



Urban Planning Committee - Minutes

March 23, 2026

9:30 a.m.

Council Chamber, 2nd floor, City Hall

Present: A. Stevenson, R. Clarke, M. Janz, A. Knack, A. Paquette

1. Call to Order and Related Business

1.1 Call to Order and Land Acknowledgement

Councillor A. Stevenson called the meeting to order at 9:31 a.m., Monday, March 23, 2026, and acknowledged that Urban Planning Committee 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

Councillor A. Stevenson conducted roll call and confirmed the attendance of Members of Urban Planning Committee.

Mayor A. Knack is a Committee Member pursuant to section 15(3), Council Committees Bylaw 18156.

Councillors M. Elliott, J. Morgan, T. Parmar, K. Principe, E. Rutherford, A. Salvador, K. Tang and J. Wright; and J. Taves, G. Goodin and A. Karbasheski, Office of the City Clerk, were also in attendance.

1.3 Declaration of Pecuniary or Conflict of Interest

Councillor A. Stevenson asked whether there were any declarations of pecuniary interests or conflicts of interest. There were none.

1.4 Adoption of Agenda

Moved by: R. Clarke

That the March 23, 2026, Urban Planning Committee meeting agenda be adopted.

In Favour (4): A. Stevenson, R. Clarke, M. Janz, and A. Paquette

Carried (4 to 0)

1.5 Approval of Minutes

Moved by: R. Clarke

That the minutes from the following meetings be approved:

- March 3, 2026, Urban Planning Committee
- March 16, 2026, Urban Planning Committee - Non-Regular

In Favour (4): A. Stevenson, R. Clarke, M. Janz, and A. Paquette

Carried (4 to 0)

1.6 Council Protocol Recognition

1.6.1 Annunciation School (A. Stevenson)

Councillor A. Stevenson, on behalf of Urban Planning Committee, welcomed the Grade 4 class from Annunciation School in Ward sipiwiniwak and their teacher, L. Baclig.

2. Items for Discussion and Related Business

2.1 Select Items for Debate

The following items were selected for debate: 7.1, 7.2 and 7.3.

2.2 Vote on Reports not Selected for Debate

All items were selected for debate.

2.3 Requests to Speak

Moved by: R. Clarke

That Urban Planning Committee hear from the following speakers, in panels when appropriate:

- 7.1 Advancing Bus Rapid Transit and Transit Priority Measures

Panel 1:

1. E. Stremel, Edmonton Transit Riders
2. J. Wagenaar
3. C. Peters
4. N. Van
5. M. Wilson, Vivid Print
6. S. Pon, Chinatown Transformation Collaborative Society
7. R. Liukko, Chinatown Business Improvement Area
8. A. Donini, Old Strathcona Business Association
9. J. Ho, Chinatown Business Improvement Area
10. K. Southwood, Canadian Federation of Independent Business
11. E. Estrada, Alberta Avenue Business Association
12. K. Singh
13. R. Jacques, Paths for People
14. A. Morton, French Quarter Business Improvement Area
15. J. Watson

Panel 2:

1. E. Lam, Fukienese Association of Alberta
2. D. Cepeda Montufar
3. R. Mohiuddin
4. S. Lohner
5. E. Greer, Prioritize Whyte Ave
6. B. Thiessen
7. J. Charlery-Vidmar, Edmonton Transit Riders
8. E. Cameracci
9. K. Luu, Chinatown Business Improvement Area
10. R. Wilson

11. A. Budnick, YEG Bike Coalition
12. R. Brar, ATU 569
13. W. Lau
- 7.2 Construction Accountability Program Status Update
 1. B. Watters, BILD Edmonton Metro
 2. B. Zubot, Residential Infill Working Group
 3. L. Kawun, Residential Infill Working Group
 4. E. Van Gunst
- 7.3 Mobility Network Assessment Update
 1. D. Aderoju, Ellerslie Community League
 2. R. Jacques, Paths for People
 3. T. Skidnuk, Paths for People
 4. S. Harty, Horizon Community League
 5. A. Morton, French Quarter Business Improvement Area
 6. M. Belle
 7. B. Fraatz
 8. N. Chajkowski
 9. E. Greer, Prioritize Whyte Ave
 10. B. Thiessen

In Favour (4): A. Stevenson, R. Clarke, M. Janz, and A. Paquette

Carried (4 to 0)

Moved by: A. Stevenson

That Urban Planning Committee hear from the following additional speaker:

- 7.1 Advancing Bus Rapid Transit and Transit Priority Measures
 1. J. Dawang, Grow Together Edmonton

In Favour (5): A. Stevenson, R. Clarke, M. Janz, A. Knack, and A. Paquette

Carried (5 to 0)

Moved by: A. Stevenson

That Urban Planning Committee hear from the following additional speakers:

- 7.1 Advancing Bus Rapid Transit and Transit Priority Measures
 1. M. Boonstra
- 7.3 Mobility Network Assessment Update
 1. J. Parsonage, Ellerslie Community League

In Favour (4): A. Stevenson, R. Clarke, M. Janz, and A. Paquette

Carried (4 to 0)

2.4 Requests for Specific Time on Agenda

There were no requests for items to be dealt with at a specific time on the agenda.

3. Councillor Inquiries

3.1 High-Frequency Transit Routes and Associated On-Street Parking (M. Janz)

Can Administration provide information outlining high-frequency transit routes and the associated on-street parking conditions, including supply, restrictions, and 2025 paid parking revenue. Further, outline potential impacts to parking revenue and transit efficiency arising from the removal of parking during peak periods, and identify where additional analysis would be required to inform implementation.

Due Date: May 12, 2026, Urban Planning Committee

4. Reports to be Dealt with at a Different Meeting

4.1 Neighbourhood Renewal Program Policies Review

This report is scheduled to be dealt with at the April 8, 2026, Infrastructure Committee meeting.

Due Date: April 8, 2026, Infrastructure Committee

4.2 Design Considerations for Midblock Row Housing in the RS Zone

This report was dealt with at the March 17/18, 2026, City Council meeting.

5. Requests to Reschedule Reports

5.1 Design Considerations for Midblock Row Housing in the RS Zone

This item was rescinded at the March 17/18, 2026, City Council meeting - see revised Attachment 4 of item 6.1 of that agenda.

6. Unfinished Business

There was no Unfinished Business on the agenda.

7. Public Reports

7.1 Advancing Bus Rapid Transit and Transit Priority Measures

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

- S. Feldman, City Operations
- N. Lazurko, Integrated Infrastructure Services

Panel 1:

The following public speakers made presentations:

- J. Wagenaar
- C. Peters
- S. Pon, Chinatown Transformation Collaborative Society
- K. Southwood, Canadian Federation of Independent Business
- R. Jacques, Paths for People
- A. Morton, French Quarter Business Improvement Area
- J. Watson

The following public speakers made presentations and answered questions:

- A. Donini, Old Strathcona Business Association
- M. Wilson, Vivid Print

- E. Stremel, Edmonton Transit Riders
- N. Van
- J. Ho, Chinatown Business Improvement Area
- R. Liukko, Chinatown Business Improvement Area
- E. Estrada, Alberta Avenue Business Association

Panel 2:

The following public speakers made presentations:

- E. Lam, Fukienese Association of Alberta
- D. Cepeda Montufar
- R. Mohiuddin
- S. Lohner
- E. Greer, Prioritize Whyte Ave
- B. Thiessen
- E. Cameracci
- K. Luu, Chinatown Business Improvement Area
- R. Wilson
- J. Dawang, Grow Together Edmonton

The following public speakers made presentations and answered questions:

- A. Budnick, YEG Bike Coalition
- R. Brar, ATU 569
- K. Singh
- J. Charlery-Vidmar, Edmonton Transit Riders
- M. Boonstra

The following members of Administration's delegation answered questions:

- N. Lazurko, Integrated Infrastructure Services

- C. Hotton-MacDonald, City Operations
- D. Jones, Community Services
- P. Ladouceur, Integrated Infrastructure Services
- S. Feldman, City Operations
- P. Orozco, Urban Planning and Economy
- C. McKeown, Deputy City Manager, City Operations
- K. Snyder, Urban Planning and Economy

Moved by: M. Janz

1. That Administration prepare an unfunded service package for the detailed design, infrastructure delivery, and operations of the B1 and B2 semi-exclusive Bus Rapid Transit routes, for consideration during the 2027-2030 City Council Budget Deliberations.
2. That Administration prepare an unfunded service package for the planning and implementation of the Whyte Avenue Corridor Renewal, aligning with the improvements described in the Old Strathcona Public Realm Strategy under "Key Action 7. Prioritize pedestrians on Whyte Avenue," furthering the implementation of overlapping segments of the proposed B1 and B2 semi-exclusive Bus Rapid Transit routes, for consideration during the 2027-2030 City Council Budget Deliberations.
3. That Administration prepare an unfunded service package and capital composite profile to further advance Transit Priority Measures to enhance the bus network, for consideration during the 2027-2030 City Council Budget Deliberations.

Due Date: 2027-2030 City Council Budget Deliberations

In Favour (5): A. Stevenson, R. Clarke, M. Janz, A. Knack, and A. Paquette

Carried (5 to 0)

Moved by: A. Stevenson

That Urban Planning Committee recommend to City Council:

That Administration reinstate on-street parking southbound on 101 Street between 107 Avenue and Kingsway during weekday daytime hours (9:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.) and provide a report with an analysis of related bus on-time performance data after six months of implementation and return to Committee.

In Favour (4): A. Stevenson, R. Clarke, A. Knack, and A. Paquette

Opposed (1): M. Janz

Carried (4 to 1)

7.2 Construction Accountability Program Status Update

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

- T. Pawlyk, Urban Planning and Economy
- S. Goodwin, Urban Planning and Economy

The following public speakers made presentations:

- B. Zubot, Residential Infill Working Group
- L. Kawun, Residential Infill Working Group
- E. Van Gunst

The following public speaker made a presentation and answered questions:

- B. Watters, BILD Edmonton Metro

Moved by: A. Stevenson

That the March 23, 2026, Urban Planning and Economy report UPE03323, be postponed to the April 21, 2026, Urban Planning Committee meeting.

In Favour (4): A. Stevenson, R. Clarke, M. Janz, and A. Paquette

Carried (4 to 0)

7.3 Mobility Network Assessment Update

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

- K. Snyder, Urban Planning and Economy
- R. Toohey, Urban Planning and Economy

The following public speakers made presentations:

- D. Aderoju, Ellerslie Community League
- R. Jacques, Paths for People
- T. Skidnuk, Paths for People
- S. Harty, Horizon Community League
- B. Fraatz
- N. Chajkowski
- J. Parsonage, Ellerslie Community League

The following public speaker made a presentation and answered questions:

- M. Belle

Councillors A. Stevenson and A. Paquette requested the March 23, 2026, Urban Planning and Economy report UPE03117 be requisitioned to City Council without a Committee Recommendation.

8. Responses to Councillor Inquiries

There were no Responses to Councillor Inquiries on the agenda.

9. Private Reports

There were no Private Reports on the agenda.

10. Motions Pending

10.1 ETS@Work Program (R. Clarke)

Councillor R. Clarke stated that at the next regular meeting of Urban Planning Committee, the following motion would be moved:

That Administration provide a memo to Council summarizing the current state of the ETS@Work program, including alignment with the ARC system, and outline any existing plans to grow employer participation in the program, including expanded group/corporate discounts and transit efficiency in the City's large industrial areas.

- Notice of Motion Given: March 16, 2026, Urban Planning Committee - Non-Regular
- Laid Over: March 23, 2026, Urban Planning Committee to April 21, 2026, Urban Planning Committee

11. Notices of Motion and Motions without Customary Notice

Councillor A. Stevenson asked whether there were any Notices of Motion. There were none.

12. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 5:15 p.m., Monday, March 23, 2026.

Chair

City Clerk