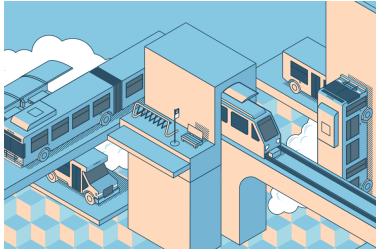




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Mass Transit for 1.25 Million People



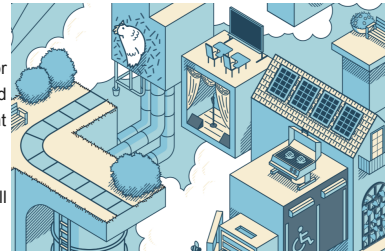
The City invites you to share your ideas on mass transit in Edmonton. Future mass transit will include transit-only lanes on major routes, fully separated lanes, and upgraded stations. Bus-based mass transit will take Edmontonians to the places LRT can't reach and is the most effective way to move large numbers of people through dense urban spaces. Find out more at edmonton.ca/masstransit.

District Planning Engagement

The City is asking for feedback on the draft [District General Policy \(DGP\)](#) through event pop-ups and an [online survey](#).

The DGP will help phase The City Plan's implementation. The City Plan presents a vision for Edmonton at 2 million people, but it will take decades for the city to reach that population. Rather than applying all The City Plan's changes now, the DGP considers current planning tools and strategies, and applies The City Plan policies that can gradually guide growth to the 1.25 million population horizon in a way that is in line with current development patterns and trends.

Edmontonians have until July 29 to take the online survey, but there will be other opportunities to provide feedback on the DGP August-October. A full schedule will be posted on edmonton.ca/districtplanning in the coming weeks. [Read more](#).



Commercial Clean Energy Improvement Program



The Commercial Clean Energy Improvement Program (CEIP) pilot launched June 7. CEIP provides access to low-cost financing to help commercial building owners in Edmonton make a minimum of three energy efficiency and renewable energy upgrades to their buildings. There is up to \$8.45 million available in financing and rebates which will fund an estimated 17 major upgrade projects. Upgrades financed by the Commercial CEIP are repaid through property taxes over a maximum 20-year period. Should a building be sold, the financing obligation transfers through the property taxes to the new owner.

The CEIP is designed to advance efforts to improve energy efficiency and on site generation as part of [Edmonton's Community Energy Transition Strategy and Action Plan](#). Building owners can find out more at myCEIP.ca/Edmonton-Commercial.

Building Blocks Sessions

Building Blocks is taking a break for July. Enjoy the summer weather and stay tuned for information on the August Building Blocks session in the next Building Edmonton Newsletter.



Red Tape Reduction & Service Improvements



Multi-Unit Housing Waste Storage Area Design and Access Guidelines

Development permit applications for multi-unit housing developments must consider how waste storage areas will enable safe, efficient waste collection. The City has put together high level [guidelines](#)

to help avoid some of the more common items that can lead to a need to redesign the waste storage and collection areas, causing permitting delays. On April 4, 2022, City Council approved a strategy to provide recycling and food scraps collection at all multi-unit properties, which will begin implementation in 2023 (see [item 6.9](#)). Follow up engagement will be conducted to inform new waste developer standards. Once complete, these new standards will replace the guidelines.

Reinspection improvements

We heard you! The City is working to improve the [Verification of Compliance \(VOC\) process](#). The instances where re-inspection can be done through VOC, where the applicant takes pictures of the corrected deficiencies and sends them electronically along with a declaration form, have been expanded. Upon completion of a site inspection, the Safety Codes Officer will determine if the follow-up can be completed using the VOC method. If this is an available option it will be noted on your inspection report and you will have the option to use this method through your online portal or 311 request. If the option is not viable it will not be offered to you at time of the inspection request. This is one way we've made the process streamlined, rather than doing another in-person inspection. [Learn more](#).

Safety Codes & Permit Updates



Remember to apply for Public Tree Permits!

Public Tree Permits are now available in [SelfServe](#)! Remember to apply for permits for any current or upcoming worksites within five metres of a [boulevard and open space tree](#) or within 10 metres of a [natural stand boundary](#).

If you're unsure when or where you need a permit or would like assistance putting together a Tree Protection or Preservation Plan, we're here to help. You can get started by watching some of our Public Tree Permit videos:

[Video: So you're working near City trees. What's next?](#)

[Video: Getting started on your Tree Protection Plan](#)

[Video: Public Tree Permit Information Session](#)

Worksites requiring permits must have an approved permit and tree protections in place by July 15. Application fees for both Tree Protection and Preservation Plans are free for 2022, with fees being implemented in 2023.

Visit edmonton.ca/TreePermit for more information and resources, including videos, templates and sample plans.

Plumbing in K to 12 Schools

Please remember that for K to 12 schools, mixing valves are required for all sinks that students have access to, including classroom sinks, food labs, etc.

2020 Natural Gas Code

Please note that as of July 15, 2022, the plumbing and gas safety codes team will be adopting and enforcing the 2020 version of the B149 gas code.

Career opportunities!

Have you signed up to the job alert list to receive notifications about career opportunities at the City of Edmonton? The Safety Codes section hires plans examiners, field inspectors, administration staff and project specialists to engage with the needs of our growing industry. To stay current log into the [City's job page](#) and create your job profile to receive real-time job alerts within your industry.

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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