



This photo was taken in 1930 and if you direct your attention to the MacDonald Hotel on the bottom right hand side, you will see just how much the downtown core has grown.

Edmonton has experienced significant growth over the last 100 years and it is time we look at how we are going to keep our existing assets at an acceptable level of performance and plan for future infrastructure stewardship.



The first photo is a 2001 aerial shot of an area of land located in West Edmonton.

The second aerial photo was taken in 2012 and is now known as the Windermere Neighbourhood. Over the last ten years there has been considerable development of lands outside of Anthony Henday Drive which in turn contributes to the City's responsibility to provide infrastructure and services to the people living in these neighbourhoods.



For the past hundred years, Edmonton has experienced significant changes; boom/bust cycles, environmental issues, funding issues, land use planning and changes in urban design.

The first boom in Edmonton was right after the First World War.

The 70s saw significant development in the City.

In the 80s when the interest rate was hovering around 20% and the price of oil dropped off, so did the development. During that period of time, the City adopted a DMFP. All City expenditures had to be pay-as-you-go and no borrowing was allowed.

The 90's saw the economic recovery in Alberta but at the same time, fiscal constraint was the focus. There were a lot of cut backs of government services including a cut of grants to municipalities. So, Edmonton experienced both a shortage of municipal money because of the DMFP and the reduction of grants from the province. This was the time that some of the infrastructure constructed during the booms were coming to the end of their expected life and Edmonton was recovering, which needed investment in both aging infrastructure and increasing development.

The importance of the needs to address the long term issues of infrastructure investment was recognized. In 1998, the City developed its first long range capital plan to look at the infrastructure investment needs for the next 10 years. There was a gap between the capital needs and the resources available.



One example on how we can maximize the use of existing infrastructure, such as roads and sewers, is the TOD plan of the Stadium Station.



•As of year-end 2012 - total asset replacement value of \$39.6 billion, more than double the \$18.2 billion value reported in the 2003 infrastructure inventory report.

•40%, or \$16 billion, is currently attributed to the Drainage portfolio followed by 31% (\$12.4 billion) of assets under Road Right-of-Way .

•Industry experts recommend that 2% to 4% of the asset replacement value should be reinvested annually into the assets - approx. \$800 thousand to \$1.6 million per year.

•Council's allocation to renewal of \$420 million annually in the 2012-2014 Capital Budget is equivalent to only 1.1% of the total asset replacement value. This is nearly half of the 2% that was allocated in the 2009-2011 Capital Budget.

•Physical condition of an asset - the condition of the physical infrastructure that allows it to meet the intended service level.

•This assessment can be projected over time to yield a high-level overview of the deterioration of each asset type

•Over the past ten years, the physical condition of the city-wide assets in good and very good condition has increased from 58% to 64%. Much of this can be attributed to the addition of new assets which would increase the overall average of the physical condition.

•However, the percentage of assets in poor and very poor condition has ranged from 15% in 2003 to 10% in 2008 to its current value of 14%







The central theme behind RIMS is the marriage of current infrastructure condition to accepted physical condition standards and risk exposure. RIMS then uses an optimization algorithm to find the best combination of reconstruction and rehabilitation actions to bring assets to a standard condition and risk exposure in a set number of years. Since we know what these various reconstruction and rehabilitation actions cost, we can determine an overall required renewal budget.



The Risk model is based on the A to F rating system, with A being new construction and F being in very poor condition.

The condition index is calculated by multiplying the quantity of infrastructure in each condition by the rating.

Another important indicator is the % of the assets in D&F condition. Overall, with the implementation of the Neighbourhood Infrastructure Renewal Program, City assets will not be allowed to fall into this condition because of the long-term predictable and self-sustaining funding source.



The Risk Model is based on the Markovian analysis whereby applying a particular renewal strategy to an asset will improve its condition.

It's clear that the more money that can be reinvested, the longer the expected life of that asset can be extended.



A deterioration curve for a collector road is illustrated on this slide. \$466 thousand per centre-line kilometre is the required amount of renewal dollars to bring the asset from a 'D' rating to a 'B' rating. This is one-third of the cost to reconstruct the road at a cost of \$1.49 million per centre-line kilometre. The right investment, in the right infrastructure at the right time can yield extensive cost savings over the long term.

	\$/CL-KM	
	D→B	F→A
Local	\$282K	\$1.1M
Collector	\$466K	\$1.48M
Arterial	\$510K	\$3.22M
Major Arterial	\$758K	\$3.53M



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•Road Right-of-Way assets require the highest renewal investment of an average of \$199 million per year over the first four years increasing to \$255 million per year for the remaining six years.

•Note the increased investment in the Transit assets from \$19M/yr for the first four years to \$105M/yr for the 2019-2024 timeframe. Edmonton considers LRT expansion as one of their top priorities.



•2 scenarios were modeled in addition to the \$466 million annual recommended renewal budget

- a budget reduction of \$50 million (8%)
- a budget reduction of \$150 million (23%) were considered

•Overall aggregate life span of the City's infrastructure is 45 years so the impacts of funding shortfalls or deficiencies may not be apparent for many years

•Recommended \$466 annual renewal budget would decrease % assets in D&F condition from 18% to 15% at Year 10 with a much more significant decrease to 7% at Year 20.

•\$50 million reduction – will increase from 18% to 20% by Year 4, to 21% at Year 10 and then basically flattens out for next 10 years

•\$150 million reduction – will increase from 19% to f22% by Year 4, to 23% at Year 10 and then flattens out Years 10-20 – note that the same reduction over 30 years will increase % of assets to 32% at Year 3 - **1/3 of City assets will be in poor and very poor condition**









•The City utilizes the Risk-based Infrastructure Management System (RIMS) to assist with this evaluation of Core Capital.

•Use the RIMS model (Risk-based Infrastructure Management System)

•Made-for Edmonton system managed by Office of Infrastructure & Funding Strategy

·Looks at physical condition, capacity, functionality

•Identifies renewal needs

•After going thru several years of ramping up our capital budget thru fast tracking grants and tax supported borrowing, administration and Council is faced with the stark reality that, given our current funding sources, our level of Capital spending is unsustainable.

• It is anticipated that Edmonton's current \$1.2B annual capital budget will be halved during the next budget period.

•Upcoming decisions are going to be tough, and with the City continuing to receive unprecedented growth pressures, its has become vital to not only be able to determine the required reinvestment into our existing infrastructure, but also defend that spending, and show to Council what the consequences are of not meeting that spending requirement.

•We are planning to use RIMS throughout the capital planning process.

•Its use in the process can be summarized by its ability to answer the following questions.