



Project Overview

128 Avenue N.E. provides an important east-west connection through the Stoney Industrial Area which is identified for significant future growth of industrial development. The road connection is required to accommodate all modes of transportation, including motorists, public transit, cyclists, pedestrians and heavy vehicles accessing the Stoney Industrial Area. The objective of this study is to identify the functional planning design and preferred locations for the road and bridge(s) placement, determine efficient connections to existing roads and identify long-term right-of-way requirements.

Project goals:

- Better accommodate people who walk, bike, take transit and drive.
- Improve safety for those who travel through, or commute along the study area.
- Provide a new connection of 128 Avenue N.E. between Barlow Trail and Stoney Trail.
- Plan for new interchanges on both Deerfoot Trail and Stoney Trail.
- Provide a new crossing over the CP railway and Nose Creek.

Across three phases of engagement, The City worked with interest holders and the public to gather feedback to develop design concepts, evaluation criteria and recommended plans for the 128 Avenue N.E. study area.

To learn more about the project and view frequently asked questions, visit engage.calgary.ca/128ave

Engagement Overview

Engagement for functional planning studies is organized into three phases – each tied to key milestones in the development of the functional plans.

1. **Discover:** Discover involved sharing prior City planning for 128 Avenue N.E. and identifying aspirations, issues, opportunities, and priorities of interested parties related to the project. The feedback was compiled to create the project's evaluation criteria and concept options.
2. **Explore:** Explore involved sharing design concepts with interest holders and the public.
3. **Reveal:** Reveal involved presenting the recommended plan to interest holders and the public, answering questions and gathering feedback. Feedback received during this phase is used to refine and prepare the recommended plan for final review and approval.

The final Reveal phase comes after years of engagement with the community and interest holders.

- Throughout the engagement process The City engaged with interest holders and the public to gather feedback, determine the evaluation criteria and create the design concepts and a recommended plan for the 128 Avenue N.E. study area.
- All feedback during the previous two phases was considered when finalizing the recommended



plan.

- Detailed information on the engagement process and feedback received during Phase 1 and Phase 2 can be found on our webpage, outlined in the “What We Heard Reports”.

The following report is a summary of the Reveal phase of engagement. Online opportunities for feedback were offered from May 21 to June 7, 2024, at engage.calgary.ca/128ave. The City received 54 feedback submissions online and the website received 8,019 views. Additionally, an online event was hosted on May 30, 2024, from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., which included a prepared presentation followed by a 30-minute question-and-answer period. 18 people were in attendance.

Reveal phase engagement opportunities were advertised and promoted in the following ways:

- May 10, 2024 – Approximately 10,000 postcards were delivered to residents and businesses in the study area.
- May 16 to June 7, 2024 – Targeted social media campaign.
- May 16 to June 7, 2024 - Six (6) road signs in the study area.
- May 2024 - Northern Hills Community Association informed about project details and upcoming engagement opportunities.

What We Asked

In the Reveal phase of the 128 Avenue N.E. functional planning study, we asked participants the following questions:

1. From your perspective, is there anything the project team should know about the recommended plan?
2. How do you feel about the recommended plan?

What We Heard

The following section details the key themes we heard during the public engagement throughout the Reveal phase. During this phase of engagement, we heard from community members who were supportive of the current plan. We also heard from community members who expressed their concerns with the plan due to impacts on the environment, increased noise, increased traffic and congestion, cost, and the transit-only link, as outlined below.

Theme	What We Heard
Greenspace and Wildlife	• Loss of greenspace and impacts on wildlife was one of the main issues raised in both the survey and online event. • Some people were concerned about losing green space and parks in their community. • Others expressed concern for the removal of spaces for wildlife.



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	• Some people suggested larger bridge clearance along the corridor to facilitate free passage for wildlife and minimize impacts to Nose Creek.
Transit-only link	• Some respondents were interested in opening up the transit-only link to all vehicle traffic in order to facilitate car access to Stoney Trail from nearby communities.
Other concerns	• Other people expressed concerns involving increased noise, traffic, and congestion impacting communities near the new 128 Avenue N.E. roadway. • Cost for the project was another issue raised by a few people. • Another issue that was raised centered on equity and access to parks by the surrounding communities. ○ A few people noted that the N.E. quadrant of the City has much fewer parks compared to other quadrants. ○ As a result, these people wanted to preserve access to parks by N.E. communities.

Next Steps

Interest holders and public input are considered by the project team to refine and finalize the recommended plan. However, technical data, policies, budgets, and best practices will also inform the final plan. The final recommended plan will incorporate the public's input and will be posted on the project website (engage.calgary.ca/128ave) in late 2024.