

Board Meeting

Meeting Date & Time: April 26, 2023; 5:00PM - 7:00PM

Meeting Location: Virtually via Google Meet

Attendance: Stephen Rees, Chair Elyse Abma-Bouma John Beamish
 Elizabeth Cytko Harrison Sheremeta Cindy Yan Joshua Budinski
 Carrie-Ann Lunde

Regrets: Shalene Williams, Vice Chair James McTague

Guests: David Johnston-Principal Heritage Planner

Support Staff: Sonia Caligiuri, EHB Admin Kathryn Ivany, City Archivist

Agenda Item	Description/Actions; Date Due	Person(s) Responsible
<p>1. Welcome and Territorial Acknowledgement</p>	<p>Meeting called to order at 5:03 PM. Welcome to all.</p> <p>The Edmonton Historical Board acknowledges the traditional land on which we reside is in Treaty Six Territory. We would like to thank the diverse Indigenous Peoples whose footsteps have marked this territory for centuries, such as Nêhiyawak (Cree), Dené, Anishinaabe (Saulteaux), Isga Nakota (Nakota Sioux), Niitsitapi (Blackfoot), and Métis– Region 4 peoples. We acknowledge this as the home of one of the largest communities of Inuit south of the 60th parallel. It is a welcoming place and a gathering place for all peoples who come from around the world to share Edmonton as a home.</p>	<p>Stephen</p>

	As the meeting is being live streamed and some attendees are choosing to keep their cameras off, roll call was completed.	
2. Approval of Agenda	<p>Motion: That the EHB approve the Agenda Moved: Cindy Approved (unanimously)</p>	Stephen
3. Consent Agenda	<p>Motion: That the EHB approve the Consent Agenda Moved: Harrison Approved (unanimously)</p>	Stephen
4. Reports and External Updates		
a. Chair report & update	<p><i>Strategic Planning Session follow-up</i> Session was really good. Draft has been attached for your review. Draft captured all that was discussed. Now that the Board has the document, Board now has the work plan for the coming year(s). Thanks to Berlin Communications for facilitating the session.</p> <p><i>2023-24 Roster approval</i> This is Carrie's last meeting, and two new members joining the Board- Rose Herman and Darren Wagner. Roster to be approved now with an amendment made when the new members select the Committee(s) they would like to join Motion: That the EHB approve the roster as presented Moved: Elyse Approved (unanimously)</p> <p><i>2023-24 Meeting Dates approval</i> Motion: That the Board approve the meeting dates for the 2023-24 Term Moved: Elizabeth Approved (unanimously)</p>	Stephen

b. Heritage Unit Report	<p>Report attached and reviewed.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -No formal demolition permits have been received as of yet. -As three service packages were not approved, Unit looking at working with the EHB and EHC and doing some sort of public engagement to get the public's input on Heritage -Hangar 14 on pause at the moment due to one of the departure of the Deputy City Manager who had been overseeing the discussions. -Tour of IronWorks Building. Contractors are happy to accommodate, but needs to wait due to some abatement work on some hazardous materials (lead paint). Tour can be arranged after. As an active construction site, PPE is mandatory (steel toed boots, hard hats) for anyone participating in the tour. 	David
c. Naming Committee	<p>February and March meeting minutes were reviewed quickly.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -New naming policy approved in 2022; development of new policies and policies to be more inclusive and diverse -No new names were reviewed last night. Motion was approved and Committee will no longer use the approved reserved names list. Going forward it will be used for reference only as it does not support the new policy. <p>The Board thanks Carrie for your work and time on the EHB and your work as the EHB's representative on the Naming Committee.</p>	Carrie
d. City Archivist's Report	<p>Report attached</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Pop-up exhibit ready to go in the next few weeks -Preparing a City wide response to the Museum Review -Working to have a 90 day staff support until EHB Administrator position can be posted 	
5. Committee Reports & Requests for Decision		
a. Historic Resources Review Panel	Application package for the Griesbach Barracks Physical Training Building was reviewed.	

	<p>Motion: That the Edmonton Historical Board recommend the Griesbach Barracks Physical Training Building, located at 2775 Sir Arthur Currie Way NW (formerly 14310-109 Street NW) for inclusion in the Inventory of Historic Resources in Edmonton.</p> <p>Moved: Elizabeth Approved (Unanimously)</p>	
b. Policy & Planning Committee	<p>Briefing Notes attached</p> <p>Motion: That the Edmonton Historical Board approve the final version of the 'Heritage and Climate Change: Achieving Climate Goals in Edmonton' information guide and approve the guide to be shared with City Council starting May 2023 and the wider public later in 2023.</p> <p>Moved: Harrison Approved (unanimously)</p> <p>Motion: That the PPC recommend the EHB approve Elyse as well as any other interested EHB members to attend the October 2023 National Trust Conference if the submitted presentation proposal is approved</p> <p>Moved: Harrison Approved (unanimously)</p>	Harrison
c. Historic Plaques Committee	<p>Motion: That the Edmonton Historical Board approve the budget for the Doors Open event of up to \$15,000, as well as approve the final location for the Doors Open Event to be at the Pendennis.</p> <p>Moved: John Approved (Unanimously)</p>	Elizabeth
d. Engagement Committee	<p>Committee is hoping to invite a couple of people with a strong media presence to speak to the Committee</p> <p>-Any ideas, please pass them along</p>	Shalene & Elyse

	-Also continue to add names to the Influence List	
6. Other Business		
a. Administrative Support	<p>-Request for the Board to recognize Tony Cashman's 100th Bday. Email had been circulated to the Executive, and all responded in favour. Stephen to draft something to be sent.</p> <p>-Both Stephen and Shalene had already been notified, but I have submitted my resignation and Thursday April 27 will be my last day. It has been an absolute pleasure to have worked with the Edmonton Historical Board and I have been privileged to have met and worked with many amazing Board members. Thank you!</p>	Sonia
7. Roundtable and Conclusion		
a. Roundtable	Board wishes Carrie and Sonia all the best and thanks them both for their dedication and work in supporting the EHB's work.	Stephen
b. Action Items	-	Stephen
c. Feedback & Next Meeting	Next Meeting: May 24, 2023 at 5:00PM, location:Virtual	Stephen
8. Adjournment	Moved by Carrie at 6:37PM	Stephen

HERITAGE MANAGEMENT UNIT REPORT

Report to Edmonton Historical Board

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UPCOMING DESIGNATIONS FOR 2023:

Magrath Mansion (6240 Ada Boulevard NW, Highlands) - Notice of Intention to Designate memo sent to City Council on February 28, 2023

Massey Residence (12009 - 95 Street NW, Alberta Avenue) - to be determined

COMMITTED FUNDING TO DATE IN 2023: \$0

Potential Designations:

Edmonton Iron Works 10415 - 96 Street NW (Boyle Street)

Revillon Building 10310 - 102 Avenue NW (Downtown)

Rossdale Low Pressure Plant (Rossdale)

No. 2 Pumping Station (Rossdale)

Boardwalk Building 10310 - 102 Avenue NW (Downtown)

Windsor Park 8905 Windsor Road NW (Windsor Park)

No. 1 Pumping Station (Rossdale)

Strathcona Collegiate Institute 10523 - 84 Avenue (Strathcona)

Proposed Demolitions:

Glenora Patio Homes 13416 - 109 Avenue NW (North Glenora)

El Tovar Apartments 10029 - 114 Street NW (Oliver) DEMOLISHED

Sandford Oils Building 10304 - 111 Street NW (Oliver) DEMOLISHED

Thomson Residence 11244 - 92 Street NW (Alberta Avenue) DEMOLISHED

Goldberg Residence 9517 - 103 Avenue NW (Boyle Street)

Joe Clarke Residence 7852 Jasper Avenue NW (Cromdale) DEMOLISHED

Settle Residence 11319 - 96 Street NW (Alberta Avenue) DEMOLISHED

Spurrier Residence 9805 - 155 Street NW (West Jasper Place)

James S. Waters Residence 9640 - 80 Avenue NW (Ritchie)

Waithe Residence 10531 - 152 Street NW (Canora)

McPherson Residence 10228 - 130 Street NW (Glenora)

Ball Residence 10232 - 140 Street NW (Glenora) DEMOLISHED

Neher Residence 9939 - 152 Street NW (Jasper Place)

Ongoing Discussions:

Dr. Leslie McIntyre Residence 10923 - 125 Street NW (Westmount) Henry J. Wells Residence 11649 - 95 Street NW (McCauley)

Emerson Residence 11404 - 123 Street NW (Inglewood)
(Strathcona)The Galleria 11220 - 99 Avenue NW (Oliver)
NW(Strathearn)MacLachlan Residence NW (Alberta Avenue)
Park Towers 9908 - 114 Street NW (Oliver)
Miller Residence 11204 - 96 Street NW (Alberta Avenue)
St. Teresa School and the Dawson/O'Connell Buildings 8441 - 101 Avenue NW (Forest Heights)
Bellevue Community League 7507 Borden Park Road (Bellevue)
Royal Bank Building 10401 - 82 Avenue NW (Queen Alexandra)
Hawrelak Park Pavilions 9330 Groat Road NW (River Valley Mayfair)
Griesbach Training School 2775 Sir Arthur Currie Way (Griesbach)

Henry Weitzel Residence 9731 - 87 Avenue NW
Lee's Food Market 9204-06 - 95 Avenue
South Side Market 10335 - 83 Avenue NW (Strathcona)
McComb Residence 9848 - 88 Avenue NW (Strathcona)
Mel Hurtig Residence 9905 - 115 Street NW (Oliver)

CURRENT UNIT INITIATIVES:

1. The three service packages submitted by the Heritage Conservation Unit to City Council as part of the deliberations on the 2023-2026 budget were unfortunately not funded. These included:
 - a. Historic Resource Management Strategy and Implementation: In response to an audit recommendation and motion from City Council, this service package will fund preparation of a new strategy to guide heritage management in Edmonton. This work will better commemorate Edmonton's diverse history, consider climate change, and clarify the balance between preservation and redevelopment. We are in the process of establishing a project charter and scope of work for the project. The EHB will be a primary external stakeholder. Budget: \$826,000 including the cost of a new FTE between 2023-2026.
 - b. Community-specific Heritage Work: In response to a motion from City Council, this service package will support a 2 year pilot project to undertake community-specific heritage work across the City as a value added component of the Neighbourhood Renewal Program. Budget: \$2,000,000.
 - c. Implementation Program for City-owned Historic Resources: In response to a motion from City Council, this service package will provide the seed funding and staffing for a program to manage City-owned historic resources in Edmonton. It will allow Administration to better coordinate how it stewards, funds and manages City-owned historic resources. Budget: \$3,929,000 including staffing between 2023-2026.

Our team is assessing the impact the lack of funding for these requests will have on our program. In particular, we are working to determine if funding can be found within our Department consulting budget to allow us to at least move forward with the new Historic Resource Management Strategy.

2. The Heritage Unit is working with our Ecological Planning team on considerations towards the addition of natural/archaeological sites and features in Edmonton to the Inventory of Historic Resources. The addition of these types of resources to the Inventory has not been undertaken in a formal way in the past. We will engage with the EHB and the Historic Resources Review Panel in the coming months to discuss how these can be accommodated under our current evaluation process.

3. The Heritage Unit has started working closely with the City's Climate Change Adaptation team to seek opportunities to combine preservation with energy retrofits. The City has a Building Energy Benchmarking program that building owners can join; through this benchmarking program, building owners can also seek grants through the Building Energy Retrofit Accelerator to assist in the costs of energy upgrades. With the retention of existing buildings emerging as a key part of achieving climate change and emission reductions goals, we see many opportunities to support each other's programs.

4. At its June 20, 2022, meeting, City Council approved the formal Bylaw adopting the program for deferring or exempting property taxes for non-residential heritage properties applying for designation. The program will be offering a hold on property tax increases for non-residential buildings that designate for a 10-year period, to a maximum of \$500,000 over that period. A minimum of \$100,000 in eligible heritage conservation work is required as part of the eligibility for the program. Owners of existing designated non-residential buildings are not eligible to apply for the tax rebate. We are coordinating with Assessment and Taxation to get the administrative processes for the program established.

5. The rehabilitation work at the Ortona Armoury is fully underway after work was paused in 2021 due to material cost increases. Abatement of lead paint inside the building has been completed, foundation repair work is underway, new structural steel elements are being installed and a contractor has been awarded the contract for the window replacement/rehabilitation.

6. The formal project for the rehabilitation work on the High Level Bridge has been initiated. The Heritage unit will play a direct role throughout the course of the exercise, ensuring that the proper considerations towards the Standards and Guidelines for the Conservation of Historic Places in Canada and the Designation Bylaw for the structure are properly addressed. The original project budget of \$270 million was reduced to \$200 million by City Council as part of the recent budget deliberations. It appears this reduction in funding will largely impact planned improvements to the bridge, versus the rehabilitation work.

7. The Heritage Unit is directly involved in the rehabilitation work underway for the Peter Hemingway Leisure Centre. The building is on the Inventory of Historic Resources, and we are working closely with the design team to ensure that the exterior rehabilitation maintains the historic integrity of the structure to allow for future designation. The initial phases of rehabilitation

work will focus on the replacement of the pool and associated infrastructure. The initial design work around the exterior rehabilitation is underway

8. The Heritage Unit has been directly involved in the planned rehabilitation work in Hawrelak Park, specifically related to the Main Pavilion, Boat Pavilion, and Picnic Shelters #1, #2 and #3. All five buildings are listed on the Inventory, and the required rehabilitation work to the structures is being undertaken in a manner to retain their historic integrity to allow for future designation.

9. Integrated Infrastructure Services presented a report to City Council on July 4, 2022, regarding Hangar 14, the current home of the Alberta Aviation Museum. The report recommended consideration towards the sale of the building due to the significant amount of rehabilitation required to the building, and the high costs of the work. The building is a designated Provincial and Municipal Historic Resource, so cannot be demolished or inappropriately altered. The Heritage team was involved in the preparation of the report. City Council passed the following motion:

That Administration implement a disposition strategy that maintains the public museum use within Hangar 14 including but not limited to partnering with other orders of government and private partners and that the strategy is limited to a maximum of two years at which time disposition options without conditions would be pursued.

A working group has been established, whose mandate is to attempt to develop a disposition solution that allows the Aviation Museum to continue to be accommodated in the building. If this cannot be achieved within the two year timeframe directed by City Council, the City will explore disposition options that may not include the retention of the Museum.

10. The sale of the John L. Lang Apartments to new private owners has been completed. The new owners have initiated the rehabilitation work on the building, including new roofing, restoration/replacement of the exterior cladding, replacement of all windows and door and interior renovations. The building will be repurposed to accommodate a psychiatry office/clinic for children and a small cafe. A grant of \$100,000 is being provided from the Heritage Resources Reserve to assist in the costs. The previous sales offering for the Dame Eliza Chenier Residences and the Lester Allyn House has been canceled, and a new offering is currently active on the City's Real Estate website. The foundation work on these two buildings has been completed, and the contractors are no longer on site.

11. The Advanced Assessment and Rehabilitation Prioritization project for the Rosedale Power Plant continues. The team is now focusing on identifying the phased rehabilitation work needed in the short, medium and long terms to allow the building

to begin to be activated. We are now into the Design Development phase of the project, which will start focusing on specific interventions needed to allow temporary occupation of the building in the shorter term. Roof replacement work on the No. 2 Pumping Station is completed. Roof replacement work on the Turbine Hall and Switch House has been deferred until 2023 to allow more detailed structural assessments to be completed on these two buildings.

12. David is working with the team at IIS on the rehabilitation of the Stone House and Summer Kitchen at the Whitemud Equine Centre. Rehabilitation work is well underway, with the Stone House up on piers to accommodate the new foundation work, and the Summer Kitchen completely dismantled and reassembly work nearing completion. 13. David continues to work with the Windsor Park Community League and the Open Space Strategy team on the potential designation of a portion of Windsor Park as a Municipal Historic Resource as a cultural landscape. The park was added to the Inventory of Historic Resources in November 2020. The Community League has indicated they wish to designate the park as a Municipal Historic Resource, which would be our first such designation. The next step will be to determine what elements of the park would be included under a potential designation and how this would dovetail into planned rehabilitation work on the site. The Community League has started meeting with contractors to discuss some components of the rehabilitation work.

14. Rehabilitation work on the Iron Works site continues. Due to budget constraints, full rehabilitation work will only be completed on the original 1909 Iron Works building itself. The north and south annexes will be made watertight and mothballed for the time being, until tenants can be found for these spaces. The work on the Iron Works building itself is continuing, with roof replacement, foundation repairs and dismantling/reassembly of the brick walls all underway.

15. The Mill Creek Trestle Bridge, a designated Municipal Historic Resource, will be undergoing a major rehabilitation project, starting in late 2022 or early 2023. A detailed condition assessment project has already been completed, and the preliminary design stage for the rehabilitation work is now underway. The existing bridge is in poor condition, and has several structural issues. Little or no original material remains in the structure, due to repair projects over the years from the 1940s and into the 1990s. We are working closely with the bridge team in Integrated Infrastructure Services to ensure all new work to the structure adheres to the Designation Bylaw and proper preservation standards.

16.Scott Ashe, a Principal Planner who has been a member of the heritage team since 2013, has accepted an 11-month position with the City in the Housing group, where he will be working with a team on the provision of affordable housing developments by the City. Scott has been a highly valued member of the team, and has played a vital role in many program initiatives, Council reports and several designations over the years. We wish him well on his new position, and we may see him back after his term ends.

Submitted by the Heritage Conservation Unit: David Johnston, Scott Ashe, Jared Althouse and Erik Backstrom

POLICY & PLANNING COMMITTEE

Report to Edmonton Historical Board

Briefing Notes

MEETING DATE: April 26, 2023

AGENDA ITEM: 5b. Policy & Planning

REASON FOR BRIEFING: Request for Decision

Motion: That the Edmonton Historical Board approve the final version of the 'Heritage and Climate Change: Achieving Climate Goals in Edmonton' information guide and approve the guide to be shared with City Council starting May 2023 and the wider public later in 2023.

Background Information:

• The Policy and Planning Committee has prepared a draft version of the 'Heritage and Climate Change: Achieving Climate Goals in Edmonton' information guide and requested Curio Studio to finalize the document • The finalized document has been received back from Curio and is now ready to share with City Council, with a wider public share scheduled to follow

Outcomes/next steps and person(s)/committee responsible

• The Policy and Planning Committee requests that the EHB approve the motion to finalize the information guide and share it with City Council and the wider public

POLICY & PLANNING COMMITTEE

Report to Edmonton Historical Board

Briefing Notes

MEETING DATE: April 26, 2023

AGENDA ITEM: 5b. Policy & Planning

REASON FOR BRIEFING: Request for Decision

Motion: That the PPC recommend the EHB approve Elyse as well as any other interested EHB members to attend the October 2023 National Trust Conference if the submitted presentation proposal is approved.

Background Information:

- The National Trust Conference occurs annually in different locations throughout Canada. The Conference is Canada's largest heritage learning and networking event.
- The 2023 National Trust Conference will be held in Ottawa from October 26 to 28 at the Chateau Laurier. A call for conference presentations was sent by the National Trust on March 17th and had a deadline of April 21st.
- At the April PPC meeting, Elyse introduced a [presentation proposal](#) for the Conference which would introduce the EHB and Policy & Planning Committee and provide background on the climate change and heritage research undertaken by the Committee. A short discussion period would follow the presentation.
- Elyse would attend the Conference to present, but any other members of the EHB are invited to participate as well.
- Given the April 21st deadline was before today's EHB meeting, the proposal has already been submitted to the National Trust for consideration.

Outcomes/next steps and person(s)/committee responsible

- The Policy and Planning Committee requests that the EHB approve Elyse as well as any other interested EHB members to attend the National Trust Conference if the presentation proposal is approved.

HISTORIC PLAQUES COMMITTEE
Report to Edmonton Historical Board
Briefing Notes

MEETING DATE: April 26, 2023

AGENDA ITEM: 5C. Policy & Planning

REASON FOR BRIEFING: Request for Decision

Motion: That the Edmonton Historical Board approve the budget for the Doors Open event of up to \$15,000, as well as approve the final location for the Doors Open Event to be at the Pendennis.

Background Information:

- Historic Plaques committee met on April 5.
- Had other board members present: Shalene Williams, Carrie-Ann Lunde, Joshua Budinski and Harrison Sheremeta
- Made decisions for the Open Doors Event including:
 - Floor plan (third floor)
 - Guest limit and eventbrite registration
 - Possibly have a table with pamphlets and other EHB information
 - Discussed how plaques will be presented
 - The outline of the evening event
 - Invitations: ask plaque recipients how many guests they would like to invite, invites will be extended to Council both formally and through the Council Liaison program.
 - Other costs to consider: catering and photography
 - No alcohol at this event
- Architectural Heritage Website. This year is the 10th anniversary, the committee will add new articles. After some discussion we decided to have a call for nominations specifically for articles to update our website. This will be released once the first call for nominations, for historic plaques, has finished.