

The City Plan Engagement Data Summary

Land Use: You told us you want:

- A “Community of Communities”. *“Feeling like living local... small community... but opportunities a big city provides”*
- Planning that considers the unique aspects of your community.
- Equal effort and investment across the city.
- A sense of community where you live and work and shop.
- To slow urban sprawl to preserve farmland, address climate change and reduce infrastructure costs.
- To better understand the planning process which seems secret.
- Some of you told us you want more density everywhere; others said it should be along corridors.
- Less lot splitting

Transportation/Mobility: You told us you want:

- To get around the city without a car but the systems don’t currently support you to do that
- Corridors that allow you to walk, bike, ride or drive year round
- A bike network that is connected and protected
- To think about future LRT routes when planning new areas

Environment: You told us you want:

- Us to think about the environment when we’re making planning decisions
- More protected natural areas
- Us to keep preserving the river valley
- Us to consider some commercial areas in the river valley but not in a way that disrupts the protected natural areas

Climate Change: You told us you want:

- Us to include climate considerations in planning decisions
- To be able to move around the city without your car
- Us to think about renewable energy sources in new developments but not in the river valley
- To reduce greenhouse gas emissions by investigating solar and geothermal energy

Urban Design: You told us you want:

- Us to continue with ongoing major developments like Downtown and Blatchford and emerging development areas like Bonnie Doon and Exhibition Lands
- Us to consider displacement and cultural erasure where densification may contribute to gentrification in low income areas.
- To retain the distinctive features of neighbourhoods to strengthen the sense of community

- Us to put people's quality of life and experience first when planning the city

Housing: You told us you want:

- Housing that is affordable
- Housing that is connected to work, school, shops and recreation - often within walking distance
- Housing that is built at a district level like Downtown or the Exhibition Lands

Economic and community development: You told us you want:

- Inclusive districts where everyone is welcome including newcomers and marginalized people
- To live locally with access to local products and services by foot or by transit
- To continue to work on reconciliation with Indigenous people in Edmonton and the region
- To identify areas of growth to focus on development but to be careful about inequity
- Community Leagues to continue to play an important role in planning the city

Parks: You told us you want:

- Us to maintain and expand the trail system
- To expand access to the river for recreation uses
- Parks of all sizes that are easily accessible without a car

Community Amenities: You told us you want:

- Us to focus on making it easier to walk to shops and recreation
- Space to host community events
- Recreation facilities that are smaller and closer to home

Disruption and resilience: You told us you want:

- Planning that can be adapted for changing market needs and emerging technologies
- Everyone to recognize that change in the status quo may be needed to welcome more people
- Ensure we're looking at best practices around the world -especially when it comes to LRT planning