – Pre-Construction Information Session
- Fall 2019 – Wrap-Up Celebration

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