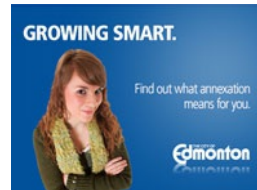


City of Edmonton launches annexation open houses

The City of Edmonton invites affected citizens to upcoming open houses to learn about Edmonton's proposed annexations of land in Leduc County and a portion of Highway 814 from the Town of Beaumont.

"Edmonton's population could nearly double over the coming three decades and we want to develop complete communities by growing in, up and out. We are planning for the future and would like to meet and talk with citizens about their questions and our proposed annexations," says Peter Ohm, Manager, City of Edmonton Urban Planning and Environment.



Edmonton seeks balanced growth for its citizens. With over 55 per cent of Edmonton's population growth occurring south of the Whitemud Drive, and over 73 per cent of housing starts in the region taking place in the city, Edmonton is quickly running out of employment and residential lands along its south boundary.

"We welcome community engagement to help us, our citizens and neighbours in the Edmonton region understand each others' needs and the need for proactive planning and efficient infrastructure investment," says Ohm.

The annexation process can take approximately two to five years before boundaries are actually adjusted and the land development process takes 10 years from the time of assembling land to the time people move into new homes and places of work.

Open House Dates:

Monday, November 18, 5:00 to 8:00 p.m.

RedTail Landing Golf Club, #7, 435 Airport Perimeter Road, Edmonton International Airport, Alberta

Tuesday, November 19, 5:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Nisku Inn, 1101 - 4th Street, Nisku, Alberta

Tuesday, November 26, 5:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Four Points Sheraton, 10010 - 12th Ave SW, Edmonton, Alberta

Presentations at 6:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. each evening.

For more information: phone 780-442-2294, email annexation@edmonton.ca, or visit edmonton.ca/annexation.

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