

## Building Great Neighbourhoods

## **AVONMORE**







## We are here today to...

- Explain how the City is investing in improving your neighbourhood and how your neighbourhood will be improved to meet current City standards.
- Show you the preliminary road designs for your neighbourhood, including streetlight placement.
- Ask you to provide local knowledge in reviewing the design.
- Highlight the local improvement process and how it works.



## **Building Great Neighbourhoods**

Building Great Neighbourhoods is a City initiative that coordinates three infrastructure investment programs to renew and improve Edmonton neighbourhoods.

## Building Great Neighbourhoods

Drainage Neighbourhood Renewal Program Neighbourhood Renewal Program Great
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## In your neighbourhood

#### The City of Edmonton is:

- Renewing and replacing sewers.
- Co-ordinating utility repairs (EPCOR and ATCO).
- Reconstructing roads, curbs and sidewalks on City-owned property.
- Replacing streetlights.
- Working with residents to improve pedestrian and cycling accessibility.
- Adding to your neighbourhood's livability.

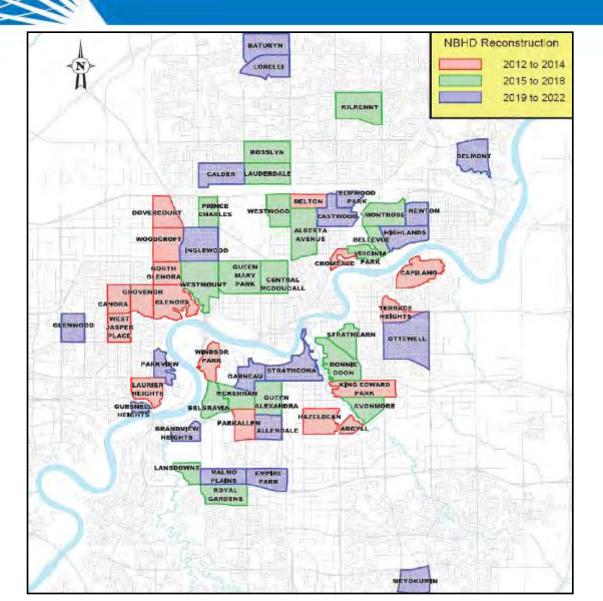


## A unique program

- BGN is a long-term, planned, integrated approach to improve and replace essential infrastructure in Edmonton's mature neighbourhoods.
- This advances several long-term City goals:
  - Improve Edmonton's livability.
  - Promote active transportation (walking and cycling).
  - Preserve and sustain the environment.



## Neighbourhood Reconstructions



2011-14: 17

2015-18: 20

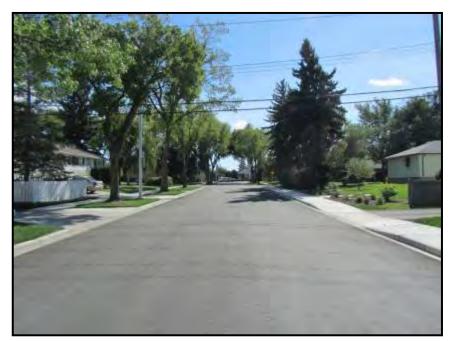
2019-22: 20

Total: 57



## Road Reconstruction



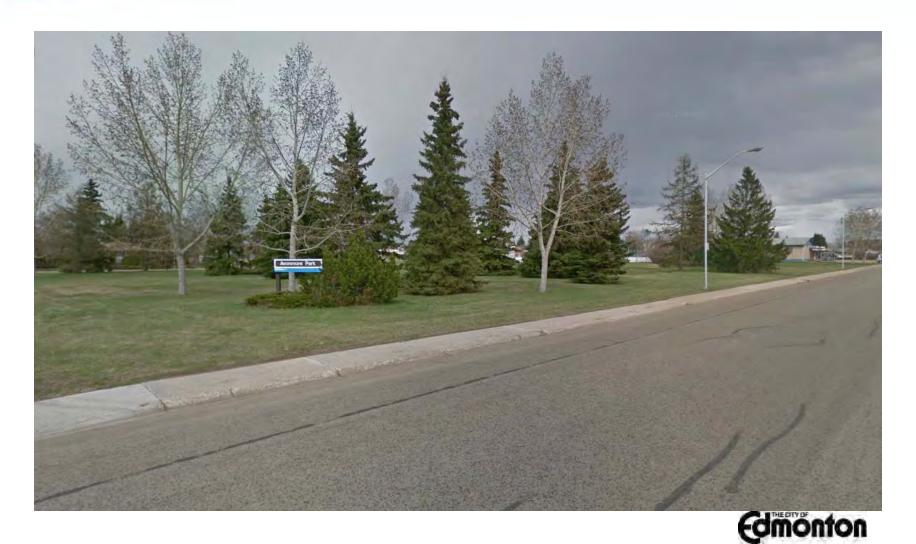


BEFORE AFTER





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## Meeting 1 - Concept with Community League



#### Discussion:

- Any community-led projects, initiatives or suggestions that could be opportunities for neighbourhood capital investments to improve livability.
- An overview of the Local Improvement process for sidewalks and decorative street lighting and the role of the Community League.
- Drainage has initiated the inspection and renewal of the sewer system.



## Meeting 2 (TODAY) - Design



#### Designs informed by:

- Conversation with the community league.
- Our walk through the neighbourhood.
- City design standards and policies.



#### Feedback



We ask that you look at these designs and use your knowledge of the neighbourhood to advise us if there are missing design elements such as:

- sidewalk links
- bicycle facilities
- traffic signs
- other suggestions to enhance livability

This will help us with our final design.



## Meeting 3 - construction plans & local improvement information



Following the design meeting, comments are incorporated if appropriate and the design is finalized. The final plan is presented to the community and the local improvement process is described in more detail.



# AVONMORE DRAINAGE NEIGHBOURHOOD RENEWAL



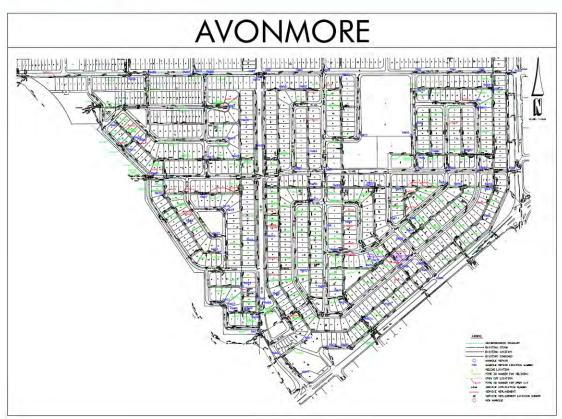
## Drainage Neighbourhood Renewal

Drainage Services has been in your neighbourhood renewing and replacing storm and sanitary sewers.

- Relining: involves 'cured in-place' pipe material, resulting in minimal disruption to pavement.
- Open cut: requires significant disruption to pavement.



## Drainage Neighbourhood Renewal



A map showing the locations of drainage work in your neighbourhood will be on display for you to look at following the presentation.



# AVONMORE NEIGHBOURHOOD RENEWAL PROGRAM



## Condition & Reconstruction Scope

- Age: 50+ years
- Pavement: poor condition
- Sidewalk: fair-poor condition
- Curb: very poor condition
- Surface works \$22 million (conceptual)
- Cost includes the replacement of pavement/sidewalks/curb and gutter, and upgrading streetlights in the entire neighbourhood
- does NOT include alleys or arterial roadways (75 St or Argyll Road)



75 AVENUE

## Design considerations

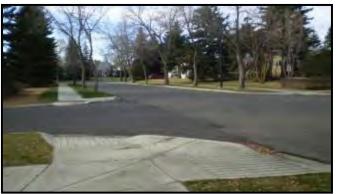
#### **Active Modes**

 Addressing accessibility issues by providing new sidewalk/trail connections

#### Intersections

 Adding curb ramps, improving curb radius, and improving the overall operation







## Design considerations

#### Road Width

 If necessary, roads will be resized to improve functionality

#### Curb Type

- Roll face curb
- Straight face curb







## Active transportation

#### Improve infrastructure

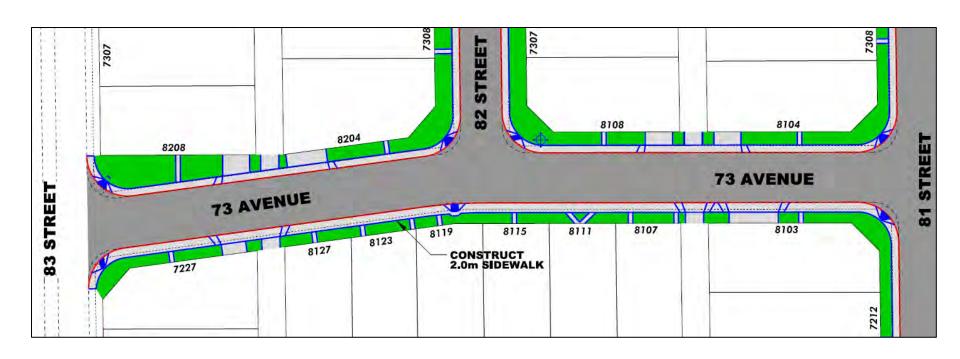
- Sidewalks: In residential neighbourhoods, ensure accessibility to all bus stops and provide a sidewalk on at least one side of the street.
- Bicycle routes: Review the Bicycle Transportation Plan to implement bike lanes, shareduse lanes and shared-use pathways where applicable.





## Active transportation

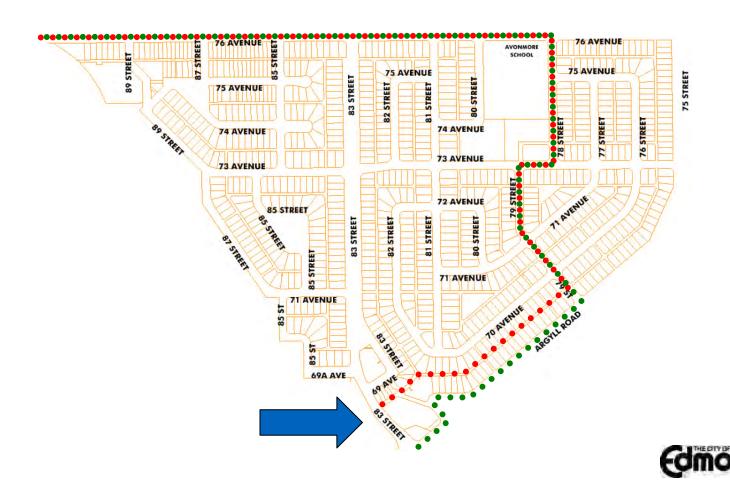
#### 73 Avenue sidewalk widening





## Active transportation

#### Bicycle route changes



## Intersection improvements

#### Curb return adjustments







## Road width changes

#### 79 Street widening





## Curb design

#### Straight face curb

- Collector roadways
- Bus routes
- School areas
- Park areas

#### Roll faced curb

Local roadways





## Curb design





## Streetlight design standards

Neighbourhood streetlight system

 Upgraded to energy efficient LED lighting, the new City standard for streetlights.



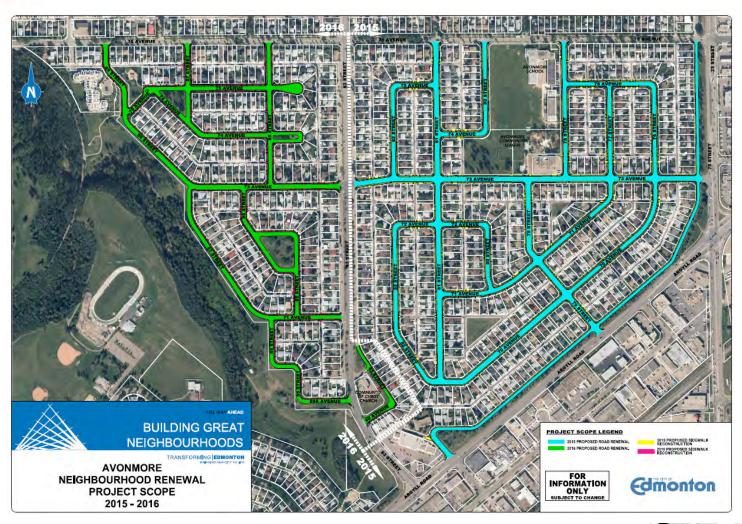


## Construction staging

- Staged over two years (2015-16)
- Ultimate staging dependant on weather conditions, coordination with utilities, and unforeseen design and construction issues.
- To create minimal disturbance for students, construction activities around the schools will be scheduled during the summer months.



## Construction staging





#### LOCAL IMPROVEMENTS



## Local improvements

Two types involved with neighbourhood reconstruction: <u>City initiated</u>

- City proposes improvement and advises property owners of improvement and projected costs.
  - e.g. Sidewalk reconstruction

#### Property owner requested

 Property owners propose improvement through an Expression of Interest (EOI) and gather support for it.
 e.g. Decorative streetlights



- City and property owner share costs (50/50) of sidewalk reconstruction adjacent to the owner's property.
- 2014 Residential Local Improvement rates are about \$198.28/m of lot frontage.



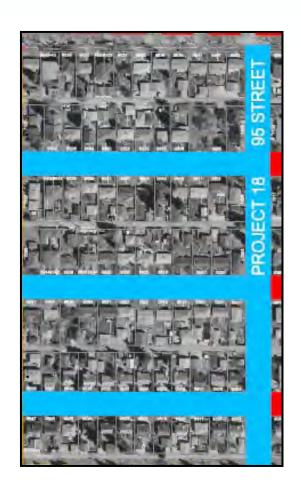


- A typical 15.24m (50 ft.) frontage would be:
  - \$3,021.79 one-time cash payment to the City.
  - \$235.31/year for 20 years amortized on your property taxes.





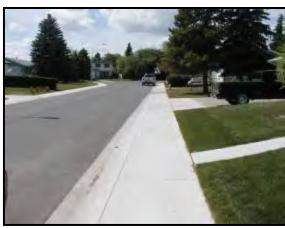
- Done by project area.
- Map of project area provided with Local Improvement Notice.
- If 51% of property owners in any given project area petition against the local improvement, it is defeated.





#### Sidewalk Reconstruction





#### Sidewalk Maintenance





## Decorative street lighting

#### Property owner requested local improvement:

- Type selected by <u>July 1, 2014</u>; otherwise standard LED streetlights only.
- City presents an Expression of Interest (E.O.I.) package to community on Sept 1, 2014.
- Signed petition to be received by City by Nov 15, 2014.
- Must have 51% support from the neighbourhood property owners to agree to pay the additional costs for decorative lighting beyond standard streetlights.





# AVONMORE GREAT NEIGHBOURHOODS CAPITAL PROGRAM



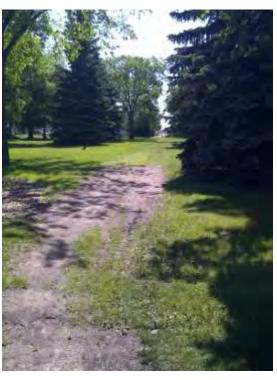
## Great Neighbourhoods Capital Program

This program makes improvements on City property in residential neighbourhoods. These investments:

- Focus on enhancing neighbourhood livability and community connectivity.
- Are unique to each neighbourhood.
- Are coordinated with work planned in the neighbourhood to maximize investments.



## Great Neighbourhoods Capital Program



Neighbourhood park in Fulton Place BEFORE



Neighbourhood park in Fulton Place AFTER



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As you are looking at the displays, we would like to hear your suggestions around pedestrian and cycling access, traffic access or opportunities to improve the livability of your neighbourhood.



## **NEXT STEPS**



## What to expect

- Local Improvement notices will be sent out early next year.
- Deadline to select a decorative lighting option and send request to the City is July 1, 2014.
- Drainage renewal work is currently underway.
- Road, curb and sidewalk construction starts in spring 2015.
- Anticipated completion date is fall 2016.





In early 2015 another public meeting will be held to inform you of:

- Final designs
- Construction and Local Improvement process

Residents will get information at their homes throughout the construction process about what is happening when and what is required of residents.



#### THANK YOU!

#### **OUESTIONS/MORE INFORMATION?**

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