

BUILDING GREAT NEIGHBOURHOODS

Boyle Street & McCauley
Neighbourhood Renewal Newsletter
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The draft design for your new streets and sidewalks is ready!

Tell us what you think!

The City of Edmonton is ready to share draft designs that will guide the repair and revitalization of streets and sidewalks, improve active transportation (walking, biking and rolling) connectivity and enhance gathering opportunities in City-owned parks and open spaces in Boyle Street and McCauley.

The designs are for your review and feedback. There may be one or more proposed changes near your residence or property that could affect how you experience walking, biking, rolling, driving and gathering in your neighbourhood. The draft design shows how the improvements, such as new and wider sidewalk connections, bike lanes, one-way roads and pedestrian crossings will work together as a system to provide the best neighbourhood experience for all users.

Inside this newsletter (page 7), you will find highlights of what is being proposed. Go online to find additional information with detailed maps and design illustrations, and the opportunity to provide feedback through our surveys. You can also join any of our Community Conversation information events where we will review location specific designs and answer questions.

Construction is scheduled to start in 2023.

View street by street design highlights on page 7!

Stay informed and engaged!

Draft Design Information Booklets – Online

View design details, maps, images, explanations

Community Conversations – Live Online Events

Learn more about the draft design and ask questions during any of our seven online conversations

February/March 2022 (see page 4 for dates and topic details of each conversation)

Register online at: edmonton.ca/BuildingBoyleStreetandMcCauley

Share your feedback on the draft design!

Comment card – for general feedback (included in this newsletter)

Surveys – Six location-specific surveys and one overall design survey available online (see section information on page 5)

Visit us online: edmonton.ca/BuildingBoyleStreetandMcCauley



Boyle Street & McCauley Neighbourhood Renewal Schedule

SEPTEMBER-DECEMBER 2020

Building a Project Vision Together

JANUARY-APRIL 2021

Exploring Opportunities

MAY-OCTOBER 2021

Exploring Options and Tradeoffs

WE ARE HERE

NOVEMBER 2021-MARCH 2022

Community Feedback on Draft Design

APRIL-JULY 2022

Community Feedback on Final Design

FEBRUARY 2023

Preparing for Construction & Local Improvement Decisions

SPRING 2023-FALL 2025

Construction on Your Streets

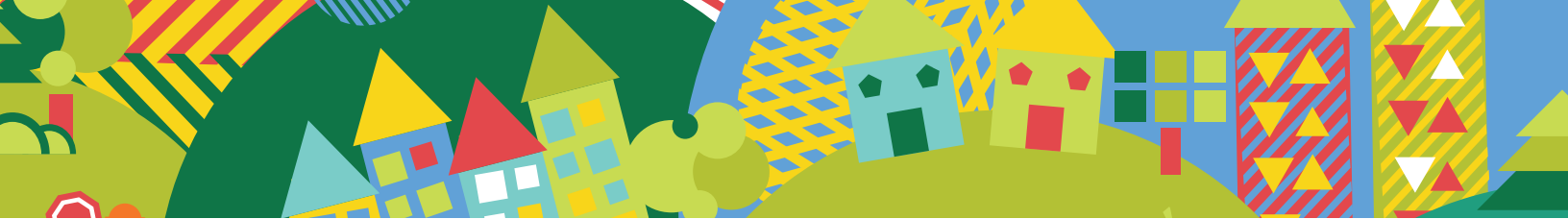
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Celebrate with Us!

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Community Feedback on Draft Design

November 2021 – March 2022

In this phase, the draft design for Boyle Street and McCauley has been strategically prepared with considerations for walking, biking, rolling, driving and gathering. It is important to understand that no design decision is made in isolation. The Project Team considers how a change to the function of one street, installing a bike lane for example, can also change how other streets in the neighbourhood will function. It is important to view the designs as a system working together to provide the best experience for all users.

Your feedback at this phase helps us understand concerns and issues as we work towards a final design that will shape your future neighbourhood.

Thank you to everyone who participated in the
Exploring Options and Tradeoffs Phase!

May – October 2021

In the previous phase, the Project Team presented design options that highlighted benefits and tradeoffs and asked the public to provide feedback on the options.

What we heard

We heard varying levels of support and concern from both Boyle Street and McCauley residents and stakeholders.

Overall feedback shows a desire for new infrastructure, including bike lanes, pedestrian connections, open spaces and parks to be designed with the convenience, safety and wellbeing of all who will be invited to use them in the future.

To see the summary of how we engaged and what we learned from the local knowledge we gathered, please visit the project website and review the Exploring Options and Tradeoffs What We Heard report at:
edmonton.ca/BuildingBoyleStreetandMcCauley





Stay informed and engaged – Ways for you to get involved!

As these two neighbourhoods are large and there are many designs to share, information and conversations have been broken down into six location specific sessions and a separate one that provides a neighbourhood design overview.

Please visit us online at edmonton.ca/BuildingBoyleStreetandMcCauley for the following information and engagement opportunities:

Draft Design Information Booklets

The six area specific information booklets and one neighbourhood design booklet include maps, images and details on the walking, biking, rolling, driving and public space changes and improvements to be included in your Neighbourhood Renewal.

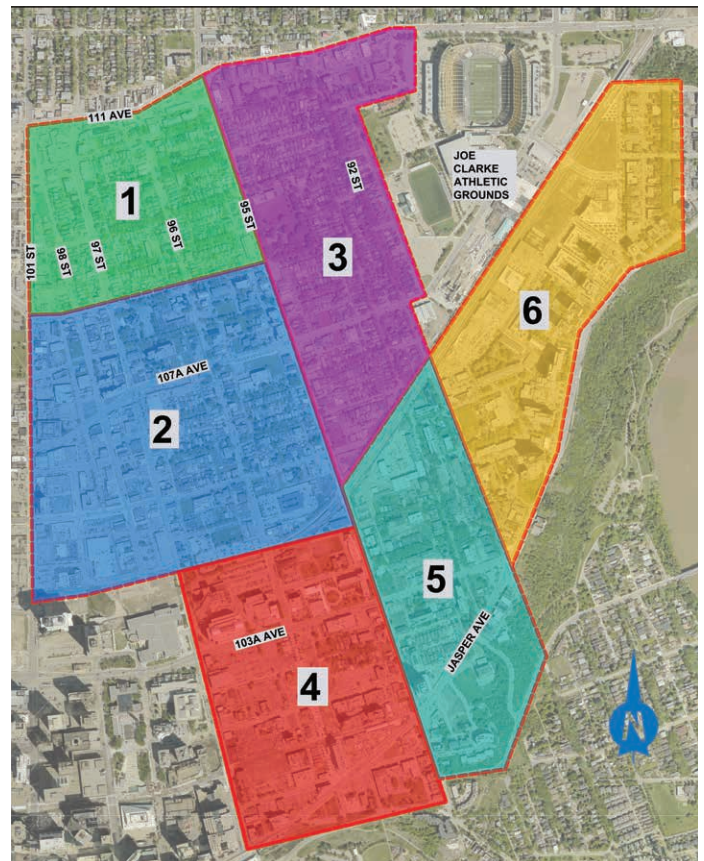
Community Conversations

Learn more about the draft designs and ask your questions.

There will be seven different Community Conversations, please review the chart below for each topic.

Come to one, come to all!

All events are scheduled for 6:00 – 7:30 p.m. Registration required: edmonton.ca/BuildingBoyleStreetandMcCauley



Section	Location/Topic	Date of Online Conversation
1	111 to 108A Avenue (101 to 95 Street)	Feb 9
2	108A to 105 Avenue (101 to 95 Street)	Feb 10
3	111 to 106 Avenue – north of LRT (95 to 92 Street)	Feb 15
4	105 to 101 Avenue (97 to 95 Street)	Feb 16
5	105 to 101 Avenue (95 to 92 Street, includes 92 Street)	Feb 24
6	106A to Jasper Avenue (92 Street and east section)	Feb 28
7	Neighbourhood Design Overview – Active transportation, streets, intersections, parks and public spaces	Mar 2

Share your feedback – Two ways

Online Surveys

There are six unique area specific surveys and one overall design survey to collect your feedback. Fill out one or fill out all!



Comment Form

A comment form has been included with this newsletter, along with a postage-paid return envelope, to gather general feedback of the overall neighbourhood design.



Feel free to submit both the online surveys and the comment card.

Comment card and survey are open until March 12, 2022.

Note: If you do not have online access, please contact Becky Redford at Becky.Redford@edmonton.ca or **780.496.4887** to arrange for a copy of the draft design materials and survey to be sent to you.

Stakeholder Meetings

In addition to the community conversations, members of the Project Team will be reaching out to various agencies and businesses in the two neighbourhoods to explore design ideas and proposed options, and to listen to feedback on how these changes impact them and their clients.

What drives Neighbourhood Renewal planning decisions?

City policies and programs such as the City Plan and Complete Streets Design and Construction Standards provide the overall direction for Neighbourhood Renewal designs. As each neighbourhood is unique, the Project Team asks for input from residents and considers technical aspects such as roadway widths and conflicts with utilities and trees to determine what will fit in the neighbourhood. The role of public engagement input is to help the City consider what is important to people who live, work and play in Boyle Street and McCauley as well as to understand how the neighbourhood renewal construction decisions will affect them.

Policies

The City Plan (2020) is approved by Council and sets the strategic direction for the way Edmonton grows, including direction on its mobility systems, open spaces and employment and social networks. Neighbourhood Renewal provides a tangible opportunity to bring The City Plan to life in existing neighborhoods.

The City Plan includes five "Big City Moves" that aim to transform our city to support a future population of two million people including *Greener as We Grow*, *Rebuildable City*, *A Community of Communities*, *Inclusive and Compassionate* and *Catalyze and Converge*.

Neighbourhood Renewal helps to implement the City Plan by improving public spaces and the active transportation (walking, cycling and rolling) network, by enhancing the urban forest, and by seeking equity in project decision making through taking a Gender Based Analysis (GBA+) lens. For more information, please visit edmonton.ca/CityPlan.

Community Vision and Guiding Principles

Public engagement played a key role in developing a Vision and Guiding Principles to guide decision making for the Boyle Street and McCauley Neighbourhood Renewal.

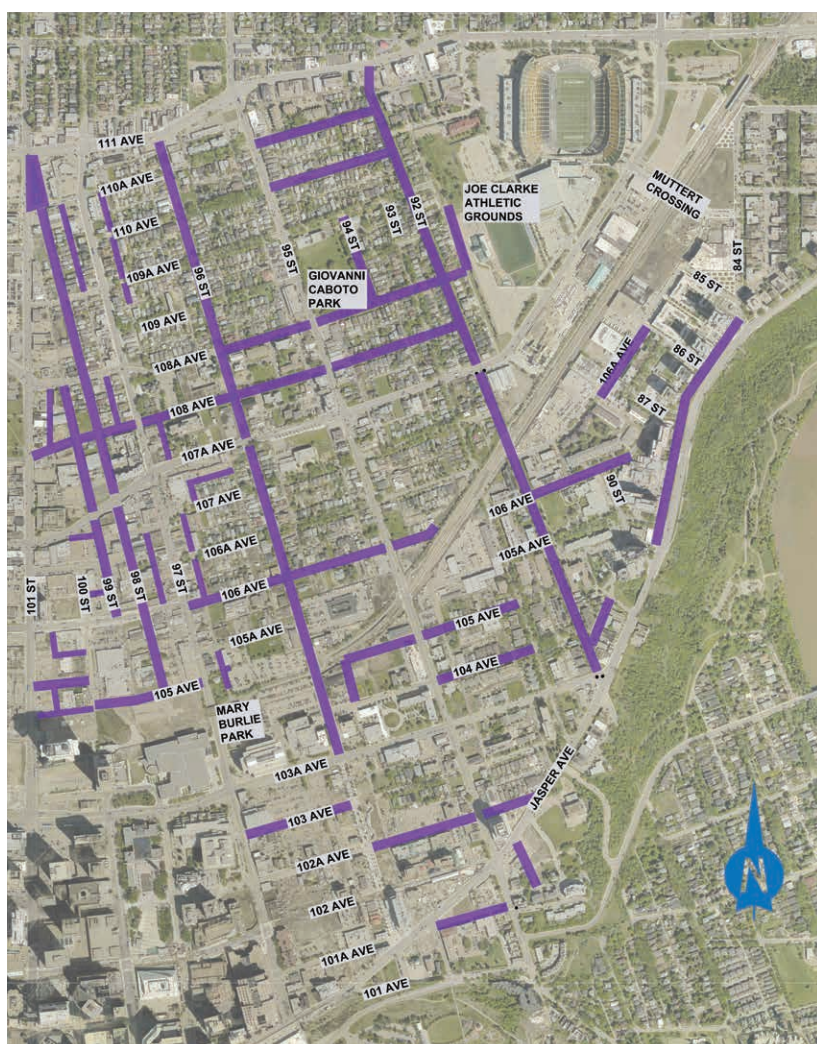
You can review the Vision and Guiding Principles on the project webpage at edmonton.ca/BuildingBoyleStreetandMcCauley.



The draft design

A draft design is the first look at how the infrastructure elements for walking, cycling, rolling, driving and gathering will work together as a system to create a great neighbourhood experience for all users. At this stage, the draft identifies the location and function of each element, for example where missing sidewalk links and connections will be added, the direction of traffic flow and where and what type of bike lanes are being included.

During the **next phase**, Community Feedback on Final Design (spring 2022), detailed decisions will be shared such as how the sidewalk best fits (next to roadway or with a boulevard as separation), what surface treatments will be used (asphalt or concrete), where and what colour street furniture will be and even what species of trees will be planted.



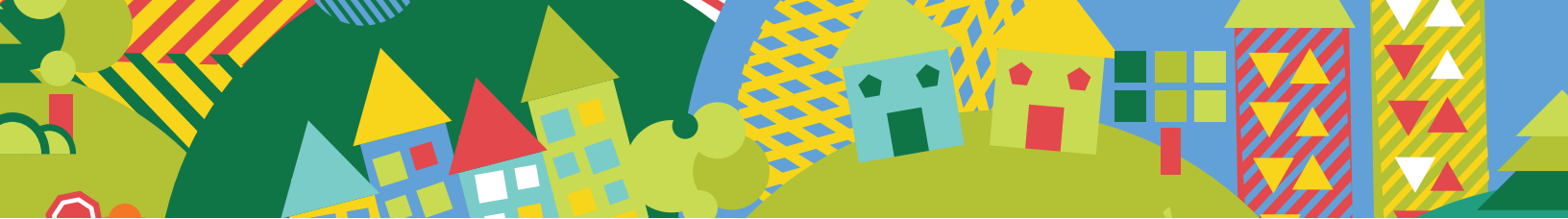
Included in the Boyle Street and McCauley draft design:

- + Locations for active transportation improvements including new sidewalk connections, shared pathways, pedestrian crossings and bike connections
- + Changes to driving including direction of traffic flow, intersection movements and parking
- + Locations for public space improvements
- + Improvements to City-owned parks - Giovanni Caboto and Mary Burlic
- + Locations for alley paving (Chinatown Business Improvement Area area only)
- + Areas for Low Impact Development (LID) (partnership with EPCOR)

Not shown at this stage of design but included in Neighbourhood Renewal:

- + Upgrades to street lighting
- + Road pavement replacement on all residential streets
- + Sidewalk replacement with curb ramps on all residential streets

This map shows all streets with significant changes or functions that are different from today. The chart (on the next page) provides highlights of what is included in the draft design for each street. Please review the information booklets online for street specific details and drawings.



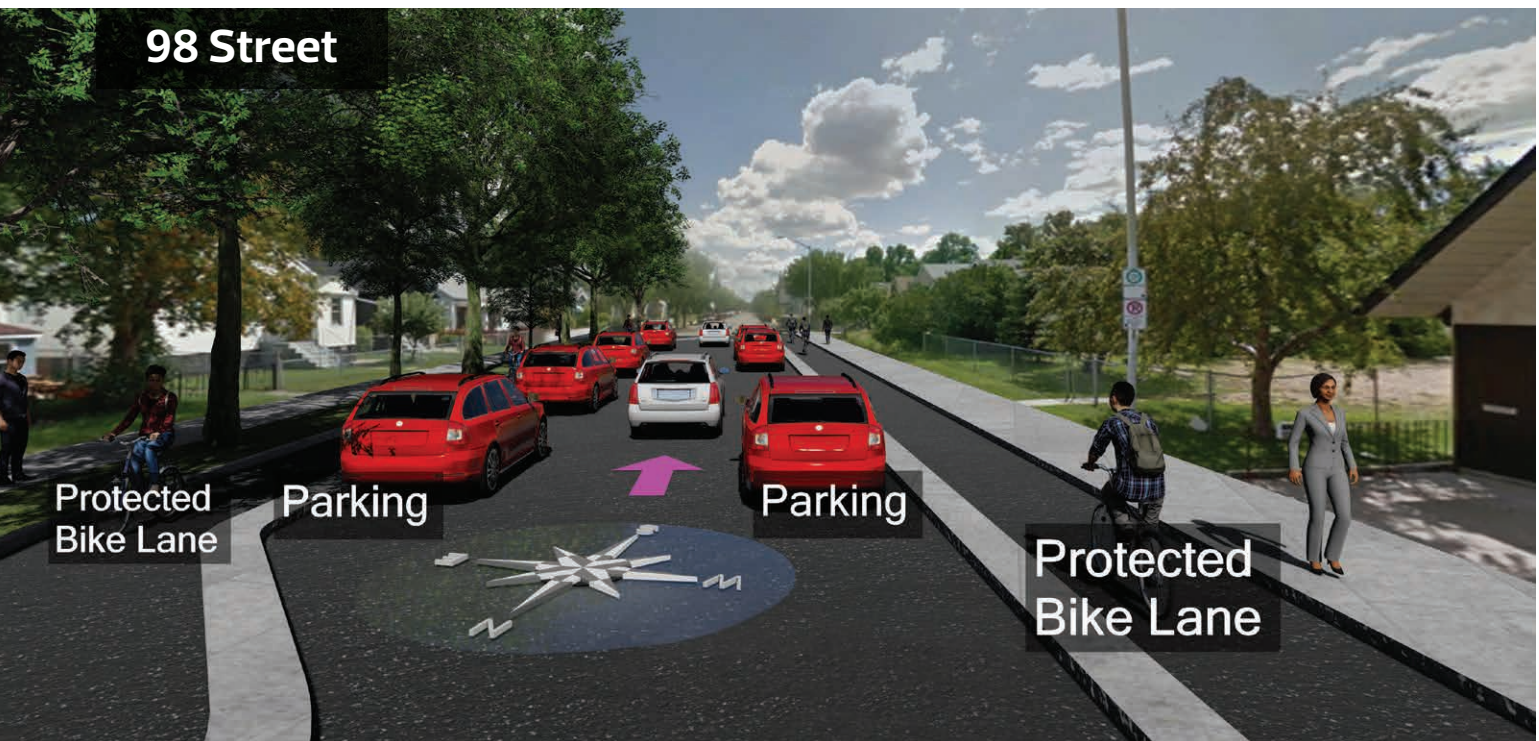
Draft design: street by street

The following are the highlights and key changes included in the draft design. For a closer look at maps, images and explanations, please visit edmonton.ca/BuildingBoyleStreetandMcCauley

Location of design	Design highlights and key changes	Section (Refer to section map on Page 4)
101A Avenue at 95A Street	Curb extension enhancement	4
104 and 105 Avenue – between 95 and 93 Street	104 Avenue – one-way eastbound vehicle traffic 105 Avenue – one-way westbound vehicle traffic from 93 Street to the alley east of 95 Street; two-way from the alley to 95 Street intersection	5
105A Avenue – 101 to 100 Street	Road width narrowed	2
106 Avenue (97 Street to LRT – East of 95 Street)	Wider sidewalks Road width narrowed New tree plantings with low impact development (LID)	2 + 3
107 Avenue – 101 to 97 Street	Sidewalk – both sides Curb extensions added New tree plantings	2
108 Avenue – 101 to 97 Street	Shared pathway – north side 99 to 98 Street – closed to vehicle traffic Proposed bike activated signal at 97 Street	2
108 Avenue – 97 to 96 Street	Shared pathway – north side	2
108A Avenue – 96 to 92 Street / 108 Avenue – 96 to 92 Street	108 Avenue: + Wider sidewalks + Public space improvement opportunities* + Parallel on-street parking + New amber flasher signal for enhanced pedestrian crossing at 95 Street 108A Avenue: + Shared pathway (south side) + Public space improvement opportunities* + Amber flasher upgraded to a signal light for enhanced pedestrian and bike crossing at 95 Street	2 + 3
108/108A Avenue Cornerstore program	Multi-functional public space	2 + 3
109A Avenue – 101 to 97 Street	Sidewalks – both sides Curb extensions added	1
110A and 110 Avenue – 95 to 92 Street	110A Avenue – one way eastbound vehicle traffic 110 Avenue – one-way westbound vehicle traffic from 92 Street to the alley east of 95 Street Two-way vehicle traffic from the alley to 95 Street	3
92 Street – 111 to 103A Avenue	Enhanced shared roadway (bike boulevard) Traffic movements restricted from 107A Avenue Curb extensions added	3, 5, + 6
Alley connection to Latta Bridge (between 92 and 91 Street)	Shared street (pedestrian oriented alley)	6



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96 Street – 111 to 107A Avenue	Protected bike lanes Bike activation added to crossing signal at 111 Avenue Curb extensions changes One-way southbound vehicle traffic Parallel on-street parking Public space improvement opportunities**	1 + 2
96 Street – 107A to 106 Avenue	Wider sidewalks (where possible) Protected bike lanes Bike activation added to crossing signal at 107A Avenue Curb extensions changes One-way northbound vehicle traffic Parallel on-street parking Public space improvement opportunities**	2
96 Street – 106 to 103A Avenue	Protected bike lanes Curb extensions changes Two-way vehicle traffic Parallel and angle on-street parking Public space improvement opportunities**	2 + 4
98 Street – 110A to 105 Avenue	Shared pathway added Road width narrowed Parallel on-street parking New tree plantings Public space improvement opportunities**	1 + 2





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99 Street – 108A to 106 Avenue	Sidewalks – both sides Road width narrowed Parallel and angle on-street parking <i>Note: 105 to 106 Avenue and 108A to 110A Avenue will continue to function as an alley and be replaced as it is today.</i>	2
101 Street – Mary Burlie Park – LRT Shared Pathway Connection	Shared pathway south side of 105 Avenue (100 to 97 Street) Shared street (pedestrian oriented alley*) 101 to 100 Street Shared street (pedestrian oriented alley*) east side of Mary Burlie Park (LRT shared pathway to 106 Street) New signal for enhanced pedestrian/bike crossing added at 105 Avenue and 97 Street (amber flasher removed at 105A Avenue) (proposed)	2 + 4
101 Street / 110A Avenue / 98 Street Intersection	Road closure – 98 Street between 110A and 111 Avenue Landscaping	1
Alley – 102A Avenue to 103 Avenue (east side of Kinistinâw Park)	Shared street (pedestrian oriented alley*)	4
Boyle Renaissance Phase 3 – Alley connection off 105 Avenue / LRT shared pathway connection	Shared street (pedestrian oriented alley*) – 105 to 104 Avenue (between 96 and 95 Street) Shared pathway – south side of LRT tracks New sidewalk – 105 Avenue: 95 Street to LRT shared pathway	4
Jasper Avenue Service Road – 90 to 84 Street	Shared pathway – east side of service road One-way southbound vehicle traffic Right in/right out access at Jasper Avenue 87 and 90 Street – no direct access to service road 84, 86, 87 and 90 Street – direct access to Jasper Avenue New full signal at 87 Street and Jasper Avenue (proposed)	6
Chinatown Alleys (Business Improvement Area)	Paved road surfaces Shared street (pedestrian oriented alley*): + East of 97 Street – Mary Burlie Park to 106 Avenue + West end of 105 Avenue to 100 Street Existing lighting upgraded to LED	1 + 2
LRT Shared Pathway Connection	Shared pathway – south side of LRT tracks from 96 to 92 Street (proposed)	2, 3 + 4
Giovanni Caboto Park and 94 Street	Giovanni Caboto Park + East-west path through middle of park + New amber flasher signal for enhanced pedestrian crossing at 95 Street and 109 Avenue + Entry plaza on south-east corner*** + Seating area on west side*** 94 Street + Sidewalk along west side of 94 Street + One-way northbound vehicle traffic on 94 Street + Parallel on-street parking on east side	3
Mary Burlie Park	Improved sight lines (tree/bush removal) Shared pathway – 97 Street to alley on east side New tree plantings Additional entry features*** New seating***	2



Location of design	Design highlights and key changes	Section (Refer to section map on Page 4)
Stadium Alley / Berm 109A to 108A Avenue	Shared pathway – east side of alley from 108A Avenue to south of 109A Avenue	3
St. Theresa School (90 Street/105A Avenue)	Mid-block crossing on 106 Avenue Curb extensions – 92 Street at 105 and 106 Avenue	5 + 6
102A Avenue between 96 Street and Jasper Avenue	Bike lane connection	4 + 5
103 Avenue between 97 and 96 Street	Road width narrowed Multi-functional on-street event space added	4
94A Street	Cul-de-sac turn around	5
106A Avenue Service Road	Re-alignment of service road	6

***Shared street (pedestrian-oriented alley):** an alley that is designed as a shared street to prioritize people walking, while still permitting people who drive and bike to use the space at low volumes and speeds. It may include visual cues such as signage or physical cues such as special paving to alert drivers that they are entering a shared space

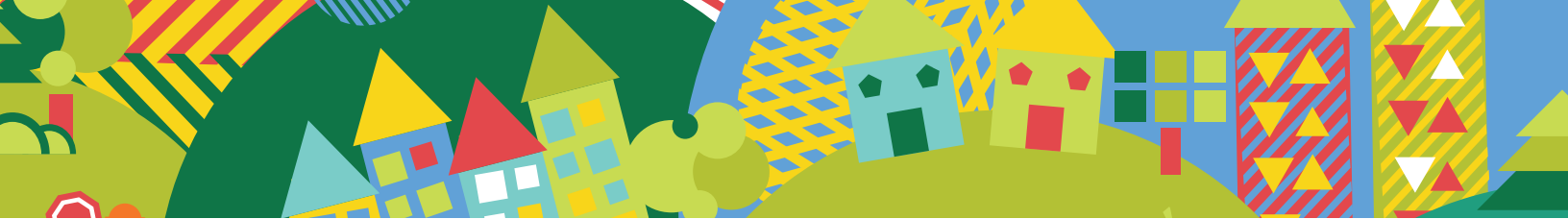
****Public Space Opportunities** Changes to a roadway such as narrowing road width or changing traffic direction to one-way provides space for public space features such as wider sidewalks, trees, landscaping, street furniture and events. Many of these will be added in the next phase of design.

***These elements have not yet received funding

Alley Renewal (residential alleys)

Residential alleys in Boyle Street and McCauley are in the queue for the 2023 – 2026 budget cycle and will not be included in Neighbourhood Renewal.





Street lights and sidewalks – you decide

Local improvement options during Neighbourhood Renewal

What is a local improvement?

A local improvement is a construction project undertaken near or next to residents' properties which is considered more beneficial to the property owner and local area than to the City as a whole. Local improvements are part of the Neighbourhood Renewal discussions with you and your neighbours.

How is Neighbourhood Renewal paid for?

The Neighbourhood Renewal Program is paid for through a City-wide property tax reserve fund dedicated to the program. However, two specific improvements—decorative street lights and sidewalk reconstruction—are cost-shared by the City and property owners in the neighbourhood, as they are considered a local improvement. Standard street lights will be replaced as part of the Neighbourhood Renewal process but property owners can **DECIDE** to upgrade the street lights with decorative options.

Decorative streetlight options

Through the Local improvement process, the community will **DECIDE** on the decorative lighting options that could be installed during renewal if the neighbourhood agrees to the local improvement. Information about the process, styles and possible costs will be shared in the coming months.

Sidewalk reconstruction

A sidewalk reconstruction is initiated by the City as part of Neighbourhood Renewal. As a property owner, you will be able to **DECIDE** on whether you would like to proceed with sidewalk reconstruction or not. Information about cost-sharing with the City on sidewalk reconstruction and the process to provide your feedback will be shared in the coming months.



Neighbourhood renewal funding

Funding for the Neighbourhood Renewal program comes from City-wide property taxes. To be approved for construction, the cost for the design must fall within the renewal budget for the neighbourhood. Some elements proposed may not receive funding, however efforts will be made to partner with other City programs and initiatives to leverage additional funding opportunities.

The upgrades we are currently designing are to support the communities now and for the next 30–35 years in the future. The Neighbourhood Renewal Program has been recognized as being the most cost effective way to add missing infrastructure into an area as significant construction work is already underway.

Next steps

Community Feedback on Final Design

April to July 2022

Feedback received during this phase of engagement will be used to inform the final design for Boyle Street and McCauley that will be shared in spring 2022.

Stay informed

For more information, and to sign up for project updates, go to edmonton.ca/BuildingBoyleStreetandMcCauley.

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