Project overview
This is my neighbourhood is a program created for residents to partner with The City of Calgary to identify ways to make their neighbourhoods even better places to live, work and play.

In 2016, The City of Calgary delivered more than 100 programs, services and small-scale improvement projects to the first 14 neighbourhoods that participated in This is my neighbourhood. Some examples of the types of initiatives that resulted from the program included building a fit park, adding family-friendly Park n’ Play programming options and developing pedestrian pathway maps.

Throughout 2017 and in early 2018, The City worked with 14 new neighbourhoods and the resulting improvement initiatives will be implemented in 2018.

Engagement overview
This is my neighbourhood engaged the selected communities in a three-step process to develop the initiatives that will be implemented in 2018.

Step 1 – Define your vision
The City collaborated with residents to identify a neighbourhood vision through feedback collected in person at pop-up events, through an online survey, and by mailing postcards to every household in each community. Postcards could be filled out and dropped off at community locations or sent directly to The City.

To help identify a vision, residents were asked to identify which vision words, from a list of 11 words, were most important to them and why. Residents were also able to propose their own vision words.

Accessible • Active • Beautiful • Clean • Connected • Diverse • Family-Friendly • Healthy • Inclusive • Safe • Walkable

The City then put forward a set of three vision statements for each neighbourhood, each tailored to reflect the input received as to what is most important to those residents and why. Residents were then asked, through an online survey, to select the vision statement they liked best.
Step 2 – Come up with ideas

For each of the 14 neighbourhoods, residents and City staff came together at workshops to brainstorm creative ideas (programs, services and small-scale infrastructure improvements) that would support the neighbourhood’s vision identified in Step 1. Ideas were also captured from the input received through the postcard submissions, pop-up events and online surveys from Step 1.

Step 3 – Prioritize initiatives

An online survey provided all residents within each of the neighbourhoods with the opportunity to rate the creative ideas developed in Step 2. Residents were asked how each of the proposed initiatives would impact their neighbourhood using a rating scale from very positive to very negative, or high to low. This input helped to prioritize the initiatives and identified the initiatives residents thought were most likely to make their neighbourhoods a better place to live, work and play.

Approved initiatives

Once the three-step engagement process was complete, The City evaluated each of the highest priority initiatives for feasibility, required investment and anticipated impact. Through this evaluation, a final list of programs, services and small-scale infrastructure improvements was approved and announced for each neighbourhood.

Delivery of the approved initiatives is anticipated to take place throughout 2018.
Chaparral

Step 1 – Define your vision
When residents were asked for their vision of what would make Chaparral a better place to live, work and play, safe, active, beautiful, family friendly and connected were the key words that came up most often. In a follow-up online survey, Chaparral residents chose the following vision statement for their community:

Chaparral values being a safe, active, naturally beautiful, well connected and family-friendly neighbourhood.

A report of what was heard during this vision phase is available here.

Step 2 – Come up with ideas
Chaparral residents attended a Creative Ideation workshop on August 14, 2017, where residents and City staff provided further insight into the neighbourhood and generated ideas on how to improve the community using the vision statement as a guide.

Through this workshop, The City learned more about residents’ perspective on Chaparral, including:
- There is a desire to explore all parts of the community
- People can feel disconnected from other parts of the community, as well as from centres of activity
- Greenspace, including Chaparral Valley Square, could be used as a connecting space
- The state of the boulevards, and the impact of Stoney Trail, may be impacting community pride

Workshop participants developed nine possible initiatives and came up with experiments that could be used to test if the initiatives would be successful. The report is available here.

Step 3 – Prioritize initiatives
Building on the outcomes of Steps 1 and 2, an online survey was developed which presented Chaparral residents with 11 different neighbourhood initiatives to consider. Respondents were asked to evaluate each initiative as to the impact (from very positive to very negative) they felt this initiative would have in their neighbourhood. 135 submissions were received though the Chaparral survey. The report of what was heard is available here.

Approved initiatives
In March 2018, The City announced the following seven improvement projects for Chaparral, in addition to one which is already underway. Implementation of these initiatives is slated to get underway as early as Spring 2018.

- 194 Avenue beautification
- Youth programming
- Bootcamp fitness program
- Active stencils on pathways
- Paint the pavement
- Wayfinding
- Gathering space in the valley
Falconridge / Castleridge

Step 1 – Define your vision
When residents were asked for their vision of what would make Falconridge/Castleridge a better place to live, work and play, safe, clean, and beautiful were the key words that came up most often. In a follow-up online survey, Falconridge/Castleridge residents chose the following vision statement for their community:

Falconridge/Castleridge values being a safe, clean, beautiful and well-maintained neighbourhood.

A report of what was heard during this vision phase is available here.

Step 2 – Come up with ideas
Falconridge/Castleridge residents attended a Creative Ideation workshop on August 9, 2017, where residents and City staff provided further insight into the neighbourhood and generated ideas on how to improve the community using the vision statement as a guide.

Through this workshop, The City learned more about residents’ perspective on Falconridge/Castleridge, including:
- There is a desire to change perception of spaces that were once avoided and make them safe, inclusive and inviting
- Stronger community connections may instill more pride of ownership and responsibility
- Residents feel a cultural divide and would like to encourage cultural understanding

Workshop participants developed seven possible initiatives and came up with experiments that could be used to test if the initiatives would be successful. The workshop report is available here.

Step 3 – Prioritize initiatives
Building on the outcomes of Steps 1 and 2, an online survey was developed which presented Falconridge/Castleridge residents with 17 different neighbourhood initiatives to consider. Respondents were asked to evaluate each initiative as to the impact (from very positive to very negative) they felt this initiative would have in their neighbourhood. 25 submissions were received though the survey. The report of what was heard is available here.

Approved initiatives
In March 2018, The City announced the following 11 improvement projects for Falconridge/Castleridge. Implementation of these initiatives is slated to get underway as early as Spring 2018.

- Open space assessment for green spaces
- Additional programs
- Street decoration
- Micro-grant support
- Community clean-up
- Active stencils/distance marking on existing pathway
- Fire hydrant re-purposing
- Activate unused green space between Terry Fox High & the Community Association
- Outdoor children’s programs
- Activate unused green spaces
- Evening walking group with CPS/community safety conversation
Millican-Ogden

Step 1 – Define your vision
When residents were asked for their vision of what would make Millican-Ogden a better place to live, work and play, safe, active, clean and beautiful were the key words that came up most often. In a follow-up online survey, Millican-Ogden residents chose the following vision statement for their community:

Millican-Ogden values feeling safe walking around the community, having multiple options for being active, and residents who care about having clean and beautiful neighbourhood.

A report of what was heard during this vision phase is available here.

Step 2 – Come up with ideas
Millican-Ogden residents attended a Creative Ideation workshop on September 7, 2017, where residents and City staff provided further insight into the neighbourhood and generated ideas on how to improve the community using the vision statement as a guide.

Through this workshop, The City learned more about residents’ perspective on Millican-Ogden, including:
- Green spaces are not used because of a lack of amenities
- Public spaces should be used to get to know neighbours and cultivate a sense of community
- There are great community stories and places that are yet to be discovered

Workshop participants developed nine possible initiatives and came up with experiments that could be used to test if the initiatives would be successful. The workshop report is available here.

Step 3 – Prioritize initiatives
Building on the outcomes of Steps 1 and 2, an online survey was developed which presented Millican-Ogden residents with eight different neighbourhood initiatives to consider. Respondents were asked to evaluate each initiative as to the impact (from very positive to very negative) they felt this initiative would have in their neighbourhood. 132 submissions were received though the survey. The report of what was heard is available here.

Approved initiatives
In March 2018, The City announced the following seven improvement projects for Millican-Ogden Implementation of these initiatives is slated to get underway as early as Spring 2018.

- Wayfinding and historical connections
- Pickleball lines
- Community mapping exercise
- Public art
- Micro-grant support / resident-led projects with City departments
- Basketball hoop
- Increased events and programming
Ranchlands

Step 1 – Define your vision
When residents were asked for their vision of what would make Ranchlands a better place to live, work and play, safe, beautiful, clean and family friendly were the key words that came up most often. In a follow-up online survey, Ranchlands residents chose the following vision statement for their community:

*Ranchlands values feeling safe, walking around the community and near streets, having beautiful parks and more gardens, having residents who care about their properties, and having modern playgrounds where families can gather.*

A report of what was heard during this vision phase is available [here](#).

Step 2 – Come up with ideas
Ranchlands residents attended a Creative Ideation workshop on August 14, 2017, where residents and City staff provided further insight into the neighbourhood and generated ideas on how to improve the community using the vision statement as a guide.

Through this workshop, The City learned more about residents’ perspective on Ranchlands, including:

- More communication will build pride and encourage residents to take care of the community
- The state of surrounding roads, specifically Nose Hill Drive, is increasing cut-through traffic
- There is a desire to unite the community and help residents feel enriched and connected

Workshop participants developed nine possible initiatives and came up with experiments that could be used to test if the initiatives would be successful. The workshop report is available [here](#).

Step 3 – Prioritize initiatives
Building on the outcomes of Steps 1 and 2, an online survey was developed which presented Ranchlands residents with six different neighbourhood initiatives to consider. Respondents were asked to evaluate each initiative as to the impact (from very positive to very negative) they felt this initiative would have in their neighbourhood. 75 submissions were received though the survey. The report of what was heard is available [here](#).

Approved initiatives
In March 2018, The City announced the following five improvement projects for Ranchlands, in addition to two which are already underway. Implementation of these initiatives is slated to get underway as early as Spring 2018.

- **TLC (Tender Loving Care) Day on John Laurie Boulevard**
- **Open space assessment**
- **Parks special event**
- **Bus trap entrance beautification/activation**
- **Information signage in parks**
- **Art project (fence along Ranchview Drive N.W.)**
Spruce Cliff

Step 1 – Define your vision
When residents were asked for their vision of what would make Spruce Cliff a better place to live, work and play, safe, beautiful, active and accessible were the key words that came up most often. In a follow-up online survey, Spruce Cliff residents chose the following vision statement for their community:

Spruce Cliff values being a safe, beautiful, active and accessible neighbourhood.

A report of what was heard during this vision phase is available here.

Step 2 – Come up with ideas
Spruce Cliff residents attended a Creative Ideation workshop on September 7, 2017, where residents and City staff provided further insight into the neighbourhood and generated ideas on how to improve the community using the vision statement as a guide.

Through this workshop, The City learned more about residents’ perspective on Spruce Cliff, including:
• Residents would be interested in connecting through sharing/exchanging food and recipes
• Better communication and gathering spaces will promote outdoor activities for all ages
• Speeding vehicles and cut-through traffic prevent people from walking/biking in the community

Workshop participants developed nine possible initiatives and came up with experiments that could be used to test if the initiatives would be successful. The workshop report is available here.

Step 3 – Prioritize initiatives
Building on the outcomes of Steps 1 and 2, an online survey was developed which presented Spruce Cliff residents with 11 different neighbourhood initiatives to consider. Respondents were asked to evaluate each initiative as to the impact (from very positive to very negative) they felt this initiative would have in their neighbourhood. 63 submissions were received though the survey. The report of what was heard is available here.

Approved initiatives
In March 2018, The City announced the following 10 improvement projects for Spruce Cliff, in addition to two which are already underway. Implementation of these initiatives is slated to get underway as early as Spring 2018.

• Public art
• Wildflower playground improvement
• Outdoor gathering space
• Community open house day
• Increase programming
• Community speed watch program along Spruce Drive
• Safety initiatives
• Night walk
• More benches at bus stops
• Community communication plan
Thorncliffe/Greenview

Step 1 – Define your vision
When residents were asked for their vision of what would make Thorncliffe/Greenview a better place to live, work and play, safe, clean and active were the key words that came up most often. In a follow-up online survey, Thorncliffe/Greenview residents chose the following vision statement for their community:

Thorncliffe/Greenview values safety, having activities for all, being clean and having a strong sense of community for their neighbourhood.

A report of what was heard during this vision phase is available [here](#).

Step 2 – Come up with ideas
Thorncliffe/Greenview residents attended a Creative Ideation workshop on September 12, 2017, where residents and City staff provided further insight into the neighbourhood and generated ideas on how to improve the community using the vision statement as a guide.

Through this workshop, The City learned more about residents’ perspective on Thorncliffe/Greenview, including:

- There is a desire for more reasons for residents to gather in empty, unused spaces
- Residents are looking for opportunities to create and express a unique, collective identity
- The large geography and diversity of the neighbourhood make it difficult for neighbours to connect

Workshop participants developed nine possible initiatives and came up with experiments that could be used to test if the initiatives would be successful. The workshop report is available [here](#).

Step 3 – Prioritize initiatives
Building on the outcomes of Steps 1 and 2, an online survey was developed which presented Thorncliffe/Greenview residents with 12 different neighbourhood initiatives to consider. Respondents were asked to evaluate each initiative as to the impact (from very positive to very negative) they felt this initiative would have in their neighbourhood. 135 submissions were received through the survey. The report of what was heard is available [here](#).

Approved initiatives
In March 2018, The City announced the following nine improvement projects for Thorncliffe/Greenview, in addition to one which is already underway. Implementation of these initiatives is slated to get underway as early as Spring 2018.

- Basketball court
- Public art
- Fire hydrant spray park
- TLC (Tender Loving Care) Area
- Outdoor fitness park programming
- Frisbee golf course enhancements
- Safety information sessions
- Paint the pavement
- Planter boxes
Woodlands/Woodbine

Step 1 – Define your vision
When residents were asked for their vision of what would make Woodlands/Woodbine a better place to live, work and play, safe, beautiful, and family friendly were the key words that came up most often. In a follow-up online survey, Woodlands/Woodbine residents chose the following vision statement for their community:

Woodlands/Woodbine values a safe, beautiful, family friendly neighbourhood where residents feel a sense of community.

A report of what was heard during this vision phase is available here.

Step 2 – Come up with ideas
Woodlands/Woodbine residents attended a Creative Ideation workshop on September 7, 2017, where residents and City staff provided further insight into the neighbourhood and generated ideas on how to improve the community using the vision statement as a guide.

Through this workshop, The City learned more about residents’ perspective on Woodlands/Woodbine, including:

- People have a desire to feel connected to their community and neighbours
- A multi-purpose gathering space would help residents feel connected
- Connectedness would support mental health, physical health and pride in the community
- Diversity in the neighbourhood has increased, but inclusiveness has not

Workshop participants developed five experiments that could be used to create connectedness in the community. The workshop report is available here.

Step 3 – Prioritize initiatives
Building on the outcomes of Steps 1 and 2, an online survey was developed which presented Woodlands/Woodbine residents with 14 different neighbourhood initiatives to consider. Respondents were asked to evaluate each initiative as to the impact (from very positive to very negative) they felt this initiative would have in their neighbourhood. 168 submissions were received though the Woodlands/Woodbine survey. The report of what was heard is available here.

Approved initiatives
In March 2018, The City announced the following nine improvement projects for Woodlands/Woodbine, in addition to one which is already underway. Implementation of these initiatives is slated to get underway as early as Spring 2018.

- Open space assessments
- Calgary Housing BBQ
- Wayfinding
- Improving Spider Park
- Enhanced “Get Going” Sport Program TLC Day (Woodlands/ Woodbine so fine)
- Community play day event
- Create visual interest at community entrances
- Additional enhanced community clean-up days
Abbeydale

Step 1 – Define your vision
When residents were asked for their vision of what would make Abbeydale a better place to live, work and play, **safe, clean and active** were the key words that came up most often. In a follow-up online survey, Abbeydale residents chose the following vision statement for their community:

Abbeydale values a sense of security while walking and playing, having clean and well-maintained public and private spaces, and having programs and spaces to keep youth healthy and active in the neighbourhood.

A report of what was heard during this vision phase is available [here](#).

Step 2 – Come up with ideas
Abbeydale residents attended a Creative Ideation workshop on January 11, 2018, where residents and City staff brainstormed experiments and ideas to support the neighbourhood vision.

Workshop participants developed two experiments to support the vision word **clean**, and two experiments to support the vision word **active**. No experiments were developed for the vision word **safe**. The workshop report is available [here](#).

Step 3 – Prioritize initiatives
Building on the outcomes of Steps 1 and 2, an online survey was developed which presented Abbeydale residents with 13 different neighbourhood initiatives to consider. Respondents were asked to evaluate each initiative as to the impact (**high, medium or low**) they felt this initiative would have in their neighbourhood. 141 submissions were received though the Abbeydale survey. The report is available [here](#).

Approved initiatives
In May 2018, The City announced the following 12 improvement projects for Abbeydale, in addition to the two which are already underway. Implementation of these initiatives is slated to get underway in 2018.

- Memorial Drive green space activation and beautification
- Community events
- Activate stencils
- Seniors programming
- Enhanced community clean-up
- Programs at Abercove Park
- Basketball courts at Abercove Park
- Fitness programming
- Disc golf
- Community beautification/mural
- Paint the pavement/asphalt tiles at Abbeydale Elementary School
- Paint the pavement/asphalt tiles at St. Kateri Elementary School
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May 16, 2018

Banff Trail

Step 1 – Define your vision
When residents were asked for their vision of what would make Banff Trail a better place to live, work and play, safe, family-friendly, clean and active were the key words that came up most often. In a follow-up online survey, Banff Trail residents chose the following vision statement for their community:

Banff Trail values being a safe, family-friendly, clean and active neighbourhood.

A report of what was heard during this vision phase is available here.

Step 2 – Come up with ideas
Banff Trail residents attended a Creative Ideation workshop on January 25, 2018, where residents and City staff brainstormed experiments and ideas to support the neighbourhood vision.

Workshop participants developed one experiment to support the vision word safe, two experiments to support the vision word family-friendly, one experiment for the vision word clean and two experiments for the vision word active. The workshop report is available here.

Step 3 – Prioritize initiatives
Building on the outcomes of Steps 1 and 2, an online survey was developed which presented Banff Trail residents with 17 different neighbourhood initiatives to consider. Respondents were asked to evaluate each initiative as to the impact (high, medium or low) they felt this initiative would have in their neighbourhood. 66 submissions were received though the Banff Trail survey. The report of what was heard is available here.

Approved initiatives
In May 2018, The City announced the following 14 improvement projects for Banff Trail, in addition to the five which are already underway. Implementation of these initiatives is slated to get underway in 2018.

- Basketball hoops / pickleball lines at outdoor rink
- Back alley crime reduction lighting and education
- Wooden bike skills area
- Flower boxes at green spaces
- Neighbourhood micro grants
- Youth council
- Community events signs
- Family sports night
- Student sports night
- Community banners
- Bee friendly flower project
- Green watch event
- Community information boards at LRT
- Pop-up recreation equipment at local parks
Copperfield/Mahogany

Step 1 – Define your vision
When residents were asked for their vision of what would make Copperfield/Mahogany a better place to live, work and play, safe, clean and beautiful were the key words that came up most often. In a follow-up online survey, Copperfield/Mahogany residents chose the following vision statement for their community:

Copperfield/Mahogany values safe streets that are walkable, a clean community that is well-maintained, and beautiful natural areas that promote enjoyment and active lifestyles in the neighbourhood.

A report of what was heard during this vision phase is available here.

Step 2 – Come up with ideas
Copperfield/Mahogany residents attended a Creative Ideation workshop on January 18, 2018, where residents and City staff brainstormed experiments and ideas to support the neighbourhood vision.

Workshop participants developed four experiments to support the vision word safe, three experiments to support the vision word clean, and four experiments for the vision word beautiful. An additional experiment was developed for the word connected. The workshop report is available here.

Step 3 – Prioritize initiatives
Building on the outcomes of Steps 1 and 2, an online survey was developed which presented Copperfield/Mahogany residents with ten different neighbourhood initiatives to consider. Respondents were asked to evaluate each initiative as to the impact (high, medium or low) they felt this initiative would have in their neighbourhood. 412 submissions were received though the Copperfield/Mahogany survey. The report of what was heard is available here.

Approved initiatives
In May 2018, The City announced the following seven improvement projects for Copperfield / Mahogany, in addition to the 12 which are already underway. Implementation of these initiatives is slated to get underway in 2018.

- TLC (Tender Loving Care) area
- Increased programming and events
- Placemaking
- Abundant communities
- Additional community clean-up
- Fire hydrant spray park
- Paint the pavement at St. Isabella School
Glendale

Step 1 – Define your vision
When residents were asked for their vision of what would make Glendale a better place to live, work and play, safe, beautiful and family-friendly were the key words that came up most often. In a follow-up online survey, Glendale residents chose the following vision statement for their community:

Glendale values safe streets, community action, on-going beautification efforts that contribute to community pride, and upgraded amenities, programs and spaces for all ages that help to maintain and promote being a family-friendly neighbourhood.

A report of what was heard during this vision phase is available here.

Step 2 – Come up with ideas
Glendale residents attended a Creative Ideation workshop on January 16, 2018, where residents and City staff brainstormed experiments and ideas to support the neighbourhood vision.

Workshop participants developed two experiments to support the vision word safe, one experiment to support the vision word beautiful, and two experiments for the vision word family-friendly. The workshop report is available here.

Step 3 – Prioritize initiatives
Building on the outcomes of Steps 1 and 2, an online survey was developed which presented Glendale residents with ten different neighbourhood initiatives to consider. Respondents were asked to evaluate each initiative as to the impact (high, medium or low) they felt this initiative would have in their neighbourhood. 117 submissions were received though the Glendale survey. The report of what was heard is available here.

Approved initiatives
In May 2018, The City announced the following six improvement projects for Glendale, in addition to the five which are already underway. Implementation of these initiatives is slated to get underway in 2018.

- Special events at Turtle Hill
- Initiate neighbourhood safety watch program
- Community garden
- Re-install turtle at Turtle Hill park
- Fire hydrant spray park
- Marketing plan
Meadowlark Park

Step 1 – Define your vision
When residents were asked for their vision of what would make Meadowlark Park a better place to live, work and play, safe, beautiful, clean and family-friendly were the key words that came up most often. In a follow-up online survey, Meadowlark Park residents chose the following vision statement for their community:

*Meadowlark Park values being a safe, beautiful, clean and family-friendly neighbourhood.*

A report of what was heard during this vision phase is available [here](#).

Step 2 – Come up with ideas
Meadowlark Park residents attended a Creative Ideation workshop on January 10, 2018, where residents and City staff brainstormed experiments and ideas to support the neighbourhood vision.

Workshop participants developed three experiments to support the vision word safe, four experiments to support the vision word beautiful, two experiments for the vision word clean, and two experiments for the vision word family-friendly. The workshop report is available [here](#).

Step 3 – Prioritize initiatives
Building on the outcomes of Steps 1 and 2, an online survey was developed which presented Meadowlark Park residents with six different neighbourhood initiatives to consider. Respondents were asked to evaluate each initiative as to the impact (high, medium or low) they felt this initiative would have in their neighbourhood. 38 submissions were received though the Meadowlark Park survey. The report of what was heard is available [here](#).

Approved initiatives
In May 2018, The City announced the following six improvement projects for Meadowlark Park, in addition to the six which are already underway. Implementation of these initiatives is slated to get underway in 2018.

- Repair/replace retaining walks and metal railings
- Central Park revitalization
- Clean-up of engineered pathway/“catwalk” spaces
- Additional plantings on 5 Street SW
- Additional garbage bins
- Community programming
Saddle Ridge

**Step 1 – Define your vision**
When residents were asked for their vision of what would make Saddle Ridge a better place to live, work and play, clean, safe and beautiful were the key words that came up most often. In a follow-up online survey, Saddle Ridge residents chose the following vision statement for their community:

*Saddle Ridge values being clean, litter-free and well-maintained with walkable streets that are safe for children, and being beautiful with trees and flowers in their neighbourhood.*

A report of what was heard during this vision phase is available [here](#).

**Step 2 – Come up with ideas**
Saddle Ridge residents attended a Creative Ideation workshop on January 11, 2018, where residents and City staff brainstormed experiments and ideas to support the neighbourhood vision.

Workshop participants developed one experiment each for the vision words clean, safe and beautiful. An additional experiment was developed for the vision word diverse. The workshop report is available [here](#).

**Step 3 – Prioritize initiatives**
Building on the outcomes of Steps 1 and 2, an online survey was developed which presented Saddle Ridge residents with nine different neighbourhood initiatives to consider. Respondents were asked to evaluate each initiative as to the impact (high, medium or low) they felt this initiative would have in their neighbourhood. 74 submissions were received though the Saddle Ridge survey. The report of what was heard is available [here](#).

**Approved initiatives**
In May 2018, The City announced the following nine improvement projects for Saddle Ridge, in addition to the three which are already underway. Implementation of these initiatives is slated to get underway in 2018.

- Community safety kick-off event
- Nature exploration pop up and play
- Summer bike camp
- Neighbourhood language signs
- Pond clean up
- Communication plan
- Saddle Ridge chopped challenge
- Pop up planting day
- STEM program
Silver Springs

Step 1 – Define your vision
When residents were asked for their vision of what would make Silver Springs a better place to live, work and play, safe, walkable, beautiful and family-friendly were the key words that came up most often. In a follow-up online survey, Silver Springs residents chose the following vision statement for their community:

Silver Springs values being a safe, walkable, beautiful and family-friendly neighbourhood.

A report of what was heard during this vision phase is available here.

Step 2 – Come up with ideas
Silver Springs residents attended a Creative Ideation workshop on January 23, 2018, where residents and City staff brainstormed experiments and ideas to support the neighbourhood vision.

Workshop participants developed one experiment each of the three vision words safe, walkable, and beautiful. Two experiments were developed for the vision word family-friendly. The workshop report is available here.

Step 3 – Prioritize initiatives
Building on the outcomes of Steps 1 and 2, an online survey was developed which presented Silver Springs residents with 12 different neighbourhood initiatives to consider. Respondents were asked to evaluate each initiative as to the impact (high, medium or low) they felt this initiative would have in their neighbourhood.

138 submissions were received though the Silver Springs survey. The report of what was heard is available here.

Approved initiatives
In May 2018, The City announced the following 10 improvement projects for Silver Springs, in addition to the three which are already underway. Implementation of these initiatives is slated to get underway in 2018.

- Outdoor gathering space
- Flower planter boxes at community entrances
- Community open house day
- Dog waste bags
- Community block parties
- Neighbourhood walking program
- Install distance markers & active stencils on pathways
- Playground enhancements
- Community communication plan
- Public art