



Council Roundup - December 11, 2013

Light the Bridge to proceed on donations only

City Council passed a motion to support lighting up the High Level Bridge without public funding for the project. Established as a community-led initiative funded entirely by donations from private citizens and corporations, the \$2.5 million dollar project remains on track to have approximately 60,000 coloured LED bulbs installed on Edmonton's historic High Level Bridge by July 1, 2014.

"There was never any real requirement for the City's money, but we had to talk to the supplier," said Light the Bridge volunteer and ATB Financial President & CEO Dave Mowat. "We've got great momentum, we'll order the lights and we're still pushing for Canada Day."

LRT expansion Council's top priority

City Council voted in favour of a motion that established LRT as Council's number one priority for new infrastructure spending. Council's discussion and vote emphasized the need for long-term funding commitments from the provincial and federal governments in order to achieve Edmonton's goals for LRT and public transit.

Councilors noted that all necessary commitments from the City – including funding, design and planning – are now in place for the Valley Line LRT project to proceed.

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