



City makes progress towards infill goal

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Nearly one quarter of all new housing in Edmonton last year was built in mature and core neighbourhoods, according to the [2016 Mature Neighbourhood Reinvestment Report](#). At 24%, this is up significantly from 2015 and is only one percent away from the 25% by 2018 target set in [Edmonton's Municipal Development Plan, The Way We Grow](#).

"While there are many factors that influence development trends in a city," says Peter Ohm, Chief City Planner, City of Edmonton.

"We are optimistic that this report shows the policies and planning initiatives we have put in place to grow a balanced and sustainable city are starting to take hold." Here are some other key findings in the report:

- Growth in mature neighbourhoods increased to 24% in 2016 from 13% in 2015.
- There were 2,022 new units in mature neighbourhoods in 2016, compared to 1,701 in 2015.
- 2016 marks a 10-year high in annual residential net unit growth in Edmonton's mature neighbourhoods.
- The mature neighbourhoods with the most new housing unit gains were Queen Mary Park (180 units), Griesbach (149 units) and Strathcona (87 units).
- Multi-family development accounted for the majority of new units in mature neighborhoods in 2016.
- Permits were granted for 336 new secondary and six demolitions for a total of 330 new secondary suites in 2016.

"We have made progress for sure," says Ohm, "but we still have work to do to keep this momentum going." Work on planning and policies to support Edmonton's growth In, Up and Out will continue with Evolving Infill 2.0. A renewed focus will be on increasing housing diversity through Transit Oriented Development, nodes and corridors, mid-rise multi-family units and other innovative strategies.

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