



North Hill Communities Local Growth Planning Stakeholder Working Group

Engagement Summary

About the North Hill Communities Working Group

The North Hill Communities Local Growth Planning Stakeholder Working Group, is a group of interested stakeholders from the North Hill Community area and development industry professionals.

Working Group members were selected through a recruitment campaign in Fall 2018, where people were able to apply to be a part of the group. The City received 90 applications for consideration for the working group and made efforts to select members that represented a broad range of perspectives and interests from the area. Community Associations were given the opportunity to nominate and select their designated representative.

There are 32 members on the working group and the group is made up of 10 representatives from the area Community Associations/ Business Improvement Association, 3 Development Industry Representatives and 19 members from the general community. To see who is member of the working group, please click [here](#).

The purpose of the working group has been to participate in dialogue of the broader planning interests of the entire area, bringing different perspectives and viewpoints to the table and acting as sounding board for The City as we develop a new local area plan for the communities of: Highland Park, Thorncliffe – Greenview (south of McKnight) Capitol Hill, Mount Pleasant, Tuxedo Park, Winston Heights – Mountview, Rosedale, Crescent Heights and Renfrew. To review a detailed terms of reference for the working group, please click [here](#).

The working group has participated in six focused sessions over the last year, to help The City come up with a draft plan and will participate in eight sessions in total.

What has the Working Group been up to?

The Working Group has been actively participating in sessions with the City of Calgary since November 2018. To date the group has participated in six focused sessions with the City of Calgary to help create a draft plan.

Session One: Planning 101

On November 22, 2018, the Working Group came together to participate in their first working group session at the Renfrew Community Association.

At this session, The City provided an overview of the project, the engagement process and gave an introductory presentation on City Planning & Policy at the City of Calgary. This session was



foundational to setting the stage for future working group sessions by creating a common understanding of planning.

To review the presentation to the working group from this session, please click [here](#).

Session Two: Visioning

On December 11, 2018 the Working Group participated in their second session, hosted by the Thorncliffe - Greenview Community Association. At this session working group members:

- validated, confirmed and prioritized public feedback from phase one
- Identified vision attributes that will guide the project moving forward.

To review the presentation to the working group from this session, please click [here](#).

The feedback provided from the session was used by the project team to develop draft guiding principles for the project. The working group was given an opportunity to review and refine the guiding principles through a homework opportunity. The Guiding Principles were shared with the public as part of phase two engagement in Winter 2020.

Session Three: Activity Levels & Attributes

On April 3, 2019 the Working Group participated in their third session, hosted by the Crescent Heights Community Association. At this session working group members:

- Validated and prioritized public input received through the broad public engagement for phase two to refine focus areas;
- Mapped and identified different levels of street activity and interaction with the built environment to create a heat map where people with gather and interact in the future;
- Envisioned and assigned activity attributes help inform the future vision of the North Hill area.

To review the presentation to the working group from this session, please click [here](#).

To see the composite heat map created as an output from this session, please click [here](#).

Session Four: Function & Scale

On May 4, 2019 the Working Group participated in their fourth session, hosted by the Winston Heights Mountview Community Association. At this session working group members:

- Participated in an interactive activity utilizing Lego to discuss building scale and function, utilizing the activity composite heat map created in session three;
- Used Lego blocks to identify where certain building function was appropriate (housing focus, commercial focus and industrial focus) and layered the blocks to indicate appropriate building scale throughout the area.



To review the presentation to the working group from this session, please click [here](#).

To review the report back of input received in session four, please click [here](#).

Session Five: Deeper Dive

On June 20, 2019 the Working Group participated in their fifth session, hosted by the Thorncliffe - Greenview Community Association. At this session working group members:

- Participated in a deeper discussion to refine feedback received in sessions three and four;
- Provided feedback and ideas for potential supporting amenities and infrastructure needed to support future growth.

The working group participated in group discussions reviewing the input provided in session four and there was no presentation.

To review the report back of input received in this session, please click [here](#).

In September 2019, some members of the working group participated in an optional information session to learn more about the proposed [Guidebook for Great Communities](#).

Session Six: Reviewing the Draft Plan

On October 23, 2019 the Working Group participated in their sixth session, hosted by Renfrew Community Association. At this session, working group members:

- Reviewed and refined the initial draft plan
- Explored and refined focus areas and topics.

To review the presentation to the working group from this session, please click [here](#).

The input received at this session was used by the project team to refine the draft plan that will be shared with the public on November 25, 2019 in phase three engagement.

Next steps

Following the conclusion of phase three [EVALUATE] the City of Calgary will refine the draft plan using the feedback received from the general public. The Working Group will then come together to review the revised draft in January 2020 and provide input. The feedback from this session will be used to inform the final proposed plan to be presented to Council.

The Working Group will participate in their final session in February 2020 to review the final proposed plan and celebrate the work that they have undertaken together over the course of the project.