

BUILDING A GREATER GARNEAU

Neighbourhood Renewal Newsletter

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NEIGHBOURHOOD RENEWAL IS COMING TO GARNEAU!

The Building Great Neighbourhoods Branch of the City of Edmonton is responsible to improve infrastructure in Edmonton's neighbourhoods. In 2021, Garneau will receive new road surfaces; new sidewalks, curbs and gutters; and new street lights as part of the City of Edmonton's Neighbourhood Renewal program. Renewal can also improve other areas of the neighbourhood including intersection safety, pedestrian and bike connections, and parks and public gathering places. Arterial roads (82 Avenue, 87 Avenue, University Avenue and 109 Street) and alleys are not included.

In coordination with the City's Traffic Management Program and Southside Bike Network, we will work with you to enhance safety for all who move through the neighbourhood including people who choose to walk, bike or drive.



We want to hear from you!

Complete our Visioning Survey at edmonton.ca/BuildingGarneau before **December 7, 2018**.

PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT FOR NEIGHBOURHOOD RENEWAL

The Building Great Neighbourhoods' project team members are genuinely interested in the future of Garneau. We want to learn and appreciate what you value and need in your neighbourhood. We seek to involve you in decision making to shape the vision for engagement and neighbourhood improvements. Working together, we can make the most out of your neighbourhood.

We have created a road map to share the steps of the renewal process and how you can participate. At each step, we will tell you what input we need and how it will be used to help the City make decisions. We commit to reporting back to you on how we used your input.

ROAD MAP TO BUILDING GREAT NEIGHBOURHOODS



NOW IS THE TIME TO GET INVOLVED!

Planning begins now for construction in 2021. Get involved early to share what is important to you and what changes you would like to see. This helps ensure the renewal outcome meets your needs and those of your neighbours. Start thinking about how you move, work, live and play in Garneau and how you would like to in the future. New infrastructure will be in place for the next 30 to 50 years.

A series of engagement events and activities will give you the opportunity to provide input on concepts and discuss details with the project team during the development of the Concept Plan.

The first input opportunity is the Visioning Survey, which is online now until December 7, 2018. Hard copy surveys are available at the City Arts Centre (10943 – 84 Avenue) and the Strathcona Library (8331 – 104 Street). Other ways to participate will be shared with you in the new year.

As a Garneau resident or property owner, your input will help shape the future of the neighbourhood.

BUILDING GREAT NEIGHBOURHOODS: OUR COMMITMENT TO YOU

This is your city and your neighbourhood. We want to understand how you experience your neighbourhood and ask for your input on what we might do to make it better. We will engage and work with you to enhance how people live and interact in your neighbourhood. We commit to being open and transparent about how your input is used. Let's make the most out of your neighbourhood.

ABOUT THE PROJECT TEAM

The Garneau Neighbourhood Renewal project team, led by project manager, Becky Redford, includes transportation engineers and urban planners, together with a consultant team from AI-Terra Engineering and EDA Planning & Urban Design. Twenty/20 Communications is supporting community engagement.

Meet your Project Manager: Becky Redford



Hello, I am Becky Redford, your project manager for the Planning and Design of the Garneau Neighbourhood Renewal. I have been working for the City of Edmonton for the past 15 years and am proud to serve Edmontonians. For the bulk of my career with the City I have been managing projects

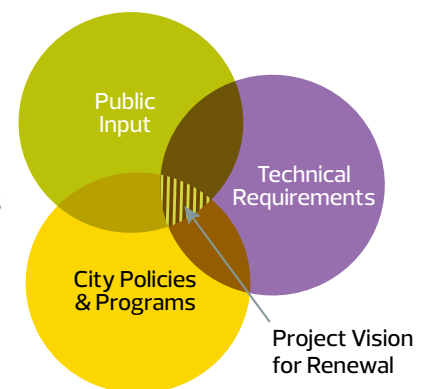
in partnership with community. I most recently worked with the residents in Strathcona for their upcoming Neighbourhood Renewal and look forward to the great things we can accomplish together in Garneau.

If you have any questions or concerns to discuss, please contact me, or visit with me when I am in the neighbourhood. I can be reached at 780 496-4887 or at becky.redford@edmonton.ca.

HOW DECISIONS ARE MADE

Project decisions are made by the City, considering technical requirements and policies/programs, together with public input. Technical requirements include existing conditions such as roadway widths and constraints such as mature trees. City policies include current road design standards such as the Complete Streets Design and Construction Standards and others which support the City as a whole. Input from the public includes local knowledge, concerns and desires.

Every decision is different, which means the level of influence that public input, technical requirements, and City policies have is also different for each decision. You will be asked to advise the project with local knowledge and refine design options. The City commits to telling you how public input influences decisions according to the City's public engagement spectrum. For more information on the spectrum you can visit edmonton.ca and search Public Engagement Spectrum.



Be informed! This is the first of a series of newsletters that will be delivered to your home to update you on the project, and tell you how and when you can get involved.

VOLUNTEER FOR NEIGHBOURHOOD RENEWAL

Join the Garneau Working Committee

Some residents are already focused on the future of Garneau as members of the Garneau Public Engagement Working Committee for Neighbourhood Renewal—a partnership between residents and the City.

The committee is a collaborative group formed to ensure transparency and open communication during the neighbourhood renewal project. The group is also responsible to develop new ways of engaging and communicating with residents, business owners and other community stakeholders, and to help shape the vision for the Garneau Neighbourhood Renewal.

This committee is not involved with decision making or influencing the neighbourhood design; it is focused solely on public engagement and communication. The ad-hoc committee meets once a month, during evening hours. Membership is not limited to those with a community league affiliation.

Become a Block Captain

Getting information directly to residents is key to ensuring the project's success. Garneau Block Captains share project updates with their neighbours from information provided by the project team and encourage participation in engagement activities.

If you are interested in either of the above opportunities, or require more information, please contact project manager Becky Redford at becky.redford@edmonton.ca or 780-496-4887.

Commonly Used Words in Neighbourhood Renewal

Road right-of-way – Road right-of-way defines City owned property designated for traffic and pedestrians.

Concept Design – Plan for “what” will be built, including approximate roadway and sidewalk widths, intersection design, traffic movements, and park ideas. Changes are incorporated into the design at this time.

Preliminary Design – Plan includes specific design elements such as materials, exact roadway and sidewalk widths, locations and tradeoffs for new sidewalks, confirms construction schedule and budget. Minor tweaks are incorporated into the design at this stage.

Vision Zero – A multi-national road traffic safety initiative that aims to achieve a transportation system with no fatalities or serious injuries involving road traffic.

Shortcutting – When drivers leave arterial roads and use neighbourhood roads as alternate routes. The traffic does not have a destination within the neighbourhood.

Stay in the know!

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