



**LET'S TALK** about how to create a safe, visually appealing streetscape. **LET'S RETHINK** sidewalks, landscaping and parking. **LET'S REVITALIZE** for all users to enjoy.

# We want to hear your vision for a future 109 Street.





Kick-off Open House 4:30 – 8:00pm

Presentations: 5:00 and 6:30pm

Workshop and informal discussion between and after presentations



### WELCOME

## Let's Envision a Future for 109 Street...

### Tonight you can:

- Learn about the 109 Street Streetscape Concept Design project and process
- Ask questions of the City and design team
- Provide your views and comments to help ensure the streetscape design reflects the community vision





- route linking downtown and southcentral Edmonton.
- bisects the Garneau neighbouhood and borders five other established communities - Queen Alexandra, McKernan, Parkallen, Allendale, and Pleasantview.
- is primarily a north-south connector for vehicles, pedestrians and cyclists and also acts as an east-west connector between neighbourhoods, schools and commercial establishments.
- has two distinct character areas, with north of Whyte Avenue predominantly commercial and a developing urbanized area, and south of Whyte Avenue mainly residential interspersed with pockets of commercial activity.



### **109 STREET OVERVIEW**



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### **PROJECT AREA**

### SURROUNDING COMMUNITIES



### PROJECT OBJECTIVE

To involve the public and stakeholders in the development of short and long-term streetscape concept designs that will improve the look, function and feel of 109 Street between the High Level Bridge and 61 Avenue.

The 109 Street Corridor Area Redevelopment Plan (2013) will be used as the foundation for this project.

The designs will address the needs of drivers, cyclists, pedestrians and transit riders who use the 109 Street area and will consider opportunities to enhance accessibility, safety, furnishings, signage, surface treatments, public art, lighting, public spaces and more.

### **PROJECT OUTCOMES**

Two streetscape concept design options will be developed:

- Short term off-street improvements improvements to the public realm that do not involve reconstruction of the roadway.
- Long term road/streetscape improvements - reconstruction of roadway that envisions a more pedestrian oriented street.

\* Construction funding is not approved at this time

### PROJECT OBJECTIVE & TIMELINE



### **PROJECT TIMELINE**



### WHAT IS A STREETSCAPE?

- Refers to how the street looks, feels and functions.
- Determines how the street impacts all users including drivers, cyclists, transit riders and pedestrians as well as nearby residents.
- Addresses sidewalk conditions, building facades, landscaping, architecture, lighting, street furniture, signage, connectivity, crosswalks, road design, traffic management, parking, safety, maintenance and more.
- Recognizes streets as places where people engage in various commercial and recreational activities such as shopping, dining, socializing, exercising or working.
- Can ultimately define the character of a community, stimulate economic activity and contribute to the sustainability of the street.

### COMMON STREETSCAPE COMPONENTS





Landuse Planning (out of scope)

Frontage Zone Adjacent to the to commercial land uses or landscaping when adjacent to residential land uses.

### WHAT IS A STREETSCAPE?

**SIDEWALKS** 



**PEDESTRIAN ZONE** 

STREET TREES



SURROUNDING CHARACTER



HERITAGE





(Automobiles, Buses, Bicycles, Goods)



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This space provides an area for signs, light poles, street trees or vegetation in addition to underground utilities. This is the preferred location for snow sorage.

**General Purpose Travel Lane** A lane (or lanes) dedicated to serve a broad range of vehicles.

### **TYPICAL CROSS SECTION OF A STREET**



### **109 STREET CORRIDOR ARP**

In 2013, City Council approved the **109 Street Corridor Area Redevelopment Plan (ARP)**. Created in consultation with community members, the plan sets out a clear direction for the future redevelopment of the area, and specifically about the 109 streetscape. This ARP sets the foundation for the streetscape planning.

### PLAN PURPOSE AND OBJECTIVE

"To improve the quality and appearance of development and the streetscape on 109 Street to achieve a better environment for pedestrians and a better balance between all users of this important transportation corridor."

- for all users.

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## 109 STREET CORRIDOR ARP (2013)

### WHAT IS AN AREA REDEVELOPMENT PLAN (ARP)?

Area Redevelopment Plans are used to guide how an existing built-up area or neighbourhood should develop in the future.



### GUIDING PRINCIPLES OF THE 109 STREET CORRIDOR ARP

Enhance the public and private realm to provide safe, visually appealing streetscape

A safe, attractive, comfortable and welcoming roadway for all users.

Create a vibrant residential and commercial mixed-use street.

Encourage appropriate high quality medium-scale development to increase the vitality of the Corridor.

5 Encourage future development in the Corridor to demonstrate a high quality of landscaping, building materials and design quality to minimize adverse impacts.

Encourage environmentally sustainable development practices.

Establish a high standard of design for an important high profile entranceway.

**109 Street Concept** Streetscape Design 2015-2016

### **109 Street Corridor Study Process**

### **ARP DEVELOPMENT CONCEPT**

The development concept consists of two distinct districts, each with an emphasis on the principal mixed use / commercial and medium-scale residential uses that define those portions of the 109 Street Corridor.



Mixed Use Commercial Zone - North of Whyte Avenue



Medium Scale Residential Zone - South of Whyte Avenue





### EXISTING ROAD & SIDEWALK CONDITIONS

Based on current condition ratings of the road and sidewalk surfaces, previous renewal history and life cycle analysis, major reconstruction of 109 Street (between 61 Avenue and Saskatchewan Drive) is not expected to be required until 2035.

Mill and overlay of the road is scheduled for the next budget cycle (2019-2022), subject to budget approval in 2018.

### **ROAD CLASSIFICATION**

LOCAL Provide direct access to adjacent lands and serve neighbourhood travel.



### **EXISTING ROADWAY**

### COLLECTOR

Provide neighbourhood travel between local and arterial roads and direct access to adjacent lands. Buses generally operate on collector roads within neighbourhoods.

### 109 Street is an...

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Intended to carry large volumes of traffic between areas ("through" traffic) with fewer access opportunities to adjacent developments and are defined by the Transportation System Bylaw.

### TRANSIT CONSIDERATIONS **ALONG 109 STREET**

- 109 Street is identified as a Transit Avenue – it is served by one or more bus routes that provide all day service and connect major trip generators, LRT stations and transit centres.
- North-south bus routes connecting to University and Downtown.
- East-west bus routes intersecting with 109 St.
- Future LRT: An east-west LRT route is proposed as a corridor for future study that would intersect 109 Street and connect with the existing line at the University.
- 109 is an Arterial Road and therefore is intended to carry large volumes of traffic.

# ENVISIÓN 109 EXISTING PEDESTRIAN INFRASTRUCTURE

The Envision 109 Streetscape Concept Design will consider the following with respect to Pedestrian Infrastructure:

- Safety
- Accessibility
- Crosswalks
- Signalization
- Public space
- Street furnishings
- Aesthetics















The Envision 109 Streetscape Concept Design will consider the following with respect to Bicycle Infrastructure:

- Safety
- Accessibility
- Crossings
- Signalization
- Dedicated bike lanes, cycle tracks, etc.
- 106th Street bike lane
- 83rd Avenue cycle track







### EXISTING BICYCLE INFRASTRUCTURE











The Envision 109 Streetscape Concept Design will consider the following with respect to **Open Space:** 

- Enhance connectivity of open space within the surrounding communities
- Sustainability
- Street trees and landscaping along the corridor
- Public art
- New opportunities for open space and social interaction along the corridor







### EXISTING OPEN SPACE



Tree Maintained by City

YOU are a valuable part of the Streetscape Concept Design. We want to hear your views and receive your comments to ensure we design a 109 Street reflective of the values and vision of Edmontonians.

### HOW TO LEAVE US YOUR THOUGHTS

- 1. Complete a Comment Form (tonight or online at edmonton. ca/envision109)
- 2. Leave comments on 'sticky' notes' on the roll map
- Participate in our workshop session following each presentation

### PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT PROCESS

### Open House #1 January 27, 2016

### Kick Off Open House

Tell us what's working, what's not and how you envision 109 Street in the future.

### Open House #2 Spring, 2016

### **Design Options Open House**

Review design options and let us know what you think. Did we get it right? What could be improved?

### Open House #3 Summer/Fall, 2016

Recommended Concept Design Open House

Provide feedback on the recommended streetscape design concept.





### HOW YOUR INPUT IS USED

Your input is used together with other considerations to determine the final recommended streetscape concept design.

### PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT PROCESS

Cost

### Public Input

Streetscape Concept Design

### Technical Feasibility / Operations

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City Policies & Guidelines

Existing Conditions



This project will build on the vision and principles established for the streetscape in the 109 Street Corridor Area Redevelopment Plan (2013). It must also consider other constraints, policies and guidelines, including but not limited to:

- Neighbourhood renewal

## **CONSIDERATIONS / CONSTRAINTS**

• 109 Street is identified as a 'Transit Avenue' (bus corridor) and a 24hr truck route

Engage 106/76 – collector renewal planning for 106 Street and 76 Avenue

- 83 Avenue bike lanes road redesign
- Pleasantview traffic calming
- Snow removal policies
  - Current 109 street conditions
  - Envision 109 funding and implementation timing
- Future LRT extensions
  - Edmonton Complete Street Guidelines
  - Edmonton Main Street Guidelines (under development)
  - Edmonton Winter City's Guidelines







# Share your vision for 109 Street!



Please leave us your thoughts on our Comment Form available at the welcome desk tonight or online until February 10, 2016.

Website: edmonton.ca/envision109





**Instagram:** @#envision109



### Post photos of your favourite street as we envision 109 Street in the future!

**Twitter:** @cityofedmonton #envision109

# Thank You!

# Please show us areas of concern and opportunity here!













# Tell us your visions for a future 109 Street here!

# Brainstorm 109 Street ideas with the project team here!



