



## Capital Line South LRT Extension (CLSE)

### Community Advisory Committee (CAC) Meeting # 6 Record

January 10, 2019 6 to 8:30 PM

Ellerslie Rugby Park, 11004 Ellerslie Road SW

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<b>Attendees (1 representative from each)</b>
Blue Quill Community League
Twin Brooks Community League
Heritage Point Community League
Member at Large
Member at Large
Yellowbird Community League and SWAC
Member at Large
Ermineskin Community League
Blackmud Creek Community League
City of Edmonton, Councillor
City of Edmonton, Project Manager
City of Edmonton, Engineer
City of Edmonton, Engineering Coop Student
City of Edmonton, LRT Delivery
Engineering Consultant, Project Manager
Traffic Modeling Consultant
LRT Operations Consultant
Public Engagement Consultant Team, Lead
Public Engagement Consultant Team

<b>Copied to (1 representative from each)</b>
George P. Nicholson School
William Lutsky YMCA
Southwest Area Council (SWAC)
Member at Large
City of Edmonton, Communications

**Note:**

- Comments/questions/input from the CAC are recorded here in *italics*.

Item
<p><b>1. Welcome &amp; Introductions</b></p> <p>The Councillor was introduced to the group. Attendees and project staff introduced themselves and provided their affiliations to the committee.</p>
<p><b>2. Topics to be covered at January 15 2019 Twin Brooks Community Meeting</b></p> <p>The project team introduced their proposed slides in DRAFT format and spoke about the following topics for potential presentation and discussion at the upcoming Twin Brooks community meeting. The community meeting was instigated by the Councillor to provide project information to residents of Twin Brooks and to answer their questions. CAC members were asked to provide feedback on the relevancy, clarity, concerns and interest of these subjects and to provide input for other subjects that may be of concern/interest at the upcoming January 15 community meeting.</p> <p><b><u>LRT Crossing Assessment Framework (CAF)</u></b></p> <p><b><u>Concept Plan Recommendations to City Council</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Operations and Maintenance Facility</li><li>○ Proposed Twin Brooks Station</li><li>○ Crossing Assessments of Saddleback Rd, 9th and 12th Avenues</li></ul> <p><b><u>LRT Priority</u></b></p> <p><b><u>Traffic Modelling</u></b></p> <p><b><u>Environmental Traffic Noise</u></b></p> <p><b><u>Safety Considerations</u></b></p> <hr/> <p><b>Questions, Comments and Suggestions from CAC Members on proposed information to be presented/covered at the Twin Brooks Community Meeting (<i>in italics</i>)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ <i>Suggestions for all presentation materials- larger font, darker lines on graphs, bolder colors on graphs, simpler language</i></li><li>○ <i>Suggestion to emphasize that this is about the whole Transportation Network and not just LRT in Twin Brooks</i></li><li>○ <i>Indicate and discuss overall Network Plan showing build out to the airport by 2040.</i></li></ul>

### **Crossing Assessment Framework (CAF)-**

- *Suggest emphasizing at the meeting that the CAF was developed in 2017, after the Metro/Kingsway Avenue and Capital/51 Avenue problems/delays at crossings.*
- *Will 135 Street interchange be all directional? It is not known yet. The City is working with Alberta Transportation on that plan.*
- *Is the growth of neighbourhoods being considered in the crossing assessments? Skyrattler could grow from 1200 to about 2000 with the development of 10 acres of Taylor College land and that could really change traffic volumes and patterns. Yes - developable land and potential populations are included but we can't always predict the future so they are estimates.*
- *Simplify the nomograph by adding shades of color to differentiate the boundaries that determine grade separation. Make fonts on the graph larger and ensure the public can read it when presented.*
- *Include an explanation of what check marks mean and who decided how many. Be ready to defend why you didn't do what the public wanted (from survey results) with grade separations. Would like to see the actual numbers that were assigned on each grade separation rather than checkmarks. The numbers are quite confusing to the layman so we used check marks instead.*
- *Discuss lessons learned and why CAF was established*
- *Ridership information should be explained in detail at the meeting to address concerns that there won't be room for people to get onto trains during peak times. What is the maximum capacity of this extension? Maximum capacity is five car trains at five minute intervals.*

### **Concept Plan Recommendations to City Council-**

These are the additions to the 2010 Preliminary Design that will be going to the non-statutory public hearing, on January 22, for review by City Council.

- Finalize the location of the Operations and Maintenance Facility
- Addition of the Twin Brooks Station
- Recommendation of at grade crossings at 111 Street and Saddleback Rd, 9th and 12th Avenues

### **LRT Priority -**

- *Clearly explain what full priority and partial priority mean and how they work. Indicate that Twin Brooks station will provide partial priority for 9 and 12 Avenue intersections.*
- *Will priority work as this LRT line is extended south? Full priority works best in the outer areas where there are fewer residents and less traffic. Partial Priority helps to integrate LRT into communities.*
- *Have you learned from 111 Street? Can partial priority be adapted along 111 Street at 51*

*Avenue so wait times aren't so long for traffic? We can look at partial priority at 51 Avenue.*

- *Include a slide on emergency access with an explanation of why the public wait for trains. Include an explanation with the number of seconds it takes for crossing arms to move up and down.*
- *Has there been partial priority at University Avenue (and 114 Street) always? Or just recently? Always*

#### **Traffic Modelling -**

- *It is important to point out the influences in traffic modelling at the community meeting. In particular that the afternoon traffic peak is expected to be northbound after the new hospital and surrounding amenities are built. And that Century Park, Park & Ride will have 1125 stalls in 2050 and Heritage Valley Park & Ride will have 1900.*
- *LOS should be written out each time as Level of Service. Reference to A and D etc. is confusing - need to simplify.*
- *Use as examples, other intersections that would be similar to Saddleback Road, 9 and 12 Avenues as far as traffic volumes and crossings*

#### **Environmental Traffic Noise -**

- *May need larger font on graph*

#### **Safety Considerations -**

- *CPTED (Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design) should be written out and explained.*

#### **Other topics of potential interest/concern that should be discussed at the Twin Brooks meeting**

- *Be prepared to talk about emergency access as there is a large group in Twin Brooks that is concerned about it.*
- *Will there be priority for emergency vehicles? At community meeting we will discuss that in discussions with Emergency Services (fire, ambulance, police) it was agreed that they would wait for trains to cross before crossing intersections. Time for arms to go down, train to cross, and arms go up is less than 1 minute.*
- *Be prepared to discuss 119 Street access and whether it is staying open or closing*
- *Be prepared to discuss and take questions on access into and out of Twin Brooks, especially during construction*
- *Be prepared to answer property value questions*
- *Suggest to show both videos (Traffic modelling at intersections, and CLSE Route) that are on the website at the meeting*
- *Show route and station on a roll map as a reminder or for those who haven't seen it*

- *Explain why the trains can't go under 12 Avenue, as a continuation from the creek bridge crossing and then get back up to grade by 9th Avenue (grade too steep for trains).*
- *The pros and cons of each kind of grade separation should be discussed emphasizing the difference in cost of one over the other.*

### **3. Upcoming Events and Additional Information**

Twin Brooks Community Meeting  
 January 15, 2019 7 to 9:00 PM  
 George P Nicholson School  
 1120 113 Street NW

Non-statutory Public Hearing  
 January 22 2019 Starting at 9:30 AM  
 City Council Chambers, City Hall

To register to speak: Call 780-496-8178, or go to [edmonton.ca/meetings](http://edmonton.ca/meetings), or register at the start of the meeting.

#### **Community Advisory Committee - Membership and Meetings,**

It was noted that the CAC meetings were coming to an end and the group decided that this would be the last meeting. The committee members were thanked for their participation and input and asked for feedback on the effectiveness and working of the CAC. Some input was provided by members, as indicated below, but it was agreed that an email, asking for input, would be sent to the committee as follow-up:

- *Members-at-Large were a good idea as it broadened the input from other areas of the city*
- *There was a good mix of diversity amongst members*
- *Would be helpful to have summarized information about the CAC meetings to post on community league websites and social media. Keep in mind that some people are not community league members.*
- *It would be beneficial for project teams to attend community events to provide project information and answer questions*
- *Additional feedback and input from the CAC should be solicited by email*