

## City Completes Six Neighbourhood Reconstructions in 2013

### *Work includes \$9 million reallocation for 'triage' neighbourhood paving*

The City is wrapping up a big season for Building Great Neighbourhoods in Edmonton, with six neighbourhood reconstructions completed in 2013. The Building Great Neighbourhoods initiative coordinates three city programs to renew and replace neighbourhood infrastructure and enhance the overall livability of neighbourhoods across Edmonton:

- Great Neighbourhoods Capital Program (Community Services)
- Drainage Neighbourhood Renewal (Financial Services and Utilities)
- Neighbourhood Renewal (Transportation Services)

The City's total 2013 investment in these programs was \$224 million. This includes:

- \$25 million for 15 Great Neighbourhoods Capital Program projects
- \$23 million for 33 Drainage Neighbourhood Renewal projects
- \$176 million for 124 Neighbourhood Renewal projects

The City's Neighbourhood Renewal investment also included \$9 million that Council reallocated from the 2013 budget for additional 'triage' milling and overlay work on neighbourhood streets.

In 2013, the Building Great Neighbourhoods initiative completed reconstruction in six neighbourhoods: Canora, Capilano, Dovercourt, Windsor Park, Terrace Heights and Woodcroft.

### **Keep it livable**

The **Great Neighbourhoods Capital Program** engages neighbourhoods to align City investments, such as shared use pathways, with community goals.

"We are working hard to improve Edmontonian's quality of life," said Stephane Labonne, Director of Great Neighbourhoods. "Wider sidewalks, shared use pathways, trees, and enhanced infrastructure all contribute to a more liveable and vibrant city."

In 2013, the Great Neighbourhoods Capital Program invested \$25 million in 15 neighbourhoods. This includes revitalizing Alberta Avenue, Jasper Place and transforming 108 Street to Capital Boulevard.

### **Keep it flowing**

The **Drainage Neighbourhood Renewal Program** invested \$23 million in 2013 to renew and replace deteriorated drainage infrastructure prior to pavement and sidewalk reconstruction.

"It is critical the Drainage Services completes the sewer renewal work in these neighbourhoods ahead of the roadway construction," said John Cairns, Project Manager for Drainage Design and Construction. "By starting this work a few years ahead, we can be sure that the pipes are in excellent condition before the new roads and sidewalks are installed."

Drainage Neighbourhood Renewal renewed sewer pipes in 24 neighbourhoods in 2013 and conducted sewer inspections in nine communities scheduled for reconstruction in 2014 and 2015, working closely with utilities such as EPCOR and ATCO.

### **Keep it moving**

Altogether the City invested \$176 million to renew and replace streets, sidewalks, curbs, gutters and streetlights in 124 **Neighbourhood Renewal** projects across Edmonton. The City completed 104 of them, including six full neighbourhood reconstructions and 43 'triage' overlay locations.

"Neighbourhood Renewal improves and maintains the way we move within our communities," said Byron Nicholson, Director of Special Projects for Roads Design and Construction. "We really appreciate everyone's patience as we work to improve essential infrastructure in Edmonton neighbourhoods."

### **For more information, please visit:**

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