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Zoning Bylaw Renewal Discussion Paper Launch

The Zoning Bylaw team is inviting industry, stakeholders and members of the public to [review and engage on a series of 12 discussion papers](#) that provide the preliminary thinking and direction for the new Zoning Bylaw's regulatory framework.

Engagement on these four papers closes on August 7, after which four more discussion papers will be released for engagement.



[Learn more.](#)

Development Bonds for Existing Servicing Agreements

In an effort to remove barriers for business owners and provide developers with financial flexibility, the City of Edmonton is now accepting development bonds for select existing servicing agreements.

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Edmonton First Major Canadian Municipality to Eliminate Parking Minimums

The City is pleased to announce that effective July 2, 2020 minimum parking requirements have been removed from Edmonton's Zoning Bylaw ([item 3.22](#)).



This means that developers, homeowners and businesses will now be able to decide how much on-site parking to provide on their properties based on their particular operations, activities or lifestyle. Barrier-free parking will continue to be required at rates comparable to today.

The City supports economic vibrancy of the city by making it easier to do business in Edmonton. Removing minimum parking requirements addresses a significant financial barrier to the development of more diverse, affordable housing options and innovative commercial spaces, and will help keep industry moving during these challenging times.

For more information about the changes, visit edmonton.ca/makingspace.

Questions? Contact Trevor Illingworth, Senior Planner for the City's Zoning Bylaw Team, at trevor.illingworth@edmonton.ca

Share Your Thoughts on the Draft Wind Studies Terms of Reference

A [draft terms of reference for wind studies](#) is open for feedback until until July 21, 2020.

These terms of reference address when a wind study is required, how it is prepared, and how it will be evaluated. This work is in response to a City Council motion in fall 2019 and feedback from the development industry will help shape a report to Urban Planning Committee later in 2020.



For more information or questions, please contact Christian Lee at christian.lee@edmonton.ca.

Provide Feedback on the Edmonton Design Committee Policies and



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The City is undertaking a review of the Edmonton Design Committee policies and procedures to ensure the effectiveness, efficiency and relevance of the Committee.

A [draft report of the policies and procedures review is open for feedback](#) until July 21, 2020. Input received will directly influence and help refine the draft report before it is presented to Urban Planning Committee later this year.

For more information or questions, please contact Peter Spearey at peter.spearey@edmonton.ca.



The second round of registration is now open for the Expedited Infill Pilot Builder Education Program!

Participants who successfully complete the education program will qualify for expedited development permit review timelines for projects. There are 4 webinar courses that must be taken and successfully passed in order to qualify:

- Design 101 - July 20 from 9:00 am - 1:00 pm
- Development Permit Application & Review - July 21 from 9:00 am - 3:00 pm
- Infill Best Practices for Construction - July 22 from 9:00 am - 1:00 pm
- Communication and Community Relations - July 23 from 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

While courses are targeted towards infill builders and developers, anyone interested is [welcome to register](#).

Were you one of the participants who completed the first round of the Builder Education Program (IDEA Infill Certification Program) courses last November? Participants who are certified in the program can now apply online for the [Expedited Infill Review Process](#).

The City, in partnership with IDEA, is offering this program as part of the two-year Expedited Infill Pilot. Participants who are accessing these expedited review timelines must ensure that their applications meet all eligibility requirements, but also that they are practicing safe and responsible construction practices on all of their active construction sites in the city.

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