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### Register for the February Building Blocks Session

Join us for the February session of the City's monthly Building Blocks information and discussion series.



**Date: Wednesday, February 23, 2022**

**Time: 12 p.m. to 1 p.m.**

**Location: Online via Google Meet**

[Register for free today!](#)

In the February session, Greg Clarahan, CEO of LiteZone Glass, will present on the advantages of LiteZone Insulating Glass Units and how they can be used in high-performance construction.

Building Blocks is a series put on by the City's Safety Codes, Permits and Inspections team to create a forum for learning, questions and discussions on high-performance buildings, Code changes, industry best practices and more.

Questions? Contact Justin Phill at [justin.phill@edmonton.ca](mailto:justin.phill@edmonton.ca)

### Expedited Infill Pilot: Register for the Expedited Infill Review Process

Were you one of the participants who completed the Infill Builder Education Program (IDEA Infill Certification Program) courses? Participants who successfully passed the Builder Education Program can now [apply for the expedited infill review process](#).

The expedited infill review process offers a 21 calendar day target timeline to issue a development permit for a single detached house with or without a secondary suite or a semi-detached house. Development Officers dedicated to this project will be available to process expedited applications and to help track application quality. [Read more.](#)



### Infill Data Explorer

The Infill Data Explorer is a one-stop platform to learn more about infill development in Edmonton. Try the interactive mapping tool to search for potential sites, or scroll through the information to learn how infill supports more sustainable city building. Find information like housing types, zoning description, total tax assessment, parcel lot area and nearby services and amenities. Try it for yourself at [Infill Data Explorer](#).

Did we miss something? Help us improve the Infill Data Explorer by providing comments through our [feedback form](#).



### New Edmonton Design Committee Standards and Procedures

The City of Edmonton is pleased to launch new standards and procedures for the Edmonton Design Committee (EDC). These new standards and procedures will come into effect on February 15, 2022, and be applied to submissions received on or after this date.

[View the new standards and procedures](#)

## Edmonton Economic Action Plan Grant

### Access City Funding to Support Your Economic Growth Projects

The City continues to support Edmonton businesses for longer-term diversification and/or resiliency efforts. Apply now for an Economic Action Plan Grant, which provides matching reimbursement of up to \$25,000 for projects and programs that support economic growth.

The City grant supports the implementation of the Economic Action Plan, which aims to lead Edmonton towards a more resilient, diverse and equitable local economy.

Visit [edmonton.ca/businessgrants](https://edmonton.ca/businessgrants) to apply today!



## Red Tape Reduction & Service Improvements

### Development and Construction Application Service Levels

The City will be making service levels available to the public for most development and construction service applications. Over the upcoming weeks, the City will be meeting with various development industry groups and associations to solicit feedback and insight prior to finalizing and releasing the service levels. [Read more.](#)

### Reminder: New Business Licence Bylaw

A new Business Licence Bylaw came into effect on January 17, 2022. The new bylaw provides clearer, more consistent regulations to help reduce barriers for businesses. It also allows the City to respond more quickly and decisively to new and emerging business types.

Some of the key changes and benefits for businesses include:

- One or two-year licence option with a discounted fee for choosing the two-year option
- Discounted fee for businesses that renew their licence on time
- Simplified fee schedule, where businesses with multiple categories will only be charged a single category fee
- New, updated licence categories with clearer descriptions and licensing requirements

For more information on the new bylaw, visit [edmonton.ca/BusinessLicenceBylawRenewal](https://edmonton.ca/BusinessLicenceBylawRenewal)



### Temporary Heating Permit Requirements

Questions from industry prompted a review and some revisions to the Temporary Heat document released in November. Changes have been made to permitting requirements, fuel sources and who can obtain this service. [Learn more here.](#)

### APEGA Authentication and Validation Update

In November 2020, APEGA enacted the Authenticating Professional Work Products practice standard, which addresses “standardization of authentication and validation formats to enable licensed professionals, permit holders, and the public to easily identify the authenticator and the validator, as well as the dates of authentication and validation.”

Substantive revisions have been made to this practice standard, which will provide further clarity on the requirements for validating professional work products. This revised practice standard is effective and enforceable as of January 1, 2022.

Professional members are reminded to follow the current guidelines presented in the [Authenticating Professional Work Products](#) practice standard when submitting permit applications. Going forward, the City will be monitoring submissions and may reject documentation if the standard is not followed correctly.

Check the [Alberta Municipal Affairs website](#) for updates to codes and standards and [sign-up to be notified](#) when new Standata or other information is posted.

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