



Building Forward

2025 Infill Symposium

Panel 1: Design and Zoning of Edmonton's Middle Housing

Jeff Booth - Moderator

Development Strategy Lead, Situate

Jeff Booth is a professional urban planner and Board member at IDEA, where he also chairs the Advocacy Committee. Before joining Situate, Jeff spent eight years with the City of Edmonton, where he helped lead the rewrite of the Zoning Bylaw to enable missing middle, secondary, and semi-detached housing across the city. At Situate, he guides clients through rezoning and development approvals for infill and redevelopment projects and regularly represents them before City Council and the Subdivision and Development Appeal Board.

Eric Klatt

Associate & Senior Technologist, Rootstock Architecture | Edmonton, AB

Eric Klatt is an Associate at Rootstock Architecture with a focus on infill design, where he draws from his diverse project experience to develop innovative architecture within today's complex land use and life safety frameworks. His professional portfolio includes a range of market sectors and development scales, from thoughtfully integrated fourplexes to landmark high-rise developments. He has contributed to projects recognized at a local and national level, including the Canadian Architect Award of Excellence. As a Certified Passive House Designer, Eric applies a sustainability-first mindset to his work, delivering efficient, engaging and cost-effective design solutions. Eric also helps shape future professionals in the field, through peer mentorship and development of new design and technical coursework for the NAIT Architectural Technology program.

Tenchoe Dorjee, BA, MPA

Implementation Lead, Housing Action Team, City of Edmonton | Edmonton AB

Tenchoe Dorjee is the Implementation Lead for the Housing Action Team in the Social Development branch at the City of Edmonton. With a background in Arts and a Master of Public Administration, she leads municipal initiatives that advance housing and social development goals for diverse communities. Tenchoe specializes in implementing strategic programs and cross-sector collaborations that improve housing access and equity. She plays a critical role in translating policy into action, working with stakeholders to support inclusive urban development. Her work strengthens Edmonton's efforts to address housing needs through evidence-based planning, responsive engagement, and coordinated delivery across departments and partners.

Lisa Drury

Senior Planner, City of Edmonton

Lisa is a Senior Planner with the City of Edmonton, bringing over a decade of municipal planning experience to her role. She works within the Planning Coordination Section, where she leads and supports the zoning bylaw team and has been involved in other major city-building initiatives including priority growth area rezoning. Lisa is known for her collaborative approach and commitment to creating inclusive and well-designed communities. She holds a Master's degree in Urban Planning from the University of Toronto and has extensive experience in land use planning and engagement. Passionate about urban livability, Lisa is a strong advocate for affordable housing, walkable neighbourhoods, and community engagement in the planning process.

Ryian Galdo

Operations Manager, ARdeco Design and Developments Corp | Edmonton AB

Based in Edmonton, Alberta, Ryian brings strong leadership and project management discipline to ARdeco Design and Developments Corp. As Operations Manager, he steers renovation and development projects from concept to completion with precision and creativity. His strengths in strategic planning, budget control, and client relations ensure every build aligns with ARdeco's vision of transforming spaces into personalized, functional works of art. Committed to quality and innovation, he helps uphold ARdeco's reputation for excellence and client satisfaction. Looking ahead, he aims to become a developer, creating close-knit communities where first, second, and third spaces coexist, so residents can freely express their thoughts and ideas through

the proximity of home, work, and gathering places, delivering value not only to those communities, but to Edmonton as a whole.

Panel 2: Infrastructure Insights: Site Servicing w/ ATCO & EPCOR

Sikander Singh, P.Eng. - Moderator

Principal & Co-Founder, Oasis Engineering | Edmonton, AB

Sikander Singh is a Professional Engineer and Co-Founder of Oasis Engineering, an Edmonton-based firm offering integrated civil, structural, and energy engineering services. With more than 15 years of experience, Sikander leads infill and multi-family projects across Alberta, balancing cost, code compliance, and sustainability. He previously worked for the City of Edmonton as a Land Development Engineer, which gives him unique insight into permitting and servicing processes. At Oasis, he champions performance-driven design solutions for compact urban development. Sikander serves on the board of the Infill Development in Edmonton Association (IDEA), where he advocates for smarter zoning, better servicing standards, and greener engineering practices. A frequent speaker and mentor, he encourages innovation in urban engineering while supporting emerging professionals in the field.

Reed Thacker

Lead of Community Development at ATCO Gas | Edmonton AB

Reed oversees engagement with builders and developers across Alberta's residential and commercial sectors. With more than twenty years of experience in the utilities industry, Reed brings a deep understanding of natural gas operations, infrastructure planning, and stakeholder relations. Throughout his career at ATCO, Reed has advanced through a variety of roles, including Account Manager, Key Accounts Representative, and Supervisor of Contract Services. His leadership emphasizes collaboration, safety, and service excellence in supporting community growth and development. Reed's extensive experience and customer-focused approach continue to strengthen ATCO's partnerships and ensure the reliable delivery of energy solutions that meet the evolving needs of Alberta's communities.

Mathew Langford

Manager, Infill Servicing EPCOR Water Services | Edmonton AB

Mat Langford holds a doctorate in water resources engineering and began his career in consulting, where he spent 13 years delivering water-related projects across locally, nationally, and internationally. In 2021, he joined EPCOR within the One Water Planning team, leading initiatives to integrate green and grey infrastructure under EPCOR's Stormwater Integrated Resource Plan. In late 2024, Mat transitioned to the role of Manager of Infill Servicing with EPCOR Water Services. In this capacity, he is focused on advancing technical and process improvements to streamline infill development, while navigating evolving policy to support efficient urban growth. Mat also serves as an adjunct professor in water resources engineering at the University of Alberta, where he contributes to advanced research in municipal hydraulics.

Howaida Hassan

Director Urban Growth and Open Space, City of Edmonton | Edmonton, AB

Howaida Hassan is the Director of Urban Growth and Open Space with the City of Edmonton and has over two decades of experience in the fields of transportation planning, urban planning and growth management, and currently leads a multidisciplinary team in city growth and open space planning. Howaida was the General Supervisor on The City Plan team, and led the work on the transportation, climate and growth management policies. Her team advances research and policy recommendations on urban expansion and the cost of growth and activating infill development in Edmonton, including administering the Infill Infrastructure Fund. Passionate about innovation, collaboration, and resilience in urban systems, Howaida champions thoughtful approaches to infill and sustainable urban growth and is interested in the cross-section of city building, climate and equity and how it shapes our cities. She earned her bachelor's degree in civil engineering from the University of Waterloo and currently sits on the board of directors of the Islamic Family social services agency and Right at Home Housing.

AJ Ould

Manager of Customer Connections Project Management at EPCOR Electricity | Edmonton, AB

AJ Ould is the Manager of Customer Connections Project Management at EPCOR Utilities, where he brings extensive experience in utilities operations and project management. With a career rooted in the electricity distribution and transmission industry, AJ has developed a strong track record of leading projects from conception through completion within EPCOR's regulated utility environment. Over the course of his career, AJ has progressed from frontline operational roles to leadership positions, including Utility Worker, Equipment Operator, Construction Shared Services Foreman, and Project Manager. This breadth of experience has given AJ a comprehensive understanding of utility operations and project delivery, as well as a commitment to continuous improvement and exceptional customer experience.

Panel 3: Financing Infill

Manny Fuller - Moderator

Real Estate Agent, House of Real Estate | Edmonton AB

Manny Fuller is an Edmonton-based REALTOR® specializing in investment properties, renovations, and strategic resale opportunities. With a background in hospitality and a degree from the University of British Columbia, he combines client-focused service with data-driven market insight. Manny helps clients identify potential, assess risk, and execute profitable real estate strategies. Outside of work, he's an avid athlete and traveler who draws inspiration from architecture and communities around the world.

Christopher Clarke

Director of Origination, KV Capital | Edmonton, AB

Christopher Clarke is Director of Origination at KV Capital, where he combines financial expertise with a client-focused approach to real estate financing. With a background in finance, accounting, and underwriting, Chris develops creative, efficient solutions for borrowers and lenders. Previously, he spent four years at ATB Financial's Real Estate Group, gaining deep experience across all asset classes. Passionate about helping clients succeed, Chris leverages his advisory experience to structure capital solutions that deliver results.

Colton Miller

Business Development Specialist, Moskowitz Capital | Edmonton, AB

Colton Miller is a Business Development Specialist at Moskowitz Capital. Based in Edmonton, Alberta, Colton graduated with distinction from Vancouver Island University

with a Bachelor of Business Administration in Finance and has successfully completed the CFA Level I exam. Before joining Moskowitz Capital, Colton worked at Toronto Dominion Bank as a Business Account Manager and Credit Analyst, developing a strong foundation in commercial lending and credit analysis. He brings this experience to help builders, investors, and developers access the capital they need to complete successful infill projects. Colton is known for his approachable and engaging style, offering practical insights into how flexible, story-based lending can drive urban renewal and community growth. His work reflects Moskowitz Capital's commitment to understanding each borrower's vision and finding solutions that make projects possible.

Tracy Olmos

Associate, Avison Young Multifamily Division | Edmonton, AB

Tracy Olmos is an Associate with Avison Young's Multifamily Division in Edmonton, where she brings precision, market insight, and a results-driven mindset to every transaction. Specializing in the sale of multifamily investment properties, she has been directly responsible for over \$26 million in personal transaction volume and has contributed to more than \$750 million in team transactions. Since joining Avison Young in January 2022, Tracy has become a key point of contact for detailed financial analysis, underwriting, and expertise on the intricacies of CMHC financing and its impact on multifamily transactions. Her sales experience spans the full lifecycle of multifamily assets — from infill and suburban development land to new purpose-built rental construction, stabilized apartment buildings, and condo deconversions. Her commitment to staying ahead of market trends, sales activity and understanding each client's unique investment goals ensures that every recommendation is tailored, data-driven, and strategically aligned to support long-term success.

Aurora De Leon

Way Maker Developments | Edmonton AB

Aurora De Leon is a real estate developer and co-founder of Way Maker Developments, a company specializing in purpose-built multifamily infill rental properties in Edmonton, Alberta. Aurora has helped lead the firm's vision of creating high-quality, community-focused housing that supports sustainable urban growth. Her background in healthcare and leadership brings a unique, people-centered perspective to real estate development, emphasizing integrity, collaboration, and long-term impact.

Panel 4: AI, Tech & the Future of Infill

Ranon Soans - Moderator

Urban Planner and Development Consultant, Clarity Development Advisory | Edmonton AB

Ranon Soans is an urban planner and consultant with nearly a decade of experience shaping Edmonton's evolving neighbourhoods. At Clarity Development Advisory, he partners with a diverse mix of clients—from non-profits and small businesses to investors, capital organizations, and community groups—on planning and development approvals for residential, commercial, and industrial projects across the region. With a background in urban research and a Master's in Human Geography, Ranon focuses on how planning and policy innovations can make cities more livable, walkable, and resilient. He collaborates with IDEA to advance better city-building practices and helps communities navigate change by aligning long-term city-building goals with local needs.

Akeem Brown

Co-Founder, Ballpark Housing | Edmonton, AB

Akeem Brown is the Co-Founder of Ballpark Housing, a real estate and technology company reshaping infill development in Canada. With a background in data science and urban planning, Akeem brings a rare blend of technical insight and city-building knowledge to the housing sector. At Ballpark, he leads the development of AI-powered tools that simplify the feasibility analysis process for small- to mid-scale infill projects. Akeem's work is focused on making infill more accessible, efficient to deliver, and responsive to the needs of urban communities. He collaborates with planners, architects, and cities—including the City of Edmonton—to support policy frameworks that enable smarter housing. Frequently called on to speak about innovation in the built environment, Akeem is passionate about equity, affordability, and the future of tech-enabled urbanism.

Nafaa Haddou

Co-Founder and CEO, FireSafe Ai: Building Solutions for Wildfire Mitigation, Detection, and Resilience | Edmonton, AB

FireSafe AI develops advanced technology for wildfire mitigation, early detection, and community resilience. With expertise in AI systems, environmental risk analysis, and sustainable infrastructure, Nafaa Haddou is transforming how communities anticipate and respond to wildfire threats. Under his leadership, FireSafe AI integrates machine learning, geospatial data, and real-time monitoring to deliver proactive wildfire intelligence that helps protect people and ecosystems. Nafaa's vision is to build safer, more resilient communities through data-driven collaboration that bridges human insight and technological innovation in the fight against wildfire risk.

Al-Karim Khimji

Co-Founder and CEO, Propra: Simplifying Property Management Through Technology | Edmonton, AB

Al-Karim Khimji is the Co-Founder and CEO of Propra, a property technology company streamlining operations for rental property owners and managers. With over two decades of experience across real estate development, asset management, and operations, he combines deep industry expertise with a passion for innovation. Before founding Propra, Al-Karim worked in management consulting and private equity, advising on growth and transformation strategies. At Propra, his mission is to empower owners through automation and data-driven insights, helping them focus on growth and community value.

Jason Doerksen

Manager, Urban Planning & Economy Department, City of Edmonton | Edmonton AB

Jason Doerksen is a Manager in the City of Edmonton's Urban Planning & Economy department, overseeing service improvement and innovation initiatives to support city building. He's been improving businesses and the public sector for over 20 years, with experience in technology, customer experience, service design, and operational excellence. He's a hands-on leader with a passion for inspiring teams to succeed in solving challenging problems.

