

# Taking Steps . . .

towards a more

 **Walkable  
edmonton**

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Kate Gunn



## Comings



Ian Hosler



**Ian Hosler**  
*new Project Manager  
for Walkable Edmonton*

Ian started his new role as Project manager for Walkable Edmonton June 12, 2006.

Ian brings a wealth of experience to the position, having worked in a variety of positions with the City in the River Valley Parks system and as an outdoor educator in the not-for-profit sector.

Ian was born, raised and has worked in

## and Goings

Kate Gunn



It is tempting to be facetious and say

*"It is hard to get a good picture of Kate Gunn, because her hair is always mussed up from wearing so many hats, and from changing from one to another several times a day."*

or

*"It is hard to take a good picture of Kate Gunn -- all you get is a blur."*

At any rate, an office colleague did manage to slow her down long enough to capture her image . . . wearing a hat, of sorts.



**Kate Gunn**  
*foresees a more walkable , people-friendly  
and safer Edmonton*

Kate Gunn has been Project Manager for the Walkable Edmonton project since it began in 2003. She was responsible for defining what Walkable Edmonton would



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## Ian

the Edmonton area for his entire career. He holds a Bachelor of Physical Education degree from the University of Alberta, majoring in Outdoor Education.

Ian is a dog walker, kid walker and just plain walker, as well as being an outdoor enthusiast.

We are all excited to see what ideas Ian will bring to the table, and look forward to working with him.

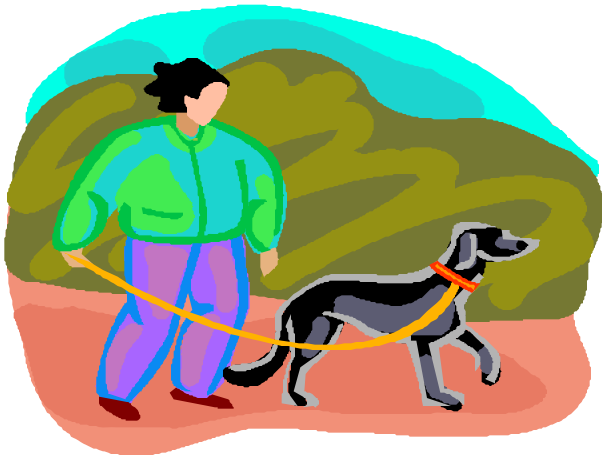
### Welcome Ian!!

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## Kate

be and for personally initiating much of what we have accomplished to date. It was no small job . . . bringing together a diverse group of professionals and moulding their varied perspectives into a coherent vision, developing a workable action plan and starting to make things happen.

Kate brought a wealth of experience in the not-for-profit sector to her approach. Her skills in networking were invaluable, and we greatly benefited from her grant application talents.

Kate is nothing if not a superb manager. While getting the Walkable Edmonton project up and running smoothly she *did* wear several hats, and yes, she *has* been a blur of action.

While keeping the W.E. team focused and energized, she also managed the Safer Cities/Safedmonton project -- a major, city-wide initiative involving several levels of public involvement and a wide range of key sub-projects. 

Over the last several months she also took on project management of the City's NextGen project, an initiative to give Edmonton's young people a say in crafting the future of our City. 

Kate is leaving us in Ian's capable hands so she can focus more of her time on these other important initiatives. We're very sorry to lose her, but know we will still have lots of opportunity to work with her. All three of these projects are about building a better Edmonton, and we know that is something close to Kate's heart.

### Thanks so much, Kate!!

## Summertime!

The holiday season is almost upon us all, and few people have the time (or, frankly, the inclination) to sit indoors and read lengthy newsletters telling them to get outside and do something!

With that in mind, we won't take up any more of your valuable *outdoor* time. We'll be back again in August. Have a great, active summer!

*In summer, the song sings itself.*

William Carlos Williams (1883 - 1963)

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