

# Edmonton Historical Board

**DATE/TIME:** Wednesday, February 26, 2014 5:00 p.m.

**LOCATION:** Prince of Wales Armouries Heritage Centre Jefferson Room

## Minutes

These minutes were approved on March 26, 2014 by the Edmonton Historical Board.

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Chair

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Recording Secretary

### Attending:

Darlene Fisher    Jacquie Harman  
Leslie Chevalier    Leslie Holmes  
Martin Kennedy    Ann Hall  
David Johnston    Sean Moir  
Tim Marriott  
Marilyn Assheton-Smith

Archives staff:  
Kathryn Ivany

### Guests:

David Holdsworth, Principal Heritage Planner  
Scott Ashe, Heritage Planner Student  
Shirley Lowe, Historian Laureate

### Regrets:

Robert Geldart, Principal  
Heritage Planner  
Sonia Caligiuri, EHB Support  
Laura Nichol

Agenda Item	Action	Person (s) Responsible	Date Due
1. Welcome and Chair's Remarks	5:12 p.m. call to order	▪ Martin	
2. Approval of Agenda	<b>Moved item 4.a up before item 3</b> <b>Moved:</b> Jacquie <b>Second:</b> David J. <b>Approved</b>	• Martin	
3. Approval of Minutes	<b>Moved:</b> David J. <b>Second:</b> Tim <b>Approved</b>	• Martin	
5.a) Historical Resources Review Panel	Jacquie had circulated written report – discussion re: appeal process recommended by Panel – Darlene offered an amendment – adding “at any time” and correcting a spelling error “o” should be “to” It was noted that the EHB’s bylaw does not offer an appeal process It was clarified that the first appeal should be to the Panel if the applicant wants to add more information – otherwise the appeal is	• Jacquie	

	<p>to the Board – who could then indicate what would be the next level of appeal</p> <p><b>Moved to accept the proposed motion in the report- amended by D.F.</b></p> <p><b>Moved:</b> Jacquie</p> <p><b>Seconded:</b> Dave J.</p> <p><b>Approved</b></p> <p><b>Moved to place the Shaffer Building on the Inventory (as per report)</b></p> <p><b>Moved:</b> Jacquie</p> <p><b>Seconded:</b> Dave J.</p> <p><b>Approved</b></p>		
<b>4. Items for Discussion or Information</b>			
a) <b>Update:</b> Historian Laureate recruitment	Nominations for HL closed this week – 6 applications received – all viable candidates - 4 interviews scheduled Friday – Announcement made at City Council meeting as close to April 1 as possible.	• Martin	
<b>b) Information:</b> Information for Historic Home Owners	To be dealt with under HOC report	• Martin	
<b>5. Board Committee Reports</b>			
a) Historic Resources Review Panel	Dealt with above	• Jacquie	
b) Heritage Outreach Committee	<p>- Work continues on architectural website – small issues left to be completed by webmaster – will be conducting a study of how people search – might need to add a “how-to- search” info sheet – the FAQ’s have been cleaned up and do reflect the kinds of questions Sonia has been fielding (can I have my wedding there?) Next step – determine priorities / wish list for additional information to be added – hire researcher to develop new content – put links on EHB City page / EHC page</p> <p><b>Moved that a contractor be hired for up to two days/week for 13 weeks to work on the plaques database and the content for the website.</b></p> <p><b>Moved:</b> Leslie C.</p> <p><b>Seconded:</b> Ann Hall</p> <p><b>Approved</b></p>	• Ann	
c) Plaques and Awards Committee	Nominations for Awards closes next Friday – committee will meet Wed. 5 <sup>th</sup> . Sonia needs some assistance with inputting data into the new database for the plaques – see item above.	▪ Tim	
<b>6. OTHER REPORTS AND UPDATES</b>			
a) Heritage Planners’ Report	▪ Report attached.	▪ David	

	<p>added Arthur Davies Residence – application to demolish received  Martin offered congratulations on NSM  Rossdale – no update  Chancery Hall – 2016 move of city offices may threaten – proactive designation suggested.</p>		
b) City Archivist's Report	<p>Working with EHC and other City Departments on Aviation Museum  Fire Department records processed – see RG-70 and 71  descriptions on-line as well as inventory of MS (private collections)  room – attempting to eke out more space as we come to the end of  storage capacity  Film-maker – Dixon Christie has been scanning large amounts of  the military photograph collection for several films in the BattleScars  series on Shaw TV  Exhibition planning for 2014-15 years started – documentary  photographs, Creepy Edmonton, centennial of Beverly  concentrating on Humberstone Mine – virtual exhibit and WWI on  the homefront.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Kathryn</li> </ul>	
c) Historian Laureate	<p>Working on the Beverly centennial website (history and pioneers  profiles)  3 murals for minesites, temporary interpretive centre for school  programs, historical tours and various celebrations planned. Her last  presentation will be to the Rotary Club on the HBC Land Transfer  end of month. Shirley offered her thanks for the Board's support  over the last two year as Laureate.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Shirley</li> </ul>	
c) Naming Committee	<p>No meeting this month</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Marilyn</li> </ul>	
d) EDHS Report	<p>Last speaker – Brian Evans on Chester Ronning; next Dr. Vivianne  Bosley on Memoir of a French Peace River pioneer – AGM April 26  at Faculty Club</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Tim</li> </ul>	
e) NAPDA	<p>No update at this time</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Marilyn</li> </ul>	
f) Heritage Council	<p>Doing Curiosity Tours again – holding forum for Historic Home  Owners – Terry O'R new father this week.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Kathryn</li> </ul>	
g) Fort Edmonton Park	<p>Report attached  -infrastructure replacement is becoming a much larger problem than  anticipated.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Darlene</li> </ul>	

<b>7. OTHER BUSINESS</b>			
a) Administrative support	No update at this time	▪ Sonia	
a) <b>BUILDING AGENDA FOR NEXT MEETING</b>	Committee chairs should be preparing annual reports – submit to Sonia	• Martin	
b) <b>ADJOURNMENT</b>	Moved at 6:45 Moved: Jacquie		

- **Next Meeting: Wednesday March 26, 2014 at 5:00 p.m.** in the POWA Jefferson Room
- **Please bring:** Your agenda, meeting minutes, committee report
- **Please read:** Your agenda, meeting minutes, committee report

## Historic Resources Review Panel Edmonton Historical Board

February 26, 2014

February 18, 2014 1) Terms of Reference: Appeal Procedure  
2) Shaffer Building 10904-141 Street

The panel reviewed its terms of reference in regard to an appeal process. Discussion addressed whether an appeal process was required considering the HRRP only makes recommendations and final decisions are in fact made by the EHB, as well as the fact that the HRRP has an informal appeal process, as it reconsiders recommendations when new information is brought forward. However, an appeal process that is transparent, clearly articulated and included the EHB as an external arbitrator would be beneficial.

### **Motion: That the Edmonton Historical Board modify the Terms of Reference of the Historical Resources Review Panel to include the following Appeal Process:**

- 1) An individual may submit new information at any time regarding a property directly to the Historical Resource Review Panel.
- 2) An individual affected by a decision of the Historical Resource Review Panel may appeal to the Edmonton Historical Board. The applicant for the appeal must state the reason(s) to reconsider the panel's recommendation.
- 3) The Edmonton Historical Board may confirm, vary, substitute or decline the recommendation of the Historical Resource Review Panel.

The panel also reviewed the Shaffer building located at 10904-141 Street. This building is an excellent example of a modest family home from 1960-61, and exhibits Modern design influences. It is exceptional in that it was designed by the architects Dennis and Frieda O'Connor, on behalf of Gerald and Cecilia Shaffer. It was profiled in a national architectural magazine due to the rarity of architect-designed modest homes; thus, we have source material to show that the building has not been extensively changed.

Significant exterior features of the residence include vertical cedar cladding boards, a low pitched roof, a fieldstone feature wall adjacent the front door and a landscaped rear yard with a rock garden and water feature. Interior features include the open concept living room/dining room/kitchen, the floor to ceiling windows oriented to the rear yard and the fieldstone fire place and planter-divider wall. While there were some integrity issues in relation to the replacement of the windows on the front façade, the original shape and size of the opening has been maintained.

The panel believes that the excellent state of the rest of the character defining elements, along with the importance and rarity of an architect-designed modest home from this period (especially one profiled in a national Architectural magazine), merit its inclusion on the inventory.

**Next meeting: March 11, 2014**

Respectfully submitted by: Jacquie Harman, HRRP Chair

## **Heritage Planners' Report Edmonton Historical Board**

February 26, 2014

- The Outdoor Neon Sign Museum on 104 Street and 104 Avenue has been officially launched! The lights were turned on Friday February 21, 2014. Eight signs are installed with four more to come.
- Work on the Newton Neighbourhood Historic Resources Inventory is progressing well. The HRRP will begin the review and evaluation of the proposed Historic Resources Inventory starting March 11th and April 8th, 2014.
- Designation Bylaw to Designate the Alex Cormack Residence (located in Highlands) is scheduled for City Council on April 15, 2014.
- Notices of Intention to designate the Bramen Residence and Beverly Cenotaph, are being now being prepared and should be scheduled for Executive Committee on April 22, 2014
- Molson's Brewery project is on going. Owners and Architects have met with representatives from the Province. Owners are working towards designation.
- We have been approached by the McKay Avenue School to resume the Municipal designation process. We have asked them to re-submit an application with the signature of their current Superintendent.
- Potential designations on the horizon include the Mountafeld, (house in Oliver), Captain John Hall Residence (Cromdale) and the McDougall Church.
- As part of our DC1 rezoning process for Church Street, an Open House was held on Feb. 12, 2014 to meet with residents of the Church Street area,
- Update on the West Residence in Boyle Neighbourhood.

Respectfully submitted by: Robert Geldart, and David Holdsworth

## Fort Edmonton Park Management Company Edmonton Historical Board

February 26, 2014

Joint board meeting between FEMCO and Fort Edmonton Park Foundation members held on February 12

- Jasmin Kobajica, the new culinary director has been hired to develop the catering menus, meet with clients, begin the purchase of small wares for the kitchen, meet with the previous food service providers, etc.
- **Capital Project Updates:** Hotel Selkirk kitchen and dining room renovation is complete, including refinishing the hardwood floors in the dining room, deep cleaning the kitchen, replacement of kitchen equipment, painting and new ceiling tiles.
- Expansion to Blatchford Hangar kitchen area; it will become a full-service kitchen as part of the inhouse catering initiative
- 1920's funhouse planned for May opening. Balloon ride in planning stages, waiting for approval from city, may be open in 2014 or 2015, will hold up to 30 people
- Indigenous People's Experience – consultations underway with indigenous groups, starting to work on programming, want to ensure First Nations groups feel represented
- **Infrastructure:** Magnitude and complexity of infrastructure issues are more serious than initially believed. Services are currently at capacity; ex. Water pressure; if a fire broke out there might not be sufficient water to put it out.
- Plans for expansion are subject to the infrastructure issues being resolved. No services currently exist at the future site of the Indigenous People's Experience, for example.
- Discussions are still ongoing for best way to proceed; services are the city's responsibility and it has to pay for the repairs/replacements. Several scenarios being considered, project would probably take 5-8 years, and may also include closing the park for at least one full season. Existing lines would be abandoned for the most part, since many of them run under the train and streetcar tracks and are not easily accessible for repairs. Environmental impact assessments would have to be carried out since construction rules are different in the river valley. If park was shut down, the capital projects could be completed at the same time, and include a grand-re-opening once everything is completed. A partial shut-down of the park is also an option, but the project would then take longer to complete.