

OPEN OPTION PARKING

In 2020, City Council voted to enable Open Option Parking, which means that minimum on-site parking requirements have been removed from Edmonton's Zoning Bylaw. This allows developers, homeowners and businesses to decide how much on-site parking to provide on their properties based on their particular operations, activities or lifestyle.

Removing parking minimums doesn't necessarily mean that no parking will be provided. Businesses and homeowners know their parking needs best and have an interest in ensuring they are met, making this approach more likely to result in the "right amount" of parking. Barrier-free (accessible) parking will continue to be provided and bicycle parking requirements have increased. Maximum parking requirements have been retained downtown, and expanded in Transit Oriented Development and main street areas.



Benefits

- Enables more efficient use of parking.
- Reduces cost to build parking for housing and new businesses.
- Support a more vibrant, walkable and compact city
- Encourage more diverse transportation options and climate resilience.

Curbside Management Strategy

The introduction of Open Option Parking was recognized as having potential impacts to on-street curbside parking demand and utilization patterns over time. As a result, the City has developed a **Curbside Management Strategy**, which seeks to more equitably and strategically manage and diversify how we use our public curbside space.

Learn more at edmonton.ca/openoptionparking