

2017 Municipal Election

Issues that Matter for Edmonton Seniors

Decisions made by the City of Edmonton about transit, affordable housing and supports for aging in place have a direct impact on the quality of life for Edmonton seniors.

These questions can help you determine where the candidates in your ward stand on these issues.



How will you ensure that seniors won't be isolated because of changes to transit routes?

For seniors who no longer drive, access to transportation services that allow them to maintain their independence and connection to the community is vital to their quality of life. Proposed changes to the Edmonton transit system will mean cancellation of some bus routes in Edmonton neighbourhoods.



How can the City encourage more affordable housing options for seniors?

There are long waiting lists for affordable supportive living options. When seniors are ready to move from their home they typically hope to remain in their community in a more supportive environment (facility or otherwise). Options are very limited in some areas of the city.



How will you ensure seniors have the supports they need to stay in their homes as they age?

Home supports that enable seniors to remain in their own homes as they age are crucial to maintaining safety, well-being and independence. For low-income seniors there is a shortage of affordable community supports for services such as snow removal, yard help, minor home repair and housekeeping.