# COUNCIL REPORT – LAND USE PLANNING BYLAW



#### **BYLAW 21140**

### To close a portion of alley, Gariepy

### **Purpose**

To close a portion of alley south of 59 Avenue NW from 175 Street NW to the east of 177 Street NW.

### Readings

Bylaw 21140 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 21140 be considered for third reading.

## **Advertising and Signing**

This Bylaw was advertised in the Edmonton Journal on April 17, 2025, and April 26, 2025. The Bylaw can be passed following third reading.

#### **Position of Administration**

Administration supports this proposed Bylaw.

## Report

Bylaw 21140 proposes to close a portion of the alley south of 59 Avenue NW from 175 Street NW to the east of 177 Street NW, where no garage accesses currently exist. If closed, the closure area will remain as road right-of-way but be closed to vehicle traffic. As part of the Gariepy Neighbourhood and Alley Renewal project, the closure area will be converted into a green alley connection with bollards at both ends. The proposal aligns with the City Plan by expanding the city's overall green space, supporting the strategic measures of the Big City Move "Greener as We Grow". Furthermore, the proposal aligns with the West Edmonton District Plan and supports the District Policy by strengthening ecological connectivity and integrating open spaces with the Active Transportation network.

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Public engagement for this application included a mailed notice and information on the City's webpage. Administration heard from two residents in opposition, who raised concerns about safety due to a single entry/exit point in emergencies and the loss of backyard vehicle access for parking tent trailers and RVs. The file was circulated to emergency services, and Fire Rescue Services responded with no comment, indicating no identified safety risks related to the change. All comments from civic departments and utility agencies regarding this proposal have been addressed.

#### **Attachments**

- 1. Bylaw 21140
- 2. Aerial Map