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City seeks resident input on flood mitigation

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As the City of Edmonton continues its proactive study of flood mitigation measures, City staff are asking Edmontonians to share their initial opinions on priorities as part of a longer-term public engagement process.

Infrastructure upgrades will likely be required to ensure neighbourhoods can deal with the increasing needs placed on our existing drainage system. Feedback from the public will help the City determine the most effective solutions — ones that balance risk of flooding, cost and disruption to neighbourhoods.

"From now through 2018, we will be reaching out to residents to share their community knowledge and discuss what impacts they anticipate as a result of flood mitigation measures," said Chris Ward, branch manager of Utility Services for the City of Edmonton. "Staff will use the information shared to inform the strategy going forward so we can ensure we're planning solutions that will work for each neighbourhood, as well as the whole city."

Neighbourhood-specific recommendations and costs will be developed after City administration have presented initial options to City Council in the second quarter of 2017.

Discussion guides for stakeholder community groups and surveys for individual residents are available through March 10 at edmonton.ca/floodmitigation.

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