



City Council Public Hearing - Minutes

February 24, 2026

9:30 a.m.

Council Chamber, 2nd floor, City Hall

Present: A. Knack, R. Clarke, M. Elliott, M. Janz, J. Morgan, A. Paquette,
T. Parmar, K. Principe, E. Rutherford, A. Salvador, A.
Stevenson, K. Tang, J. Wright

1. Call to Order and Related Business

1.1 Call to Order and Land Acknowledgement

At the request of Mayor A. Knack, Deputy Mayor M. Janz called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m., Tuesday, February 24, 2026, and acknowledged that City Council meets on the traditional land of Treaty 6 Territory and the Métis homeland. The Chair also acknowledged the diverse Indigenous peoples whose ancestors' footsteps have marked this territory for centuries such as: Cree, Dene, Sauteaux, Blackfoot, Nakota Isga, as well as Métis and Inuit, and now settlers from around the world.

1.2 Roll Call

Deputy Mayor M. Janz conducted roll call and confirmed the attendance of Members of City Council.

Councillors A. Paquette, T. Parmar and K. Tang were absent with notice for a portion of the meeting.

E. Norton, T. Orbell and J. Taves, Office of the City Clerk, were also in attendance.

1.3 Declaration of Pecuniary or Conflict of Interest

Deputy Mayor M. Janz asked whether there were any declarations of pecuniary interests or conflicts of interest. There were none.

1.4 Adoption of Agenda

Moved by: M. Janz

Seconded by: T. Parmar

That the February 24, 2026, City Council Public Hearing agenda be adopted with the following change:

- 3.11 Bylaw 21423 - To allow for child care services and cannabis retail stores, South Edmonton Common
- Attachment 1

In Favour (13): A. Knack, R. Clarke, M. Elliott, M. Janz, J. Morgan, A. Paquette, T. Parmar, K. Principe, E. Rutherford, A. Salvador, A. Stevenson, K. Tang, and J. Wright

Carried (13 to 0)

Moved by: J. Wright

Seconded by: J. Morgan

1. That the following items be postponed to the March 10, 2026, City Council Public Hearing:

- 3.6 Charter Bylaw 21428 - To amend the Ellerslie District Plan
- 3.7 Bylaw 21398 - To amend the Decoteau Area Structure Plan
- 3.8 Bylaw 21399 - To amend the Alces Neighbourhood Structure Plan
- 3.9 Bylaw 21400 - To allow for a range of small scale housing and a variety of commercial businesses, Alces
- 3.12 Charter Bylaw 21430 - To amend the Southwest District Plan
- 3.13 Bylaw 21431 - To allow for a range of small and medium scale housing, MacEwan
- 3.14 Bylaw 21416 - To allow for medium scale housing, Schonsee
- 3.15 Charter Bylaw 21425 - To amend the Northwest District Plan

- 3.16 Bylaw 21426 - To allow for medium scale housing, McArthur Industrial
- 3.19 Bylaw 21419 - To allow for a range of small to medium scale housing, Calder

2. That the Orders of the Day for the March 10, 2026, City Council Public Hearing be changed as follows:

- Dinner - 5 p.m. to 6 p.m.
- Adjournment - 9 p.m.

Members of City Council requested that the motion be split for voting purposes.

Part 1 of Motion, put:

Moved by: J. Wright

Seconded by: J. Morgan

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Carried (13 to 0)

Part 2 of Motion, put:

Moved by: J. Wright

Seconded by: J. Morgan

2. That the Orders of the Day for the March 10, 2026, City Council Public Hearing be changed as follows:

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In Favour (10): A. Knack, R. Clarke, M. Elliott, M. Janz, J. Morgan, T. Parmar, E. Rutherford, A. Salvador, A. Stevenson, and J. Wright

Opposed (3): A. Paquette, K. Principe, and K. Tang

Carried (10 to 3)

1.5 Council Protocol Recognition

1.5.1 Lendrum School (A. Knack)

Mayor A. Knack, on behalf of City Council, welcomed the Grade 6 classes from Lendrum School in Ward papastew and their teachers, Madame Edwards and C. Andrews.

1.5.2 John A McDougall School (A. Knack)

Mayor A. Knack, on behalf of City Council, welcomed the Grade 6 classes from John A McDougall School in Ward O-day'min and their teachers, V. Lessard and S. Gratton.

1.5.3 Athlone School (A. Knack)

Mayor A. Knack, on behalf of City Council, welcomed the Grade 4 class from Athlone School in Ward Anirniq and their teacher, M. Deschner.

2. Explanation of Public Hearing Process

2.1 Call for Persons to Speak

Mayor A. Knack explained the public hearing process. E. Norton, Office of the City Clerk, asked whether there were any speakers to the following Bylaws:

Bylaw 21421

The following number of speakers registered:

1 speaker registered in favour

Bylaw 21366

The following number of speakers registered:

3 speakers registered in favour

2 speakers registered in opposition

Bylaws 21359 and 20734

The following number of speakers registered:

4 speakers registered in favour

2 speakers registered in opposition

Bylaw 21420

The following number of speakers registered:

3 speakers registered in favour

Charter Bylaw 21428 and Bylaws 21398, 21399 and 21400

The following number of speakers registered:

3 speakers registered in favour

Bylaw 21429

The following number of speakers registered:

1 speaker registered in favour

Bylaw 21423

The following number of speakers registered:

2 speakers registered in favour

Charter Bylaw 21430 and Bylaw 21431

The following number of speakers registered:

2 speakers registered in favour

8 speakers registered in opposition

Bylaw 21416

The following number of speakers registered:

3 speakers registered in favour

Charter Bylaw 21425 and Bylaw 21426

The following number of speakers registered:

1 speaker registered in favour

Charter Bylaw 21417 and Bylaw 21418

The following number of speakers registered:

2 speakers registered in favour

Bylaw 21419

The following number of speakers registered:

1 speaker registered in favour

1 speaker registered in opposition

3. Bylaws and Related Reports

Moved by: E. Rutherford

Seconded by: T. Parmar

That the Public Hearing on the following Bylaws be closed:

- 3.1 Bylaw 21421 - To close a portion of road right-of-way, Belgravia
- 3.10 Bylaw 21429 - To allow for a variety of commercial businesses, Rideau Park
- 3.11 Bylaw 21423 - To allow for child care services and cannabis retail stores, South Edmonton Common
- 3.17 Charter Bylaw 21417 - To amend the Northwest District Plan
- 3.18 Bylaw 21418 - To allow for large scale facilities that provide community services, Baranow

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Carried (13 to 0)

Moved by: E. Rutherford

Seconded by: T. Parmar

That the following Bylaws be read a first time:

- 3.1 Bylaw 21421 - To close a portion of road right-of-way, Belgravia
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Carried (13 to 0)

Moved by: E. Rutherford

Seconded by: T. Parmar

That the following Bylaws be read a second time:

- 3.1 Bylaw 21421 - To close a portion of road right-of-way, Belgravia
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Carried (13 to 0)

Moved by: E. Rutherford

Seconded by: T. Parmar

That the following Bylaws be considered for third reading:

- 3.1 Bylaw 21421 - To close a portion of road right-of-way, Belgravia
- 3.10 Bylaw 21429 - To allow for a variety of commercial businesses, Rideau Park
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Carried (13 to 0)

3.1 Bylaw 21421 - To close a portion of road right-of-way, Belgravia

This item was not selected for debate and was dealt with as part of item 3. Bylaw 21421 received three readings.

3.2 Bylaw 21366 - To allow for small scale mixed use development, Wîhkwêntôwin

The following member of Administration's delegation made a presentation:

- C. St. Aubin, Urban Planning and Economy

The following speaker made a presentation in favour:

- R. Soans

The following speakers made presentations and answered questions in favour:

- R. Eidick, EINS
- M. Sacha

The following speakers made presentations and answered questions in opposition:

- A. Rizzuto, Little Village Wellness Centre
- D. Howatt, Wîhkwêntôwin Community League

The following members of Administration's delegation answered questions:

- C. St. Aubin, Urban Planning and Economy
- S. Carlyle, Urban Planning and Economy
- J. Inkpen, Employee and Legal Services

- S. Kuiper, Urban Planning and Economy
- F. Saeed, Urban Planning and Economy

Mayor A. Knack asked if Council Members had any clarifying questions of anyone registered to speak.

The following speaker answered questions:

- R. Eidick, EINS

The following members of Administration's delegation answered questions:

- C. St. Aubin, Urban Planning and Economy
- T. Pawlyk, Urban Planning and Economy
- S. Carlyle, Urban Planning and Economy
- J. Inkpen, Employee and Legal Services

Mayor A. Knack asked if Council Members had any clarifying questions of anyone registered to speak. There was no one.

Moved by: A. Stevenson

Seconded by: M. Elliott

That the Public Hearing on Bylaw 21366 be closed.

In Favour (12): A. Knack, R. Clarke, M. Elliott, M. Janz, J. Morgan, T. Parmar, K. Principe, E. Rutherford, A. Salvador, A. Stevenson, K. Tang, and J. Wright

Carried (12 to 0)

Moved by: A. Stevenson

Seconded by: M. Elliott

That Bylaw 21366 be read a first time.

In Favour (9): A. Knack, R. Clarke, M. Elliott, M. Janz, T. Parmar, E. Rutherford, A. Salvador, A. Stevenson, and J. Wright

Opposed (3): J. Morgan, K. Principe, and K. Tang

Carried (9 to 3)

Moved by: A. Stevenson

Seconded by: M. Elliott

That Bylaw 21366 be read a second time.

In Favour (9): A. Knack, R. Clarke, M. Elliott, M. Janz, T. Parmar, E. Rutherford, A. Salvador, A. Stevenson, and J. Wright

Opposed (3): J. Morgan, K. Principe, and K. Tang

Carried (9 to 3)

Moved by: A. Stevenson

Seconded by: M. Elliott

That Bylaw 21366 be considered for third reading.

In Favour (12): A. Knack, R. Clarke, M. Elliott, M. Janz, J. Morgan, T. Parmar, K. Principe, E. Rutherford, A. Salvador, A. Stevenson, K. Tang, and J. Wright

Carried (12 to 0)

Moved by: A. Stevenson

Seconded by: M. Elliott

That Bylaw 21366 be read a third time.

In Favour (9): A. Knack, R. Clarke, M. Elliott, M. Janz, T. Parmar, E. Rutherford, A. Salvador, A. Stevenson, and J. Wright

Opposed (3): J. Morgan, K. Principe, and K. Tang

Carried (9 to 3)

3.3 Bylaw 21359 - To amend the Zoning Bylaw 20001

3.4 Bylaw 20734 - To recognize the park as home to historic resources, and metropolitan-level recreational and cultural events, while being sensitive to the river valley context, River Valley Mayfair

Bylaws 21359 and 20734 were dealt with together.

The following member of Administration's delegation made a presentation:

- C. St. Aubin, Urban Planning and Economy

The following speaker made a presentation and answered questions in favour:

- C. Churchill, City of Edmonton

The following speaker made a presentation in opposition:

- R. Feroe

The following speaker made a presentation and answered questions in opposition:

- K. Kowalchuk, Edmonton River Valley Conservation Coalition

The following members of Administration's delegation answered questions:

- C. St. Aubin, Urban Planning and Economy
- J. Inkpen, Employee and Legal Services
- S. Kuiper, Urban Planning and Economy
- T. Pawlyk, Urban Planning and Economy

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Mayor A. Knack asked if Council Members had any clarifying questions of anyone registered to speak. There was no one.

Moved by: M. Janz

Seconded by: M. Elliott

That the Public Hearing on Bylaws 21359 and 20734 be closed.

In Favour (12): A. Knack, R. Clarke, M. Elliott, M. Janz, J. Morgan, A. Paquette, K. Principe, E. Rutherford, A. Salvador, A. Stevenson, K. Tang, and J. Wright

Carried (12 to 0)

Moved by: M. Janz

Seconded by: M. Elliott

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Carried (12 to 0)

3.5 Bylaw 21420 - To allow for a range of small to medium scale housing, Meltwater

The following member of Administration's delegation made a presentation and answered questions:

- A. McLellan, Urban Planning and Economy

The following members of Administration's delegation answered questions:

- F. Saeed, Urban Planning and Economy
- J. Inkpen, Employee and Legal Services
- S. Kuiper, Urban Planning and Economy

Mayor A. Knack asked if Council Members had any clarifying questions of anyone registered to speak. There was no one.

Moved by: M. Janz

Seconded by: E. Rutherford

That the Public Hearing on Bylaw 21420 be closed.

In Favour (13): A. Knack, R. Clarke, M. Elliott, M. Janz, J. Morgan, A. Paquette, T. Parmar, K. Principe, E. Rutherford, A. Salvador, A. Stevenson, K. Tang, and J. Wright

Carried (13 to 0)

Moved by: M. Janz

Seconded by: K. Tang

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Carried (13 to 0)

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Seconded by: E. Rutherford

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- 3.9 Bylaw 21400 - To allow for a range of small scale housing and a variety of commercial businesses, Alces**

Charter Bylaw 21428 and Bylaws 21398, 21399 and 21400 were dealt with together.

The following member of Administration's delegation made a presentation:

- A. McLellan, Urban Planning and Economy

The following speakers answered questions in favour:

- E. Shillington, Cantiro Communities
- H. Mikkelsen, Stantec Consulting
- K. Rowe, Cantiro Communities

The following member of Administration's delegation answered questions:

- A. McLellan, Urban Planning and Economy

**Clerk's note: Items 3.6, 3.7, 3.8 and 3.9 were considered but not finished. At the February 24, 2026, City Council Public Hearing, City Council passed a motion to postpone them to the March 10, 2026, City Council Public Hearing (see item 1.4).*

3.10 Bylaw 21429 - To allow for a variety of commercial businesses, Rideau Park

This item was not selected for debate and was dealt with as part of item 3. Bylaw 21429 received three readings.

3.11 Bylaw 21423 - To allow for child care services and cannabis retail stores, South Edmonton Common

This item was not selected for debate and was dealt with as part of item 3. Bylaw 21423 received three readings.

3.12 Charter Bylaw 21430 - To amend the Southwest District Plan

3.13 Bylaw 21431 - To allow for a range of small and medium scale housing, MacEwan

Charter Bylaw 21430 and Bylaw 21431 were dealt with together.

The following member of Administration's delegation made a presentation:

- A. McLellan, Urban Planning and Economy

The following speakers made presentations and answered questions in favour:

- Y. Lew, Stantec
- N. Carels, Qualico

The following speakers made presentations in opposition:

- T. Lim
- A. Lui
- N. Gomez

The following speakers made presentations and answered questions in opposition:

- S. Wermann
- M. Medhekar
- D. Medhekar
- T. Paxman

The following members of Administration's delegation answered questions:

- F. Saeed, Urban Planning and Economy
- A. McLellan, Urban Planning and Economy
- T. Ford, Urban Planning and Economy
- S. Kuiper, Urban Planning and Economy

**Clerk's note: Items 3.12 and 3.13 were considered but not finished. At the February 24, 2026, City Council Public Hearing, City Council passed a motion to postpone them to the March 10, 2026, City Council Public Hearing (see item 1.4).*

3.14 Bylaw 21416 - To allow for medium scale housing, Schonsee

This item was postponed to the March 10, 2026, City Council Public Hearing (see item 1.4).

3.15 Charter Bylaw 21425 - To amend the Northwest District Plan

This item was postponed to the March 10, 2026, City Council Public Hearing (see item 1.4).

3.16 Bylaw 21426 - To allow for medium scale housing, McArthur Industrial

This item was postponed to the March 10, 2026, City Council Public Hearing (see item 1.4).

3.17 Charter Bylaw 21417 - To amend the Northwest District Plan

This item was not selected for debate and was dealt with as part of item 3. Charter Bylaw 21417 received three readings.

3.18 Bylaw 21418 - To allow for large scale facilities that provide community services, Baranow

This item was not selected for debate and was dealt with as part of item 3. Bylaw 21418 received three readings.

3.19 Bylaw 21419 - To allow for a range of small to medium scale housing, Calder

This item was postponed to the March 10, 2026, City Council Public Hearing (see item 1.4).

4. Notices of Motion and Motions without Customary Notice

4.1 City of Edmonton Strategic Priorities and Opportunities for Defense (A. Knack)

Mayor A. Knack stated that at the next regular meeting of City Council, the following motion would be moved:

That the City Manager, in partnership with the Edmonton Region Defence Alliance and other relevant organizations, identify strategic priorities and opportunities for defense for the City of Edmonton, including coordination and investment attraction, in alignment with Canada's newly launched Defense Industrial Strategy and other intergovernmental defense priorities, using existing delegated authority and budget.

- Notice of Motion Given: February 24, 2026, City Council Public Hearing

5. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 5:07 p.m., Tuesday, February 24, 2026.

Chair

City Clerk