

Edmonton Historical Board

DATE/TIME: Wednesday, October 26, 2016 at 5:00 p.m.

LOCATION: Prince of Wales Armouries Heritage Center, Jefferson Room

MINUTES

These minutes were approved on November 23, 2016 by the Edmonton Historical Board

Chair

Recording Secretary

Attending:

Neil Cramer Darlene Fisher
Aimee Shaw Andreas Loutas
Erin McDonald Daniel Rose
Leslie Chevalier Earl Anderson

Archives Staff:

Sonia Caligiuri, EHB Support

Guests

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

Regrets:

Barbara Hilden
Dominic Schamuhn
Michael Boire
Kathryn Ivany, City Archivist

Chris Chang-Yen Phillips

Agenda Item	Action	Person(s) Responsible	Date Due
WELCOME & CHAIR'S REMARKS	Meeting called to order at 5:02 p.m. -Thank you all for coming. It will be a busy meeting this month and next with a break in December.	Erin	
1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA	Moved: Leslie Second: Aimee Approved	Erin	
2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES ▪ September 28, 2016	Moved: Neil Second: Daniel Approved	Erin	
3. Items for Discussion/Decision			
a) Upcoming Presentations to EHB: Sunday Modernism, Downtown Business Association	-Interesting time for heritage in Edmonton, and as a result a lot of interest from different people/organizations to present to the board. -In November, Shirley Lowe will submit the report final draft to the Executive, and then forwarded to the Board for approval.	Erin	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Report will form the basis for speaking notes for the Board's luncheon with Council. -Sunday Modernism will be invited to the January meeting; heritage project on modern religious buildings. Some buildings are on the inventory. -Downtown Business Association: have been organizing walking tours and are interested in presenting the Board on their experiences and built relationships. Possibly in February. -Guests will get around 20 mins with time for q&a. -Board's intent is to accommodate speakers as best as is possible. 		
b) Update & Request for funding: HUL Project and contribution request	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -EHC has requested financial support to hire a research intern for an exploratory study of HUL. -Formal request is attached. -Dan attended a meeting earlier this week on behalf of the EHB. <p>Motion: That the EHB approves \$3500 as a contribution to the Building Prosperity/Building Communities: Heritage, Diversity and Historic Urban Landscape Moved: Dan Second: Leslie Approved (unanimously)</p>	Erin	
c) Information: On this Spot	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -A group from Vancouver has created an app on built heritage; walking app with historical interaction -www.onthisspot.ca -Interested in establishing in Edmonton -May be request for support (funding or verbal) or for a presentation to Board. 	Erin	
d) Update: Municipal Government Act	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -MGA is currently under review; allows Municipalities to function. -Major piece of legislative law. -Elements in proposed revisions focused on heritage. These had been removed. -There is pressure on City Council to lobby the Province to include these elements. -EHB has the ability to advise Council not the Provincial Government -EHB members have been contacted by concerned citizens. -Historical Resources Act is still in place. -EHB will encourage individuals to contact their MLA 	Erin	

<p>e) Follow-up: At risk buildings in city such as Brighton Block, 112 Street Residences (Lang Apartments, Chennier-Beauchamp), Hangars at Airport lands, Mitchell Reed Auction House and Graphic Arts Building.</p>	<p>Mitchell Reed Auction House & Graphic Arts Building: city owned buildings; purchased with intent to tear down for laydown space. -Community got involved, demolition did not occur. -Buildings were put up for sale. Unfortunately, no one came forward with plans that meet the City's standards. -Both of these are in very poor condition. Still considering some sort of heritage retention -One positive: awareness at City Council concerning heritage assessment with city owned buildings, and the incorporation of heritage provisions when the City purchases buildings. -At this time, nothing else EHB can do</p> <p>Hangars 8 & 11; -Hangar 8: demolition permit came into effect earlier this summer -Hangar 11: City owned and on inventory; City aware of historical significance. Mark Hall was contacted by EHC and has contacted EHB; Sustainable Development will be conducting an assessment. Results will be shared with EHB & EHC when complete and available. -Erin will draft a letter to reinforce the importance of the Hangar with EHB approval</p> <p>Motion: That the Erin draft a letter to City Council regarding the significance of Hangar 11 in hopes that it is not demolished. Moved: Daniel Second: Neil Approved (unanimously)</p> <p>Brighton Block: -Currently owned by UCAMA. Now up for sale. In its current state could be demolished by neglect. -It is an Municipal Historic Resource (designated) and prominent building on Jasper Ave; has received dollars from different levels of government. -There is an offer pending. Quarters team is concerned as the possible development of this site will impact the redevelopment of the area. -Enforcement plan is being enforced. EHB will not act at this point as sale of the building is pending. Follow-up will be done at a later time.</p> <p>112 Street Residences:</p>	<p>Erin</p>	
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	<p>-3 designated residences owned by City. 2 are unoccupied and deemed uninhabitable, 3 will be shortly.</p> <p>-Conversations with local developers to fix them.</p> <p>-Corporate Properties (oversee these) has no budget to fix these at this time.</p> <p>-Erin will draft a letter to Council McKeen (ward councillor) to notify of the importance of maintenance and fixing them. Encouraging City to manage its assets so encouraging private owners will be easier.</p> <p>Motion: That the EHB draft a letter to Council, directly Councillor McKeen, regarding the importance of exploring all options to preserve all City owned historic buildings</p> <p>Moved: Dan</p> <p>Second: Leslie</p> <p>Approved (unanimously)</p>		
f) Information: Historian Laureate Podcast-EHB participation	<p>-Barbara assisted Chris with his latest episode, which was released today.</p> <p>-Topic was on a building, no longer in existence; KKK operated its newspaper out of this building.</p> <p>-Question was in regards to having a plaque to highlight some of Edmonton's darker history, and potentially put on the website.</p> <p>-Rebecca is a passionate individual, and wants to come to speak to the EHB at the January meeting.</p> <p>-Possibly refer this item to "On this Spot"</p>	Erin	
g) Update: River crossing workshops	<p>-EHB has been participating at these workshops.</p> <p>-Good participation and inclusion this far.</p>	Erin	
h) Information: Canada's 150th Anniversary	<p>-EHB is supportive of aiding the City of Edmonton Archives with their initiative for the 150th.</p>	Erin	
i) Reminder: Council Luncheon-November 29, 2016	<p>-If you are able to attend, it will be valuable for you to attend the November Board meeting.</p> <p>-It is a budget deliberation day.</p>	Erin	
j) Update: HRMP	<p>-As Sustainable Development has been delayed with this, EHB would like to offer support in any way, including financially to help with resourcing.</p> <p>-Has been deferred to 2017. Sustainable Development does not have the budget for this project at this time.</p>	Erin	
4. Board Committee Reports			
a) Historical Resources Review Panel	<p>-27buildings from the Glenora area inventory were reviewed.</p> <p>Motion: That the Edmonton Historical Board recommend the following 13 buildings from the Glenora Inventory batch 7</p>	Daniel	

be added to the Inventory of Historic Resources in Edmonton.

- Schlain Residence, 13854 Ravine Drive
- Primrose Residence, 4 Tweedsmuir Crescent
- Mason Residence, 5 Tweedsmuir Crescent
- Swanson Residence, 9 Tweedsmuir Crescent
- Driscoll Residence, 12 Tweedsmuir Crescent
- Henry Residence, 4 Wellington Crescent
- Sprague Residence, 6 Wellington Crescent
- Dowdell Residence, 9 Wellington Crescent
- Geggie Residence, 10 Wellington Crescent
- Glencairn, 15 Wellington Crescent
- Trelawn, 19 Wellington Crescent
- Marshall Residence, 10232-130 Street
- Provincial Museum & Archives of AB, 12845-102 Avenue

Moved: Dan

Second: Earl

Approved (unanimously)

Motion: That the Edmonton Historical Board recommend the following 14 buildings from the Glenora Inventory batch 8 be added to the Inventory of Historic Resources in Edmonton.

- Freeman Residence, 23 Wellington Crescent
- Bank of Toronto Manager's Residence, 26 Wellington Crescent
- McNeil Residence, 10229-132 Street
- McLeod Residence, 10310-132 Street
- Falkenberg Residence, 10332-132 Street
- Greer Residence, 10220-133 Street
- Burrell Residence, 10223-133 Street
- Steele Residence, 10220-134 Street
- MacKenzie Residence, 10311-134 Street
- Cummer Residence, 10317-134 Street
- Montgomery Residence, 10327-134 Street
- Paterson Residence, 9 Alexander Circle
- Fane Residence, 12 Alexander Circle
- Westminster School, 13712-104 Avenue

Moved: Dan

Second: Leslie

Approved (unanimously)

	<p>Motion: That the Edmonton Historical Board recommend the Lowe Residence at 10340 Connaught Drive be added to the Inventory of Historic Resources in Edmonton.</p> <p>Moved: Dan Second: Neil Approved (unanimously)</p>		
b) Heritage Outreach Committee	<p>-Committee worked over email this month to decide on design company to proceed with the EHB's rebranding and promotional materials.</p> <p>-Motion: That the EHB proceeds with the pricing quote proposed by Curio Designs of \$2500.00 for logo, branding and stationary.</p> <p>Moved: Leslie Second: Dan Approved (unanimously)</p>	Leslie	
c) Plaques and Awards Committee	<p>-No report at this time -All materials have been submitted to the manufacturer</p>	Barbara	
d) Ad-Hoc Committee	-Shirley will present at next month's meeting	Leslie	
5. Other Reports and Updates			
a) Heritage Planner's Report	Report attached	Robert	
b) City Archivist's Report	No report at this time	Kathryn	
c) Historian Laureate Report	No report at this time	Chris	
d) Naming Committee	-Group has proposed to name the site at the base of the CN Tower, memorial there recognizing homelessness; Homeless Memorial	Erin	
e) EDHS Update	Report attached	Aimee	
f) NAPDA Update	-Last week NAPDA had a guest speaker- Shirley Lowe -NAPDA will be hosting a Christmas lunch to an inner city school	Earl	
g) Heritage Council	No report at this time	Kathryn	
h) Fort Edmonton Park	-No report at this time -Darlene will now be on the Finance subcommittee -Next meeting will be on November 3	Darlene	
6. Issues/Project Updates			
7. Other Business			
a) Administrative support	<p>-Please respond (email or meeting request) if you will or will not be attending the Luncheon please.</p> <p>-Letter of Intent for Re-appointment, please respond as soon as possible.</p>	Sonia	

b) Training Opportunities	None at this time	Erin	
c) Building Agenda for Next Meeting		Erin	
8. ADJOURNMENT	Moved by Daniel at 7:25 p.m.		

➤ **Next Meeting:** Wednesday November 23 26, 2016 5:00 pm

HERITAGE PLANNERS REPORT
Report to Edmonton Historical Board
October 26, 2016

Glenora Neighbourhood Historic Resources Inventory Phase II: Presentations from the Consultant resumed in September. This month, the Panel evaluated Batches 7 and 8 containing approximately 30 to 32 properties. There will be one final batch to review and evaluate in November.

Notice of Intention to Designate William Buster Residence, at 10950-81 Ave. in Garneau was passed by Urban Planning Committee on October 19, 2016 and is expected to be passed by City Council on October 25, 2016.

Bylaws to Designate the Hunt Residence (Westmount) and Shop-Easy Grocery (Calder) are on the Agenda for City Council to approve 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.

Bylaws to Designate the First Baptist Church (Downtown) and John Woods Residence (Oliver) will be on the Agenda for City Council to approve on November 29, 2016.

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, Law Branch advised us to keep the designation bylaw on title until the litigation process was finished.

Restoration work has started on the Beverly Cenotaph. They expect to be completed on time for Remembrance Day ceremonies on November 11th.

Hangar 11 – 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.

McDougall Church Restoration Committee is working closely with NEXT Architecture and their contractor. Despite the recent cold and snow, work continues on the repairs such as the front steps, the cornices and re-pointing of the brick. McDougall Church applied to Canada 150 for grant to assist further with their restoration work.

The Heritage Lighting Pilot Program has been officially launched and information is posted on the City website. Applications have been received for the Imperial Bank of Canada building (World Trade Centre), the Crawford Block, the Hulbert Block, and the Rosedale Power Plant.

Brooke continues to work on updating the Strathcona Walking Tour and Oliver Walking Tour booklets. The goal is to have them “print ready” for February 2017 and in time to apply for a grant from the Alberta Historic Resources Foundation to assist with printing costs. We continue our communications with the Oliver and Strathcona Community Leagues as well as the Old Strathcona Business Association. Brooke has also assisted us in getting our back log of 30 plus designated buildings submitted with the mandatory documentation to the Province who will then upload it to the Alberta Register of Historic Places.

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.

A 3D scan has been done to document the Mitchell & Reed Auction House and the Graphic Arts Building. When the Mitchell & Reed building starts to be demolished, our objective is to salvage what original materials we can from the exterior of the building. New development would look to replicate it using the salvaged materials as much as possible. For the Graphic Arts Building, Corporate Properties continues to negotiate with a developer to relocate the building from its current site. We have no details on the negotiations at this time. Regardless of this outcome, we do have one year to find a lot in the neighbourhood with the intent to move the Graphic Arts Building and to restore it. It will not remain on its current site due to interim LRT construction and the fact that it is the highest development site in the Quarters.

We continue to monitor the situation with the Edmonton Iron Works building, located at 10415 – 96 Street NW Alberta Culture and Tourism request a Historic Resource Impact Assessment (HRIA) for the building, which would place a further hold on the demolition permit. This was issued to the owners on September 19. A designation bylaw was prepared for City Council’s consideration on September 20, but this was withdrawn due to the HRIA request being made. Until the Minister is satisfied with the HRIA, no work (including demolition) can be undertaken on the site. The owner has been directed by the courts to sell to another purchaser. The City intends to purchase the site from this interim owner, once that transaction has completed, and designate the building. To date, the matter is still working its way through the courts.

Church Street DC1 is progressing. Planning Coordination has scheduled a public open house on November 2, 2016, to be held at Studio 96 located at 10909-96 Street from 6:30 to 8:30 pm. The purpose of the DC1 zoning is to encourage the preservation of the areas 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 Rossdale Heritage Interpretative Plan, which will be developing a framework for how all aspects of the history of Rossdale can be celebrated. It will be a high level document, providing direction for the Business Plan for the River Crossing project. The City is working with Form Media of Halifax on the project.

The preparation of a Management Strategy for City-owned historic resources is in its early stages. We have met with City of Calgary heritage staff to learn from their experiences of preparing a similar strategy. The Strategy is due to Council by the end of 2017.

We have prepared the initial class list for the 2017 This Old Edmonton House seminar series, after a successful run in 2016. The class listings go online in mid October, and registration is available in the first week of November. 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

NAMING COMMITTEE REPORT
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1. Request to name a green space located within the Downtown Neighbourhood

The Committee received a new Naming Application for a green space located directly south of the CN Tower, along 104 Avenue north of 99 Street NW. The application was made by Edmonton Coalition on Housing and Homelessness (ECOHH), and requested the green space be designated as "Homeless Memorial Park."

ECOHH represents 34 community groups and social service agencies in the Downtown area. The application outlines the process through which the group reached consensus from an original list of 39 name suggestions.

The Committee was advised by Administration that while some smaller green spaces in the city have been re-zoned for parks, this particular location has not been re-zoned.

The Committee received additional information from ECOHH which included a listing of all names considered by the community, as well as confirmation of support for the naming of the Park by the Downtown Edmonton Community League and iHuman Youth Society.

The Committee approved the Naming Application for "Homeless Memorial" with the suffix "Plaza" instead of "Park" based on information from city planning for the use of the "Park" Suffix.

2. Request to name roads within The Orchards Neighbourhood

The Committee received a new Naming Application requesting to name additional roadways in the Orchards Neighbourhood. The Committee deferred the request to the next meeting as the information was not received in time for adequate review prior to the meeting.

Respectfully submitted by: Erin McDonald

EDMONTON DISTRICT HISTORICAL SOCIETY
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Awards Committee

Sean Moir from the Awards committee gave a report on the awards which are given out by the EDHS for volunteers and other members. He proposed that a new layout be developed for this later this year.

Volunteer activity

A volunteer called Ayden Anderson has kindly offered to digitize all the articles used in the newsletters and index them appropriately for archival use and effectiveness for researchers.

Facebook

All the board members will be providing snippets of information each month for the Facebook page. Historical tidbits of information to provide Facebook users with excellent information about Edmonton's history and current events.

Publications

Phyllis Arnolds book '*The Fur Trade in the West*', as mentioned at previous EHB meetings will be printed and boxed up with a letter from the EDHS for delivery to schools by the end of the year.

Events

It was decided that the EDHS will be contributing a very generous sum of \$6000 to the Ice on Whyte/ Sand on Whyte festivals this coming winter and summer.

Speaker Series- the next The Manitoba History Society Journal presents Western Canada at War speaker event- speakers include Sean Moir and Anthony Worman from the RAM, our very own Kathryn Ivany and Debbie Marshall. It will be held on November 9th and all details are on the EDHS website.

The Christmas party for the EDHS will be held on November 29th, right here in this room! The speaker is Chris Chang-Yen-Phillips and he will be talking about 'Reaching New Audiences: History, Podcasting, and the 21st Century'. All the details can be found on the EDHS website.

The *Edmonton House Journals Vol. II* is fast approaching- they will be launched December 13th at the RAM.

Respectfully submitted by: Aimee Shaw