

### Citizen Working Group - Zone "H" (156 Street)

#### MINUTES

Meeting # 8	Location: Google Meet
Date: April 29, 2021	Time: 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Members		Attendance
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Jamie Post	Glenwood Community League	
Byron Kwasnitza	Jasper Park Community League	✓
Brandon Beringer	Meadowlark Community League	
Sharon Beitel	Lynnwood Community League	✓
Dawne Colwell	West Jasper / Sherwood Community League	
Nafisa Bowen	Rio Terrace Community League	
Travis Mokoloski	FCR - Meadowlark Health & Shopping Centre	
Jodi Shpigel	FCR - Meadowlark Health & Shopping Centre	
Brent Dragon	Public at Large	✓
Jane Duffy	Public at Large	✓

Jack Stuempel	Community Relations Advisor (Facilitator)	✓
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Guests		
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Andrew Knack	Councillor, City of Edmonton	✓
Ginny Kulak	Valley Line Communications	✓
Kevin Pringle	Partnerships Manager, LRT Expansion & Renewal	✓
Mariam Ibrahim	Valley Line West Communications	✓
Danielle O'Brien	Valley Line West Communications	✓
Hazel Battad	Engineering Project Manager	✓
Jeri Romaniuk	Marigold Infrastructure Partners	✓
Jodi Doesburg	Marigold Infrastructure Partners	✓
Yonathan Sumamo	Marigold Infrastructure Partners	✓

Brad Baumle	Marigold Infrastructure Partners	✓
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1.	Welcome & introductions	Action by:
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Meeting participants introduced themselves.</li> </ul>	
2.	Confirmation of agenda	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The agenda was adopted as circulated.</li> </ul>	
3.	Previous minutes	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The minutes of the previous meeting were accepted as circulated.</li> </ul>	
4.	Status of action items (none)	
5.	Project Update & Discussion	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Kevin, the City’s Partnerships Manager for Valley Line West, began by recapping the project. Marigold Infrastructure Partners (MIP) has been selected to finish design, build and finance the Valley Line West. Proceeding with construction, there will be an emphasis on open, honest and early communication on project activities. Feedback and input from members of this group, as well as the wider communities, are appreciated.</li> <li>Construction activities for 2021 will include geotechnical boreholes, building removals, foundation work for elevated portions, sewer utility works and the start of early works around the Anthony Henday crossing. Related work on the temporary West Edmonton Mall transit centre on the mall’s overflow parking lot will begin soon. It is expected to be operational sometime this fall. Further information can be found here: <a href="https://www.edmonton.ca/documents/transit/VLW_WEM_FactSheet.pdf">https://www.edmonton.ca/documents/transit/VLW_WEM_FactSheet.pdf</a>.</li> <li>Brad, the construction manager for MIP, provided an overview of the design-build team, a partnership between Colas and Parsons (Standard General is a Colas company). He noted MIP’s commitment to being a good neighbor that will work to reduce disruptions as much as possible.</li> <li>It was noted that while the MIP corporate partners are international in their reach, the project will be employing as many local people as possible, and hire local companies wherever possible.</li> <li>The importance of trees along the alignment was also acknowledged, with it being emphasized that trees that need to be removed will be replaced. This replanting of trees is also an opportunity to diversify the urban canopy.</li> <li>A new edition of the Valley Line West booklet is being readied for publication.</li> <li>Councillor Knack reassured the group that the recent essential improvements at the existing West Edmonton Mall Transit Centre had been designed and implemented with the new LRT station in mind to avoid</li> </ul>	

	<p>throwaway costs when the new combined station/permanent transit centre is built in the same location for the Valley Line West LRT.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The project team recently issued a public survey to help determine how information about the project can be shared in effective ways. The email subscription list remains the primary source of communications. Social media and blogs will be used as well. Concerns/feedback can be sent to <a href="mailto:LRTprojects@edmonton.ca">LRTprojects@edmonton.ca</a>. Questions regarding current construction activities should be directed to MIP at <a href="mailto:public@marigoldinfra.ca">public@marigoldinfra.ca</a>.</li> <li>• The presentations at the meeting are attached to these minutes.</li> </ul>	
7.	Round Table	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• In response to a question why the contract for Valley Line West was not extended to the contractor for Valley Line Southeast, it was explained that going to the open market was considered the way to get the best value for money.</li> </ul>	
8.	Next meeting	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The group agreed that June 24, 2021 would be a reasonable target for the next meeting, to be held online.</li> </ul>	

Notes by Ginny Kulak and Jack Stuempel