

## **Dear Neighbour**

We are writing to share an update about a City-owned property at 11049 and 11053 – 83 Avenue. As you may recall, the City purchased the property in 2020 with the intent of developing supportive housing. Council approved a rezoning application from RA9 to RA8 on July 6, 2021 and the site was listed for sale below-market that fall. Though we did not receive any suitable proposals at that time, we are now able to move ahead with the original vision.



Supportive housing is a home just like any other. It's a place for people to feel safe, supported and part of a community. It is a type of affordable housing that offers below-market rents as well as 24/7 wraparound support. Residents sign a lease and pay rent, while also receiving financial help, support with life skills, and support services for health and wellness. To learn more about supportive housing, visit edmonton.ca/WelcomeHomes.

The City is proposing to use funds from its affordable housing budget, along with funding from the Government of Alberta, to construct an apartment building with 34 units. Once complete, the building will be transferred to Homeward Trust, a non-profit organization dedicated to ending homelessness. Homeward Trust will act as property manager and hire a social service provider to run the supportive housing program.

Executive Committee will review this proposal on April 10, 2024 and City Council will make a decision on April 23, 2024. These dates are subject to change. Please visit edmonton.ca/meetings to review the meeting agenda and find information on how to participate.

We recognize that changes in a neighbourhood can generate a lot of questions. The City will continue to share information with community groups and neighbours throughout the development process. You can find more information about the project, how the City helps create affordable and supportive housing, and sign up to receive mailing list updates at edmonton.ca/HousingDevelopments.

