



Urban Planning and Economy

**UPE02412 New Proposed
Principles of Urban Design**

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Project Background + Objectives

- Identified in the Council approved 2024-25 EDC work plan.
- Principles are used by the EDC Committee to guide their review of development applications.
- Updated principles will reflect current best practice, and align with Connect(Ed)monton and The City Plan.

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Authentic and meaningful

Celebrating people and place, cultures, and natural and built heritage while promoting the evolution of culture for generations to come.



Healthy and inclusive

Creating safe and welcoming places for people of all cultures, incomes, ages, abilities and genders.

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Attractive and human-scaled

Creating comfortable, well-scaled public spaces that support walkability and create a memorable city image.



Connected and walkable

integrating the movement of people within sites and public spaces across a multitude of modes, systems and scales, with a focus on walking and wheeling.

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Resilient and sustainable

Facilitating urbanization that supports energy transition and climate resilience and reduces our ecological footprint .



Vibrant and thriving

Enabling diverse activities, amenities and uses that contribute to lively, people-focused places.

Implementation

- Submission and evaluation processes have also been improved.
- Training will be identified to ensure committee members are able to adequately evaluate development applications against these new principles.

Industry Engagement

- Informed by two phases of industry engagement.
- There is general support for the proposed direction of the principles, as well as the new submission and evaluation processes.

Next Steps

- Continue to refine the principles through Q1 2025.
- Introduce the principles to coincide with the new EDC term beginning in May 2025.

Questions and Thank You

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