

Citizen Working Groups - Zones F,G,H,I & J

MINUTES

Meeting # 11 (F&G; I&J)	Location: Virtual meeting (Google Meet)	
Meeting #10 (H)		
Date: November 15, 2021	Time: 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm	
Members		Attendance
Zone "F"		
Andrew Chau	First Capital Realty – Brewery District & Long Street	
Andrew MacIsaac	Downtown Edmonton Community League	
Cadence Bergman	Edmonton Chamber of Commerce	
Dan Young	City Market Downtown	
Derek Macdonald	Oliver Community League	
Haylie Thomlison	BentallGreenOak – Unity Square	
Jared Candlish	Oliver Community League	
Kajsa Duke	Public at Large	
Karen VanDerLaan	Queen Mary Park Community League	
Luwam Kiflemariam	124 Street Business Association	✓
Martyn Bell	Queen Mary Park Community League	
Puneeta McBryan	Edmonton Downtown Business Association	
Robert Summers	Westmount Community League	
Sarah Proudlock	124 Street Business Association	
Sarah Ricardo	Edmonton City Centre	
Thomas Oster	Public at Large	
Tony Nunes	Altus Group / BentallGreenOak – Unity Square	
Zone "G"		
Allan Bly	Grovenor Community League	✓
Barb Busse	Britannia Youngstown Community League	
Brandon Schatz	Stony Plain Road and Area Business Association	
Christine Lefebvre	Old Glenora Conservation Association	
Craig Werner	School sector - Glenora School Parent Advisory Council	✓
Currently unassigned	Glenora Community League	
Dinah Plamondon	Public at Large	✓
Peter Doell	West Jasper / Sherwood Community League	✓
Rod Matheson	Crestwood Community League	
Taylor Soroka	Jasper Place Wellness Centre	
Todd Janes	Stony Plain Road and Area Business Association	✓
Tony Lovell	Canora Community League	✓

Zone “H”		
Andrew Selwood	Meadowlark Community League	✓
Brent Dragon	Public at Large	✓
Byron Kwasnitza	Jasper Park Community League	✓
Jamie Post	Glenwood Community League	✓
Jane Duffy	Public at Large	
Josh Thompson	West Jasper / Sherwood Community League	
Sharon Beitel	Lynnwood Community League	

Zone “I”		
Andrea Kendall	Misericordia Hospital (AHS)	
Bill Mayou	Public at Large	
Christine Belter	Summerlea Community League	
Karen Merkel	Elmwood Community League	
Pam Winski	Public at Large	✓
Rusk Redmond	Summerlea Community League	
Sharon Quickfall	Thornclyff Community League	✓
Stephen Poole	West Meadowlark Community League	
Trevor Small	Misericordia Hospital (Covenant Health)	

Zone “J”		
Aaron Clark	Aldergrove Community League (alternate)	
Daniel Eggert	Melcor Developments (West Henday Promenade)	
Jasmine Allen	Belmead Community League	✓
Kelly Cromwell	Lewis Estates Community League	✓
Lorena Munteanu	Public at Large	
Mark Edey	Aldergrove Community League	✓
Maxime Belanger	Secord Community League	
Melvin Lacebal	Public at Large	
Paul Andrews	Rosenthal Community	✓
Rebecca Goldsack	Lewis Estates Community League	
Jack Stuempel	Community Relations Advisor (Facilitator)	✓

COE / MIP / Guests		
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Brad Baumle	Construction Manager, Marigold Infrastructure Partners	✓
Brad Smid	Project Director, Valley Line LRT	✓
Bruce Ferguson	Branch Manager, LRT Expansion & Renewal	
Danielle O’Brien	Communications Advisor, LRT Expansion & Renewal	✓
Deanna Kibap	Valley Line LRT Communications & Engagement	
Ginny Kulak	Valley Line LRT Communications Support	
Hazel Battad	Engineering Project Manager	✓
Jennifer Sheehan	Stakeholder Relations Lead, Marigold Infrastructure Partners	✓
Jeri Romaniuk	Marigold Infrastructure Partners	
Jodi Doesburg	Marigold Infrastructure Partners	

Kevin Pringle	Partnerships Manager, LRT Expansion & Renewal	✓
Michelle Ponich	Valley Line LRT Communications & Engagement	✓
Quinn Nicholson	Valley Line LRT Communications & Engagement	
Tim Wilson	Valley Line LRT Communications & Engagement	
Wade Wilson	Valley Line LRT Communications & Engagement	✓

1.	Welcome & introductions	Action by:
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meeting participants introduced themselves via the Google Chat function.. 	
2.	Confirmation of agenda	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The agenda was adopted as circulated. 	
3.	Previous minutes	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The previous minutes were adopted, with one amendment requested to reflect the ongoing interest of Glenora School representatives in traffic patterns around 136 Street and the outcome of the Network Operations “if this, then that” analysis directed by City Council. 	
4.	Status of action items	
	<p><u>From F&G</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Designate 127 Street / 105 Ave to access 124 Street NB Status of shortcutting study - These items were covered under the project update (below) <p><u>From I&J</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Speaker on Transit Oriented Development - This item remains deferred to a future date 	
5.	Project update	
5.1	<p><u>Provided by Kevin Pringle (City of Edmonton)</u></p> <p><u>City-led project activities</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Demolition: two buildings left to be removed Works at Fire Hall #2 almost complete Work has begun on realignment of approach to helipad at Misericordia Hospital WEM Temporary Transit Centre is operational The City has announced that Hyundai Rotem Company has been selected as the supplier of 40 light-rail vehicles (LRVs) Valley Line West recently won an award from the Canadian The City has won an award from the Council for Public-Private Partnerships for Valley Line West <p><u>Communications and Stakeholder Relations update</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Eva Cheung has returned as Partnerships Manager Business outreach almost complete 	

<p>5.2</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Recent efforts have focused on planning for 2022 ● Reminder to email LRTProjects@edmonton.ca or phone 780-496-4874 <p><u>Traffic and Shortcutting Concerns Update</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● City manager, deputy city manager for infrastructure, and branch manager have followed up addressing historical design concerns in specific communities. ● These concerns have been addressed and the design of the Valley Line West LRT is now fully confirmed. ● From now on, any traffic concerns related to communities should be brought to the attention of the City’s Vision Zero / Safe Mobility team which has been established to address such concerns and ensure safe mobility throughout the City: ● https://www.edmonton.ca/transportation/traffic_safety/get-involved-vision-zero <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Vision Zero School Kit (link) ○ Safe Speeds Toolkit (link) ○ Vision Zero Street Lab (link) ● There has been a meeting with the Glenora School Council that has included the Safe Mobility team, with the above information being shared. ● The Partnerships Manager and Marigold Infrastructure Partners (MIP) have met with the Glenora School Principal, and MIP has committed to work closely with the school. ● With respect to concerns near 124 Street, the Safe Mobility team should be contacted if there is any evidence of shortcutting. <p><u>Provided by Brad Baumle and Jennifer Sheehan (Marigold Infrastructure Partners)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● There was a brief review of MIP, its role and its commitment to a Good Neighbour philosophy aimed at reducing disruption and inconvenience through alternative planning and scheduling, mitigating noise and dust, and reducing impacts to traffic. ● The high-level schedule at this time includes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Emphasis on design and planning this year ○ Work has begun on the elevated guideway at West Edmonton Mall ○ Some work has occurred at Lewis Farms ○ Utility works are ongoing, and trees have been removed in areas where construction will be starting in the spring. ○ Roadwork will begin next season and continue in 2023. ○ Also in 2023, trackwork will begin, and the Stony Plain Road bridge over Groat Road will be shut down and replaced. ○ There will be major construction activity at the West Edmonton Mall and Misericordia stations in 2023. ○ In 2024, trackwork will continue, accompanied by power and systems work which will carry through 2025. 	
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Testing and commissioning will occur in 2026, including the tie-in with Valley Line Southeast. ● MIP uses a variety of means to keep the community informed, including their dedicated website, social media, emails to update subscribers, resident notifications and neighbourhood notices. ● For more information and to sign up, visit https://marigoldinfra.ca. ● MIP’s work to date in 2021 has included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Laydown areas/temporary offices <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ NW corner of 143 St. & Stony Plain Rd. ■ SW corner of 156 St. & 95 Ave. ■ SE corner of 156 St. & Stony Plain Rd. ○ Tree removals: September to end of November ○ Work on the LRV storage facility, stop and Park & Ride at Lewis Farms ○ West Edmonton Mall Transit Centre demolition ○ Drilling program (West Edmonton Mall) ○ Utility relocations ● Next steps include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Finalize detailed design ○ Prepare detailed construction schedule ○ Stakeholder communication (spring 2022 update) ○ Construction on Stony Plain Road between 156 Street and 139 Street is likely to begin in the spring <p><u>Questions/discussion from CWG members</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Clarification from MIP that the large laydown area south of the Anthony Henday belongs to MIP and will be there for the duration of the project 2. Request from Glenora School Council for MIP to present to parents at an upcoming school council meeting. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ ACTION: Jack to coordinate with Jenn from MIP to get back to the school council. 3. What can we do now to alleviate traffic concerns? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ ANSWER: Kevin Pringle reiterated that the Safe Mobility team is available to all citizens regardless of an LRT construction project or not. (see links above). Also, once the LRT is open, then signals and other issues can be addressed to modify and remediate - if there are problems. 4. Status of the traffic study emanating out of the Motion from Council. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ ANSWER: Once the LRT is complete, a comprehensive review of the entire alignment will occur. In meantime, further follow-up from the City Partnership team and Stakeholder Relations team to occur with Glenora School Council (Lead: Kevin Pringle) (COMPLETE and IN PROGRESS) 5. It was suggested MIP consider signage at locations where there are early signs of construction, such as laydown areas and tree removal areas, describing the activity accompanied by a website address and/or QR code and perhaps a rendering, where appropriate. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ ANSWER: There are plans for such signage, likely in the spring. 6. Kudos on MIP website, but should be kept updated for accuracy, e.g. with respect to timing of work. 	<p>Jack/MIP</p>
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	<p>7. There is a concern that the River Cree shuttle is continuing to stop at the ETS stop location opposite West Edmonton Mall which has been taken out of service for construction.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ ANSWER: MIP will add this to the list of non-ETS organizations being contacted to be advised that the stop is out of service. 	
6.	Round Table	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● There was discussion regarding the purpose and the future of the Citizen Working Groups, given that the Valley Line West design is complete with no further opportunity for revision. Points made during the discussion included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The Citizen Working Groups were established as being an opportunity for an interactive dialogue during the implementation of the LRT. ○ From the inception of the CWGs, it has been a fundamental principle that the City will not revisit past Council decisions such as alignment, concept plans and preliminary designs. ○ In the current construction phase, the dialogue can help identify and address construction-related concerns and opportunities. ○ It would be helpful to prepare questions for the City and MIP in advance of a CWG meeting to help ensure they can come equipped with responses. To this end, the City might solicit agenda requests ahead of time. ○ There has been value and success in being able to meet collectively to receive information, ask questions and have issues addressed. As long as all participants are doing their part, the groups are delivering value. ○ It would be reassuring to make note of examples where the dialogue has resulted in action or change. <p>The outcome of the discussion was general support for continuing the Citizen Working Group process.</p>	
7.	Next meeting	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● It was agreed that, for the next meeting, groups would be re-split into their previous meeting configurations. Members will be polled for available dates. 	

Notes by Wade Wilson and Jack Stuempel