

NEIGHBOURHOOD RENEWAL

Overlanders and Homesteader Neighbourhood Renewal
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Edmonton

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Community Feedback on Final Design

Tell us what you think

The City of Edmonton is ready to share the final design for new roads, sidewalks, active transportation improvements and enhanced gathering opportunities in City-owned parks and open spaces for the Overlanders and Homesteader neighbourhoods.

These designs **will be available starting November 20** for you to review and tell us what you think by December 11, 2024.

Construction is anticipated to start in 2025.

What is Neighbourhood Renewal?

Neighbourhood Renewal rehabilitates residential roads, replaces street lights, sidewalks, curbs and gutters and adds missing sidewalk links, where possible. Other opportunities to improve how people walk, bike, roll, drive and gather in the neighbourhood, and how they enjoy City-owned parks and open spaces, are also explored.

The project focuses on local roads and the scope of work does not include 50 Street, Victoria Trail, Hermitage Road and 40 Street.

Stay informed and engaged

From November 20 to December 11, you are invited to the **Community Feedback on Final Design** stage of engagement for Overlanders and Homesteader.

Meet the Project Team!

Drop-in community event
Tuesday, November 26 from
5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

St. Maria Goretti Catholic School
4214 127 Avenue NW

Learn more about the final design, ask questions and share your thoughts with the Project Team in person.



Complete the online survey

Tell us what you think about the proposed changes for Overlanders and Homesteader. The survey will be available online from November 20 to December 11.



Scan the QR code with the camera on your phone and click on the link



Community Feedback on Final Design

The **Community Feedback on Draft Design** stage of engagement was November 22 to December 13, 2023. The draft design was shared and community members were invited to provide feedback. For the [What We Heard report](#), please visit edmonton.ca/BuildingOverlandersHomesteader.

In our current stage, **Community Feedback on Final Design**, the Project Team has prepared the final design for Overlanders and Homesteader with considerations for walking, rolling, biking, driving and gathering spaces. You are invited to **ADVISE** the team on how the final design reflects the Vision and Guiding Principles for Overlanders and Homesteader Neighbourhood Renewal and the current and future needs of your community. Your feedback at this stage will help us understand concerns and issues as we prepare the designs for construction in Overlanders and Homesteader.

Want to see the project history and how the designs have progressed since the launch of the project? Visit edmonton.ca/BuildingOverlandersHomesteader.

Homesteader Park tree removals

Residents shared overwhelming support for widening existing sidewalks in Homesteader Park to accommodate new shared pathways during the **Community Feedback on Draft Design** stage of engagement.

As the Project Team continues to develop the final neighbourhood design, the City's forestry team determined some trees in Homesteader Park will need to be removed or pruned to accommodate the new shared pathways.

- + The trees are mainly located on the west perimeter of the park
- + Suitable tree species will be planted to offset any trees that are removed
- + A notification letter was sent to the community in April 2024
- + Trees identified for removal were marked with orange paint in spring 2024

Decorative street blades

The residents of Homesteader and Overlanders are in support of installing decorative street blades. This upgrade comes at no additional cost to property owners. A community committee has been formed to consult with the City of Edmonton on street blade options.

Once the decorative street blade options have been selected by the committee, there will be an opportunity for all community members to select their preferred option. Stay tuned for more information once voting opens in fall 2024.



Neighbourhood Renewal funding

The Neighbourhood Renewal Program outlines a cost-effective, long-term strategic approach to renew the mature neighbourhoods. The Neighbourhood Renewal Program is fully funded through a dedicated tax levy.

Local Improvements

A Local Improvement is a construction project undertaken near or next to residents' properties which is considered more beneficial to the local area than the city as a whole.

All property owners have the right to petition against any Local Improvement. The petition process is guided by the provincial Municipal Government Act as well as City policies and procedures. Information on the petition process will be delivered in early 2025.

Two cost-sharing Local Improvement opportunities are available through Neighbourhood Renewal: sidewalk reconstruction and decorative street lights. The residents of Overlanders and Homesteader did not express interest in pursuing decorative street lights. Standard galvanized steel street lights will be installed at no extra cost to property owners.

Sidewalk reconstruction Local Improvement

Sidewalk reconstruction is a City-initiated Local Improvement project done alongside Neighbourhood Renewal:

- + Property owners receive a Local Improvement package that contains information regarding the sidewalk Local Improvement, including the cost and petition information
- + Property owners will then have 30 days to petition against the sidewalk Local Improvement by completing and returning the package
- + All property owners are provided a map showing the sidewalk renewal project areas, which will be used for defining the area in which the Local Improvement applies
- + If 50 per cent, plus one, of property owners petition against the sidewalk reconstruction, the Local Improvement will be defeated and the sidewalk reconstruction team will undertake regular sidewalk maintenance to ensure they are safe
- + The cost of sidewalk Local Improvement is shared equally between the City and registered property owners

The Local Improvement package is expected by mail in January 2025. For more details, visit edmonton.ca/LocalImprovements and join the in-person event on November 26, 2024.



Other City projects in the area

Towards 40

Installations of adaptable measures, which include adaptable curb extensions and centre medians, pavement markings, signs and slip ramps, are currently underway on 40 Street and Hermitage Road.

The final design of these measures was developed based on feedback from public engagement that occurred in April 2024, as well as traffic data and technical considerations. The design aims to ensure safety and livability on the street year-round and will be accessible for all vehicles, including emergency and waste collection vehicles, as per the Complete Street Design and Construction Standards.

In spring 2025, people who travel along 40 Street and Hermitage Road will have the opportunity to share their lived experience with the new adaptable traffic safety measures during the Evaluation phase. For the full project history, final design and What We Decided report, visit edmonton.ca/Towards40Projects.

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