



## BACKGROUND

In 2007 program planning for Victoria Park was developed through a physical site review and a series of stakeholder meetings. One of the key program elements included an attractive park pavilion building shared between the various sport and community groups and the public to foster pride and a feeling of ownership in the parks.

## WHAT IS A PARK PAVILION?

The park pavilion building is proposed to serve a variety of functions. It will provide public washrooms, dedicated user group space, multipurpose gathering space, drinking fountains and proposes to accommodate several expressed needs of site stakeholders. The design intent is a community-friendly and flexible structure.

## DESIGN COMPETITION

In 2011 a design competition was hosted for the planned park pavilion in Victoria Park. The Park Pavilions competition is meant to bring a level of interest and design excellence to these projects. It is a way of showing Edmonton's commitment to "cutting edge" quality design and meeting community need in a cost effective way.

### Architectural competitions:

- Level the playing field between firms of all experience levels and backgrounds.
- Focus on the challenges and objectives of the project not the profile of an individual firm.
- Allow for a showcasing of skills and a greater variety of outcomes.
- Allow for a broad display of inspiration, innovation and creativity.

Building on the legacy of Edmonton's historic park pavilions along with initiatives such as the Edmonton Design Committee and Edmonton Urban Design Awards, The City of Edmonton is encouraging a higher level of design for municipal projects.

## COMPETITION ARCHITECT WINNER

### Rayleen Hill Architecture + Design

#### Jury Comments

- Elegant and straight-forward
- Will serve the park well in all four seasons
- Liked the addition of a second level observation deck
- Warm and friendly