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City streamlines process for major development permits

Pre-application meetings could save time and money for industry and the City

The City of Edmonton is launching pre-application meetings for major development permits, a change that could translate into faster review and processing times as well as cost savings for industry and the City.

The City has been working closely with industry partners to improve the development process. Gail Hickmore, Senior Planner with Sustainable Development says, "We haven't seen this kind of development in Edmonton in years. It became apparent to us in consultation with members of industry that we needed to improve knowledge sharing and provide more efficiency and transparency with our decision making process. That is how the pre-application meeting came to be."

The pre-application meeting will provide industry partners the opportunity to meet with a multi-disciplinary team of City staff, including Drainage Services, Fire Rescue Services, Transportation Planning and Waste Management Services. Together, industry partners and the City will share information, identify concerns and outline other information required to submit a complete development permit application.

More details on the pre-application meeting process, including the request form, meeting schedule and resources, are available at $\underline{\text{edmonton.ca/preapplication}}$.

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