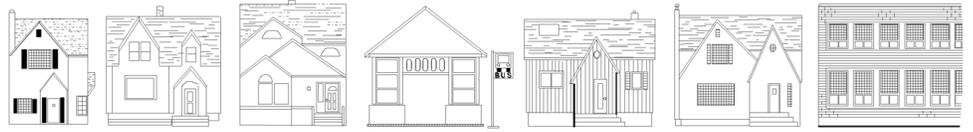


Sept/Oct  
2021



# THE McKernan Messenger

Since 1954 A publication of the McKernan Community League Circulation 1100

## Next league board meeting

TUESDAY, Oct. 5  
7:00 p.m. online

NOTE: Board meetings have been moved to the 2nd Tuesday of the month, so the Messenger will now be delivered approximately on the 3rd weekend of the month



### Welcome, new residents

A warm welcome to anyone who has recently moved to our community, be you students, new homeowners, or new arrivals to Edmonton. We hope you find our community pleasant, healthy and vibrant.



### Membership time!

The membership form is in this issue of the Messenger and online at the league website ([www.mckernancommunity.org](http://www.mckernancommunity.org)). Memberships can also be purchased online through the Edmonton Federation of Community Leagues website (<https://efcl.org/membership-purchase/>)

### Benefits

League members get reduced rates to city recreational facilities through the Community League Wellness Program, participation in organized sports, reduced hall rental rates, use of skating rinks (at all leagues!), and discounts at business such as Cloverdale Paints, House of Wheels, Yardly, Orbis Sports, and U of A Bookstore.

Plus membership gives you a voice in the shaping of your community!

## Summer Music Festival knocks it out of the park

The second (dare I say annual?) McKernan Outdoor Music Fest was a great day for the community. The weather was perfect and the music was fabulous. If you've attended a music fest before, I think you'd agree that there is something very special about the venue, the range of musicians, and the people that attend. There is nothing better than sitting in the grass on a beautiful sunny day and watching live music in your local park with your neighbours.

This year we had a diverse lineup of music including folk, hip hop, alternative, soul and R and B. The performers were David Unsworth, Rebecca Lappe, Wacko Dreamer, Aivilo Taylor, Shelley and the Professors, and the Jones Boys. These musicians agreed to perform at the festival and rely solely on the generosity of the audience for payment. The audience did not disappoint, and together raised over \$1400.00 for the performers. What a great community!!!

This festival would not happen without the hard work and dedication of some core volunteers, and the McKernan Community League. A big shout out to the volunteers: Cherie Hoyles, Woody, David Sulz, Paul Caines, Phil Kloc, Tanya Berry, Robert Driver, and Darlene Dudley. Alos, I want to thank Great Canadian Pizza (1152 82 Ave), who took it upon themselves to donate enough pizza to feed most of the audience. Their generosity was appreciated by all.

You are not alone if you are interested in this becoming an annual event. To make is so, we can use your help by letting us know about local musicians and any ideas you may have for next year. Send your suggestions to [gghajones@hotmail.com](mailto:gghajones@hotmail.com). Until next summer, I'll see you at the ice rink.

*Greg Jones*



## Travelling safely on 112 St.

### Feedback needed on traffic, speeding, pedestrian/bike safety, scooters/skateboards

Do you have concerns about traffic and people movement on 112 St. in McKernan?

There has been a steady growth in movement along 112 St. in McKernan. Vehicle traffic is increasing, and will only get heavier as more development happens especially north of 76 Ave. Many of these vehicles travel at higher speeds, and impatient shortcutting to 72 Ave. and 76 Ave. is common. Some intersections, especially 78 Ave., have poor sightlines and can be dangerous.

At the same time, because of the proximity of McKernan Park and School, and the use of the street as a route to and from the University area, there are more active transportation users along the street: pedestrians, cyclists, scooters, skateboarders and more. Many of these users are young people.

The league is interested in exploring possible traffic calming solutions along 112 St., using the City of Edmonton's Vision Zero process. So if you are a user of 112 St, or a resident impacted by movement along the road, contact Ingrid Poulin at [ingrid2323@gmail.com](mailto:ingrid2323@gmail.com) so we can see if there is enough interest/concern to move ahead with this. All ages and users welcome!

To find out more about Vision Zero, see [www.edmonton.ca/transportation/traffic-safety](http://www.edmonton.ca/transportation/traffic-safety)

### Community centre opening slowly

Our community centre will be open for limited rentals as allowed under Alberta Health Services guidelines.

Please contact [hallrentalmckernancommunity@gmail.com](mailto:hallrentalmckernancommunity@gmail.com) with questions.



## Community Contacts

PRESIDENT	Phil Kloc	780-965-0773
	<a href="mailto:president@mckernancommunity.org">president@mckernancommunity.org</a>	
VICE-PRESIDENT	Jerry Zhang	
SECRETARY	Ingrid Poulin	
	<a href="mailto:ingrid2323@gmail.com">ingrid2323@gmail.com</a>	
TREASURER	Jen Bodnar	
DIRECTORS	Marilyn Johnson	
	Rekha Shepherd	
	Joyce Chung	780-909-2744
	Rolinda Graham	
PAST PRESIDENT	Roberta Franchuk	780-431-4924
TRANSPORTATION	Ingrid and Tom Poulin	
	<a href="mailto:ingrid2323@gmail.com">ingrid2323@gmail.com</a>	
HOUSING ISSUES	Housing committee	
	<a href="mailto:housingdevelopments@mckernancommunity.org">housingdevelopments@mckernancommunity.org</a>	
PLAYGROUP	Mary Cox	
	<a href="mailto:cox.marylouise@gmail.com">cox.marylouise@gmail.com</a>	
SCHOOL LIAISON	Michelle Jones	780-436-4134
SOCCER - Adult	Brad Odsen	
	<a href="mailto:bodsen@telusplanet.net">bodsen@telusplanet.net</a>	
SOCCER - Youth	Carley Haynes	
	<a href="mailto:belmac@belgraviaedmonton.ca">belmac@belgraviaedmonton.ca</a>	
	<a href="https://emsasouthwest.com/">https://emsasouthwest.com/</a>	
CRICKET	C. Marathalingam	780-438-0460
	<a href="http://www.ascacricicket.com">www.ascacricicket.com</a>	
SKATING RINK	Greg Jones	780-222-2096
SOCIAL CONVENOR	Rekha Shepherd	
HISTORIAN	--vacant--	
POCKET PARK	Michelle Jones	780-289-0635
	<a href="mailto:4ourpocketpark@gmail.com">4ourpocketpark@gmail.com</a>	
SOUTH CAMPUS LIAISON	Wiggert Hessels	780-432-6379

### League Memberships

Memberships in your community league support programs, socials, hall activities, newsletters, and more; PLUS the League is looking out for your interests in housing, transportation, services and more. Memberships are ZERO dollars for 2020/2021! See the membership form at [www.mckernancommunity.org](http://www.mckernancommunity.org).

MEMBERSHIPS	Lance Stevenson	780-904-5577
	<a href="mailto:mckernanmembership@gmail.com">mckernanmembership@gmail.com</a>	

### McKernan Messenger

The McKernan Messenger is published ten times per year. Advertising deadline: 1st of the month.

NEWSLETTER CONTENT	Roberta Franchuk	780-431-4924
	<a href="mailto:newsletter@mckernancommunity.org">newsletter@mckernancommunity.org</a>	
DISTRIBUTION	Cherie Hoyles	

### [www.mckernancommunity.org](http://www.mckernancommunity.org)

WEBSITE MANAGER	Roberta Franchuk	780-431-4924
	<a href="mailto:webmaster@mckernancommunity.org">webmaster@mckernancommunity.org</a>	

### City of Edmonton

CITY COUNCILLOR (Ward 8)	Ben Henderson	780-496-8146
	<a href="mailto:ben.henderson@edmonton.ca">ben.henderson@edmonton.ca</a>	
COMMUNITY SERVICES	Kate Russell	780-496-5915
	<a href="mailto:kate.russell@edmonton.ca">kate.russell@edmonton.ca</a>	



## Bok Brass back in July

Edmonton trumpeter Joel Gray brought his Bok Brass quintet back to McKernan for a community concert in July. Residents and passers-by enjoyed a lively mix of movie themes on a lovely evening, with spectators spread out along the leafy street. Thanks to the Bok Brass and to local piano instructor Raydene Koch who organized the concert!

## GOT CLUTTER?

LET'S GET YOU ORGANIZED AND OUT OF OVERWHELM!

CALL FOR A FREE CONSULT



**ALANA WYLIE**  
HOME ORGANIZING, INTERIOR DESIGN,  
COLOUR CONSULTING

Telephone: 780-655-3370  
www.thejoyofhome.ca

**AFFORDABLE  
FRESH, SEASONAL  
PRODUCE - \$30/BOX**



Produce boxes purchased through The McKernan Gud Box raise funds to offset the cost of replacing damaged boards in the community rink.

**McKernan Community Centre**  
*Using the Sun and the Air to serve the community*

[www.thegudbox.ca/mckernan](http://www.thegudbox.ca/mckernan)

## Community briefs



### Learn about your municipal candidates

If you're looking for a concise rundown of the positions of mayoral and council candidates, Taproot Edmonton's People's Agenda project can help. Go to [edmonton.taproot.news/peoples-agenda](http://edmonton.taproot.news/peoples-agenda) and scroll down to find the Brief on papastew candidates. You'll also be able to take the project's brief survey on issues so you can see which candidates line up best with your own stances.

### Green and Gold Garden closes Oct. 9

With Fall on its way, the 13th season of the Green And Gold Garden at the University of Alberta Farm will soon be drawing to a close. Market hours are Tuesdays from 7 to approx. 8:30 pm and Saturdays from 11-2 pm. Our last market day will be the Saturday of Thanksgiving weekend: October 9. We invite you to come out to our beautiful garden to select from our wide, and colourful, array of organically grown fruits and veggies. All of the money raised from the sales of our produce, goes to the Tubahumurize Women's Project in Rwanda. [www.greengoldgarden.com](http://www.greengoldgarden.com)

### Improve your public speaking

Ag-Lib Toastmasters will meet on Zoom, noon Wednesdays starting September 15th. Try practicing your public speaking/listening skills: attend as a guest! Call/text Kristy: 780-340-0040.



## THE DAPPER BEAVER

COFFEE WITH A DIFFERENCE

**Who:** we're a local coffee roaster and shop that uses coffee as a conduit to give back to the community

**What:** pop in for beans, hot/iced coffee or espresso beverages, chilled drinks, teas, and baked goods

**When:** 8-3 pm Wednesday to Friday, 10-3 pm on weekends

**Where:** 6535 111 Street NW, T6H 4R5 (across from Parkallen Community League)



# Development news

11114-72 Ave.	To demolish a single detached house and detached garage. To construct a semi-detached house with secondary suite(s) and unenclosed veranda.
7318-109 St. 10903-74 Ave.	To operate a minor home-based business — short term rental — shared accommodations—2 units—(Airbnb). (Approved—no permit required)
10980-73 Ave.	To construct an addition to a single detached house (pergola on top of the existing deck, 3.35m x 3.96m), existing without permits.
11103-73 Ave.	To install a renewable energy device on a garage (23 solar photovoltaic (PV) panel(s) on the roof). (Issued)
11203-75 Ave.	To operate a minor home based business—short term rental—shared accommodations—1 unit—(Air Bnb—Bed and Breakfast). (Approved—no permit required)
11215-75 Ave.	To demolish a single detached house and detached garage.
11342-75 Ave. 11344-75 Ave.	To leave as built an accessory building (detached garage, 6.40m x 12.19m). (Completed)
11226-76 Ave.	Addition to existing building, exterior alteration, interior alteration, exterior alterations to the site
10907-77 Ave.	To demolish a single detached house and detached garage.
10923-77 Ave.	To construct an accessory building (mutual detached garage—11.59m x 5.79m). To construct a garden suite.
10927-77 Ave.	To construct an accessory building (mutual detached garage—11.59m x 5.79m). (Issued) To construct a garden suite.
7723-111 St.	To operate a minor home based business (Still Movement Massage Therapy). (Approved—no development permit required)
11143-78 Ave.	To construct interior alterations (main floor, removing wall in kitchen). (Issued)
11304-78 Ave.	To change the use of a single detached house and religious assembly building into multi-unit housing buildings with a total of 13 dwellings.
2, 11326-78 Ave.	To develop a secondary suite in the basement of a semi-detached house (new suite).
11444-78 Ave.	To construct interior alterations (other interior alterations, NOT to be used as an additional dwelling).
11303-79 Ave.	To construct a side uncovered deck (1.20m x 3.25m @ 0.60m in height) to a semi-detached house, existing without permits.
11332-79 Ave.	To construct a single detached house with unenclosed front porch, front balcony, rear uncovered deck (3.66m x 5.13m) and develop a secondary suite in the basement. (Issued) To construct an accessory building (detached garage (6.32m x 6.71m)).
11458-79 Ave.	To erect a fence/wall/gate @ 1.82 (m) in height in the front yard and 1.82(m) in height in the side yard (flanking) .
11508-80 Ave.	To construct a rear uncovered deck to a Single detached house (1.85m x 3.40m @ 0.93m in height), existing without permits. (Completed)
11535-80 Ave.	To demolish a single detached house and detached garage. To construct a single detached house with an unclosed front porch and rear uncovered deck (3.04m x 5.49m). To construct an accessory building (detached garage (6.1m x 6.1m)).
11335 University Ave.	To demolish a single detached house and detached garage. (New)
11533 University Ave.	To operate a minor home based business (short term rental accommodation—Shemmer Home) (Approved—no permit required)

## Development applications (June 1 to Sept. 19)

The list below covers permits that have been applied for in McKernan this summer. Permits are under review unless otherwise noted. Complete information, including permit number and the name of the applicant, is available at the City of Edmonton mapping website [maps.edmonton.ca](https://maps.edmonton.ca) > Development Applications. Requested and approved planning applications (i.e. for rezoning, not development) are listed at [https://www.edmonton.ca/residential\\_neighbourhoods/neighbourhoods/mckernan-planning-applications.aspx](https://www.edmonton.ca/residential_neighbourhoods/neighbourhoods/mckernan-planning-applications.aspx). If you have any questions about a project, contact [housingdevelopments@mckernancommunity.org](mailto:housingdevelopments@mckernancommunity.org).

### McKernan Playgroup

Our playgroup for parents, caregivers and little ones (ages 0-5) has started up again! Meet at McKernan Park on TUESDAY mornings, 10:30-11:30 am, until the weather gets cold

Can you help out? We're looking for another parent to share the (easy!) hosting duties in the spring, when we hope to start up in the hall.

Contact Mary at [cox.marylouise@gmail.com](mailto:cox.marylouise@gmail.com)



### WANTED: Mother's helper/cook

Looking for someone who is interested in part-time work cooking meals/cleaning dishes used to prepare meals during the work week for a busy family. Must have cooking skills to follow recipes that will be supplied. Fresh ingredients will be supplied, as well. Roughly 6-10 hours a week will be required, but flexible. Please contact Lindsay at [ljb3@ualberta.ca](mailto:ljb3@ualberta.ca) or (780) 937-2430.

# Large development project updates

## Metro 78 update

Public consultation on the Metro 78 project at 78 Ave. and 114 St. took place from Aug. 16 to Sept. 6. A substantial number of neighbouring residents took time to include their thoughts on the proposal, giving the developer and city much to consider. Thanks to everyone who participated in this, and especially to the hard work of the Belmac Neighbours Group.

For background, the proposal is for a Direct Control zoning (DC2) allowing two six-storey buildings next to the LRT station, with setbacks, zero parking, up to 71 residential dwellings per building, and community amenity contributions in the form of a public plaza between the buildings and a contribution to the Charles Simmonds Park Renewal project. It requires an amendment to the McKernan/Belgravia Station Area Redevelopment Plan (ARP), which calls for a maximum of four storeys at this location. The developer has said that the extra storeys are needed because they have to upgrade the water lines and other services to the site, as required under the ARP.

Material from the consultation is still available to view at [www.edmonton.ca/residential\\_neighbourhoods/neighbourhoods/metro-78-development](http://www.edmonton.ca/residential_neighbourhoods/neighbourhoods/metro-78-development), and you can view all the comments submitted to the consultation at [engaged.edmonton.ca/metro78](http://engaged.edmonton.ca/metro78).

Next steps: The City Planning department will summarize the results of the consultation into a 'What We Heard' report. Both the McKernan and Belgravia Community Leagues will likely make their decision to support/not support the proposal once this report has been released, later in the fall.

The What We Heard report will be included when the developer appears before City Council to request the DC2 rezoning, which will be no sooner than late 2021 (after the municipal election). Some small changes may still be made on the project before it reaches council. City Planning will also indicate at the time the council proposal is made if they support or do not support the proposal, but the public will likely find out the stance only shortly before the meeting. Residents will be able to appear (virtually) before council to speak to the proposal.

## New proposal for six-storey building at 76 Ave. and 114 St.

Westrich Developments, who are currently building the six-storey building at University Ave and 115 St., have also applied to rezone the sites at 11414, 11416, 11426 and 11428 76 Avenue directly to the medium-rise apartment zone (RA8). This would allow them to build up to a six-storey development. It would (like the Metro 78 proposal) require an amendment to the ARP to go from four storeys to six storeys. Unlike the Metro 78 proposal, a straight rezoning to RA8 would require no building form adaptations, like setbacks, to reduce impact on neighbours, and no community amenity contribution. There is no indication at this stage if the proposal would have the standard number of parking stalls or generate substantial vehicle traffic, which would have to travel down the alley north of 76 Ave before contributing to congestion on 76 Ave. and 114 St. Comments at this early stage can be submitted to Heather Vander Hoek (re project LDA21-0275) at [heather.vanderhoek@edmonton.ca](mailto:heather.vanderhoek@edmonton.ca) or 780-423-7495. Several steps, including community consultation, would have to take place before this rezoning could go before council.

## McKernan Christian Church redevelopment

Developer YEG Builders has submitted a development permit application to redevelop the site of the former McKernan Christian Church at 11304-78 Ave. to accommodate 13 microsuites. The church building would remain essentially as is, with most of the changes done to the interior. Units would be on the main floor and

in the basement. The zoning would remain RF3. The house on the site (facing 113 St.) and garage would remain intact as part of the development. The building would be marketed as rentals to U of A students.

Although multi-unit housing is a permitted use in this zoning, the site is about half the size of what would normally be required for such a project, because it is using the existing building which was built in the 1950s. Almost all setbacks from the property line will be smaller than what is allowed under the current rules.

Development permits do not go to council; they are assessed and granted by City Planning staff. Nearby residents and the Community League are able to comment on this development.

The developer has said, "McKernan Church building has been part of this community for over 70 years. Our goal is for the building to be part of the community for many more years without too many interruptions to the neighborhood. With so many high density projects proposed in the area, we feel this proposal is a happy medium."

## St. Peter School site declared surplus

The league received notification over the summer that the Edmonton Catholic Separate School Division has declared the St. Peter School site at 7330 113 St. in McKernan as a surplus site as it is no longer needed. As usual, the district has offered the site to both the Edmonton School Division and the Conseil Scolaire Centre-Nord, but they are also not interested. The next step is to see if the City of Edmonton wants to purchase it. The City has 180 days to review and reply to the opportunity to purchase surplus school board land before it is listed on the market. They will notify the league of their response. This will be an important site to keep an eye on, as it has many potential uses that could affect the community as a whole..

**MCKERNAN CHILD CARE SOCIETY**  
BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE AVAILABLE FOR CHILDREN IN KINDERGARTEN TO GRADE 6

- ✓ \$480/month for grade 1-6
- ✓ \$780/month for kinder care
- ✓ Provincial Subsidy available
- ✓ Care available on non-school days
- ✓ Summer care available

Open Monday to Friday 7 AM-6 PM  
Location: 11341 78 ave (inside McKernan Community League building)  
Email: [mccs@shaw.ca](mailto:mccs@shaw.ca)  
Phone: 780-437-1971  
Website: <http://www.mckernanchildcare.com/>

**DOES YOUR LITTLE ONE HAVE LOTS OF ENERGY? WE HAVE RHYTHMIC GYMNASTICS PROGRAMS WHERE YOUR YOUNG ATHLETES ENERGY WILL BE TRANSFORMED INTO A DISPLAY OF GRACE, ELEGANCE, AND STRENGTH ALL LEARNED THROUGH DANCE AND PLAY.**



**FOR MORE INFORMATION  
CONNIE@ADASTRA-ACADEMY.CA  
780-718-3634**

# League notes summer

## Fix the rink with a fresh produce box

The league is participating in The Gūd Box fundraiser. You can order a box of seasonal produce twice a month, featuring staples such as carrots, apples, potatoes, onions, and a variety of other fresh produce based on seasonal availability. Funds raised go toward the cost of replacing damaged boards in the community rink. Boxes are dropped off at the hall for local pickup. See [thegudbox.ca/mckernan](http://thegudbox.ca/mckernan) for schedule and to order.

## Leases under renewal

The league is currently negotiating the leases for its two long-term tenants, the McKernan Child Care Society and Alberta Adaptabilities. New leases will take effect in 2022. As well, the League has approved

the new tripartite agreement that it will sign along with the City of Edmonton and the Edmonton Federation of Community Leagues for the use of city land for League activities.

## Seeking COVID-safe events

The social committee is discussing some COVID-safe fall and winter events in the community, such as a photo booth spot or outdoor play times. We'd also like to see some winter rink-centred events such as a fire pit time. Stay tuned for more information, or email Rekha Shepherd at [shepherdrekha02@gmail.com](mailto:shepherdrekha02@gmail.com) if you have ideas or would like to help with an event.

## Notes of thanks

A note of thanks goes to Ed Toy, who lives near the hall and keeps an eye on the rink. He was quick to remove a large batch of graffiti that was sprayed on the boards this summer.

Caroline Pickert-Rust kindly donated a child's bike to a neighbour family. This has been a great benefit, thanks Caroline!

*Do you know someone who is making their corner of the community a better place? Someone who shovels your driveway, runs errands, picks up litter, or does something special for the people around them? Send their name (or just a description, if you don't know their name!) to us and we'll thank them here.*



# NANCY HUNT

FOR TRUSTEE WARD F

nancyhunt.ca  
780 439 8490



  
[@nancyhuntwardf](https://www.facebook.com/nancyhuntwardf)

# VOTE

# Susan Field

Councillor  
ward papastew



**Experienced Business Mind +  
Community Heart**

As the candidate with both business and community experience, I understand that for our ward to thrive, we must focus on both business and social issues. There is no time to waste!

**[www.sfield.ca](http://www.sfield.ca)**

**REQUEST A LAWN SIGN OR  
BOOK A COFFEE PARTY WITH THE CANDIDATE  
[info@sfield.ca](mailto:info@sfield.ca)**

## McKernan Community League

### Membership 2021/2022

Membership term: Sept. 1, 2021 to Aug. 31, 2022

Type of Membership (please circle):

Family	\$25	Senior	\$10
Single Parent Family	\$20	Student	\$10
Single Adult	\$15		

+ League donation \_\_\_\_\_

Amount enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

Cheques must be made out to McKernan District Community League.

Member 1 name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to receive email news from McKernan Community League.

Member 2 name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to receive email news from McKernan Community League.

Names of children: \_\_\_\_\_ Birth date (Y/M/D): \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Postal code: \_\_\_\_\_

# of skate tags required: \_\_\_\_\_ I would like a community league door sticker.

I would like to be on the McKernan Community League's volunteer list.

Deliver/ mail to: Lance Stevenson, McKernan membership director  
c/o McKernan CL, 11341 78 Ave. Edmonton, AB T6G 0N1  
[mckernanmembership@gmail.com](mailto:mckernanmembership@gmail.com)

Memberships can also be purchased online through <https://efcl.org/membership-purchase/>  
Skate tags will be available later in the season, depending if rinks will be allowed to open.

Information collected on this form is used solely for McKernan Community League purposes and will not be sold or given to any third party.

# Belmac Soccer Coordinator needed!

The current Belmac Soccer Coordinator is stepping down and our amazing soccer community needs one or two people to take over this role to keep our soccer program running!

The bulk of the work for this volunteer position needs to be done between February and March each year for the outdoor season, plus wrap-up work in June/July. There are some meetings and emails outside of this, including the EMSA AGM, but this is minimal.

The soccer coordinator is responsible for Belgravia and McKernan soccer registrations, team formation, coach coordination, and equipment distribution. Ideally, this would be taken on by two people, one to manage the registrations and one to manage the equipment and coaches.

Full training by SWEMSA is available and a handover will be available from the current coordinator to ensure a smooth transition!

If not filled, this position will be handed back to SWEMSA for coordination. This means an increase in fees and children potentially playing outside of our community. Please consider supporting our soccer community and volunteering for this role.

Please email [belmac@belgraviaedmonton.ca](mailto:belmac@belgraviaedmonton.ca) or contact Carley on 780-288-1584 for more information.



## PIANO - THEORY - VOICE LESSONS

All ages, all levels. Classical, pop. B.Mus and ARCT in Piano Performance. Member of ARMTA. Piano examiner and music festival adjudicator. Accompanist for Chanteuses and Festival Singers. Instrumental and Vocal coaching for exams, auditions, recitals, recordings. Vocal/instrumental coach/performer for The Kings University College and Opera Theatre of Alberta. Music for weddings, funerals, private functions.

Linda Steinbring  
[lindasteinbring3@gmail.com](mailto:lindasteinbring3@gmail.com) | 780-435-4657



Dr Katherine Roche  
General Dentist



10240-124 Street Edmonton,  
Main floor Guardian Building  
780-488-8977  
[www.guardiandental.ca](http://www.guardiandental.ca)

Patient centered - Evidence based - Environmentally Responsible

## Experience Matters



**Ken Lister**

FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL  
TRUSTEE | WARD F

On October 18th, VOTE

- Stop the New Curriculum
- More Mental Health Supports
- Improve Equity & Fight Racism
- More Specialty Programs
- Build New Schools

587.920.2808

[twitter.com/kenlister1](https://twitter.com/kenlister1)

[www.kenlister.ca](http://www.kenlister.ca)

[facebook.com/kenlisterYEG](https://facebook.com/kenlisterYEG)

## Sure Foundation Counselling Services

Safe, welcoming, affordable  
 Seeing singles, couples, and late teens  
 Christian counsellor, happy to work with any person, regardless of faith or belief

Rod MacKenzie, MA (587) 594-8138  
[surefoundationcounselling@gmail.com](mailto:surefoundationcounselling@gmail.com)  
[www.surefoundationcounselling.com](http://www.surefoundationcounselling.com)

MCKERNAN HALL | [MCKERNANGIFTMARKETS@GMAIL.COM](mailto:MCKERNANGIFTMARKETS@GMAIL.COM)

**WINTER  
GIFT MARKET**

MORE THAN  
30  
VENDORS  
HANDMADE  
AND DS/MLM

28  
NOV

A MUST ATTEND  
EVENT!  
11AM-4PM  
FREE ENTRY  
FREE DRAW

# Charles Simmonds Park Renewal

The Charles Simmonds Park Renewal project is nearing the end of the first phase in the City's process for neighbourhood park development. Our next step will be to request approval from the City to proceed to the Concept phase. We have just completed our Needs Assessment Survey which is the first of many opportunities we will have to update the community and solicit feedback throughout the project.

## Needs assessment survey

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Charles Simmonds Park Needs Assessment Survey. We received 161 survey responses.

The community surveyed included local residents in McKernan and Belgravia, and surrounding communities (Windsor Park, Parkallen). The survey's primary audience was for local residents and users of the park including families, neighbours and community groups. The survey was promoted at Charles Simmonds Park in person and signage, in community newsletters including the McKernan Messenger and The Belgravian in February-April 2021, McKernan and Belgravia Community Leagues email, Facebook and websites. The survey was also promoted at community day cares, pre-schools, elementary-junior schools, local businesses and church groups. The survey was made available online via Survey Monkey, with printed copies in newsletters and delivered to local residents.

The Needs Assessment Survey results showed that the quality of the Charles Simmonds Park that is valued the most by the community is that it is an open green space and allows multiple types of activities by local residents.

Over 30% of respondents used the park daily and 30% weekly, all year round. Of the respondents, 60% supported upgrades and/or additions to the park and 21% supported upgrades.

Upgrades to the playground were considered the most important whilst preserving the open green space for free play, picnics and social gatherings.

We will be sharing the details of the survey results with the Belgravia and McKernan communities over the next two months and there will be more opportunity for suggestions and feedback when we enter the concept phase of the project.

## What people like about Charles Simmonds Park

- Open natural green space (78%) and mature trees (14%)
- Large open space for children to run free, play ball games and other activities (35%)
- Playground (7%) away from busy road
- Convenient for local users (16%), shortcut through neighborhood
- Quiet (12%), tranquil, not too busy
- Dog walking (6%)

As an amenity, the open green space was valued by 69% of respondents. Open space amenities that rated highly were picnic tables, benches, walking paths, a shade structure and an off-leash area.

The full results from the user survey will be available at [www.mckernancommunity.org/charles-simmonds-park](http://www.mckernancommunity.org/charles-simmonds-park)

## Playground excursion

In the meantime we'd like to get a better idea of what activities the children in the community would like in the playground. We're inviting your family to visit six playgrounds in south Edmonton before the end of October, 2021. Enter each child's age and what two activities they enjoyed most on our website. This will provide us with more information for moving into the concept phase of the park renewal. If you have any other playgrounds you particularly enjoy, you can share that information as well. The website to enter your playground preferences is: [www.charlessimmondspark.ca.dream.website](http://www.charlessimmondspark.ca.dream.website)

(We will not collect any identifying or personal data and all responses are anonymous.)



## MUSIC LESSONS! ZOOM or IN PERSON for KIDS and ADULTS



- Are you looking for a **new, engaging, stress-free** activity?
- Have you always wanted to **connect with Music** but never had the chance before?
- Do you **need a break** from the daily grind with a **inspiring** diversion?

### SIGN UP FOR PIANO or GUITAR LESSONS, ONLINE or IN PERSON

- **You can choose** between attending Online from your home, or coming to the Studio\*!
- You will **Learn Music**, have **fun** and enjoy actual **accomplishments** despite the "new normal"!
- You will hang out with other folks who **Love Music** like you do!



[www.EdmontonGuitar.com](http://www.EdmontonGuitar.com)

\*Subject to availability

**Or Call Today ➡ 780 637 0513  
TO BOOK A FREE ASSESSMENT**