

Edmonton

TIMELINE

JULY 2009

Edmonton's city council votes to close the Edmonton City Centre Airport and formally initiates Blatchford: one of the largest sustainable redevelopment projects in the world.

City council positions the City of Edmonton as the developer of the lands to ensure the new community meets the expectations of city council and the citizens of Edmonton.

MAY 2012

City council approves the area redevelopment plan, which refines the high-level concept plan and helps guide future development.

MARCH 2010

City council approves the following vision for Blatchford in the City Centre Airport Lands Master Plan Principles:

Blatchford will be home to up to 30,000 Edmontonians living, working and learning in a sustainable community that uses 100% renewable energy, is carbon neutral, significantly reduces its ecological footprint, and empowers residents to pursue a range of sustainable lifestyle choices.

NOVEMBER 2013

The Edmonton City Centre Airport officially closes, and the City assumes full control of the land.

JUNE 2014

City council approves an implementation strategy to guide Blatchford's development. Council directs administration to investigate the feasibility of an ambient loop district energy system to achieve the vision of a carbon neutral community that uses 100 per cent renewable energy.

OCTOBER 2014

The City of Edmonton returns to council with a report on additional sustainability and liveability features that could be incorporated into Blatchford in the future. Two areas were highlighted for immediate follow-up: the creation of a recreational lake and further investigation of an ambient district energy sharing system for Blatchford.

SEPTEMBER 2015

The City of Edmonton returns to city council with additional information on building an ambient district energy sharing system in Blatchford. The proposed approach for implementing district energy in Blatchford is based on council's vision for Blatchford carbon neutrality and the use of 100 per cent renewable energy.



JULY 2014

City council approves the funding model for Blatchford, authorizing a borrowing bylaw required to proceed with development. This model did not include funding for the district energy system. Administration acknowledges they would return to council with any additional items that could significantly impact the project's pro forma, including the plan for district energy.

- MID-2014 AUGUST 2015

The City of Edmonton completes considerable work in preparation for the first stage of development including developing a land sale strategy, undertaking additional public engagement, creating and receiving approval on the Stage 1 Zoning and Tentative Plan of Subdivision, and submitting Stage 1 detailed engineering drawings.