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Register for the City's November Building Blocks Session

Join us for the November session of the City's monthly Building Blocks information and discussion series.



Date: November 24, 2020

Time: 12:00 noon to 1:00 pm

Location: Online webinar via Google Meet

Register for free today!

In the November session we will discuss heat recovery ventilators and how to best implement them in high performance buildings.

Questions? Contact Justin Phill, Senior Engineer for Green Building and Energy Code on the City's Safety Codes, Permits and Inspections team, at justin.phill@edmonton.ca.

Zoning Bylaw Renewal Final Discussion Papers and Technology and Implementation

Discussion Papers:

After months of research, writing and editing, the Zoning Bylaw team has completed the final four Zoning Bylaw Renewal Initiative discussion papers.

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Feedback is being accepted through the [Engaged Edmonton online platform](#) until November 13, 2020.

Technology and Implementation

While the discussion papers have been front and centre for the public, lots of work on the Technology and Implementation projects has been taking place behind the scenes. To do this, we are conducting customer interviews and completing an internal impact assessment to better understand what City processes will be impacted due to the Zoning Bylaw Renewal Initiative.

[Learn more about the discussion papers and the implementation.](#)



Register for the Expedited Infill Builder Education Program

The third round of Expedited Infill Builder Education Program courses is being offered from November 18 to 24, 2020. For more information on the program or to register, please visit infillemontion.com/program.

[Learn more.](#)

Permit & Safety Codes Updates



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In an effort to remove barriers for business owners and provide developers with financial flexibility, the City is now accepting development bonds for all existing servicing agreements. [Learn more.](#)

Home Improvement Electrical and Mechanical Permits Now Available Online

The City has expanded its online permit services to support electrical, plumbing, gas, and HVAC permits with home improvement permit projects. [Learn more.](#)

Sign Permits Now Available Online

The City has launched new online services for permanent sign permit projects. This includes projects for fascia, freestanding, digital, projecting, and roof signs. [Learn more.](#)

HVAC and Gas Permit Changes to Support Remote Video Inspection

With the transition to video-based inspections, changes to permit application requirements are being made to support efficient review and inspection of furnace replacements, basement developments, and new gas appliances. Documentation for heating and ventilation and gas permits that was previously collected at the time of physical inspection is now required to be provided by the applicant at time of permit application. [Learn more.](#)

New Residential Utility Service Installation Guide

To enhance customer service and ensure safe and quality installations of utility services, the City has collaborated with CHBA, ATCO, EPCOR, the Inspections Group and Edmonton-based Underground Contractors to produce a standardized installation guide. These new guidelines will come into effect on January 1, 2021 but contractors may begin using them immediately. [View the guide.](#)

Lot Grading Refund Changes

As of December 1, 2020, the following administrative fees will be applied to lot grading fee refunds.

- Where a decision has been made on a Lot Grading Plan, refunds of the lot grading fee will not be granted.
- Where a Lot Grading Plan has been processed, 20% of the lot grading fee will be retained for administration costs;
- Where a Lot Grading Plan has not been processed, a full refund of the lot grading fee will be granted

This change recognizes the services provided by the City and aligns with other fee refund practices.

Questions? Contact the Lot Grading Team at lot.grading@edmonton.ca.

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