

Summer is HERE!

IT'S A SUMMER PARTY

DJ Marty, food trucks, bouncy castles,
face painting, glitter tattoos, balloons!

A close-up photograph of a watermelon slice, showing the red flesh and black seeds. The slice is positioned at the bottom of the poster, with the text overlaid on it.

Wed. June 25
5-9pm

Grandview Heights Community League Newsletter

June 2025

Green Shack Program Grandview School Park July2-Aug. 21

This program is for children aged 6-12, but younger children can attend when accompanied by an adult. Kids can get active and experience a variety of crafts, games, sports, and free play!

Monday-Friday 10:30am - 1:30pm

This year, the Green Shack program will provide programming indoors during smoky/adverse weather conditions at the following SW locations

- Queen Alexandra (SW) - Scona District - 10425 University Ave
- Parkallen (SW) - Scona District - 6510 111 St NW
- Greenfield (SW) - Whitemud District - 3803 114 St NW
- For more info call 311 or visit edmonton.ca/Greenshacks

2025-26 GVH Community League Board of Directors

Thanks to everyone who showed up at the AGM on May 4th to elect this year's board members, all of whom are returning for another year. There are two board vacancies yet to be filled. If you are looking for a way to help your community - and get to know some neighbours - please consider joining the board which meets a year, usually on the second Wednesday of the month at the hall. There are no meetings in July-Aug-Sept. Meetings run 1-2 hours. No experience necessary! If you can't commit to a board position, please consider helping us out as our electronic newsletter editor or web manager. See job descriptions below. Please contact Mary Schlosser if you want to volunteer for any of these vacant positions.

President: Mary Schlosser grandviewheightspresident@gmail.com

Vice-President: Alana Chwakliniski

Secretary: Ashley Stammers

Treasurer: Cameron Brinkman

Casino Director: Jia Jia

External Relations Director: Lee Ward

Facilities Director: Kasia Miskiw

Hall Rentals: Gabriela Iordache

Membership Director: Marius Iordache membership@grandviewcommunity.ca

Soccer Director: Anning Chen

Communications Director: VACANT

This role involves co-ordinating/managing the league's communications function which includes managing production/distribution of a bi-annual printed newsletter and providing support to the Electronic Newsletter Editor and the Web Manager.

Social Director: VACANT

This role involves establishing volunteer committees specific to each league-sponsored social event (Halloween Party, Big Bin Event, Summer Party, etc.) and providing support to committees in the planning/management of events.

Electronic Newsletter Editor- VACANT - Working with the Communications Director, this job involves compiling content submitted to the Grandview newsletter Gmail account and sending it out bi-monthly to the distribution list. You aren't required to attend board meetings. The job entails about 1-2 hours of volunteer time per edition.

Web Manager -Working with the Communications Director, this job involves managing the grandviewcommunity.ca website. You aren't required to attend board meetings. The job entails about 1 hour of volunteer time monthly.

Grandview Heights Tennis

Thanks to the Tennis Committee (Barb Brass and Tara Foxcroft) for getting the courts up and running. Contact tennisinfo@grandviewcommunity.ca Casino funds paid for the recent court improvements which included the repainting of lines on the north courts, the installation of a new practice backboard and the purchase of new tennis/pickleball nets.

Tennis court access is restricted to members of the GVH Community League, who are provided with an access code. You must live in Grandview to join the league. Buy your membership online at www.Grandview.ca. If you prefer to pay by cash/cheque, e-mail Marius lordache at membership@grandviewcommunity.ca

Edmonton Tennis Community (ETC) Programs are back at GVH Courts this summer!

KIDS: Grandview Heights Summer 2025 Program Level 1 | Register | Edmonton Tennis Community Store <https://app.amilia.com/store/en/edmontonjuniortennis/api/Program/Detail?programId=xaov60b>

ADULTS: Grandview Heights Adult Summer 2025 Program - Session 2 | Register | Edmonton Tennis Community

Store <https://app.amilia.com/store/en/edmontonjuniortennis/api/Program/Detail?programId=xrV4Aox>
Saturdays at Grandview Heights Tennis Courts - July 5th - August 16 - KIDS (missed day June 28th)

- 9:00 am-10:00 am U5 (ages 4-5)
- 10:00 am-11:00 am U7 (ages 6-7)
- 11:00 am-12:00 pm U9 (ages 8-9)
- 12:00 pm-1:00 pm 10+ (ages 10-15)
- 1:00 pm-2:00 pm BEGINNER ADULTS
- 2:00 pm-3:00 pm INTERMEDIATE ADULTS

Casino a Success! – Thanks to Casino Director Jia Jian for organizing the casino fundraiser in April and to the 37 volunteers who helped over the two days. Some even worked two shifts to ensure the roster was complete. The league expects to receive about \$80K when funds are received from the AGLC later this month.

Gardening Club Meets Wednesday Mornings at 9:30 a.m.

The rink lands now look great thanks to the Gardening Club. The rink lands is the area between Grandview Strip Mall and Grandview Capital Care and is 'owned' by the league under agreement with the City so maintaining it is a neighbourhood responsibility. The Gardening Club is key to keeping the grounds looking great for everyone. No experience required! Contact: Lori at mlkraus@telus.net

News from Councillor Michael Janz re: mid-block row housing

On June 3, 2025, the Urban Planning Committee Administration was provided direction to advance amendments to the Small-Scale Residential Zone (RS) Zone which will introduce additional design regulations for mid-block row housing. A summary of the proposed changes is provided below. The amendments will be brought to the June 30, 2025, City Council Public Hearing meeting and, if approved, will come into effect immediately. This means that the new rules will apply to applications still under review as of June 30th, and all new applications submitted after the Bylaw is approved. Administration is working with applicants to notify them of the proposed amendments and the proposed effective date. Applications that are currently under review are not being expedited. **If the proposed amendments are not passed by City Council on June 30th the current regulations will remain in effect. I want the new rules to come into effect immediately, especially regarding architectural controls.** City Council may, through a motion, direct Administration to propose alternative amendments. The timeline for introducing future amendments will depend on the scope and complexity of the changes, as well as the required procedures, such as advertising and public notification. If you have any questions, please contact me. Michael.janz@edmonton.ca 780-496-8146

Summary of Proposed Amendments to the Small Scale Residential (RS) Zone

Building Length - To address concerns about the size and scale of mid-block row housing, Administration proposes to reduce the maximum building length along an interior side lot line from 30.0 m to 50% of site depth or 25.0 m, whichever is less. The maximum length along the front and rear lot lines remains unchanged.

Intended outcomes:

- Reduce building mass and shadow impacts for neighbouring properties
 - In combination with proposed changes to interior side setbacks, decrease principal building site coverage by approximately 8% on typical lots (15 m x 45 m)
- This change could also potentially allow for more parking, amenity areas, or landscaping.

Entrances

Under the current regulations, there is no limit on the number of entrances that can be located on the side yard. To address this and concerns about overlook and increased activity in side yards next to neighbours, Administration was directed to limit the total number of entrances permitted on the side of a building to two, whether it is a main entrance, suite entrance or a back door.

Intended outcomes:

- Encourage more entrances on the front and rear of the building
- Reduce the concentration of side entrances facing the neighbours lot line
- Reduce perception of side yard activity

Interior Side Setbacks

Administration proposes to increase the minimum interior side setback from 1.5 m to 1.9 m for row housing and multi-unit housing where an entrance is located on the side of a building.

Intended outcome: Improve functionality of side yards by allowing for a 0.15 m drainage swale, 0.9 m pathway and 0.76 m egress window well or portion of a stairway.

Stairs in Side Yards

Administration is proposing to require a minimum 1.1m distance between steps and the interior side lot line when steps face the side lot line. However, this change will not apply to steps facing the front or rear lot lines.

Intended Outcome: Improve accessibility along pathways where steps project into side setbacks by allowing for a 0.9 m pathway and 0.15 m drainage swale.

Front and Side Facades for Mid-block Row Housing & Multi-unit Housing

Administration is proposing changes to require principal row house dwellings adjacent to the street to include a covered main entrance door that faces the street and have windows covering a minimum of 15% of the street-facing facade area.

Administration is also proposing to require row housing and multi-unit housing facades facing a street or the side lot line of a site in a residential zone, regardless of building length, to be articulated using two or more design techniques (e.g., variations in rooflines, vertical or horizontal building wall projections or recessions, visual breaks of building facades into smaller sections or a combination of finishing materials). Windows and porches would not count towards the minimum articulation requirements.

Intended outcomes:

- Make street-facing facades appear more like the front of a building, rather than the side
- Further reduce the perceived mass of row house building walls
- Improve the design of midblock row housing by establishing minimum design expectations for street facing facade

News from the City of Edmonton

Get Ready in the Neighbourhood Workshops

Join Neighbourhood Services and the Red Cross to learn how to strengthen your community and prepare for emergencies. You will learn practical skills such as how to identify hazards, planning for your family and neighbourhood, and building a support network when an emergency strikes. Register now for an upcoming workshop through [Eventbrite](#) - space limited.

Wednesday, October 8 | 6:30-8:30 pm | Mill Woods Senior and Multicultural Centre

Thursday, November 6 | 6:30-8:30 pm | Alfred H. Savage Centre

Summer Programs at Edmonton Recreation Centres

Register for a variety of engaging registered programs at City of Edmonton Rec Centres this summer! Children can discover the fundamentals of movement and teamwork through Ready2Ball. Our Adapted Programming for youth and adults offers valuable opportunities for physical activity and socialization. Youth and Adults interested in developing new skills can explore our range of Learn to Play programs.

Register for summer programming on June 4 to participate in these enriching activities at movelearnplay.edmonton.ca!

Help Protect our Ash Trees from Emerald Ash Borer (EAB)

Edmontonians are urged to monitor ash trees in their neighborhoods and report any signs or symptoms of Emerald Ash Borer (EAB), a destructive wood-boring insect threatening our urban forest, to City of Edmonton 311. EAB is difficult to detect before it causes irreversible damage. Once infestation levels meet a particular threshold, over 99% of ash trees die. That's why **early detection is essential — and community participation is key**. As an invasive species with no natural predators, Edmonton stands to lose these trees and their associated, intricate ecosystems. Community monitoring means more people are watching for signs of EAB across the whole city. This makes early detection possible. When someone eventually detects EAB, the city can quickly target that area and begin implementing strategic management plans.

Monitoring runs **through late October**. Report findings to the City of Edmonton's 311.

Visit communityfieldandforest.ca

Edmonton's Clean Energy Improvement Program Opened

Edmonton homeowners will once again have access to convenient financing for energy-efficient home upgrades when the City of Edmonton's Clean Energy Improvement Program (CEIP) reopened on May 21. This program allows you to finance up to 100% of eligible upgrades, such as new windows, insulation, or solar panels, with repayment made through your property taxes over a term of up to 20 years. CEIP helps you reduce your energy consumption while contributing to Edmonton's environmental goals. Financing is tied to the property, meaning that if the home is sold, the repayment obligation can be transferred to the new owner. Participation in the program involves a pre-qualification and a home energy evaluation to determine the best retrofits for your home. Don't miss the opportunity to make your home greener and more comfortable. Find out more. [Clean Energy Program](#)