

Board Meeting

Meeting Date & Time: August 25, 2021; 5:00PM - 7:00PM

Meeting Location: Virtually via Google Meet

Members: Dominic Schamuhn, Chair Alison McGavigan, Vice Chair
 Tyrel Brochu Carrie-Ann Lunde Stephen Rees Harrison Sheremeta Shalene Williams

Regrets: Nancy MacDonald Elyse Abma-Bouma Elizabeth Cytko James McTague

Guests: Rob Houle, Sydney Gross, Graduate Heritage Planner

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

Agenda Item	Description/Actions; Date Due	Person(s) Responsible
Welcome and Territorial Acknowledgement	<p>Welcome everyone. Meeting called to order at 5:03PM</p> <p>Although we continue to meet virtually, 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</p>	Dominic

	and a gathering place for all peoples who come from around the world to share Edmonton as a home.	
1. Approval of agenda	Motion: That the EHB approve the Agenda Moved: Stephen Approved (unanimously)	Dominic
2. Consent Agenda	Motion: That the EHB approve the Consent Agenda excluding items: Naming Committee, II & III Moved: Tyrel Approved (unanimously)	Dominic
3. Reports and External Updates		
a. Architectural Heritage Website update final report	-Background on the project was provided to EHB members as majority of members are new. -Final report with recommendations provided to EHB. Further recommendation to include contemporary time period as website currently stops at Post War Years. -EHB thanked Rob for his work and helping the EHB be more inclusive in its work.	Rob
b. Chair report & update	-Dominic and Alison attended a Wellington Bridge meeting following the EHB's June meeting. Not much information to note. -Civic Agencies: August 30, Council will be discussing Remuneration for Agencies, Boards, Commissions & Committees. If approved, policy will be implemented on Jan 1, 2022. -Code of Conduct is also being developed. -EHC: Dominic & Alison have been working with EHC to prepare an info package for all Council & Mayoral candidates. Brief intro to Heritage landscape. -Meetings to be arranged with successful candidates post election.	Dominic

	<p>-Mayor Iveson letter: response to previously submitted letters regarding the Ring Houses has been received. EHB not surprised with the response (City is limited in what steps it can take), but grateful for the response.</p> <p>-U of A: Demolition of Soaring is being proposed for October. 1950s residence gifted to the U of A by the McTaggart family. Building is not designated. Erik Backstrom will be interviewed by the CBC regarding this building; Sydney will share the link following the interview. EHB will discuss this item further at the September meeting.</p>	
c. Heritage Management Unit	<p>Report attached.</p> <p>-Cenotaph designation will be going to Council soon. Possibly the last designation of 2021</p> <p>-Hangar 11- Sale going to Council on September 8</p> <p>-John Lang Apartments- also going to Council on September 8 for rezoning (low intensity commercial use)</p> <p>-Glenora DC1 rezoning has been paused.</p> <p>-Tree Bylaw has passed at Committee and going to full Council on August 30 for review and approval; maybe something for the HRRP to look at</p>	Sydney
e. Naming Committee	<p>-Meeting has been rescheduled to August 31</p> <p>-New policy going to Council on August 30. Policy was approved at Committee without question, debate or presentation.</p>	Carrie
f. University of Alberta Ring Houses	<p>-Meeting was held last week on Wednesday.</p> <p>-Soaring was discussed</p> <p>-Houses still standing</p> <p>-U of A President and Vice President met with representatives from the coalition a few weeks ago. Awaiting written response.</p> <p>-Also waiting for response from Culture Minister</p> <p>-Stephen was asked if EHB has a policy on Heritage Trees. EHB is limited on what it can do and does not have a policy on these.</p>	Stephen

4. Committee Reports & Requests for Decision		
a. Historical Plaques Committee	-Briefing note attached Motion: That the EHB accept the report and the motion: That the EHB approve the following 2021-2022 10 plaque recommendations: Designated: Abram Residence, Henderson Residence, McLearn Residence, Munroe Residence Replacement: Victoria High School, Edmonton, Yukon & Pacific Railway, Jasper House Hotel, HUB Cigar, Pembina, Athabasca, Assiniboia Halls, St. Stephen's College Moved: Carrie Approved (unanimously)	Carrie
b. Policy & Planning Committee	-Briefing note attached -EHB reviewed the note. Possibly review goals. -EHB is currently able to address items as they arise. -Longer term conversation. -PPC to reach out to David Johnston.	Harrison
5. Other Business		
a. Administrative Support	-Chair Training-Thursday Oct 21 PM. more information to come	Sonia
6. Roundtable and Conclusion		
a. Roundtable	Nothing at this time	Dominic / All
b. Action Items	-Soaring: conversation at September's meeting -Tree Bylaw- possibly something for HRRP to review	Dominic / Sonia
c. Feedback & Next Meeting	-Nothing at this time	Dominic / All
7. Adjournment	Moved by Harrison at 6:59 PM	Dominic

Next Meeting: September 22, 2021 at 5:00PM, location TBD



EHB BRIEFING

MEETING DATE: August 25, 2021

AGENDA ITEM: 2- Consent Agenda, Policy & Planning Committee

REASON FOR BRIEFING: For Information

Background Information:

- The PPC discussed progress on the term work plan, which is comprised of five working groups
- The 'Edmonton Bridges Database' was introduced and the Committee was encouraged to contribute any information they can
- No rezoning applications being heard at the August 17 City Council Public Hearing were of the Committee's interest to discuss
- A very brief update on the Ring Houses was provided - the houses are still standing and the Ring House Coalition is leading preservation efforts
- The defeated Glenora Heritage Area DC1 zoning proposal and resulting Council motion were discussed. Harrison prepared a separate briefing regarding the proposal and potential efforts the EHB could take to address the issues
- News since last PPC meeting: Demolition of the University of Alberta Soaring House (5440 Whitemud Road NW) targeting October 2021 completion

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

- The following working groups will be completing their reviews by the end of December 2021:
 - City Plan: Nancy, Shalene & Harrison
 - Historic Resource Management Plan: Jared
 - Arts & Heritage Plan: Elyse & Shalene
 - Climate Heritage Network: Elyse
 - Inventory of Historic Resources: Harrison

Respectfully submitted by: Harrison Sheremeta, Policy & Planning Chair

HERITAGE CONSERVATION UNIT REPORT

Report to Edmonton Historical Board

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UPCOMING DESIGNATIONS FOR 2021:

Strathcona Garage (10505 - 81 Avenue NW, Strathcona) - Bylaw passed on April 6, 2021
Nye Residence (11159 - 53 Street NW, Highlands) - Bylaw passed on April 6, 2021
Bugis Residence (9851 - 83 Avenue NW, Strathcona) - Bylaw passed on April 19, 2021
Hartley Residence (11007 - 128 Street NW, Westmount) - Bylaw passed on May 17, 2021
Bashor Residence (10750 - 125 Street NW, Westmount) - Bylaw passed on June 22, 2021
Edmonton Cenotaph (1 Sir Winston Churchill Square, Downtown) - Notice of Intention to Designate issued

COMMITTED FUNDING TO DATE IN 2021: \$781,348.50

Potential Designations:

Stone House (Whitemud Equine Centre)	Residence 11344 - 62 Street NW (Highlands)
Singer Residence 9623 - 110 Avenue NW (McCauley)	Royal Bank Building 10401 - 82 Avenue NW (Queen Alexandra)
St. Luke's Anglican Church 8424 - 95 Avenue NW (Holyrood)	Hangar 11 11760 - 109 Street NW (Blatchford)
Richard Hardisty Residence 10549 - 126 Street NW (Westmount)	Dewar Residence 7721 - 112S Avenue NW (Cromdale)
Robinson Residence 11034 - 129 Street NW (Westmount)	Massey Residence 12009 - 95 Street NW (Alberta Avenue)
Windsor Park 8905 Windsor Road NW (Windsor Park)	Rossdale Low Pressure Plant (Rossdale)
No. 1 Pumping Station (Rossdale)	No. 2 Pumping Station (Rossdale)
Canada Permanent Building 10126 - 100 Street NW (Downtown)	Carleton Sheldon Residence 6018 - 111 Avenue NW (Highlands)
Horne & Pitfield Building 10301 - 104 Street NW (Downtown)	

Ongoing Discussions:

Dr. Leslie McIntyre Residence 10923 - 125 Street NW (Westmount)	Ritchie Triplex 9821 - 80 Avenue NW (Ritchie)
Charles Frost Residence 10423 - 127 Street NW (Westmount)	Henry J. Wells Residence 11649 - 95 Street NW (McCauley)
Emerson Residence 11404 - 123 Street NW (Inglewood)	Henry Weitzel Residence 9731 - 87 Avenue NW (Strathcona)
Beaver House 10158 - 103 Street NW (Downtown)	Bellevue Community League 7507 Borden Park Road (Bellevue)
Judge Downes Residence 8721 - 101 Street NW (Strathcona)	Jasper House 12021 Jasper Avenue NW (Oliver)
Hawrelak Park Pavilions 9330 Groat Road NW (River Valley Mayfair)	W.A. Griesbach Residence 12916 - 102 Avenue NW (Glenora)
Magrath Mansion 6240 Ada Boulevard NW (Highlands)	
St. Teresa School and the Dawson/O'Connell Buildings 8441 - 101 Avenue NW (Forest Heights)	

Great Western Saddlery Building 10137 - 104 Street NW Downtown)

Proposed Demolitions:

Glenora Patio Homes 13416 - 109 Avenue NW (North Glenora)	El Mirador Apartments 10133 - 108 Street NW (Downtown)
Jasper Place Health Unit 15626 - 100A Avenue NW (Jasper Place)	John Kelm Residence 9754 - 75 Avenue NW (Ritchie)
El Tovar Apartments 10029 - 114 Street NW (Oliver)	Commercial Block 12812 Fort Road NW (Fort Road)
Sandford Oils Building 10304 - 111 Street NW (Oliver)	Thomson Residence 11244 - 92 Street NW (Alberta Avenue)
Goldberg Residence 9517 - 103 Avenue NW (Boyle Street)	Joe Clarke Residence 7852 Jasper Avenue NW (Cromdale)

CURRENT UNIT INITIATIVES:

1. The Glenora Heritage Character Area Rezoning project has been paused after a difficult discussion with Urban Planning Committee on June 29, 2021. The Infill Development in Edmonton Association (IDEA) submitted a letter of opposition to the project to City Council, citing concerns about the project limiting redevelopment opportunities in the area and for not being inclusive in its objectives. A motion was passed at the meeting to pause the project, and for Administration to bring back a report in December 2021 that outlines how a new heritage management strategy can be developed to address the conservation of historic resources city-wide. We are uncertain what this ultimately means for the Glenora project, but we will continue to advocate for this special area zoning.

2. The heritage team is undertaking work to respond to two other Council inquiries:

- At the October 15, 2019, Urban Planning Committee meeting, a motion was passed that Administration provide a report on options in civic financial mechanisms to encourage the preservation and restoration of heritage buildings. This response is being led by the heritage team.
- At the May 10, 2021, Executive Committee meeting, a motion was passed directing Administration to provide a report on options to defer or exempt property taxes, for non-residential heritage properties applying for designation. The response is being led by the Corporate and Financial Services Department, with support from the heritage team. Dominic and Dan both spoke to the item on behalf of the EHB, which was helpful in generating this follow-up motion to the original report.

The reports responding to these inquiries are scheduled to be considered together at Executive Committee in December of 2021.

3. After the positive outcome on the Hangar 11 report with City Council on February 8, 2021, which directed Administration to begin negotiations to sell the building, we are now focusing on drafting the sales agreement and developing the required scope of

rehabilitation work to the building. Designation of the building as a Municipal Historic Resource will be a condition of the sales agreement. Rezoning of the site is expected to go to Council on September 8, 2021. We are working with the future owner to determine some basic building stabilization actions required this spring to minimize water penetration into the building, which is the main source of deterioration.

4. The rehabilitation work at the Ortona Armoury is now shifting into the issuance of tender packages for items like hazardous material abatement, window rehabilitation and overall construction. The initial responses to the tender calls are highlighting significant material cost increases throughout the industry, which is placing pressure points on project budgets. We are working closely with the consultant team and the construction manager to ensure we can accommodate the intended scope of work.

5. The Historic Resource Management Program and the Heritage Resources Reserve are both undergoing audits through the City's Auditor's office. The team is working closely with the auditors to provide program information, and have provided them contact information to groups like the EHB for follow-up. We are anticipating the auditor's recommendations to be provided to the Audit Committee in late 2021, at which time we will be expected to provide direction on how we will respond.

6. The sales listing for the three designated Municipal Historic Resources in Oliver on 112 Street (the John L. Lang Apartments, the Dame Eliza Chenier Residences and the Lester Allyn House) recently closed. The City has received offers for all three buildings, and we are in the process of evaluating the offers. The sale of any of the buildings will be conditional on the new owner completing any necessary rehabilitation work (all three have new foundations that have been installed by the City). A rezoning for the John L. Lang Apartments building will go to City Council on September 8, 2021.

7. A consultant team has been engaged and initial site meetings have been held regarding the upcoming rehabilitation work at the Prince of Wales Armouries. Following the rehabilitation of the mechanical systems and roof over the last couple of years, this work will be focusing on structural issues and other related building rehabilitation.

8. The Implementation Program for City-Owned Historic Resources was unanimously endorsed at the December 2, 2019, Executive Committee meeting. The presentation and support by Board Chair, Dan Rose, on behalf of the EHB was greatly appreciated. David will be engaging with the internal working committee to determine the necessary staffing and funding support for the program, as well as some prioritization of current City assets in terms of rehabilitation. Due to the COVID-19 circumstances, this report will likely be delayed until early 2022.

9. The Advanced Assessment and Rehabilitation Prioritization project for the Rosedale Power Plant continues. The Historic Building Record and Conservation Plan have been completed. 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 working to accelerate the planned roof replacement work for the No. 2 Pumping Station in the fall of 2021, with a planned start date of September 18, 2021. Roof replacement work on the Turbine Hall and Switch House has been deferred until 2022 to allow more detailed structural assessments to be completed on these two buildings.

10. David is working with the team at IIS on the rehabilitation of the Stone House at the Whitemud Equine Centre. The consultant team has been selected and the team is underway with the preparation of the required schematic design report, which will then inform the detailed design report. The project will involve full rehabilitation of the building, and will include its designation as a Municipal Historic Resource. Rehabilitation work on the building is expected to start in late 2021 and continue through 2022.

11. Scott continues to represent the Unit regarding the proposed redevelopment of the Archibald Block site on Whyte Avenue. The owner is proposing to rezone the site to accommodate an 8-storey building, which would involve the demolition of the existing building, which is listed on the Inventory. The property is also located within the Old Strathcona Provincial Historic Area. The Province has requested the preparation of a Historic Resources Impact Assessment (HRIA) for the property, which the owner has provided. We are awaiting a response from the Province on their review of the HRIA.

12. 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.

13. Scott is representing the Unit in recent discussions on the Centre LRT concept, and how this would potentially impact the High Level Bridge. We are reiterating to the consultant team and internal stakeholders that the bridge is a designated Municipal Historic Resource, and must be preserved. A report exploring a range of options will be advanced to Council for consideration in 2021.

14. The consultant team for the rehabilitation of the Iron Works building (including the north and south annexes) has completed the initial assessment work, and we are finalizing the schematic design report. The next phase will be to move into detailed

design and finalize the scope of rehabilitation and any alterations needed to the buildings to accommodate new uses. The Quarters team is exploring opportunities for a new tenant(s) to occupy the space.

15. The consultant team, led by S2 Architecture, is in the detailed design stage for a new parkade structure and some basic rehabilitation at the Orange Hub in the Jasper Place area. The building is the former location of the Grant MacEwan Community College Jasper Place campus, and is listed on the Inventory. We are working with the City's IIS team and the consultants to ensure that the new parkade is designed to be respectful to the historic building. It is anticipated that the existing glazing system on the building will need to be replaced, and will be done to retain the historic character of the building.

16. Like other groups, we have been contacted by several citizens regarding the proposed demolition of the Ring Houses on the University of Alberta North Campus. All four buildings are listed on the Inventory of Historic Resources. However, due to the legislation in the Post-Secondary Learning Act, we have limitations on how the City could intervene. We have engaged with staff at Alberta Culture, Multiculturalism and Status of Women to determine what ability the Minister has under the *Historical Resources Act* to potentially intervene, but this matter is complex and requires further legal analysis.

Submitted by the Heritage Conservation Unit: David Johnston, Scott Ashe, Sydney Gross and James Haney



EHB BRIEFING

MEETING DATE: August 25, 2021

AGENDA ITEM: 4a. Historical Plaques Committee

REASON FOR BRIEFING: Request for Decision

Motion: That the EHB approve the following 2021-2022 10 plaque recommendations:

Designated: Abram Residence, Henderson Residence, McLear Residence, Munroe Residence

Replacement: Victoria High School, Edmonton, Yukon & Pacific Railway, Jasper House Hotel, HUB Cigar, Pembina, Athabasca, Assiniboia Halls, St. Stephen's College

Background Information:

- The Historic Plaques Committee met and discussed potential plaques. We decided not to move forward with one of the submissions as it did not meet our criteria, but we redirected the submission to a more proper source.
- Approved the moving of the Cecil Burgess plaque, as its current location involves persons to intrude on private property.
- Accepted the recommendations presented by the Heritage Planners for plaques.
- Discussed and planned the committee work plan. Decided to move the website review to February after the plaques are submitted to be created.
- Currently waiting to see if we can merge our award ceremony with City's. Waiting for a response. In the follow up stage.
- Awards currently sitting in Sonia's office. Decided to mail out the award to the person who lives outside of Edmonton, and will reach out to the others to decide if they prefer to meet us in person to drop it off or if they prefer it mailed.

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

Plaque list of who is doing what:

- Carrie- Munroe Residence; Jasper House Hotel (re-write)
- Anna- McLear Residence; HUB Cigar (re-write)
- Neil- Henderson Residence; Ed. Yukon and Pacific Railway (re-write)
- Cole- Pembina, Athabasca, Assiniboia Halls (re-write); St. Stephen's College (re-write)
- Elizabeth- Victoria High School (re-write)
- Abram Residence
- Elizabeth with the help of Sonia will discover who is currently in charge of the Edmonton award ceremonies

Respectfully submitted by: Elizabeth Cytko, Historical Plaques Chair



EHB BRIEFING

MEETING DATE: August 25, 2021

AGENDA ITEM: 4b. Policy & Planning Committee

REASON FOR BRIEFING: Request for Discussion

Background Information:

- At the June 29, 2021 Urban Planning Committee, Councillor Tony Caterina made a motion to pause work on the Glenora Heritage Area DC1 and to instead look into completing a new approach to a Heritage Resource Management Strategy to address heritage conservation city-wide.
- The motion called for Administration to bring a report to Committee by the end of 2021 that identifies resources necessary to complete a new strategic and targeted approach to a Heritage Resource Management Strategy that outlines options and tools to address the conservation of heritage resources citywide.
- This motion was made as Council agreed with stakeholders against the proposed DC1 zoning that it was too site-specific and that a broader city-wide approach to heritage conservation should be used. This should be looked at by EHB in terms of the Edmonton Design Committee's (EDC) scope.
- Currently, the EDC reviews development permit (DPs) applications in specific areas of the city to determine whether they provide high quality urban design. The committee will either approve, conditionally approve or refuse DPs based on this review. The EDC is provided these powers by Bylaw 14054 Edmonton Design Committee Bylaw.
- Similar powers should be considered for the EHB in terms of development permit applications for buildings listed on the Inventory of Historic Resources. The current process allows the City's Heritage Planners to provide input on these applications but they do not have approval powers.
- Given that the City is currently creating a new Zoning Bylaw, the time is apt to look at providing an additional historic resource protections through an EHB review of DPs. This could be a new regulation added to all zones (i.e. residential, ICI, etc.) that would require any DP applications for buildings listed on the Inventory be referred to the Edmonton Historical Board (as the Council-appointed historical experts) for review. Like the EDC review, the EHB could either approve, conditionally approve or refuse DPs based on a review of the application. This scope change would need to first be approved by City Council before it can be implemented in the Zoning Bylaw.
 - This review is contingent on the Inventory of Historic Resources being consistently expanded through regular neighbourhood surveys
 - No regulations regarding Municipal Historic Resources are necessary in the Zoning Bylaw as they are already protected from demolition or insensitive alterations by Bylaw.

- Any change to the scope of the EHB would require amendments to Bylaw 13601 Edmonton Historical Board Bylaw, which needs City Council approval.

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

- Discuss overall interest with the EHB and, if a majority votes on furthering efforts, the Policy & Planning Committee will draft a brief to City Council outlining the merits of establishing an EHB review of DPs for sites on the Inventory of Historic Resources.

Respectfully submitted by: Harrison Sheremeta, Policy & Planning Chair