

# COUNCIL REPORT – LAND USE PLANNING BYLAW

Edmonton

## **BYLAW 20686**

### **To close a portion of road, Queen Mary Park**

#### **Purpose**

To close a portion of 105 Avenue NW between 112 Street NW and 113 Street, Queen Mary Park.

#### **Readings**

Bylaw 20686 is ready for three readings after the public hearing has been held. If Council wishes to give three readings during a single meeting, Council must unanimously agree that Bylaw 20686 be considered for third reading.

#### **Advertising and Signing**

This Bylaw was advertised in the Edmonton Journal on November 24, 2023, and December 2, 2023. The Bylaw can be passed following third reading.

#### **Position of Administration**

Administration supports this proposed Bylaw.

#### **Report**

Bylaw 20686 proposes to close a portion of 105 Avenue NW between 112 Street NW and 113 Street NW (attachment 2). The proposed closure area would remain as road right-of-way, but be closed to vehicle traffic and landscaped (plaza). This proposed closure is part of the 105 Avenue NW Streetscape Project and aligns with the Central McDougall / Queen Mary Park Area Redevelopment Plan which supports the provision of linear open space as a part of the 105 Avenue Multi-use Trail Corridor.

Engagement for the 105 Avenue Streetscape Project dates back to 2013 and has been ongoing prior to this road closure application.

As a part of the road closure application, a mailed notice was sent to surrounding property owners and the president of the Downtown Edmonton Community League, the Queen Mary Park Community League, and the North Edge Business Improvement Area on September 18, 2023, and information was posted on the City webpage. One response in opposition was received. The respondent was concerned about the closure increasing traffic volumes on 106 Avenue NW and making it less safe, and suggested introducing traffic calming measures on 106 Avenue NW and 105 Avenue NW instead of the proposed road closure.

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### **Attachments**

1. Bylaw 20686
2. Aerial Map