

Edmonton Historical Board

DATE/TIME: Wednesday, November 23, 2016 at 5:00 p.m.

LOCATION: Prince of Wales Armouries Heritage Center, Jefferson Room

MINUTES

These minutes were approved on January 25, 2017 by the Edmonton Historical Board

Chair

Recording Secretary

Attending:

Erin McDonald Aimee Shaw
 Andreas Loutas Leslie Chevalier
 Earl Anderson Daniel Rose
 Barbara Hilden

Archives Staff:

Sonia Caligiuri, EHB Support
 Kathryn Ivany, City Archivist

Guest:

Robert Geldart, Senior Heritage Planner
 David Johnston, Principal Heritage Planner
 Brooke Hoeven, Graduate Heritage Planner
 Scott Ashe, Principal Heritage Planner

Regrets

Dominic Schamuhn
 Neil Cramer
 Darlene Fisher
 Michael Boire

| Agenda Item | Action | Person(s) Responsible | Date Due |
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| WELCOME & CHAIR'S REMARKS | Welcome to everyone especially our guest Shirley Lowe. Meeting called to order following Shirley's presentation. 5:42 | Erin | |
| 1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA | Moved: Leslie Second: Aimee Approved | Erin | |
| 2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ October 26, 2016 | Moved: Leslie Second: Dan -Correction to Naming Committee report. Shows as Homeless Memorial Park needs to be included Approved | Erin | |

| 3. Items for Discussion/Decision | | | |
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| a) Presentation to EHB: Shirley Lowe's report to EHB "Measuring the Value of Heritage Preservation" | -Shirley presented her report on the value of preserving Edmonton's built heritage. -Pdf report and cover were shared with EHB. -EHB thanks Shirley and her team for the work done. -Next steps: presenting to Council at luncheon next week; possibly reaching out to outside groups such as the environmental areas -To be deferred to next month's agenda for further discussion | Erin | |
| b) Follow-up: Letters for Council regarding at risk buildings 112 Street Residences (Lang Apartments, Chennier-Beauchamp, Allyn res), Hangar 11 at Airport lands, | -Letters have been submitted to Council and to the Mayor. -Councillor McKeen has responded that he will look into the buildings on 112 Street. | Erin | |
| c) Update: River crossing workshops | -Meetings are happening and ongoing -Erin and Leslie have been attending these. | Erin | |
| d) Reminder: Council Luncheon- November 29, 2016 | -Erin will draft some bullet points for discussion at luncheon (Sustainability, tax pool implications, HUL concept) for members to review. -2nd Floor, Councillors Boardroom | Erin | |
| e) Workshop: Let's Talk Heritage: Connecting Narratives Through Placemaking | November 30, 6:30 at City Hall | Erin | |
| 4. Board Committee Reports | | | |
| a) Historical Resources Review Panel | Motion: That the Edmonton Historical Board recommend the following 19 buildings from the Glenora Inventory batch 9A & 9B be added to the Inventory of Historic Resources in Edmonton. Lakusta Residence, 10333-132 Street English Residence, 10327-133 Street Ostolosky Residence, 1 Alexander Circle NW Munroe Residence, 13016-104 Avenue McNeill Residence, 13029-104 Avenue Shoctor Residence, 13104-104 Avenue | Daniel | |

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| | <p>Pearson Residence, 13109-104 Avenue Boyce Residence, 13110-104 Avenue Kennedy Residence, 13111-104 Avenue Martin Residence, 10220-130 Street Chalmers Residence, 13012-104 Avenue Janes Residence, 13114-1014 Avenue Malin Residence, 10216-130 Street McPherson, Residence, 10228-130 Street Curtis Residence, 10324-130 Street Martyn Residence, 10334-130 Street MacMurchy Residence, 10220 Churchill Crescent West Residence, 13101 Churchill Crescent See House/Hyndman Residence, 10416 Glenora Crescent</p> <p>Moved: Daniel Second: Aimee Approved (unanimously)</p> <p>-Christmas Luncheon and volunteer member appreciation will be held on December 13.</p> | | |
| b) Heritage Outreach Committee | <p>Amanda from Curio Studio attended last HOC meeting In January, 3 possible options will be provided to HOC as a next step.</p> | Leslie | |
| c) Plaques and Awards Committee | <p>No update at this time -Event will be on Thursday February 2, 2017.</p> | Barbara | |
| 5. Other Reports and Updates | | | |
| a) Heritage Planners' Report | <p>Report attached -ECO City Edmonton, working with the Strathcona Farmers Market, would like to speak to the EHB in regards to the installation of solar panels on both the south and east facades; possibly for the January meeting</p> | Robert | |
| b) City Archivist's Report | No report at this time | Kathryn | |
| c) Historian Laureate Report | Report attached | Chris | |

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| d) Naming Committee | No report at this time | Erin | |
| e) EDHS Update | Report attached | Aimee | |
| f) NAPDA Update | School luncheon being provided to an elementary school in edmonton- 130 kids- first week in December | Earl | |
| g) Heritage Council | -EHB will request that EHC provide a monthly report | Kathryn | |
| h) Fort Edmonton Park | No report at this time | Darlene | |
| 6. Issues/Project Updates | | | |
| 7. Other Business | | | |
| a) Administrative support | 2017 Calendars for EHB members as a thank you for your work over the year. -Invitations to the EHB Event | Sonia | |
| b) Training Opportunities | -Nothing | Erin | |
| b) Building Agenda for Next Meeting | -Presentations from ECO City Edmonton, Rebecca and Chris' Podcast -Shirley's Report- next steps | Erin | |
| 8. ADJOURNMENT | 6:59 by Daniel | | |

➤ **Next Meeting:** Wednesday January 25, 2017 5:00 pm

HERITAGE PLANNERS REPORT

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Glenora Neighbourhood Historic Resources Inventory Phase II: This month, the Panel evaluated the final Batch #9 containing 19 properties. Next steps: Final Report from Donald Luxton and Associates to be submitted by end of December, with public meeting with owners of Inventory buildings to be held in late January/early February 2017. We have received an application from a homeowner in Highlands to add their house to the Inventory. The HRRP will review this application at their next meeting in January 2017.

Notice of Intention to Designate William Buster Residence, at 10950-81 Ave. in Garneau was passed by Urban Planning Committee and a Designation Bylaw will be scheduled for January 2017.

Bylaws to Designate the Hunt Residence (Westmount) and Shop-Easy Grocery (Calder) were passed by City Council on November 8, 2016.

Notice of Intention to Designate the Queen Elizabeth II Planetarium is scheduled for Urban Planning Committee on November 23, 2016.

Notice of Intention to Designate the Calder Cenotaph is scheduled for Urban Planning Committee on November 23, 2016.

Bylaw to Designate the First Baptist Church (Downtown) is on the Agenda for City Council to approve on November 29, 2016.

Owners of the John Wood Residence have declined to proceed with their scheduled designation bylaw at this time. The building is not under threat. Owners are further exploring their options and may return to proceed again next year.

We have received to date, applications to designate the following historic resources: The J.B Little Brickyard House (Riverdale), Rodd Apartments (Boyle Street), and the Barto Residence (McCauley).

A repealing Bylaw to remove the designation from the Gem Theatre is scheduled for Executive Committee on November 22, 2016, (including an in-private report from Law Branch). Owner did not fulfill his obligations to repair and restore the building, and by 2009, Gem Theatre was demolished for safety reasons and the proliferation of mold.

This property was in litigation for years and despite the demise of the theatre in 2009, Law Branch advised us to keep the designation bylaw on title until the litigation process was finished.

Hangar 11 – A Building Condition Assessment will be prepared by Integrated Infrastructure Services. Heritage is in discussions with the Blatchford Team to encourage them re-consider its plans for Hangar 11 to demolish it and instead explore preservation and adaptive re-use opportunities prior to selling it to NAIT. Outside of Hangar 14 (the Aviation Museum), Hangar 11 is the only remaining Hangar on Blatchford Field. We are getting quotes on the preparation of a historical assessment on the building as well.

Oliver 112 Street houses – the City has had a building condition assessment completed recently on the three properties, and is looking to engage an architect to develop options to rehabilitate and re-purpose the buildings. At this point, there is not a specific re-use program that has been identified. We have also discussed the possibility of rezoning the site to allow for additions to be made at the rear of the buildings to provide additional redevelopment opportunity.

Brighton Block: Owners are now working with contractors Delnor and architects from NEXT Architecture to improve and seal the roof to prevent further moisture penetration.

Ortona Armoury is scheduled for major renovation work on the interior. This work will likely not begin until late 2017 and after the tenants have vacated and re-located. We have been actively involved in the discussions to date, and will continue to participate in the on-going process.

David recently met with several home owners on 85 Avenue, west of 109 Street, to discuss a group addition to the Inventory, and potential designation for 5 or 6 houses. No confirmation as yet if they will move forward, but it is an interesting initiative that might be an example for others as a “mini” heritage area.

The Edmonton Brewing and Malting Company Buildings: The exterior restoration and renovation work on the historic Administration Building at the Brewery District is progressing well. The foundation has been stabilized. Brick work and a new roof are scheduled next. The original 1913 Brewery Building has had some structural work completed to date. A major tenant has been secured for the building and it expected exterior restoration work will begin soon.

Discussions have been held with Integrated Infrastructure Services to determine a program to potentially designate the Keillor Cabin (currently on the Inventory) at the Whitemud Equine Centre, and potentially add the adjacent Stone Houses to the Inventory, with designation to follow. The Equine Centre tenants wish to occupy the larger Stone House for administrative purposes, but the building has several condition issues. We have made our interest known of having

the buildings added to the Inventory and possibly designated, to provide grants to assist in possible future rehabilitation.

McDougall Church restoration work is progressing well. Work continues on the front steps, the cornices and repointing of the brick. GOOD NEWS: Some savings were realized and the Church has agreed to proceed with restoration work on the South Elevation.

The Heritage Lighting Pilot Program has been officially launched and information is posted on the City website. The designated Imperial Bank of Canada building (World Trade Centre) will be the first recipient of the lighting program grant. The Rosedale Power Plant has also made a submission to the program, which is now under review.

The Strathcona Walking Tour and Oliver Walking Tour booklets are currently being reviewed for content and any errors or omissions. Also working with Dorothy Field to ensure the content is correct. The goal is to have them ready for our graphic designers for a new look. We are aiming to them to be “print ready” for February 2017 and in time to apply for a grant from the Alberta Historic Resources Foundation to assist with printing costs. Brooke is also assisting us to get all the historic resources recently recommended by HRRP and approved by EHB on the City’s POSSE system so that they are red flagged.

The work of Plan Whyte continues. The Plan Whyte team (David is representing Heritage). The project intends to have draft recommendations by the end of 2016, with Council consideration by April 2017. The overall objective is to reinforce the heritage character of the Provincial Historic Area, and identify redevelopment opportunities in the vicinity.

The City is now the owner of the Edmonton Iron Works building, located at 10415 – 96 Street NW. Alberta Culture and Tourism requested a Historic Resource Impact Assessment (HRIA) for the building. This was issued to the then owners on September 19. The Province has advised that if the City intends to designate and rehabilitate the building, the need for an HRIA will be removed. However, they will continue to monitor the situation, and are prepared to require the HRIA formally if it appears the City decides to not protect the building.

Church Street DC1 is nearing completion and will go forward to City Council for approval in February or March 2017. The public open house held on November 2, 2016, at Studio 96 located at 10909-96 Street from 6:30 to 8:30 pm, was well attended with approximately 25 attendees. The purpose of the DC1 zoning is to encourage the preservation of the area's unique collection of 12 culturally, historically and architecturally significant churches. This would apply to 96 Street between 106 Avenue and 110A Avenue.

David continues his role on the project team for the Rosedale Heritage Interpretative Plan, which will be developing a framework for how all aspects of the history of Rosedale can be celebrated. It will be a high level document, providing direction for the Business Plan and Interpretation Themes for the River Crossing project. The City is working with Form Media of Halifax on the project. The team has vetted the draft Thematic Framework through a number of stakeholders, and will be shifting onto the development of the HIP document itself.

We have prepared the class list for the 2017 This Old Edmonton House seminar series, after a successful run in 2016. The class listings are online at ereg.edmonton.ca. We would ask that the Board assist us in spreading the information to your networks to help drum up interest in the program. We are preparing a PDF poster that can be provided in this regard.

We now have a formal inquiry from Councillor McKeen regarding the demolition of buildings on the Inventory with the intention to subdivide for skinny lots under the new RF1 Zone. To date, 3 buildings in Glenora that have either already been evaluated (or are about to be) have pending demolition permits to allow subdivision. We will be working with the Planning Coordination section on formulating recommendations – the report is due back in March 2017.

Respectfully submitted by: Robert Geldart, David Johnston and Scott Ashe

HISTORIAN LAUREATE REPORT

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I'm back!

1. I've released one new episode of Let's Find Out, which I understand some of you have heard, and a mini-update.

In October's episode, Rebecca Jade asked whether a plaque could be put up where the Ku Klux Klan used to publish a newspaper called The Liberator in Edmonton. Thanks again to the EHB's Barbara Hilden for joining us in the episode. I look forward to joining Rebecca at January's meeting when she makes her presentation to the board.

This week, I released a mini-update, because we found out the name of the building where the Liberator had its office. More information in the podcast here: <https://letsfindoutpodcast.com/2016/11/23/miniupdate-the-klan-query/>

2. While I was on vacation, archaeologist Kisha Supernant filled in for me on the Historian Laureate Facebook page.

3. The Bonnie Doon Community League invited me to record a talk by University of Chicago-based archaeologist Haeden Stewart on November 20. He spoke about his work learning about the people who lived in the shantytowns in the river valley near present-day Connors Road, and it will be featured on the next episode of Let's Find Out.

4. Laurel Deedrick-Mayne, author of the historical novel A Wake for the Dreamland, invited me to help lead two workshops for creative writing students at Victoria School for the Arts on November 16 and 23.

5. I will be speaking at the Edmonton & District Historical Society's Christmas Dinner on November 28.

6. I will also be speaking at the HRRP's Annual Christmas Lunch/meeting on December 13.

7. On December 1, I'll be on CTV Edmonton's noon TV broadcast, talking about my recent research into the KKK's history in Edmonton.

Respectfully submitted by: Chris Chang-Yen Phillips

EDMONTON DISTRICT HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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Events

The festive season is upon us and with that are many exciting events!

November 29th, the Christmas Party will take place in this very room and is open to all! The historian Laureate will be the Speaker. Many tickets have already been sold, so haste and get yours too!

December 13th will be the launch of the Edmonton House Journals 1821-1826 (by Gerhard Ens and Ted Binema [David Leonard eds.]). It will take place at the RAM.

The events will continue into 2017 as well with the Speaker Series.

May 11th and 12th will bring the annual Casino event which takes place at the new casino by Rogers Place! A glam venue indeed.

Publications

As part of the Sesquicentennial celebrations there will be a publication and launch of “The Fur Trade in the West” by Phyllis Arnold (EDHS publisher). The book will be suitable for Grade 4 – 5 children. 15 will be donated to each elementary school in Edmonton as part of the 150th Anniversary celebrations. They will also be offered for purchase by schools outside Edmonton. In total over 7000 copies will be printed. There will be a separate launch of the book in the afternoon of January 15th. Details to come!

Collaboration

Amandah Van Merlin from the Strathcona Archaeology Society came to speak with us about collaboration and what they do. Increasingly there is a need and desire to join the gap between archaeology and cultural heritage- the two go hand in hand and there are many events which the EDHS can be involved in again to enrich the experience for Edmontonians.

Facebook

Please ‘like’ the EDHS on facebook to receive our amazing historical tidbits of information. Members of the board are working hard to keep up with regular facebook posts to enlighten and inform the citizens of Edmonton.

Respectfully submitted by: Aimee Shaw