



# COMMUNITY SUSTAINABILITY

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## Task Force

### Members and Biographies



Michael Phair, Chair

Director of Community Relations, University of Alberta

- Adjunct professor of Education
- Former teacher and member of Edmonton City Council
- Board member: University's City-Region Studies Centre, Oliver Community League, Global Visions Film Festival, Edmonton Homeward Trust, Edmonton Pride Festival Society, and Edmonton Community Legal Centre



Teresa Spinelli, Vice-Chair

President, Italian Centre Shop

- Founding Member, Giovanni Caboto Cultural Society of Alberta, Avenue of Nations Business Revitalization Zone
- Board Member, Edmonton Inner City Housing, member McCauley Community League Giovanni Caboto Park Revitalization, Santa Maria Goretti Church and Italian Chamber of Commerce
- Recipient of the Queen's Golden Jubilee Medal, Global Women of Vision (2005)
- Volunteer, McCauley Boys and Girls Club, Boyle Renaissance Advisory Committee



Jane Batty

City Councillor, Ward 6

- Elected to Council in 2001.
- Past President of the Edmonton Glenora Rotary Club.
- Involved, University of Alberta City-Region Studies Centre Advisory Board River Valley Alliance, Royal Alexandra Hospital Foundation, Downtown East Advisory Committee, McCauley Revitalization Steering Committee, Central McDougall/Queen Mary Park Revitalization Steering Committee, Capital City Downtown Plan Advisory Committee

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Barbara Fung

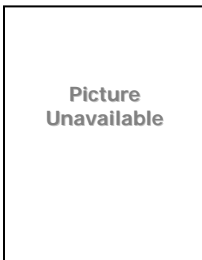
- In Public Relations with Chinese Freemasons Society
- Bachelor of Commerce Degree in Finance and Marketing
- Past Director of Chinatown Multi-Level Care Foundation Board
- Past Director of Capital Region Housing Corporation



Dave Hancock

Minister of Education, Government of Alberta

- Four-term Member of the Alberta Legislative Assembly
- Appointed Government House Leader in 2006
- Former Minister of Health and Wellness, Advanced Education, Justice and Attorney General, and Intergovernmental and Aboriginal Affairs
- University of Alberta law degree, 1979



Cassandra Haraba

- Has always lived and been involved in the Grovenor area
- Her passion about issues facing the community has led her to a special interest in municipal planning
- Practicing lawyer
- Masters in English



David Korol

Deputy Police Chief

- Joined Edmonton Police Service in 1978 and graduated with the highest academic and overall standing in his class
- Bachelor of Arts Degree and Public Administration Certificate
- Appointed Acting Chief of Police January 1, 2011



Nancy MacDonald

Senior Associate, Urban Planner, Stantec

- Recent work has focused on sustainable community plans
- Previously worked for the City of Edmonton Transportation Planning and Planning and Development Departments
- Volunteer, Habitat for Humanity, University of Alberta's Faculty of Extension City Region Speaker's Committee, and Hope Mission



Tegan Martin-Drysdale

Project Manager, ProCura

- Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering, University of Alberta, LEED Accredited Professional designation, Built Green training for multi-unit residential developments
- Fascinated by the wave of "eco-living" that is starting to shape our future
- Community Co-Chair, Next Gen Committee
- Sustainability Director, Riverdale Community League



Simon O'Byrne

Practice Leader for Urban Planning, Stantec

- Manager, Capital Region's Planning and Landscape Architecture Practice
- Chair, Greater Edmonton Regional Chamber of Commerce
- Board member, Edmonton Chamber of Commerce, Habitat for Humanity, University of Alberta, Urban Development Institute, and EEDC's ONEdmonton Downtown Vibrancy Task Force



Jana O'Connor

Communications Officer, Edmonton Arts Council

- Edmonton-born performer, producer, theatre instructor, and playwright
- Artistic Director for the City of Edmonton's Olympic Torch Relay Celebration
- Recipient of 2010 Lieutenant Governor of Alberta Emerging Artist Award
- Involved in Arts on the Ave and other Avenue Revitalization efforts



Cindy Olsen

Trustee, Catholic School Board

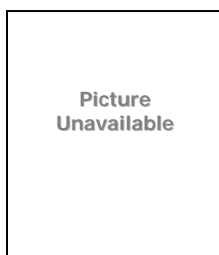
- Bachelor of Arts Degree and Fund Development and Volunteer Management Diploma
- Recipient of 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Confederation of Canada Medal
- Management positions, Habitat for Humanity, Alzheimer Society, and YWCA
- Board volunteer, Edmonton Social Planning Council, Alberta Conflict Transformation Society



Catherine Ripley

Trustee, Edmonton Public School Board

- Second term Trustee
- Published author of children's books, and successful editorial career with Cricket, Chickadee and Global biodiversity.
- Graduate of Trent University
- Founding member, Whitemud Coalition of Schools



Christopher Smith

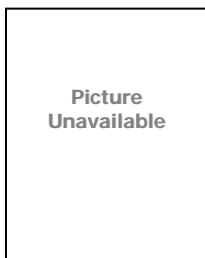
Assistant Executive Director, Muttart Foundation

- Academic training in urban geography and a Doctoral Degree, Simon Fraser University
- Believes that healthy, sustainable communities are places that foster a sense of belonging and engagement
- Chair, Success by Six



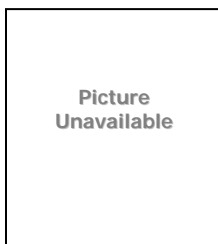
Rosalind Smith

- Has called McCauley neighbourhood home for the past 8 years.
- Worked as Teacher, Assistant Principal and Principal in several Edmonton Public High Schools, currently Supervisor in Programs
- Nominated as a Woman of Vision
- Recognized by the National Black Coalition for community leadership



Michael Splinter

- Assistant Dean, Operations & Finance, Faculty of Extension U of A
- Past President of the College of Alberta Professional Foresters
- Father of two who is committed to the vitality of Edmonton's core.



Brian Staples

- Retired and resident of Cloverdale
- Past President of Senior's Action and Liaison Team
- Formerly Director, Alberta Community School Program and Superintendent



Peter Wong

Associate, Rockcliff Pierzchajlo Architects & Planners Ltd.

- Past President, Edmonton Chinese Bilingual Education Association
- Director, ASSIST Community Service Volunteer Board, Edmonton Chinese Community Liaison Committee
- Member, Confucius Institute of Edmonton Advisory Board
- Volunteer, Chinese Benevolent Association of Edmonton, Chinese Graduate Association of Alberta, Edmonton Chinese Garden Society