

8630 to 8650 - 108A Street NW

8715 - 109 Street NW

To allow for a high rise residential tower.



RECOMMENDATION AND JUSTIFICATION

Administration is in **SUPPORT** of this application because:

- it facilities the replacement of a surface gravel parking lot with a residential building to better support the pedestrian oriented commercial corridor along 109 Street NW;
- the proposed rezoning invokes a unique tower design and orientation within the site to minimize negative impacts on surrounding properties; and
- the location is appropriate for a high rise residential building in accordance with The City Plan.

THE APPLICATION

- 1. BYLAW 19480 to amend Policies 2.1 & 2.2a of the Garneau Area Redevelopment Plan. Policy 2.1 currently restricts height to 4 storeys for the interior of the northeast portion of Garneau and Policy 2.2a currently directs high rise development to the north of the rail right-of-way along Saskatchewan Drive NW only. The proposed amendments to these policies would allow a residential tower to be built on the west side of 108A Street at its north terminus through an associated rezoning.
 - Six maps in the plan would also be updated to reflect this rezoning, if approved. An administrative change to four of these maps is also included to accurately reflect the site north of the subject rezoning site as High Rise Apartments, as currently developed. The plan maps do not currently reflect the existing Strathcona House tower.
- CHARTER BYLAW 19481 to change the zoning from two Site-Specific Development Control Provisions (DC2.128 & DC2.528) and the (RA7) Low-Rise Apartment Zone to the (CB1) Low Intensity Business Zone with the Main Streets Overlay and a new (DC2) Site Specific Development Control Provision.

The CB1 Zone allows for low intensity commercial, office and service uses located along arterial roadways that border residential areas that are designed to be pedestrian oriented and is proposed on the north-west portion of the area subject to rezoning, which fronts 109 Street NW. The proposed DC2 Provision would allow for a residential high-rise building with the following characteristics:

- A maximum height ranging from 70 75 metres (approximately 22 25 storeys);
- A maximum floor area ratio of 10.0;
- Up to 271 dwellings (including at least 20% with 2 bedrooms and eleven with 3 bedrooms);
- A tower floor plate of 855 square metres;
- Townhouse style dwellings at the ground level facing 108A Street NW and the lane to the north; and
- Underground and enclosed surface parking accessed from the lane to the west.

SITE AND SURROUNDING AREA

The two sites are located in close proximity to Garneau School and the University of Alberta to the west, the North Saskatchewan River Valley to the north, and the commercial corridors of 109 Street NW and Whyte Avenue NW to the west and south. 109 Street NW is currently classified as a Transit Avenue and will be considered a Frequent Bus Route following the 2021 Bus Network Redesign. The sites are not currently directly connected to the bike network, but it is anticipated that the new "Rail Trail" shared-use path will run through the east-west lane that goes by the sites as part of the Building Great Neighbourhoods - Garneau Project planned for 2021 and 2022.



AERIAL VIEW OF APPLICATION AREA

	EXISTING ZONING	CURRENT USE
SUBJECT SITE	 (DC2.128) Site Specific Development Control Provision (DC2.528) Site Specific Development Control Provision (RA7) Low Rise Apartment Zone 	 Surface Parking One small scale commercial building One Single Detached House
CONTEXT		
North	(RA9) High Rise Apartment Zone	High Rise Residential Building (Strathcona House)
East	(RA7) Low Rise Apartment Zone	Stacked Row Housing
South	(DC2.423) Site Specific Development Control Provision	Row Housing
West	(CB1) Low Intensity Business Zone with Main Streets Overlay	Small scale commercial buildings



VIEW OF 108A STREET NW SITE LOOKING SOUTH



VIEW OF 109 STREET NW SITE LOOKING NORTHEAST

PLANNING ANALYSIS

This application is for two sites. The 109 Street NW site proposed for the (CB1) Low Intensity Business Zone (with Main Streets Overlay) complies fully with the 109 Street Corridor Area Redevelopment Plan and this proposed zoning is exactly what applies to the majority of the corridor both north and south of the site. This proposed zone allows for small scale commercial uses, much like what already exists on the site, and the applicant has no current intention of changing anything on this site in the foreseeable future. Through public consultation, no concerns were heard about the proposed zoning change on this site. The remainder of this report will focus on the 108A Street NW site where the proposal is for a high rise residential tower.

For the proposed tower site, Administration's recommendation reflects a prioritization of The City Plan over the Garneau Area Redevelopment plan and a more modern recognition of focusing higher intensity development along nodes and corridors. The proposed tower is a significant intensification of the site and pushes against the limits of what is considered appropriate tower infill. However, due to a well thought-out and customized site layout and building design, this proposal adequately mitigates negative off-site impacts, and while there are intrusions on existing sunlight access and views, this is to be expected in major nodes and areas of more intense urban development.

LAND USE COMPATIBILITY

The proposed tower is at a location that is adjacent to a wide variety of land uses and built forms, including small scale commercial uses and both low and high intensity residential uses. In order to support the existing commercial corridor along 109 Street NW and respect the residential character of the neighbourhood further south and east, the proposed DC2 Provision does not allow for any commercial activities and would be a strictly residential building.

Building Design and Massing

The proposed tower takes the form of a ground oriented podium with stepbacks to an L-shaped tower above. Compared to the existing DC2 Provisions or RA7 Zone, the proposed tower is a completely different type of building that is a more intense form of development for this site. A

comparison to the standard (RA9) High Rise Apartment Zone can help show how the proposal differs from a typical high rise development, outside of downtown.

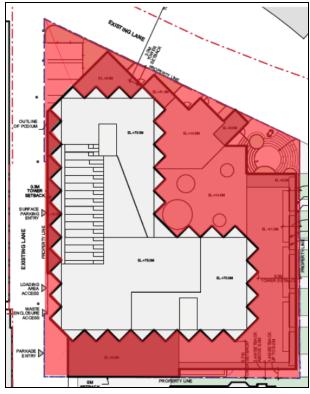
REGULATION	RA9	PROPOSED DC2
Height	60 - 69 m	70 - 75 m
Floor Area Ratio	5.2 - 6.1	10.0
Maximum Density	122 - 166 Dwellings	271 Dwellings
Podium Setbacks		
Front (East) Setback	3.0 m	1.7 - 2.7 m
Side (North) Setback	4.5 m	0.0 m
Side (South) Setback	4.5 m	0 - 2.4 m
Rear (West) Setback	3.0 m	0.0 m
Tower Setbacks		
Front (East) Setback	6.0 m	6.5 m
Side (North) Setback	7.5 m	3.0 m (west half)/16.0 m (east
		half)/8.9 m (average)
Side (South) Setback	7.5 m	5.7 m
Rear (West) Setback	3.0 m	0.3 m
Tower Floor Plate	850 m²	855 m²
Tower Separation	20.0 m	20.5 m - 30.0 m

In almost every way, the proposed tower expands beyond the limits of the RA9 Zone to varying degrees. In terms of high level indicators of development intensity, the floor area ratio and density deviate more significantly than the height. This is mostly due to the reduced podium setbacks where the proposed podium extends much closer to all lot lines than what would be allowed in the RA9 Zone. In some cases, this has impacts on the interface between the building and what each facade faces and this will be discussed further in the next section on Ground Level Interface.



SITE PLAN SHOWING GROUND LEVEL PODIUM SETBACKS IN RED

The setbacks for the tower are, overall, sufficient to transition the tower down to the street and adjacent properties. The east tower setback is slightly larger than the RA9 Zone and the west is slightly smaller but this is considered a good trade-off because the east is to the main public sidewalk and the west is a lane with the rear of a commercial strip mall on the other side. The RA9 Zone would require a 7.5 metre tower setback. The proposed 5.7 metres is less, but this should not make a significant difference for the transition to the row housing to the south as the main impact imposed on the property to the south is by the podium itself, not the tower behind and above it. The tower setback to the north will be dealt with below in the Tower Separation section.



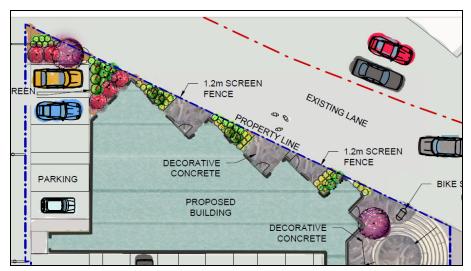
SITE PLAN SHOWING TOWER SETBACKS IN RED

Ground Level Interface

At the podium level, the lack of any setback requirement to the west is considered appropriate because it faces the lane and the rear blank facade of a commercial strip mall. Technical considerations, such as sightlines and turning movements for vehicle access, loading and waste collection have been addressed and can be accommodated without a setback.

The reduction in the east setback to 1.7 metres at ground level does not allow the development to follow the pattern of front yards that is seen in the row housing forms to the south and across the street to the east. It introduces a much more urban street interface where there is just a small stoop and limited landscaping between the main entrances to the dwellings and the sidewalk. While this is not in keeping with the street and the area, there are still regulations in the proposed DC2 Provision that do require this limited space to provide a semi-private outdoor area that establishes a transition area between the dwelling and sidewalk using such features as change in grade, shrub/tree beds, different paving materials and/or decorative fencing/screening.

On the north facade of the podium, the lane is activated with ground level units with entrances facing the lane. However, the lack of any setback requirement really means that the front entrance to these units is very close to the vehicle travel path with only a very small space for a fence or limited landscaping to act as a transition. The design includes a sawtooth pattern to provide some additional space, as shown below, even though the setback number in the zone is zero.



NORTH PODIUM SAWTOOTH PATTERN SHOWING SMALL PATIOS (IMAGE TAKEN FROM LANDSCAPE PLAN)

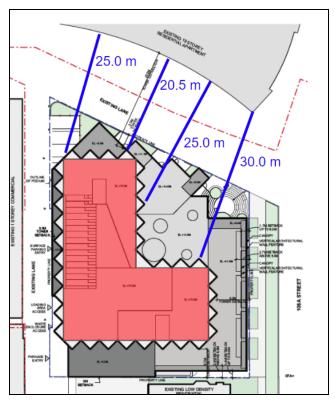
The lack of front yard here is less of a concern than on the east because there is no street character to conform to and it isn't expected that lane oriented housing provide as much space as ground oriented dwellings facing a sidewalk and street with a boulevard.

The podium setback to the south varies from 0 to 2.4 metres. The portion where the building is along the property line with no setback is where the facade faces the waste collection and surface parking area of the townhouse development to the south, so this is not a concern. Where the setback increases to 2.4 metres is across from the townhouse dwellings themselves. While the proposed setback is approximately half of what the RA9 Zone would require, there are additional regulations in the proposed DC2 to ensure that it is designed to maximize privacy and to minimize overlook onto the adjacent residential property through the use of features such as privacy screens, frosted glazing, and the sensitive placement of windows.

<u>Tower Separation and Orientation</u>

One of the most commonly heard concerns through the engagement activities, particularly from residents of the existing residential tower to the north (Strathcona House) was that this proposed tower would have a significant negative impact on the existing tower. Concerns were related to the proposed tower being too close and in a location that would reduce sunlight access, disrupt views and create privacy issues for existing residents.

There are a number of factors about the orientation of the two sites to each other and the design of the proposed building that help address these concerns. First, the existing Strathcona House is oriented to face southwest, not directly south towards the rezoning site. This existing tower also has a concave shape to it meaning that the southwest facing dwellings have variation in exactly which direction they face. In response to these existing conditions, the applicant has proposed an L-shaped tower with sawtooth facades. The L-shape results in separation between the two towers that varies in distances from 20.5 metres at the nearest to 30.0 metres at the farthest, as shown in the image below.



SITE PLAN SHOWING VARYING SEPARATION DISTANCES BETWEEN EXISTING AND PROPOSED TOWERS

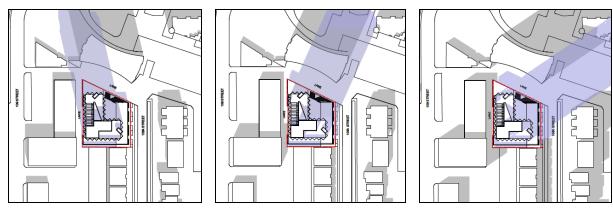
There is no set city-wide standard for what appropriate tower separation is, however the recently revised RA9 Zone requires 20 metres as a minimum. The older Residential Infill Guidelines suggest 30 to 35 metres depending on whether the towers face directly towards each other or are offset. In the downtown, 25 metres is required. In recent practice, Administration has generally considered 20 metres to be a minimum with preference for 25-30 metres. The proposed tower separation here is within this acceptable range.

The sawtooth pattern of the proposed facade helps reduce privacy concerns as it allows the proposed tower to have windows on the north facade but that don't necessarily face directly north towards the existing balcones of Strathcona House. It also allows new units in the proposed tower to have some river valley views even though there is a large tower north of it.

Sunlight and Shadows

While impact on sunlight penetration is a common concern with infill development, there are no standards or guidelines specifically for these items. Considerate tower separation and orientation along with slimmer tower floor plates can help ensure these impacts are minimized. The proposal includes an 855 square metre tower floor plate, which is in line with the upper limit of what would be considered a relatively slim tower. The older Residential Infill Guidelines suggest 750 square metres while the recently revised standard RA9 Zone allows for 850 square metres.

A Sun Shadow Study was analyzed with this application to determine how successful the proposal was at mitigating the shadow impacts on the tower to the north. The March and September equinoxes can be used as an average between high summer sun levels and low winter sun levels. On March and September 21, the study shows that the dwellings on the west side of the southwest facing facade of the existing tower will begin to experience shadow from the proposed tower at about noon with the shadow moved past them by about 3PM. The dwellings on the east side of the southwest facing facade of the existing tower begin to experience shadow at about 2PM and are free of shadow just before sunset. Essentially the dwellings on the west side of the existing tower will maintain their evening sunlight but lose some midday sunlight and the dwellings on the east side of the existing tower will maintain their morning sunlight but lose their afternoon and evening sunlight. Dwellings in the middle will still get a bit of both morning and evening sunlight.



MARCH/SEPTEMBER 21 PROPOSED TOWER SHADOWS AT 1PM, 3PM AND 5PM

Very few dwellings in Edmonton, from houses to towers, receive this much sunlight access so it should be noted that the existing condition is an exception, not the standard. Many residential towers in the City have east and west facing dwellings that only get morning or evening sunlight and not both, and north facing dwellings, including the north side of Strathcona House, receive very little direct sunlight year-round. In neighbourhoods where there are greater concentrations of towers, it is very common for south facing dwellings to have some level of sunlight obstruction from nearby towers.

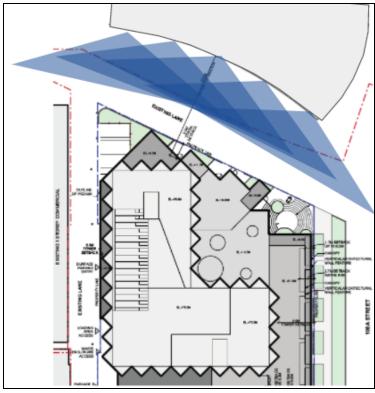
Another important factor to consider is that the shadow impacts described above will vary with how high a dwelling is in the existing tower. For example, at 12PM on March/September 21 the highest floors remain free of shadow with the impact on the overall building staggered due to the orientation and shape of the proposed tower. On June 21, the majority of the existing building will not experience any shadow caused by the proposed tower, just the lower floors.

The full Sun Shadow Study is found in Appendix 1.

View Impacts

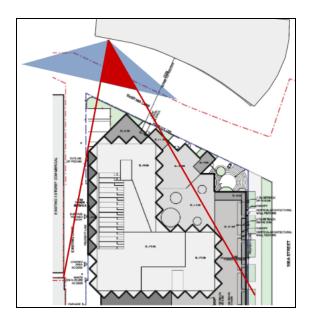
The southwest facing dwellings in Strathcona House have essentially had unobstructed 180 degree views of the entire southern half of Edmonton for decades, especially the dwellings on the upper storeys. The proposed tower will obstruct some of these views. However, due to both buildings having unique shapes and orientations, these impacts are not as significant as

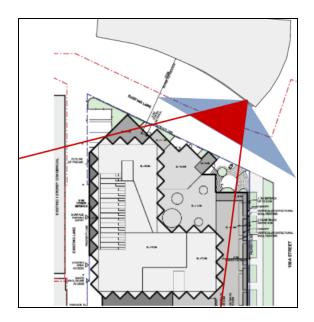
one might initially think. Strathcona House has five columns of dwellings along the southwest facing concave facade. To determine the view impacts on each of these columns, a 130 degree view angle was created from the centrepoint of the balconies. This doesn't quite capture the full range of view from the balconies because they are approximately 4 metres long and the actual viewing range is probably closer to 160 - 170 degrees. The level of obstruction was measured based on the tower portion of the proposed development, not the podium, so the lowest approximately 4 storeys of Strathcona House would have more obstruction than this, just as they would if all that was proposed was a new 4 storey building.



SITE PLAN SHOWING THE FIVE VIEW ANGLES FROM EACH COLUMN OF BALCONIES

When looking at each column of balconies individually, the level of obstruction from the proposed tower increases from approximately 24% of the view corridor for the most westerly column to approximately 40% for the most easterly column. The images below show the obstructed portion of the view in red. A full analysis for all columns is found in Appendix 2.





Put another way, between 60% and 76% of existing views from Strathcona House will remain unobstructed if the proposed tower is built. As was the case with sunlight access, it needs to be recognized that having 100% unobstructed views is the exception, and it is much more common for dwellings in areas where there are higher concentrations of residential towers to have a portion of the view obstructed by another tower.

By ensuring appropriate tower separation and utilizing a unique tower shape, the applicant has demonstrated a strong effort to respect existing views from Strathcona House as much as possible. In order for the City of Edmonton to achieve recent infill and density goals focused on nodes and corridors, there will need to be a level of acceptance of more characteristics of urban living such as partially obstructed view corridors and sunlight access.

CITY PLAN

On September 16, 2020, City Council gave two readings to The City Plan, Edmonton's new Municipal Development Plan. This is a high level policy document describing the strategic goals, values and intentions that direct how Edmonton will grow from 1 million to 2 million people over the next several decades. One key piece of this plan is to accommodate all of this future growth within Edmonton's existing boundaries, with no further annexations or expansions. To do this, 50% of all new residential units are intended to be created at infill locations, focusing on key nodes and corridors.

To this end, the University-Garneau area is identified as one of six Major Nodes strategically located across the city. While there are no specific boundaries identified for these Major Nodes, they are considered to be up to 2 km across. This site is within 1 kilometre of both the University of Alberta Hospital and the core of the University of Alberta North Campus. As such, it is reasonable to consider this part of Garneau as being in this Major Node. Moreover, it lies in a key junction with its proximity off of 109 Street NW, a key arterial corridor, and 87 Avenue NW which is the main connection from this site west through the rest of the Major Node.

As defined by The City Plan, a Major Node is a large-scale urban centre that serves multiple districts and is typically anchored by public institutions and significant employment centres. Major nodes capitalize on excellent transit access and support higher density development and a wide mixture of land uses. They provide a unique identity relative to the rest of the city and include significant destinations like hospitals and post-secondary institutions.

Important to note is that The City Plan, as a city-wide document, does not recognize the unique contexts of each Major Node in providing guidance. But, as an overall guide, it states that the desired overall density in a Major Node is 250 people and/or jobs per hectare and the typical massing/form is high-rise and mid-rise. While this site is on an adjacent local road to the main 109 Street NW corridor, given its close proximity to high levels of transit service, the existing commercial corridor, the main east-west corridor into the rest of the Major Node, and existing high rise development, this site is considered more appropriate to be a high-rise than a mid-rise.

From a high level policy perspective, it is concluded that this proposed high-rise building is in support of the infill objectives of The City Plan while maintaining livability of the area.

GARNEAU AREA REDEVELOPMENT PLAN

This site is near the northwest corner of Sub Area 2 of the Garneau Area Redevelopment Plan. The land use objectives of Sub Area 1 are:

- To maintain the existing built form character of the area and provide for increased high density, adult oriented residential development, adjacent to the proposed LRT station and along major arterials (at the time the ARP was written, there was contemplation of an LRT line and station along the rail right-of-way extending from the High Level Bridge to Old Strathcona);
- To encourage alternate forms of development;
- To maintain a medium density area in the southern portion of the sub area; and
- To maintain views of the River Valley.

While the LRT was not developed along the nearby rail corridor to this site, the first objective does indicate that the plan recognizes the concept of increasing density near transit service and along key corridors, which this site is well connected to. The plan is not clear on what constitutes "alternate" forms of development and while the proposed tower interferes with south views from Strathcona House, it does not infringe on current views of the river valley and actually increases the opportunity for more Garneau residents to have these views.

Policy 2.1 of the ARP directs what portion of the Sub Area is restricted to a maximum of 4 storeys, which is the entire Sub Area south of the rail corridor. Policy 2.2a directs that high rise development is restricted to Saskatchewan Drive NW. The proposed amendments to these policies changes the direction for the rezoning site from being restricted to 4 storeys under Policy 2.1 to being allowed for a high rise tower under Policy 2.2a. The land along Saskatchewan Drive NW identified for High Rise Apartments in the plan is already fully built out with such buildings and there are no more sites where additional high rise development could be accommodated in this Sub Area within the current restrictions of the plan. Yet, there are increasing development pressures in the area and brand new direction through The City Plan to

focus more intense developments in areas along nodes and corridors, which this site fits well. This site is well suited for additional high rise development within Sub Area 2, accommodating these development pressures and densification intent.

The proposed application meets the majority of the land use objectives of Sub Area 2 of the Garneau Area Redevelopment Plan and the proposed amendments are appropriate given the surrounding site context.

EDMONTON DESIGN COMMITTEE (EDC)

On April 1, 2020, this application was reviewed by the Edmonton Design Committee which recommended a non-support citing concerns with the ground floor level public realm interface, the location of the proposed (at the time) commercial space and the lack of sun access and wind shelter for the proposed public plaza at the north end of the building.

The applicant considered this feedback, made revisions, and returned to the EDC for review again on August 4, 2020. This time, the Committee recommended support, citing only that the applicant should continue to work with the City on the integration of the project with the upcoming alley revitalization and encouraging them to continue to explore ways to support active transportation.

The DC2 Provision requires a financial contribution to, ideally, the aforementioned alley revitalization, which is understood to refer to the future "Rail Trail" shared-use path that will run through the east-west lane to the north of the site. In addition, the required 185 long term bicycle parking spaces for the 271 units is a rate of 0.68 spaces per dwelling, more than what the Zoning Bylaw would normally require at 0.5 spaces per dwelling, showing a strong support for active transportation.

Both letters from the Edmonton Design Committee are attached as Appendices 3 and 4 to this report.

PUBLIC CONTRIBUTIONS

C582 - Developer Sponsored Affordable Housing

The proposed DC2 Provision provides the option for the City to purchase 5% of any proposed residential dwellings at 85% of the market price or receive an equivalent cash in lieu contribution.

C599 - Community Amenity Contributions

A required contribution for this proposal of \$563,480.60 is required to comply with City Policy C599 Community Amenity contributions in Direct Control Provisions. The proposed application complies with this policy through the provision of the following amenities:

- 11 three bedroom dwellings designed to be suitable for families (\$35,000 credit given per dwelling);
- Repaying of the north-south lane to the west of the site from 86 Avenue NW north to the intersection with the east-west lane north of the site. \$25,000 credit is given for the portion of the lane not abutting the site to the south which is beyond lane improvements required to serve the redevelopment site.

• \$153,480.60 towards the creation of, or improvement to, an off-Site Public Amenity such as the Rail Trail (identified in Building Great Neighbourhoods – Garneau) or parks, gardens or open spaces within the boundaries of the Garneau neighbourhood in consultation with the Garneau Community League.

TECHNICAL REVIEW

All comments from affected City Departments and utility agencies have been addressed.

Water and drainage servicing infrastructure upgrades will be required at the expense of the owner/developer, the exact details of which will be determined at the Development Permit stage.

Both Phase 1 and Phase 2 Environmental Site Assessments were completed for the 108A Street NW rezoning site. The site was demonstrated to be suitable for residential development.

PARKING, LOADING AND VEHICULAR ACCESS

A Transportation Impact Assessment (TIA) was submitted in support of this application. Existing traffic volumes on both the east-west and north-south lanes abutting the site were observed to be relatively low. However, traffic volumes on the local roadways within this area of Garneau are relatively high compared to many local roadways in the City. This is in part due to the central nature of the neighbourhood, destination based land uses along 109 Street NW and 82 Avenue NW, and the higher density residential developments along Saskatchewan Drive NW.

The study concluded that the additional vehicular traffic resulting from this development will have very minor impact on area roadways and the volumes can be accommodated within the existing infrastructure. Recognizing all vehicular servicing will be via the north-south lane along the west property line, the lane would be repaved between 86 Avenue NW and the east-west lane that runs along the north property line, at the developer's expense.

The Garneau Neighbourhood renewal is currently in the planning stage, with construction expected to commence in 2021. The plans include measures to significantly improve the pedestrian and bicycling experience in Garneau, manage traffic speed, and enhance connections to and through the open spaces. Garneau has among the highest mode splits in the City, with approximately 60 percent of trips to work made by an alternative mode (not driving a vehicle). The planned multimodal infrastructure, including a new protected bidirectional bike lane on 110 Street NW, missing sidewalk connection on the north side of 86 Avenue NW (between 107 Street NW and 109 Street NW), Rail Trail Shared Use Path, and Shared Street Alley treatment for the east-west lane along the north property line, will further encourage and support the use of alternative transportation modes. Other initiatives such as the pending reduction of residential speed limits will also improve the livability and safety of the neighbourhood.

On June 23, 2020, City Council approved Open Option Parking, which provides developers' flexibility to choose the amount of parking that they feel is appropriate for their projects. The parking supply for this project will accordingly be determined at the development permit stage. Currently unrestricted on-street parking is allowed along one side of both 108A Street NW and 86 Avenue NW, which allows people to park for as many hours as they would like. However, the occupancy of these parking spaces are near capacity with very low parking turnover. As such, the availability of on-street parking for the residents or visitors of this development will be limited and competitive under current conditions. Parking Services will continue to monitor parking in the area and work with neighbourhoods to apply tools such as time-restricted parking to manage on-street parking where needed.

PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

PUBLIC LINGAGEMENT	
PRE-APPLICATION NOTIFICATION & OPEN HOUSE November 21, 2018 (Notice)	Number of recipients: 428As reported by applicant:33 Open House attendees
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December 11, 2018 (Open House)	13 Email responses received 3 Telephone calls received
	2 Telephone calls received
	Common topics included:
	o Too much density. The existing RA7 density is sufficient.
	o Too small of a site to support the
	proposed density and height of the development.
	o Traffic congestion issues in the lanes and 108A Street which will create an unsafe environment.
	o Insufficient amount of parking
	 Will not create a family friendly environment.
	o Shadow and privacy concerns.
	o Loss of views.
	o Increase in noise and pollution
	o Construction Impacts
	o De-valuation of nearby properties
	o Rental suites will bring high-turnover
	tenants and lower income individuals.
ADVANCE NOTICE	Number of recipients: 435
January 30, 2020	6 Responses received
	 Number of responses in support: 1
	 Number of responses with concerns: 5
	Common comments included:
	o Lack of parking provided and street
	parking congestion (x4)
	o Traffic congestion (x3)

	o Increase in density (x2)
	o Not adhering to ARP (x2)
	o Lack of variety in unit type (only
	designed for students)
	o Sun shadow impacts
	o Privacy concerns
	o Emergency vehicle access
	o Degrade sense of community
	o Not designed for families
	o Design to modern, not in line with
	Garneau character
	o Need residential parking permits in this
	part of Garneau
ENGAGED EDMONTON WEBPAGE	https://engaged.edmonton.ca/garneauthehive
August 5 - 26, 2020	• Aware: 677
,	Informed: 214
	Engaged: 112
	(explanation of these categories in "What
	We Heard" Report)
	The Hearta Property
	Support: 13
	• Opposed: 99
	Spread. 31
	Common topics included:
	o Impacts on Strathcona House (property
	values, loss of views, loss of sunlight,
	privacy intrusion, construction impacts)
	o Parking and traffic congestion
	o Massing and scale
	o Building design
	o Sun, shadow and noise impacts
	o Adherence to the Garneau ARP
	<u>.</u>
	o Broader neighbourhood impacts o Utilities and infrastructure
	See Appendix 5 for a full "What We Heard" Panert
WEDDAGE	Report
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No formal feedback or position was received from either of the two notified Community Leagues (Garneau & Strathcona) at the time this report was written.

Two nearby multi-unit housing developments sent letters of opposition. The first was from Strathcona House, to the north of the site, where 65 residents signed on to a letter that was provided to the City expressing opposition to this proposal. Concerns expressed:

- Not contextually sensitive to the character and scale of the existing neighbourhood.
- Parking concerns.
- Does not address the need for family dwellings.
- Already significant high rise housing in Garneau.
- Loss of property value
- Loss of sunshine
- Noise pollution
- Reduced walkability (due to increase vehicular traffic)
- Emergency access concerns
- Environmental concerns (loss of mature trees)
- Wind tunnel increase
- Surface water drainage (lost permeation with gravel parking lot built upon)

The second letter was from the Garneau Estates Condominium Association which is the row housing development immediately south of the rezoning site. Concerns expressed:

- Too significant a change from the current 4 storeys
- Loss of views for Strathcona House residents
- Tower too close to row housing development looming over
- Will make congested street parking situation even worse
- Several vacant sites nearby that were supposed to be redevelopment and have not will this be another one?
- Construction impacts, including safety, especially considering the narrow lanes in the area

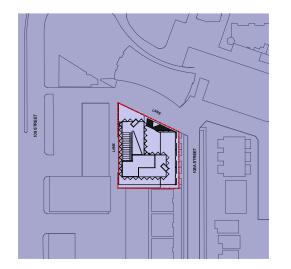
CONCLUSION

Administration recommends that City Council **APPROVE** this application.

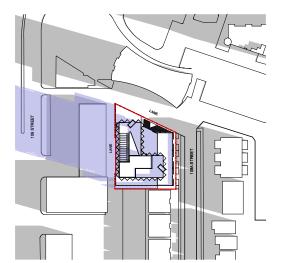
APPENDICES

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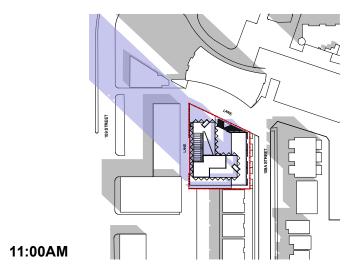
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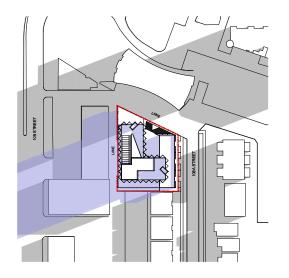
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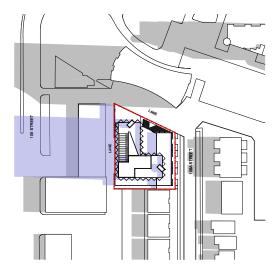


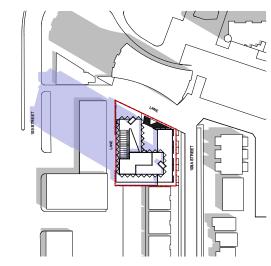
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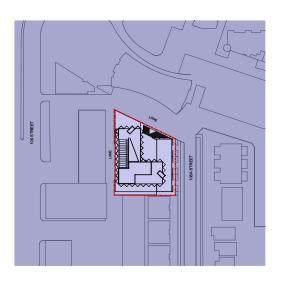
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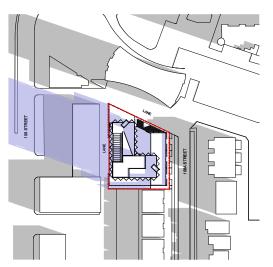


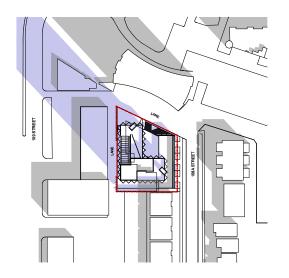




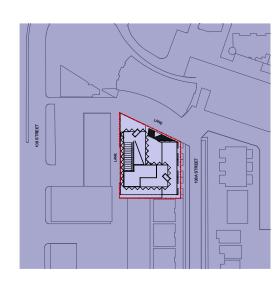
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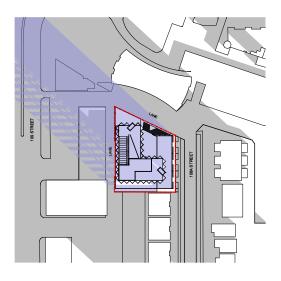


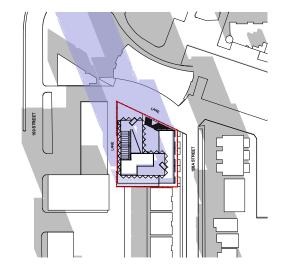




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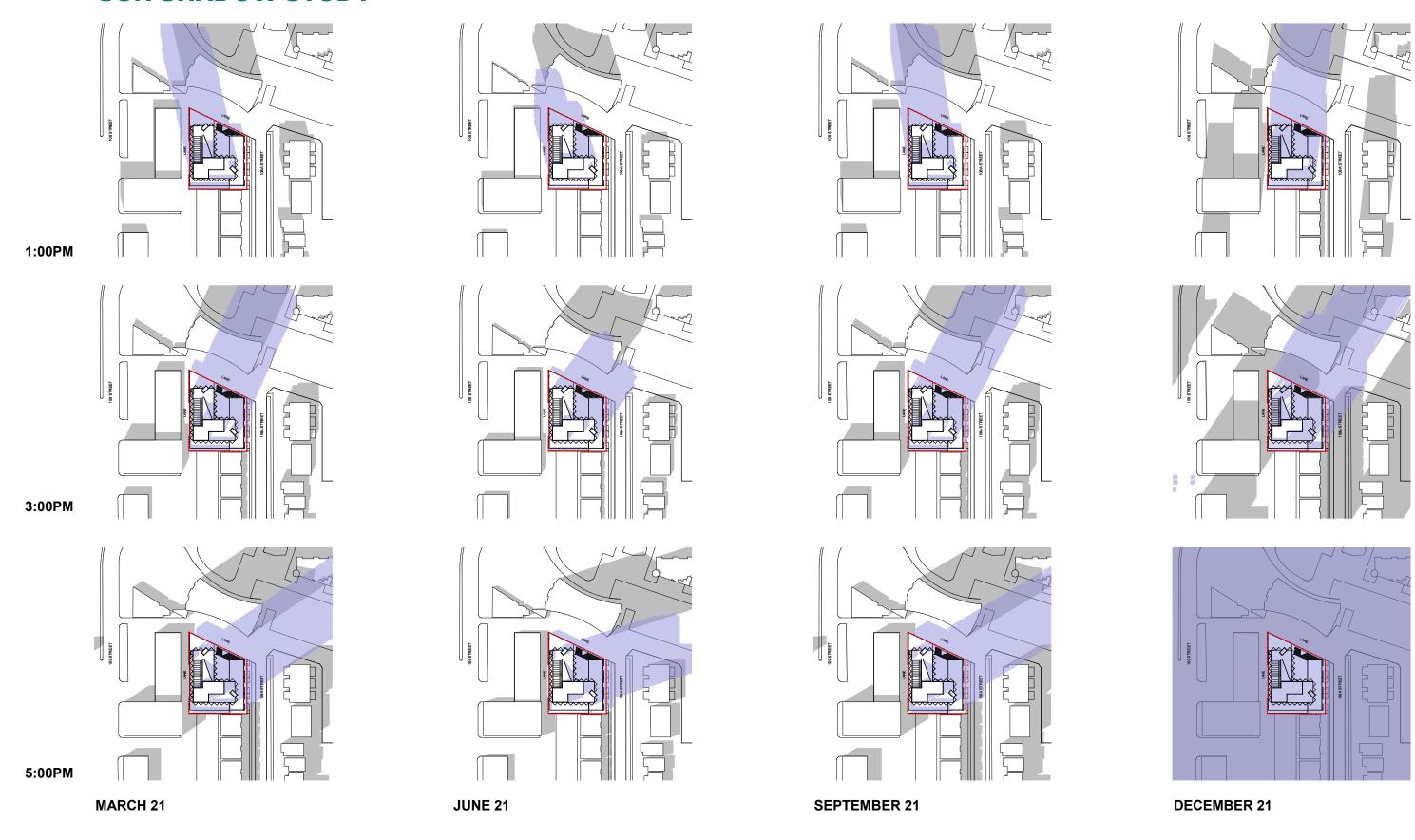
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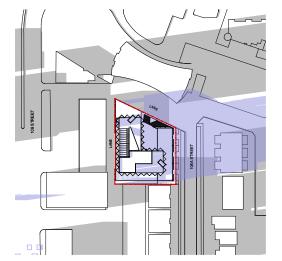
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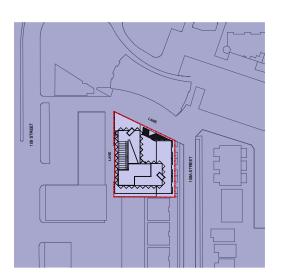
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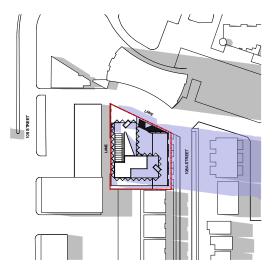
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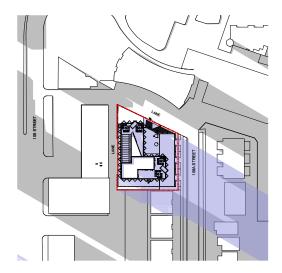


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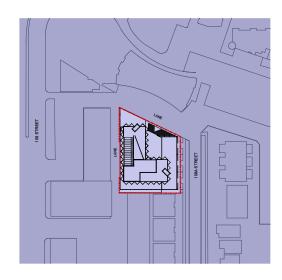




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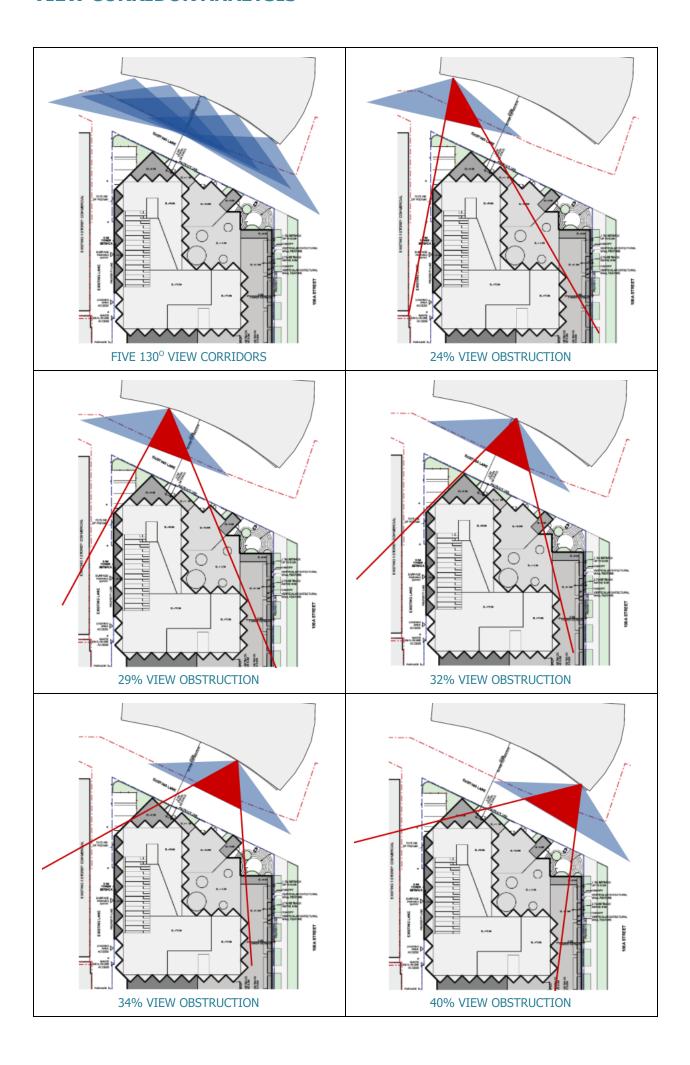


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VIEW CORRIDOR ANALYSIS





April 3, 2020

Ms. Kim Petrin, Branch Manager Development Services, Urban Form and Corporate Strategic Development 3rd Floor, 10111 - 104 Avenue NW Edmonton, AB T5J 0J4

Dear Ms. Petrin:

Re: **The Hive (Rezoning)** Chris Dulaba - Beljan

As determined by the Edmonton Design Committee at the meeting on April 1, 2020, I regret to pass on the Committee's recommendation of non support for The Hive project submitted by Beljan.

While the Committee sees merit in the architecture of the project, and in particular, the design of the tower, the package that was provided to the Committee lacked key information and design refinement vis a vis the urban realm. Additional information was subsequently provided at the presentation, and this information would have greatly assisted the Committee in evaluating the design proposal. Similarly, the Applicant has indicated the proposed DC regulation provided in the package is still being revised in consultation with City Administration, making it difficult for the Committee to consider a design proposal still in the process of being developed.

- Further information and refinement is needed with regard to the ground floor level and the public realm interface. All four facades of the building need to respond to and contribute to the adjacent urban context. To this end, proposed surface parking on the west side of the building should be reconsidered.
- The proposed commercial may not align with the 109 Street Area Redevelopment Plan, and as a result, the Applicant should provide justification that it can succeed in this location. In addition, the Committee questions the decision to locate this commercial space on the second floor, minimizing the opportunity for ground-floor animation.
- The proposed public plaza at the north end of the building lacks sun access and shelter (ie. from wind). The Applicant is encouraged to consider alternative locations and / or orientations of this plaza to improve environmental comfort and at the same time provide more direct building access (ie. from the south). Alternatively, the Applicant is encouraged to consider different planning and design approaches, such as a winter garden, to maximize the use and functionality of this space.

In addition, the Committee feels that this project could have benefitted from an Informal Pre-consultation.

You will notice that a copy of this letter is also being sent to the applicant. I hope this will inform your future discussions with the applicant as this project proceeds.

Yours truly,

Edmonton Design Committee

Wes Sims Architect AAA EDC Chair

WS/ps

c. Chris Dulaba - Beljan Stuart Carlyle - City of Edmonton Andrew McLellan - City of Edmonton Edmonton Design Committee



August 6, 2020

Kim Petrin, Branch Manager Development Services, Urban Form and Corporate Strategic Development 3rd Floor, 10111 - 104 Avenue NW Edmonton, AB T5J 0J4

Dear Ms Petrin:

Re: The Hive (Rezoning)

Chris Dulaba - Beljan

As determined by the Edmonton Design Committee at the meeting on August 4, 2020, I am pleased to pass on the Committee's recommendation of support for The Hive project submitted by Beljan.

The Committee supports the project and encourages the applicant to continue to work with the City on the integration of the project with the upcoming alley revitalization. In addition, the Committee encourages the applicant to continue to explore ways to support active transportation.

You will notice that a copy of this letter is also being sent to the applicant. I hope this will inform your future discussions with the applicant as this project proceeds.

Yours truly,

Edmonton Design Committee

Adrian Benoit

B.E.Des., M.Arch., Architect AAA, LEED® AP

EDC Vice Chair

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c. Chris Dulaba - Beljan

Andrew McLellan- City of Edmonton Edmonton Design Committee



WHAT WE HEARD REPORT

Online Public Engagement Feedback Summary LDA19-0103 - The Hive

PROJECT ADDRESS: 8630 to 8650 - 108A Street NW & 8715 - 109 Street NW

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The proposed rezoning is for two sites. The first, on 109 Street NW, is from a Site Specific Development Control Provision (DC2.528-Area A) to the (CB1) Low Intensity Business Zone with the Main Streets Overlay. The purpose of the CB1 Zone with the Main Streets Overlay is to provide for low intensity commercial, office and service uses that encourage and strengthen the pedestrian-oriented character of Edmonton's main street commercial areas. These sites are typically located in proximity to residential and transit-oriented areas and provide visual interest, transparent storefront displays, and amenities for pedestrians.

> The second site, on 108A Street NW, is proposed to change from two Site Specific Development Control Provisions (DC2.128 & DC2.528-Area B) and the Low-Rise Apartment Zone (RA7) to a new Site-Specific Development Control Provision (DC2). The proposed DC2 Provision would allow for a residential high-rise building with the following characteristics:

- A maximum height of 70 75 metres (approximately 22 -25 storeys)
- A maximum floor area ratio of 10.0
- Up to 271 dwellings (including at least 11 with three bedrooms)
- A tower floor plate of 855 square metres
- Townhouse style dwellings at the ground level facing 108A Street NW and the lane to the north

 Underground and enclosed surface parking accessed from the lane to the west

Plan Amendment

There is an associated application to amend the <u>Garneau Area</u> <u>Redevelopment Plan (ARP)</u> to revise policies and maps that effectively limit development on the 108A Street NW site to 4 storeys. Policy 2.2a currently directs high rise development to the north of the rail right-of-way along Saskatchewan Drive only. The <u>proposed amendment</u> would allow a tower to be built on the 108A Street site.

PROJECT WEBSITE: https://www.edmonton.ca/residential neighbourhoods/neighb

<u>ourhoods/the-hive-mixed-use-tower.aspx</u>

ENGAGEMENT Online Engagement Webpage - Engaged Edmonton:

FORMAT: https://engaged.edmonton.ca/garneauthehive

ENGAGEMENT DATES: August 5 - 26, 2020

NUMBER OF VISITORS: • Engaged: 112

Informed: 214Aware: 677

See "Web Page Visitor Definitions" at the end of this report for explanations of the above categories.

ABOUT THIS REPORT

The information in this report includes feedback gathered through the Online Engagement web page on the Engaged Edmonton platform from August 5 - 26, 2020. Because of public health issues related to COVID-19, the City wasn't able to host an in-person public engagement event to share information and collect feedback, as we normally would have done.

Input from Edmontonians will be used to inform conversations with the applicant about potential revisions to the proposal to address concerns or opportunities raised. Feedback will also be summarized in the report to City Council when the proposed rezoning goes to a future City Council Public Hearing for a decision.

This report is shared with all web page visitors who provided their email address. This summary will also be shared with the applicant and the Ward Councillor.

ENGAGEMENT FORMAT

The Engaged Edmonton webpage included a video, written text and documents available for download. Two tools were available for participants: one to ask questions and one to leave feedback.

The comments are summarized by the main themes below with the number of times a similar comment was made by participants recorded in brackets following that comment. The questions asked and their answers are also included in this report.

WHAT WE HEARD

Support: 13 Opposed: 99

Comments

General/Other

- Will increase crime (x11)
- 100% against this tower (x10)
- The only winner here is the developer/greed (x7)
- Really/fully supportive of this plan (x6)
- Opposed (x2)
- Strongly disagree with this project (x2)
- Beljan has shown they usually do positive things (x2)
- It's great
- There is absolutely nothing to like about this application
- Don't see how this is connected to the overall City vision
- All 22 units in nearby co-op oppose this application

Impacts on Strathcona House

- Shadow/loss of sunlight (x27)
- Devalue condos (x22)
- Loss of views (x15)
- Privacy intrusion (x9)
- Construction impacts (x8)
 - Especially with more people working from home (x3)

- Long timeline for construction due to geotechnical studies, environmental assessments, potential archeological finds
- Laydown area
- Increase short-cutting through Strathcona House parking lot (x3)
- Temporary utility shut-offs
- 4-6 storeys would be more appropriate no shadow impacts on highrise tower to the north
- Residents should take legal action against the City if this is approved
- Compromise integrity

<u>Transportation</u>

- Increased traffic congestion already so much (x45)
- Parking impacts on quiet streets/not enough parking (x32)
- Safety issues for school/kids/seniors nearby (x17)
- Lane very narrow for this level of traffic (x12)
- Already hard to access Strathcona House, adding another tower will make it harder (x7)
 - Waste collection, loading/moving trucks, emergency access (x5)
- Open Option parking won't work here (x6)
- Not good for emergency access (x5)
- Loss of commercial parking for nearby businesses (x3)
- Not enough transit service nearby for people to not drive or for such high densities (x3)
- No access to an arterial road so traffic going through the neighbourhood
- Proposal will probably have very little impact on roadways
 - Only 20% of tenants own vehicles

Massing and Scale

- A small walk up would be more appropriate (x9)
- 108A Street site not appropriate for a high rise tower (x9)
- Too close to other tower (x7)
- Too tall/big (x6)
- 4 6 storeys max (x4)
- No transition to the south and east (x4)
- 7 10 storeys max (x3)
- Anything above 4 storeys blocks sunlight access which is needed here (x2)
- Should be stepped up from townhouses to the south
- I support density, but this is too much on too small a site (height should be at least half)
- Height out of character with area
- Height, FAR and density reasonable here
- Transition is a but dramatic, but good design and architecture makes up for it

Building Design

- Not enough units for families (x3)
- Renderings are misleading because they make the area around here look spacious but streets are narrow (x2)
- If the tower actually looks like the renderings, it would be a good addition to the neighbourhood.
- Poor aesthetics
- Looks great
- Good to have 3 bedroom units and townhouse style units at ground level (x4)
- Design does not fit with historic character of the community
- Too many small units, convert area to an extension of U of A campus
- Want to see small scale affordable housing on these lots
- Attractive

Microclimate

- Increase noise (x14)
- Loss of sunlight (x10)
 - Bad for mental health, especially with people working from home (x2)
- Wind tunnel in the area already, this will make it worse (x9)
- Greenhouse emissions and pollution from towers concerning (x3)
- Concerned about geotechnical aspects, sinkholes, seismic waves (x3)
- Snow drifting
- Loss of nearby trees/wildlife

<u>Utilities and Infrastructure</u>

- Already a taxed area, this would make it worse (x2)
- Will overload sewage infrastructure
- Will overload power infrastructure

Garneau Area Redevelopment Plan

- This doesn't follow the plan (x8)
- Plan should be followed, ie. 4 storeys on 108A Street site (x8)
- Don't amend plan (x3)
- Keep ARP as is (x2)
- No good reasons to not follow plan

Broader Neighbourhood Impacts

- A high rise here is a threat to the whole community/negatively impact character (x10)
- Will make area less welcoming for families (x6)
- Area already dense enough (x5)

- Added density will help activate 109 Street (x5)
- Already so many vacancies in the area, don't need more (x3)
- City needs density, but not more here. Should be in suburbs/other areas (x3)
- Changes the neighbourhood for the worse/no benefit (x2)
- Towers should be on main roads, not quiet streets (x2)
- Would definitely consider moving here more housing choice to the area (x2)
- 4-6 storey building would connect with neighbourhood better
- As a rental building, this goes against the grain of the Garneau neighbourhood
- Like the potential and revitalization of the area
- Perfect example of infill for this people-oriented area
- Need to start putting density around these major central corridors
- Increased density will support schools, tax base
- Will raise property values and rents for students which isn't good
- Negatively impact skyline view from downtown
- This proposal is counter to community connection

Consultation

- The people responding positively online probably don't live anywhere near the site (x4)
- City shouldn't accept feedback from people not in the area
- Good we can voice our concerns but unsure if we will be listened to.
- My comment was deleted when I tried to submit it.
- Since my earlier submission has not been posted, I can only assume that the planning department is suppressing certain submissions.
- Developer did not seem to listen to consultation done at their pre-application open house

Questions & Answers

- 1. How can adjacent property owners hold the developer accountable for any structural damage caused by construction?
 - The Alberta Building Code requires the owner of a construction site to ensure that work undertaken does not damage or create a hazard to adjacent properties. If City Council approves the zoning change, Council is simply stating that the proposed land use at this location is appropriate. They are not removing the owner from their responsibility to follow the Alberta Building Code during construction. If their construction does cause damage or create a hazard, the owner is the one who would likely be liable if it is found that they have made an offence with respect to the Alberta Building Code. This would mostly be an issue between adjacent landowners without the City's involvement, though initial complaints can be made through 311.

Concerned landowners should document the current state of their properties prior to nearby construction commencing to assist with any complaints of damage caused by construction.

- 2. Why would the City invite a surplus of real estate in a depressed market? Will this not further depreciate existing properties due to saturation? Why are other areas of the City not being considered for this type of density?
 - The City does not control where landowners and developers choose to invest and has not historically been involved in trying to influence market forces such as this. There are other areas where plans and guidelines approved by Council would support this kind of density. The <u>Draft City Plan</u> identifies the need to do more to encourage development in priority growth areas through means such as expanding infrastructure capacity.
- 3. Besides the zoning change, is there any proposed structural change to the site on 109 street?
 - The rezoning would just change the development rules for the site. It would not mean there is any approval of structural changes which are handled through Development Permits and Building Permits. The applicant advises that there are currently no plans to make any physical changes to the building on 109 Street NW.
- 4. Has a Parking Impact Assessment (PIA) been completed for this proposed development, and if so, where can I view this? Where will people park?
 - On June 23, 2020, City Council approved changes to the Edmonton Zoning Bylaw that provide a flexible market- based approach where business, landowners or developers decide 'the right amount' of parking. This is known as <u>Open Option Parking</u>. As such, vehicle parking supply analysis (as it pertains to a site/development) typically will not be required for a rezoning application. Access to parking (e.g. from an alley, to a parkade, etc.) will still be reviewed.
 - Discussions on proposed onsite parking supply, the existing on-street parking characteristics and the demographics of the Garneau neighbourhood are included in the Transportation Impact Assessment. This document is now available for download on the <u>rezoning project webpage</u>.
- 5. The proposal includes at lease eleven 3 bedrooms units which the intention to make them family friendly by offering more storage. What other design elements are there with regards to this? The Hendrix downtown has all of their 3 bedroom units as main level townhouses which are not very family friendly not popular with

families. What checks and balances does the City have in place to ensure the 3 bedroom units will be reserved for families?

- Yes, there is the intention to make these eleven 3-bedroom units desirable for families. In addition to more storage, the zoning also requires access to more bicycle parking and the building will have a shared children's play space of 180 m² of which a minimum of 80 m² will be indoor space and minimum of 100 m² will be outdoor space. These units are intended to be located at ground level, with individual front entrances, similar to the look of a townhouse. Having these types of units in the lower portions of towers helps ensure affordability compared to 3-bedroom units in the upper storeys of towers (penthouses). While these units contain some characteristics that may be appealing to some types of families, there is no guarantee they would be occupied by families and there is no perfect "recipe" for this, as families come in different sizes and have varying preferences and needs.
- 6. How are these comments being vetted for authenticity and conflict of interest? What is stopping the developer, their employees or other involved parties from flooding the comments with support for this project?
 - There is no vetting happening. Anyone is able to make comments and ask
 questions and the City is trusting that the developer would not attempt to
 undermine the City's engagement efforts. Considering the majority of the
 comments received so far express concerns about the application, there
 does not appear to be any indication that this is happening.
- 7. How would this development impact the proposed Rail Trail with the Garneau Renewal Project?
 - The proposed development is intending to respect and interface with the Rail Trail and potentially provide funding to enhance it further based on a Community Amenity Contribution located within the <u>proposed DC2</u> <u>Provision</u>.
- 8. Beljan Developments purchased these properties prior to the COVID 19 pandemic. Post COVID, there are many more people working from home and out of work which has shifted our daily patterns and the way we interact with our neighbourhoods. For densely populated and high traffic areas such as the 109 street corridor, noise pollution is a health and safety hazard many residents find themselves increasingly coping with as they work from home. Virtual meetings are regularly interrupted with sounds of sirens, traffic and distant construction. With the new realities COVID brings to the ways Edmontonians live and work, how will the City mitigate noise pollution from active construction projects above and beyond

the current decibel restrictions? The proposed rezoning site is tightly surrounded by residences who will be greatly impacted all hours of the day by construction noise. The City should review the construction noise bylaw and make additional provisions for concealing and reduction of noise pollution given that residences are now largely occupied during day times with professionals and students working virtually from home.

- This is a good observation and not something that has come yet with regards to the City's response to COVID-19. Thank you for your suggestion. The topic has been added to the Infill Compliance Team Steering Committee's agenda in September for discussion.
- 9. Have planners from the City physically been on site to experience how crowded the alley ways are with delivery, service vehicles, and traffic from adjacent businesses and residents? Have City planners physically observed the constraints for access of emergency vehicles, particularly when there is concurrent drainage work being done in the area? Google maps, photos and videos do not suffice. Please view the site in person to see how outrageously unsuitable this site is for what is being proposed.
 - Yes, City planners and engineers have physically visited the site and are familiar with it. The <u>Parking and Transportation Impact Assessment</u> was informed by site visits that were completed during the morning and afternoon peak hours to assess existing traffic patterns and circulation around the site.
- 10. Are impacts on view corridors for existing high rise buildings something that the City considers when analyzing proposed new towers nearby?
 - There is no City Policy or Council direction specifically regarding protecting views from existing high rise towers. Compatibility between existing and proposed towers is generally evaluated in three main ways:
 - Tower Separation Ensuring that towers are at least 20 metres apart, preferably 25 to 30 metres. The further a new tower is away from an existing one, the less impact it has on the view in the direction towards it. This space also helps reduce cumulative wind impacts and reduce loss of privacy. This tower proposal maintains a separation distance from the Strathcona House tower to the north of at least 20 metres. Due to the shapes and orientations of both the existing and proposed towers, there are many instances of the separation distance being between 25 and 30 metres, depending on which parts of the buildings are compared and from which direction the measurement is taken.
 - Tower Floor Plate Ensuring towers are slim in design with the floor area of each storey approximately 850 m² or less. The narrower a tower is, the less impact it has on the view in the direction towards it. It also reduces the shadow impacts with shadows passing more

- quickly. The proposed tower has a floor plate of 855 m².
- Location of windows, balconies and amenity areas Ensuring windows, balconies and amenity areas do not directly face each other and are offset or angled away from each other, especially when Tower Separation is more limited. This helps still give people a sense of privacy in these spaces, even with another tower nearby. The proposed tower has a "sawtooth" design to the facades creating variation in the direction windows face.
- 11. Why is the Administration even bringing this proposal in its present form to council?
 - Administration's role is to process any application received, regardless of the characteristics of it. Anyone can make an application and they have the right to have their application considered by their elected representatives on City Council.
 - While Administration's recommendation to Council will be based on their analysis of the application, the applicant is 100% in control of what product they bring in front of Council for consideration. Administration always makes suggestions for revisions, often based on feedback received through public consultation, but the applicant can decide if they want to follow those suggestions or not.
- 12. Is the City going to be able to view the comments from residents that were given to the developer at the meetings they held in Garneau last year or the year before? And if so have those comments been filtered if given to the City?
 - With their submission, the applicant did include a summary of the feedback they received through their consultation efforts prior to making their application to the City. With it, they indicated how they have addressed the feedback they received in their application, or if not, why not.
 - The City has no way of knowing how the applicant may have filtered this feedback.
 - The City conducts its own engagement activities when an application is received to allow people to provide feedback directly to the City.
- 13. Have engineered wind and snow studies been conducted on the impact of the proposed hi-rise on the surrounding structures?
 - With this rezoning application, a Wind Impact Statement was submitted. It is available for review on the <u>rezoning project webpage</u>. This is only a "desktop assessment" and not based on 3D modelling or wind tunnel tests.

- The proposed DC2 Provision contains a requirement for a more detailed Wind Impact Study to be done at the Development Permit stage with a requirement to incorporate design features to minimize adverse microclimatic effects such as wind tunneling, snow drifting, rain sheeting both on and off Site, consistent with the recommendations of the Wind Impact Study.
- The Wind Impact Study is required to be prepared by a qualified, registered Professional Engineer, and be based on a scale model simulation analysis, prepared to professional standards.
- 14. What is the emergency plan for the city fire Marshall?
 - Fire Rescue Services reviews all Development Permit applications and will ensure that a proper Fire Access Plan is in place.
- 15. What measures are in place to ensure that the majority of the 271 units would not be bringing cars along with people?
 - The City does not control who lives where or how many cars people choose to have. City Council has recently approved an Open Option Parking strategy that allows developers and landowners to choose how many parking spaces they provide. This is based on the assumption that the market/developers are better suited to determine their parking needs to be able to lease or sell their units. If they choose to not provide parking spaces for all units, they are taking the risk that they will be able to attract people to some units who do not own vehicles.
 - This increases the responsibility on the City to properly manage on street parking which is understood and being worked on.
- 16. How will pedestrians be able to circulate safely when we already have issues with pedestrians walking through a busy alley, especially children walking to school?
 - The <u>Building Great Neighbourhoods Garneau Project</u> includes measures to significantly improve the pedestrian and bicycling experience in Garneau, manage traffic speed, and enhance connections to and through the open spaces. One such feature is the proposed Rail Trail which will follow the tracks to the east of this site and connect to 109 Street NW through the lane north of this site.
- 17. Has a study been done regarding the impact to the existing business if this parking is further reduced or if the residents in the area decide to enter into the Residential Parking Program?

- No specific study has been done. However, the applicant has indicated they intend to continue to provide some surface parking for nearby businesses enclosed within the main floor of the proposed tower.
- Residential Parking Program Permits are only available to residents of single family homes and multi-family buildings up to and including 3 storeys in height within the program area.
- 18. How are residents of "The Hive" going to drive to their building? Will they have to rely on the Strathcona House main entrance driveway? Or cross 109st to enter 86 avenue causing more delays on 109st.
 - The <u>Parking and Transportation Impact Assessment</u> includes details of anticipated traffic circulation in the area.

Web Page Visitor Definitions

Aware

An aware visitor, or a visitor that we consider to be 'aware', has made one single visit to the page, but not clicked any further than the main page.

Informed

An informed visitor has taken the 'next step' from being aware and clicked on something. We now consider the visitor to be informed about the project. This is done because a click suggests interest in the project.

Engaged

Every visitor that contributes on the page, either by asking questions or leaving a comment, is considered to be 'engaged'.

Engaged and informed are subsets of aware. That means that every engaged visitor is also always informed AND aware. In other words, a visitor cannot be engaged without also being informed AND aware. At the same time, an informed visitor is also always aware.

If you have questions about this application please contact:

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APPLICATION SUMMARY

INFORMATION

Application Type:	Plan Amendment, Rezoning
Bylaw/Charter Bylaw:	19480, 19481
Location:	West side of 108A Street NW at its north terminus
Addresses:	8630 to 8650 - 108A Street NW & 8715 - 109 Street NW
Legal Descriptions:	Lots 11A & 27U, Block 186, Plan 3749RS
	Lots 9 - 11, Block 186, Plan 3901AJ
	Lot 12A, Block 186, Plan 8722052
	Lot 7, Plan EDMONTO
Site Area:	109 Street NW (Proposed CB1) Site: 537.2 m ²
	108A Street NW (Proposed DC2 Tower) Site: 1878.8 m ²
Neighbourhood:	Garneau
Notified Community Organizations:	Garneau Community League
	Strathcona Community League
Applicant:	Beljan Development

PLANNING FRAMEWORK

Current Zones:	(DC2.128) Site Specific Development Control Provision
	(DC2.528) Site Specific Development Control Provision
	(RA7) Low Rise Apartment Zone
Proposed Zones and Overlays:	(CB1) Low Intensity Business Zone
	Main Streets Overlay
	(DC2) Site-Specific Development Control Provision
Plan in Effect:	Garneau Area Redevelopment Plan
Historic Status:	None

Written By: Andrew McLellan

Approved By: Tim Ford

Branch: Development Services Section: Planning Coordination