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Ottewell Neighbourhood Renewal Newsletter - December 2021

Draft Design for Ottewell

Since planning began for Ottewell's Neighbourhood Renewal in 2020, our Project Team has been busy gathering local knowledge, understanding technical constraints and opportunities and working toward developing a Draft Design for the neighbourhood that we are ready to share with you.

The Draft Design for Ottewell's Neighbourhood Renewal has been strategically prepared with considerations for walking, biking, rolling, driving and playing to provide the best neighbourhood experience for all users. As a neighbourhood works as a system, a decision made in one area may impact another element of the design.

Inside this newsletter you will find highlights of what is being proposed in Ottewell. Online, you will find additional information with maps and design illustrations, and the opportunity to provide feedback through our survey.

We encourage you to stay engaged!

The Ottewell Neighbourhood Renewal Project Team is continuing to work on your neighbourhood design, with construction scheduled to start in 2023.

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Stay engaged and informed

Please visit us online at edmonton.ca/**BuildingOttewell** for the following information and engagement opportunities:

Draft Designs

Draft designs for the Ottewell Neighbourhood Renewal are available to view online at edmonton.ca/BuildingOttewell

Share Your Feedback – Online Surveys

Online until January 7, 2022

Tell us what you think about the proposed changes in your neighbourhood. There are two surveys: one on roads and one for the parks and open spaces. Visit us at edmonton.ca/**BuildingOttewell.**

Ottewell Neighbourhood Renewal Project Timeline

FALL 2020 Starting the Conversation

WINTER 2020 Building a Project Vision, Exploring Opportunities

SPRING/SUMMER 2021 Exploring Options and Tradeoffs

WE ARE

WINTER 2021/2022 Community Feedback on Draft Design

SPRING 2022 Community Feedback on Final Design

How decisions are made

City policies and programs such as the Complete Streets Design and Construction Standards, Vision Zero Edmonton and Winter City Strategy provide the overall direction for Neighbourhood Renewal designs. As each neighbourhood is unique, the Project Team asks for input from residents who live, work and play in the neighbourhood.

Thank you to everyone who participated in the public engagement opportunities to date and contributed knowledge and experiences to help shape the future of Ottewell.

How designs are developed

Decisions about how neighbourhood designs are developed are based on public input, technical requirements and City policies and programs. There are several factors such as the presence of underground utilities, sightlines and safety, that impact draft designs.



What's in the Draft Design

Main and Local Roads

Main Roads

- 94B Avenue
- Ottewell Road
- 57 Street / 58 Street
- 92 Avenue
- 92A Avenue
- 93A Avenue

Local Roads and Service Roads

Intersection Improvements

Draft Design Highlights

- + Parking on both sides of the street, except as noted in the draft design plans
- + Replace/widen sidewalk on one side of the street
- + Replace the sidewalk with a shared-use path on opposite side of the street
- + Boulevards with trees where possible
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Draft Design Highlights

- + Replace/widen the sidewalks
- + Boulevards with trees in select locations
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Draft Design Highlights

- + New curb bulbs and pavement markings
- + Raised intersections near schools
- Ottewell Road at Clara Tyner School
 58 Street at St. Brendan School

94B Avenue and Ottewell Road

94B Avenue and 57/58 Street
Austin O'Brien Road and 95 Avenue

Parks and Open Spaces

Pocket Parks	 Draft Design Highlights New or upgraded sidewalks Additional furnishings, such as waste receptacles, benches and picnic tables New tree and shrub plantings
Fulton Ravine Park	 Draft Design Highlights New fenced off-leash dog park New sidewalk through the open space Additional furnishings, such as waste receptacles and benches
Ottewell Park	 Draft Design Highlights + New shared-use path + Localized community gathering area + Additional furnishings, such as waste receptacles and benches
Open space behind Waldorf School	 Draft Design Highlights + New sidewalk through the open space + Maintain existing soccer field and ball diamond

Public Spaces

Pedestrian	
Friendly Alley	
Connection to	
Ottewell Plaza	

Draft Design Highlights

+ New sidewalk providing a connection to Ottewell Plaza

Draft Design Highlights

- Breezeways andDraiPedestrian-+Friendly Alleysr
 - New sidewalks to address missing or incomplete links for people walking
- Community Benches

Draft Design Highlights

 Benches and other amenities located within the public right-of-way





Local Improvement decisions: Property owner cost sharing opportunities

Sidewalk reconstruction and decorative street lights are Local Improvements that are cost-shared by the City and property owners in the neighbourhood.

Sidewalks

Replacement sidewalks are sidewalks that are reconstructed to replace aging sidewalks. These are a cost-shared improvement. This means property owners are responsible for 50 per cent of the cost and the City pays the other 50 per cent. Property owners therefore have the opportunity to decide if new sidewalks are installed or not, and may petition against this Local Improvement guided by the provincial Municipal Government Act, as well as City policies and procedures. New sidewalks that are installed where they don't currently exist are 100 per cent paid for by the City. There is no additional cost to property owners.

Decorative street lighting local improvement process

Standard street lights will be replaced as part of the Neighbourhood Renewal process. However, property owners have the opportunity to upgrade to their community's choice of decorative street lights through a community-initiated Local Improvement process.

As property owners pay the difference to upgrade from standard to decorative lights, community support must be demonstrated for a decorative option through an Expression of Interest (EOI).

In the summer of 2022, the City will send out an EOI package containing estimated costs, asking registered property owners to indicate whether or not they support the local improvement and to return the EOI to the City during the fall of 2022 (exact date will be determined next year).

For more information on the process, visit edmonton.ca/**BuildingOttewell.**

The cost of decorative lights depends on the lighting option selected, the borrowing finance rate, the number of lights and the number of property owners sharing the expense. The exact cost for the local improvement would be included on your tax notice the year following the decorative street light installation.

Decorative Street Lighting Options







Next Steps

Community Feedback on Final Design

Feedback received during this phase of engagement will be considered to refine the draft design. In spring 2022 you will be invited to share your perspectives on a final design. Construction is scheduled to begin in spring 2023.

For more information:

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