



Edmonton Metro Council Happenings

I. COUNCIL HAPPENINGS:

- **City of Edmonton:**

June 24, 2019 – Executive Committee

- 6.7 - *Planning and Development Business Model – The Reserve*
 - Executive Committee received Council Report (CR_7184) for information.
 - Therefore:
 - This report provides an update on Administration's work with the Planning and Development Reserve Fund – specifically, 2019 Year to Date Financial Results and the resulting mitigation strategy currently being developed.
 - This aforementioned strategy is expected to achieve stability of the Planning and Development Reserve Fund within three years – a strategy that will include revenue forecasting revisions, cost reduction approaches, and enhances operational reporting.
 - This strategy will be presented to Council in **Q3 2019**.
 - For more information on this item, please [click here](#).

June 25, 2019 – Urban Planning Committee

- 6.3 - *Fire Hydrant and Water Main Upgrades Possible Mechanisms*
 - The Urban Planning Committee carried the following motion:
 - *That Administration work with EPCOR to pursue the next steps outlined in the June 25, 2019, Urban Form and Corporate Strategic Development report CR_6170, and consider whether there are any opportunities to add further resources to the pilot.*
 - *That Administration report back to Committee on project resourcing for the fire hydrant and water main upgrades cost share program.*
 - Therefore:
 - This report details a potential pilot project that would create a cost-share mechanism for required fire hydrant and water main upgrade infrastructure for infill developments.
 - Currently, infill developers bear the costs for these potentially expensive infrastructure upgrades.
 - Under the pilot - proposed for 2020-2021 - the costs of expansions and realignments could be funded through EPCOR's established cost allocation method.
 - Committee's motion asks Administration to explore whether there are any opportunities to add further resources to the pilot.

- Administration will return and provide an update in **Q4 2019**.
- For more information on this item, please [click here](#).
- **6.4 - Update to the (RA9) High Rise Apartment Zone – One Year Review**
 - Urban Planning Committee carried the following motion:
 - *That Administration prepare amendments to Zoning Bylaw 12800 as generally outlined in Attachment 1 of the June 25, 2019, Urban Form and Corporate Strategic Development report CR_6954, and return to a future City Council Public Hearing.*
 - Therefore:
 - As of June, 2018, City Council approved updates to the (RA9) High Rise Apartment Zone.
 - This report provides amendments addressing issues that have emerged in the last year.
 - This item will now be debated at a future public hearing.
 - For more information on this item, please [click here](#).

June 26, 2019 – [Community and Public Services Committee](#)

- **6.2 - Snow and Ice Control - Pilot Update**
 - The Community and Public Services Committee received Council Report (CR_6851) for information.
 - Therefore:
 - This report provides findings from literature reviews and jurisdictional scans about the effectiveness, benefits and trade-offs of different winter maintenance practices (including the use of calcium chloride as part of the City's de-icing strategy) as well as preliminary results from the various public and stakeholder engagement initiatives.
 - A follow-up report is scheduled for the Community and Public Services Committee on **August 21, 2019** – which will provide detailed results from the laboratory and field research about the benefits and trade-offs of the pilot program on road safety, infrastructure and the environment.
 - UDI-ER submitted a letter to committee, was in attendance, and will continue to keep a close eye on this issue.
 - For more information on this item, please [click here](#).

II. UPCOMING COUNCIL DATES:

Wednesday, July 3, 2019

- Edmonton – [City Council Public Hearing](#)
 - 1:30 pm