

Action Plan to Collaboratively Implement the McKernan-Belgravia Station Area Redevelopment Plan

Goals and Objectives

The goal of this action plan is to collaboratively implement the McKernan-Belgravia Station Area Redevelopment Plan with local stakeholders. It is guided by two main objectives – stakeholders in the community commit to work together collaboratively (i.e. how we work) with a focus on action (i.e. what we do) that is meaningful and will help implement the Area Redevelopment Plan.

Collaborative Process and Principles

Administration worked with local stakeholders to identify basic principles to guide this process:

- inclusiveness and diversity of interests and knowledge;
- opportunities to engage in meaningful dialogue among stakeholders including ongoing communication and access to information;
- use of a broad range of tools to help people engage a project, whether it is to raise awareness, stay informed, propose ideas, test solutions, or support a particular strategy or action; and
- fostering greater understanding and clear expectations of change envisioned through implementation of the plan.

Implementation Actions

Successful implementation of the McKernan-Belgravia Station Area Redevelopment Plan requires clear and meaningful action. Administration and local stakeholders identified a series of actions that could be collaboratively implemented through a common framework.

These actions will improve communication regarding the plan and rezoning process, support active transportation modes and planned infrastructure improvements, development opportunity and quality. Further discussion will be required to establish the specific scope of work, project details, resource requirements, and collaborative process necessary to effectively engage local stakeholders for each action.

The following actions are generally supported by community stakeholders, City policy and integration with existing/planned City initiatives; respond to the local neighbourhood context; and have the ability to be generalized to other neighbourhoods in Edmonton.

McKernan-Belgravia Station Area Redevelopment Plan Action Plan		City Involvement	Partners	Expected Timeframe
1	Public Engagement – Develop a communications plan to talk about the future of McKernan and Belgravia and what changes can be expected.	Sustainable Development	Community; Industry; City Departments	Q1 2016 – Q2 2016
2	Transportation – Explore opportunities for minor infrastructure enhancements as part of the Neighbourhood Renewal process (consultations began in 2015; construction scheduled to start in 2017).	Transportation	Community; Property owners	Q1 2016 – 2017
3	Transportation – Explore concepts and opportunities for a bicycle station at the McKernan/Belgravia LRT Station.	Sustainable Development; Transportation	Community	Q1 2016 – Q4 2016
4	Transportation – Explore feasibility of a pedestrian crossing on the west leg of the University Avenue/114 Street intersection and explore opportunities for funding it.	Transportation	Community	Q2 2016 – Q3 2016
5	Development – Provide advice to the community if it wishes to prepare a guide about development quality.	Sustainable Development	Community	2016-17
6	Development – Explore feasibility of development along 114 Street as currently contemplated in the Area Redevelopment Plan.	Sustainable Development; other departments	Relevant property owners; Community	Q2 2016 – Q4 2016
7	Public Engagement – Strongly encourage developers to have a pre-application meeting with the community prior to submission of a rezoning application.	Sustainable Development	Community; Industry	Q1 2016 and ongoing
8	Public Engagement – ‘Close the loop’ on community concerns about rezoning applications by responding to the community about concerns that have been heard and how they may be addressed.	Sustainable Development	Community; Industry	Q1 2016 and ongoing
9	Development – Work with Community Leagues and property owners regarding rezoning within the 71 Avenue Corridor Precinct.	Sustainable Development	Community; Industry	Q1 2016 – Q4 2016