

City invests in safer roads

More than 30 City intersections are safer, thanks to upgrades made as part of Vision Zero Edmonton.

Intersection improvements in 2016 included upgrades to 13 pedestrian crosswalks (new pedestrian crossing lights or retrofits to existing pedestrian signals), installation of 15 turn-on-the-arrow-only left-turn signals, and redesign of three right-turn channels. Installation of more than 50 new driver feedback signs to tell drivers their speed, and upgrades in 13 school zones were also completed. Funding for these roadway safety upgrades came from the Traffic Safety Reserve Fund.

"The City created safer roads for all users by implementing upgrades," said Bev Esslinger, Councillor for Ward 2. "Each one of these changes means that more Edmontonians will make it home safely at the end of each day."

The roadway improvements were selected and prioritized based on an ongoing review of collision data by planners and engineers. Planning for 2017 improvements is now underway.

"Although infrastructure changes take time, I am proud of what we accomplished in this first year since we adopted Vision Zero Edmonton," said Esslinger. "Safety is a shared responsibility between those who design and build the roads and those who use them."

[Vision Zero Edmonton's](#) long-term goal is zero traffic fatalities and serious injuries.

The [2016 road safety projects](#) are posted on [edmonton.ca](#).

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