Transit Master Plan Update

Priorities Committee Meeting

September 12, 2023



Project Background

- Previous Transit Master Plan (TMP) was adopted in 2019
- COVID-19 Pandemic has caused significant disruption
 - Work patterns and commuting
 - Lifestyle choices and priorities
 - Residential locations
- Mid-Term review of the 2019 TMP
 - Relevance of recommendations in "new normal"
 - On-Demand evening and weekend service is now established
 - Evolution of Edmonton services
 - Growth area infrastructure and services
 - Zero emission transition
- 10-20 year horizon



Dillon Consulting



- Dillion Consulting has been retained to work as the lead consultant for the project with the assistance of several subconsultants.
- Dillion's resource qualifications include Transit Planning and engagement specialists





Sub-Consultants



- Leading Mobility Consulting
 - Post-Pandemic recovery
 - Regional services
- Trestle Consulting
 - Mobility Bus (accessible transit)
- Chris MacIsaac Consulting
 - On-Demand
 - Integrated Mobility



Project Overview

- Background Review Report
- Analysis & Recommendations Report
 - Service Standards
 - Commuter Service
 - Local Service
 - Mobility Bus
 - Rural Transit
 - Growth Areas
 - Infrastructure
 - Fleet (including zero emission)
 - Integrated Mobility
- Implementation Report
- Final Updated TMP



Project Engagement Approach

ROUND 1

September/October 2023

PURPOSE:

To identify:

How the Pandemic has changed how people ride transit in the County – what needs to be shifted to accommodate these changes

What residents, stakeholders, riders want to see improved/changed

What is working well

What people want to see from transit in the future



Project Engagement Approach

ROUND 2

February/March 2024

PURPOSE:

Communicate with the results of the background review and technical analysis that helped shape the recommendations.

Confirm the draft TMP recommendations will meet the needs of the public and stakeholders.



Project Engagement Approach

PURPOSE:

ROUND 3

May/June 2024

To present the draft TMP

To allow for the public and stakeholders to learn about what is proposed and ask questions



Engagement Techniques

R1, R2	External Stakeholder Workshops (presentation and facilitated workshop)In-personVirtual
R1, R2	 Staff Engagement In-person drop-in with Operations at the Drivers Lounge Virtual check in meetings with inspections/drivers/other transit staff
R2	Transit Station Intercept
R1, R2, R3	Online Engagement - County Voice - Public Survey
Key Project Milestones	Technical Committee Meetings



Feedback Mechanisms

Workshops, Meetings Intercepts	Dillon note taking, comment cards, feedback forms		
	Identification of key themes and response trends		
Survey	Survey data collected, response trends and key themes identified		
Email Inquiries	Added to the key themes		



Analysis and Reporting



What We Heard Reporting

- Overview of communication and engagement activities (what we did)
- Engagement feedback
- Engagement outcomes
 - Number of workshop participants
 - Number of completed surveys
 - Activity/interaction with the County Voice platform (summary of engagement HQ reports)
- Analysis of engagement feedback
 - Identification of key themes through survey analysis and analysis of workshop feedback
- Next steps & lessons learned



Communication Tools



Email Invitations to Workshops (Key Stakeholders)

Email Invitations to Meetings (Internal Staff, Technical Committee)

County Voice

Social Media - Facebook, X (Twitter)

Media Release

Transit Terminal Ads

Newspaper Ads

Digital Screens



Project Branding and Slogan







Questions?



