

Building Great Neighbourhoods

In 2019, Royal Gardens will see the replacement of its aging collector and local roadway surfaces, street lights, and sidewalks as part of the City of Edmonton's Neighbourhood Renewal program for mature neighbourhoods. Planning for this renewal has recently begun. A new dedicated City branch, Building Great Neighbourhoods, will also explore improvements to other City owned areas within the community, including green spaces and parks, and look for opportunities and funding to make desired upgrades and enhancements in coordination with the Neighbourhood Renewal program.

Get Involved!

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 on the renewal of roads, sidewalks, street lights, and park spaces, and promote other community opportunities 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.

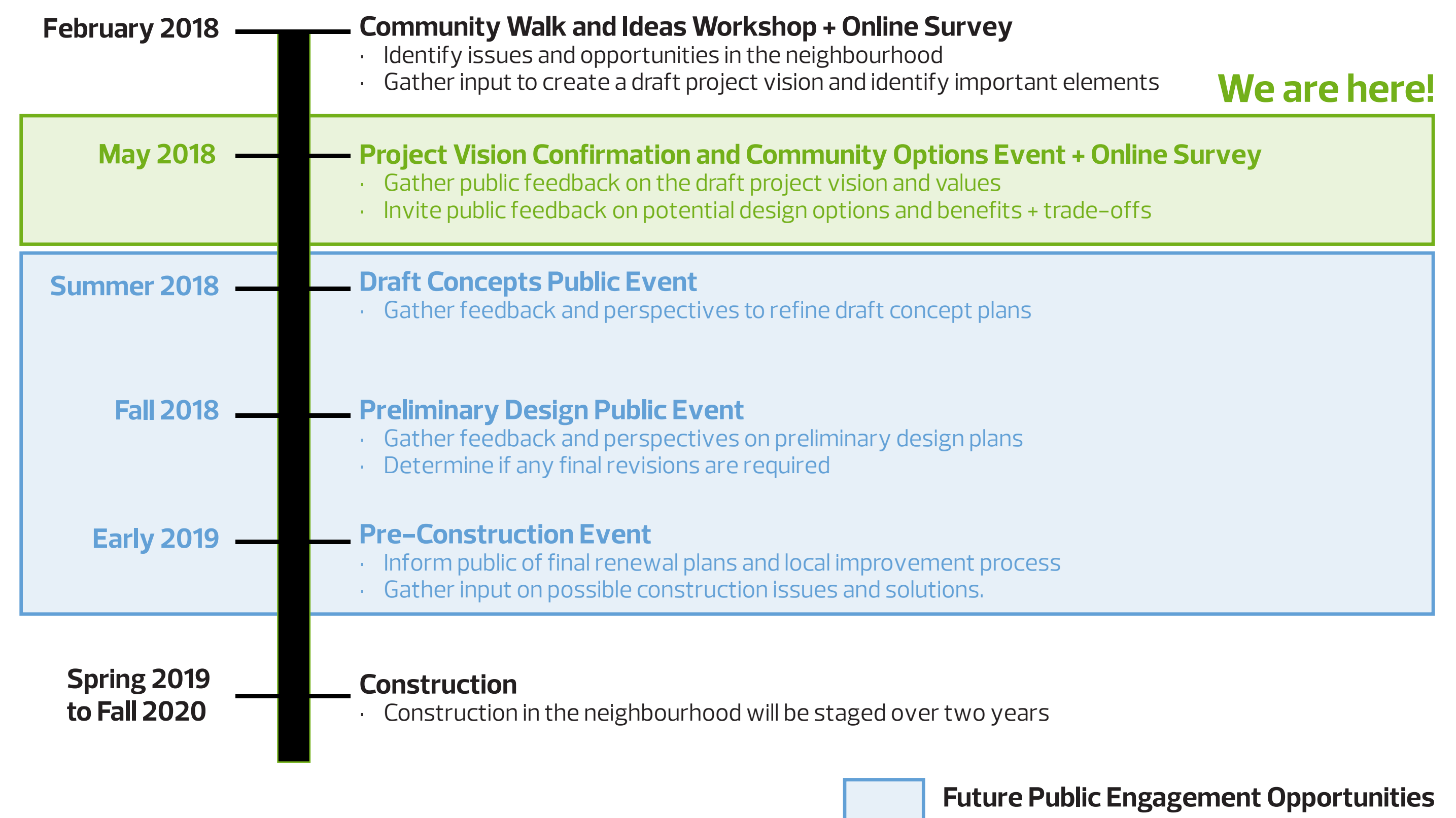
How We Will Use Your Input

We will use the input from this event to help create draft concept plans for Royal Gardens. We will share the plans in summer and fall and ask members of the public how we can make them better. To come up with the plans for Royal Gardens, we look at three types of information:

- City policies, programs and strategies
- Technical requirements like design and construction standards
- **Public input from people like you (e.g. surveys and public events)**

Timeline

The following timeline shows the progress to date and the next steps in the renewal process including future opportunities for you to get involved.



Find out more by going to:
edmonton.ca/BuildingRoyalGardens or call 311

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Vision Statement

How Was This Vision Statement Developed?

In February, we invited the community to participate in a Community Walk and Ideas Workshop to discuss opportunities for improving Royal Gardens' public spaces including roads, sidewalks, lights, parks and green spaces. This was followed by a survey with the same topics for those who couldn't attend. We asked the participants to share ideas on their aspirations for Royal Gardens. We used these ideas to develop a vision statement and a set of core values to consider in the neighbourhood renewal plans. The vision we heard from the community is below and we want your feedback to confirm or refine it.

Neighbourhood Renewal in Royal Gardens will support a safe, accessible, and family-friendly community. As a neighbourhood with many schools, activities, and green spaces, Royal Gardens is a community that is easy for people to walk and bike. The design of the neighbourhood enables residents to visit, play and enjoy local destinations together.

Does the Vision Statement align with your aspirations for Royal Gardens? What do you like about the vision? What can be changed? Use the post-it notes to leave your comments.

Core Values

The **Core Values** were developed based on the feedback from the Community Walk & Ideas Workshop. Please use **stickers** to indicate all the **Core Values** that are important to you.

1 Getting to know your neighbours in a friendly atmosphere.



2 Getting out and enjoying vibrant greenspaces and playgrounds.



3 Gatherings and block parties that bring people together.



4 Year-round opportunities for doing family-friendly activities.



5 Feeling safe and having well-lit spaces.



6 Having viable options to walk, bike and use transit.



7 Visiting local amenities, shops, and schools.



8 Enjoying both quietness and proximity to nearby destinations.



9 Walking, accessibility, and pedestrian safety.



10 Wayfinding and signage that is easy to understand.



Do the core values align with your aspirations for the neighbourhood? Have we missed anything? Should any be removed? Use the post-it notes to leave your comments.

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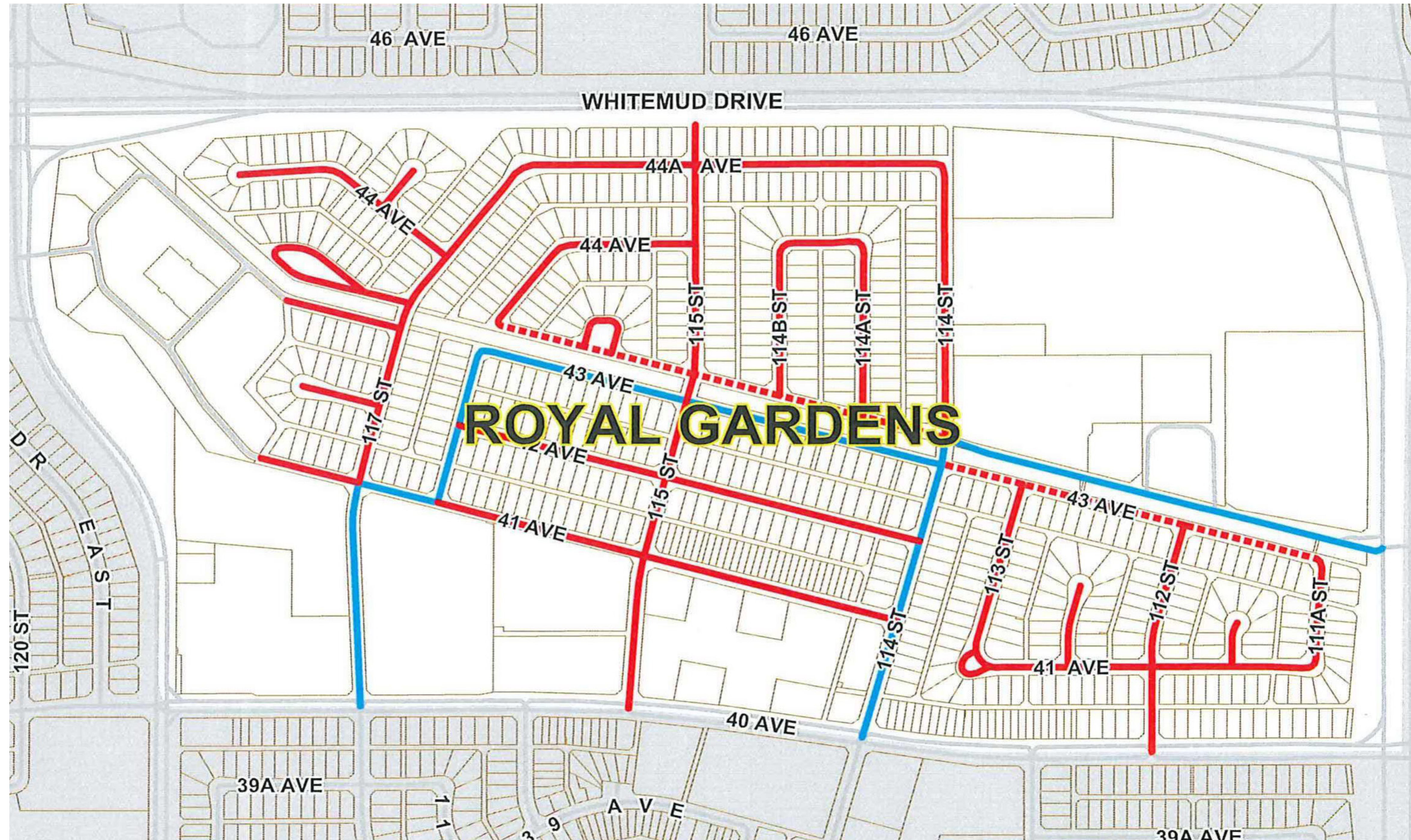
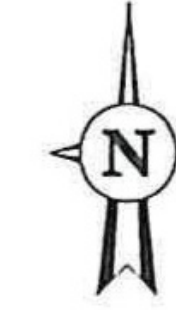
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Where Is Renewal Occurring?

Building Great Neighbourhoods will be undertaking construction in Royal Gardens in 2019–2020. Please refer to the map below to view the roads within the scope of this project.

- Service Roads
- Local Roads
- Collector Roads



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Funding for Neighbourhood Renewal

Cost-Shared Elements

The Neighbourhood Renewal Program is paid through a combination of property taxes, provincial funding and cost-sharing with Royal Gardens property owners for specific neighbourhood local improvements.

The cost shared elements are:

- Sidewalk reconstruction
- Decorative street lights

These cost-shared local improvement opportunities need to be approved by 50%+1 of property owners.

Decisions will be made by property owners in later phases of this project.

Local Improvement Key Dates

	Decorative Streetlight	Sidewalk Reconstruction
July 3, 2018: Deadline for the neighbourhood's submission to the City of preferred decorative lighting (pole, arm, colour).	✓	
September 4, 2018: City sends Expression of Interest (EOI) notices to registered property owners with proposed light design and cost estimate.	✓	
November 15, 2018: Deadline for property owners to submit signed Expression of Interest (EOI) form.	✓	
Winter 2019: 30 day local improvement petition period.	✓	✓

Learn more at: edmonton.ca/localimprovements

Decorative Street Lights

During the neighbourhood renewal the City covers the full cost to replace all street lights with standard galvanized steel poles, LED lights and street address blades. The community has the option to upgrade to decorative street lights, as a cost-sharing opportunity. The following options are available:

Pole Colour:



Decorative Arm:

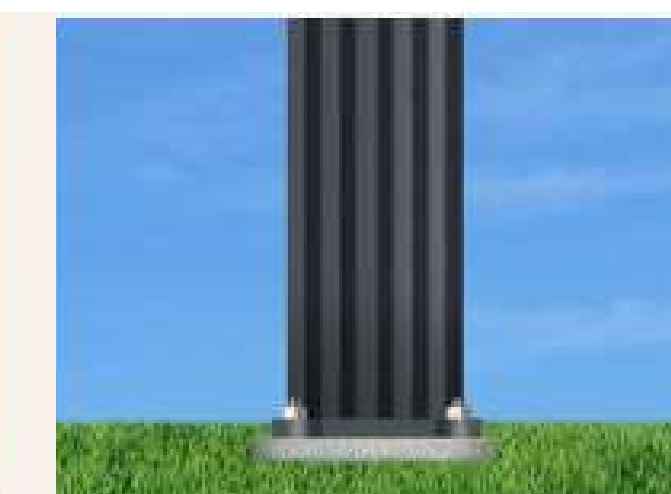


Newport

Scroll

Heritage

Pole Style:



Octagonal

Fluted

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Next Steps

Thank You For Participating In Our Public Event!

The next steps for renewal in Royal Gardens will include an analysis of the feedback gathered at this event and the Online Survey. We will then begin to transform your ideas for neighbourhood renewal into concepts. The concepts will be presented to gather feedback at the next Public Engagement in Summer 2018. The City will then refine the concepts and develop preliminary design drawings to be presented to the public again in the Fall for feedback. In early 2019, an information session will be held regarding the construction plans. Construction will commence in Spring 2019, and will be staged throughout the neighbourhood until the Fall of 2020, at which point Royal Gardens will have successfully completed the renewal process. Please see below for all the future engagement activities that you can participate in.

Future opportunities include:

[Summer 2018 – Provide your feedback on Draft Concept](#)

[Fall 2018 – Provide your feedback on Preliminary Design](#)

[Early 2019 – Pre-Construction Session](#)

To find more information visit:

edmonton.ca/BuildingRoyalGardens

Please use a post-it note to leave any final remarks.