

Edmonton Historical Board

DATE/TIME: Wednesday, October 23, 2019 at 5:00 p.m.

LOCATION: Prince of Wales Armouries Heritage Center, Governor's Boardroom

MINUTES

These minutes were approved on November 27, 2019 by the Edmonton Historical Board

Chair

Recording Secretary

Attending:

Christina Wilson Daniel Rose
David Ryning Stephanie Bailey
James McTague Neil Cramer
Anna Gibson Hollow Hanna Choi
Dominic Schamuhn
Barbara Hilden

Archives Staff:

Sonia Caligiuri, EHB Support
Kathryn Ivany, City Archivist

Guests:

Robert Geldart, Senior Heritage Planner
David Johnston, Principal Heritage Planner
Vada Antonakis, Student Heritage Planner
Marlena Wyman, Historian Laureate
Vickie Gunderson, City Clerk

Regrets:

Erin McDonald

Agenda Item

Person(s) Responsible

Time allotted/item

WELCOME & CHAIR'S REMARKS

5:05 p.m.
Welcome everyone, and guest Vickie Gunderson.
On behalf of the Board, Daniel would like to begin tonight's meeting by respectfully acknowledging that this meeting and the many historic places to which we work to bring attention, sit on the traditional territory of Treaty Six First Nations, shared by the Metis

Daniel

5:00-5:05(5 mins)

	and Inuit Peoples. The subject matter of our work is the product of a difficult legacy, and our hope is that in our work we can strive to honour the full history, culture, and contributions of all Indigenous Peoples who have and continue to call this place home.		
1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA	Moved: Christina Approved (unanimously)	Daniel	5:05-5:06 (1 min)
2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES ▪ September 25, 2019 minutes	Moved: David R. Approved (unanimously)	Daniel	5:06-5:07(1 min)
3 a) Chair's Update	-Materials and documents to follow -Materials submitted to City Administration on the 106 & 107 Streets design project. Daniel met with David Holdsworth and other members of the team. More opportunities to explore and develop a model for EHB to be consulted as a stakeholder at the beginning of a project. More information to come. -Highlands Neighbourhood Renewal- Daniel met with Becky Redford with Building Great Neighbourhoods. Conversation was regarding having history and EHB to be involved when possible. Similar to conversation as with the 106 & 107 Streets group. More to follow -Graduate students- Applications have been received from the U of A GS program. Good opportunity to participate once again. EHB members to share any project ideas. -Advocacy Committee info to come -EHB participated in an event Escooter Heritage Tour- Partnership with Paths 4 People and Lime (scooter company). Daniel provided	Daniel	5:07-5:12 (5 mins)

	<p>the information for the tour. Good experience and feedback; 55-60 participants. Potential for future programming. Discussion about how to approach future programming that comes up last minute and how a decision can be when something comes up between Board meetings. Christina was asked to review current EHB policies and provide ideas on how to update.</p> <p>-Insight survey on Urban Trees- opportunity to submit information on topics like conservation of Heritage Trees</p>		
4. Items for Discussion/Decision			
a) Update: EHB Strategic Planning	<p>-Review of policies and procedures -more information to come -To find a date before the end of year to reconvene; to discuss and review of mandate, committee ToRs -Prioritize goals</p>	Daniel	5:12-5:32 (20 mins)
b) Update: Upcoming HL recruitment	<p>-Daniel had hoped to speak to EHC's Chair, but nothing as of yet. -Information to come soon</p>	Daniel	5:32-5:37 (5 mins)
c) Upcoming: Meeting with other Heritage Organizations	<p>-Mandated to do based on bylaw update last year -November 13; location TBD; 6-8 p.m.; location to be chosen based on cost Motion: That the EHB approve the expenditure of up to \$1000.00 for this event Moved: Dominic Approved (unanimously)</p>	Daniel	5:37-5:42 (5 mins)
d) Information: Councillor Hamilton's Design Workshop; October 4	<p>Dominic attended this event -Design for the City; Councillor Hamilton leading Edmonton Design initiative - EHB happy to be included in the discussions about</p>	Daniel/Dominic	5:42-5:44

	design and community development - may be involved in future workshops		
5. Board Committee Reports			
a) Historical Resources Review Panel	<p>Motion: That the EHB recommend the Brokenshar Building, located at 10985-127 Street be added to the Inventory of Historical Resources in Edmonton .</p> <p>Moved: Barbara</p> <p>Approved (unanimously)</p>	Barbara	5:44-5:59 (15 mins)
b) Heritage Outreach Committee	<p>Report attached</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Working on project to work with Indigenous groups for recognition; -sent out latest newsletter this morning; -discussed the Free Admission Day at the Zoo - maybe not the best demographic for EHB (snakes were not welcome additions to the display). Keltie, community member, has resigned as of next meeting. Looking to replace her. (Maybe do a general call for community members for all committees). Sonia and Kathryn to circulate previous call to Executive for editing. Then it can circulate to all Board members for input. -Barbara and Stephanie had an informal discussion with EDHS' Advocacy Committee to talk about collaboration. Expressed concern about the necessity of being reactive rather than proactive. EHB reps shared ideas of how to work in a forward manner to plan responses - especially when trying to influence Council - might need to look a ways to produce a comprehensive report (with details of precedents in other locals) with solutions and innovative ideas. It might be kept to the two organizations initially, with expansion as the working relationship if 	Stephanie	5:59-6:09 (10 mins)

	worked out. Should consider what this looks like in the strategic planning session on how to move this initiative forward. This might become a standing agenda item in the future maybe tied to Exec's desire to create an advocacy agenda. Might be something (or a piece of it) an intern might work on (what kinds of outcomes would be welcome at Council level - i.e. survey of other jurisdiction's policies).		
c) Plaques and Awards Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Did a review of the texts previously sent to owners for input. Now back for second review with owners. -Fort Edmonton agreed to hosting the next year event. Last year Rob Houle - gave "keynote". Next year Ms Macklewraight (Indigenous/Metis poet) to speak. Looking to add in some learning opportunities. -Neil summarized the process for researching, writing, vetting and re-editing the texts. The final drafts will be circulated to the board members for review - no editing by committee at the meeting - please circulate feedback prior to the meeting. 	Neil	6:09-6:14 (5 mins)
6. Other Reports and Updates			
a) Heritage Planners' Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Report attached -Stovel Block approved this week at Council (total of 7 to date). 2 more to come before end of year. - Historical resources Program report went to Council Oct 15. Council agreed to most of recommendations - to come back in two years for update. -Brighton Block and Strathcona Hotel designation going forward. 	Robert	6:14-6:34 (20 mins)

	<p>-Hangar 11 report going to Council in January. Work going forward will be difficult with information coming to light about the condition of the building - may be asking for strong voice of support.</p> <p>-Hangar 14 issues also arising - might force choice. Questions more about what can be done in future with building and how to pay for it. Dec 2 report on City owned resources - will bring a summary document at a future meeting. Secondary report on the program with more details on how it would work.</p> <p>-Historic Conservation areas RFPs in final stages - consultant selected (but not signed).</p> <p>-Ortona Armoury work continues - selective demolition conversations - structural upgrades required.</p> <p>-Urban Design Awards - awards gala on Nov 15, 2019 at City Hall - tickets (\$15) available. Cool fun event. Link sent.</p>		
b) City Archivist's Report	Communities in Bloom award for Heritage Conservation information circulated	Kathryn	6:34-6:39 (5 mins)
c) Historian Laureate Report	<p>Report attached</p> <p>-Media coverage on Ortona.</p> <p>-Took part in Let's Find Out podcast.</p> <p>-Has a protege from EHC mentorship program</p> <p>- U of A student - history interpretation and art.</p> <p>-Sketching History - posters distributed for launch event Nov 20th, 5-8 PM at the POWA. Will also circulate in EPL branches and will be on-line - will be a catalogue. Question about ability to sell catalogue. Funded by grants (EHC/EHB) if we did sell it where would the \$\$ go? (secondary printings would be possible)</p>	Marlena	6:39-6:44 (5 mins)
d) Naming Committee	No report at this time	Erin	6:44-6:49 (5 mins)

e) Heritage Council	-Strategic Planning - emphasis on ECAMP (Edmonton City as Museum Project). -Slight changes in grant program as well.	Kathryn	6:49-6:54 (5 mins)
f) Fort Edmonton Park	-Nordic Spa project not going ahead. -Dark (Hallowe'en event) is going on until Nov 4th. -Fort Edmonton Foundation initiative - wills - legacy planning event. -50th anniversary celebration - book author doing a reading at Audrey's in November.	Dominic	6:54-6:59 (5 mins)
7. Issues/Project Updates			
8. Other Business			
a) Administrative support	No report at this time	Sonia	
b) Building Agenda for Next Meeting	Strategic Planning next steps	Daniel	6:59-7:04 (5 mins)
9. ADJOURNMENT	Moved: Anna at 6:57 p.m.		

➤ **Next Meeting:** Wednesday November 27, 2019 5:00 pm

HERITAGE OUTREACH COMMITTEE REPORT

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1) Architectural Heritage Website

- a) Stephanie will create project scope for Indigenous content review before reaching out to Naheyawin consulting firm

2) EHB Newsletter

- a) Sent out this morning Wednesday, Oct 23 to 341 people
- b) Next newsletter: January, 2019

3) Free Admission Day 2019 - Edmonton Valley Zoo

- a) Findings: Not many people engaged at the zoo this year
- b) Takeway: Next year, choose a site that might draw more people who are more interested in heritage

4) E-scooter to the Past event

- a) Partnership with Paths for People - sold out event
- b) Need to create process for marketing these types of partnered events

5) Community member resignation

- a) Keltie has resigned. During her time on the committee, she was the force behind the Wheritage project. This was a huge undertaking and will prove to advance the board's mission for years to come. She has recommended a couple of other community members who've expressed interest in joining HOC.

6) New Google Drive

- New folder structure created in google drive under EHB's email

- This google drive will be shared with Stephanie and other Executive members so help with organization and succession planning
- Among other things, information such as the logo and other information on FaceBook and the newsletter will be kept in this drive.

Submitted by:

Stephanie Bailey, Chair

HERITAGE PLANNERS' REPORT
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Designations slated for 2019:

Marshall Hopkins Residence (Westmount) - Designation Bylaw passed on May 14, 2019
Ellen Elliot Residence (Westmount) - Designation Bylaw passed June 18, 2019
Walton L. Smith Residence (Westmount) - Designation Bylaw passed on June 18, 2019
Douglas Manor (Garneau) - Bylaw passed on September 24, 2019
Delton Grocery (Delton) - Bylaw passed on September 24, 2019
The Richards Block (Strathcona) - Bylaw passed on October 8, 2019
Stovel Block (The Quarters) - Bylaw scheduled for October 22, 2019

Designations slated for 2020:

Kenneth Henderson Residence (Strathcona) - NOI scheduled for October 29, 2019
McLear Residence (Westmount) - NOI scheduled for November 19, 2019

Potential Designations:

Ukrainian Greek Cultural Association Hall (McCauley)	Bakos Residence (Westmount)
Matas Residence (Garneau)	Judge Downes Residence (Strathcona)
Armstrong Residence (Garneau)	Wilson Residence (Glenora)
Stone House (Whitemud Equine Centre)	Strathcona Garage (Strathcona)

Number of Demolitions to date:

Seven

In discussion:

Dr. Leslie McIntyre Residence (Westmount)	Stewart Residence (Glenora)
Wilkin Residence (Glenora)	Kennedale Building (Belvedere)
Ritchie Triplex (Ritchie)	Frost Residence (Westmount)
Henry J. Wells Residence (McCauley)	Hartley Residence (Westmount)

Emerson Residence (Inglewood)
Taylor Residence (Glenora)

Henry Weitzel Residence (Strathcona)
Beaver House (Downtown)

Updates:

1. An update on the Historic Resource Management Program was provided at the October 15th Urban Planning Committee. The update included an overview of the program, detailed current projections for the Heritage Resources Reserve, identified emerging issues and temporary mitigation measures that Administration has and will be undertaking to ensure the Reserve has sufficient capacity for the 2019 - 2022 period. Committee accepted the report for information and passed a motion directing Administration to advance a report in December 2021 exploring financial tools to support built heritage preservation.
2. A request for heritage funding for the Brighton Block and Strathcona Hotel was advanced to the October 15th Urban Planning Committee. These properties are designated Municipal Historic Resources where the owners are undertaking extensive rehabilitations and are seeking funding from the Heritage Program for this purpose. These requests were not consistent with the current terms of the City's Rehabilitation Incentive and Maintenance Incentive Programs, and exceeded the current capacity of the Heritage Resources Reserve. Committee accepted the report for information and directed Administration to advance a report in January 2020 identifying options to provide financial support to the projects.
3. The Advanced Assessment and Documentation component of the Hangar 11 work is complete, and a draft report has been provided. David is working with the City's Partnership Centre for Excellence to develop a program to determine adaptive re-use and funding partners for the City. The report back to Executive Committee has been shifted to January 2020 to allow for additional review and stakeholder discussions.
4. The report for the Implementation Program for City-Owned Historic Resources is being finalized, and is still scheduled for the December 2, 2019, Executive Committee meeting. David will be in contact with the EHB to provide a summary of the direction of the program.
5. The review of the proposals submitted for the Glenora Historic Conservation Areas project is now complete and a consultant has been selected. We are now in the final stages of approvals before we go public with the name of the successful consultant. Our objective is to have the consultant starting as quickly as possible. This initiative could result in the creation of three new DC1 zones for portions of the Glenora neighbourhood south of Stony Plain Road.

6. The consultant team has now shifted into the detailed design phase for the Ortona Armoury rehabilitation project. Delnor Construction has been hired as the Construction Manager for the construction phase. Tenants of the building completed moving out of the building in early June. More detailed building investigation, selective demolition, and hazardous material abatement is now underway.
7. The **Urban Design Awards** celebrates the best new projects in Edmonton and recognize individuals, organizations, firms and projects that have contributed to urban design and the City's quality of life. This year's competition received 58 entries, and included 8 projects related to heritage.

Adjustcation for the awards this year has been completed; come join in the fun and check out this year's submission including some great heritage projects (and see if any of them won)! Public tickets for the awards reception are available here for \$15 each:

<https://www.eventbrite.ca/o/edmonton-urban-design-awards-city-of-edmonton-26315392255>

Submitted by:

Robert Geldart, David Johnston, Scott Ashe, Vada Antonakis

HISTORIAN LAUREATE'S REPORT
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October 11: I was interviewed by Travis McEwan of CBC regarding the rehab of the Ortona Armoury Arts Building. This is a follow-up to his article of 3 years ago. It appeared both on CBC radio news and as an online article: <https://bit.ly/2OGisim>

October 17: I took part in a Chris Chang-Yen Phillips' Let's Find Out podcast episode about human history and natural history, to be broadcast within the next month or so.

Final production is in place for the *Sketching History: Rediscovering Edmonton's Architectural Heritage through Urban Sketching* exhibit. I have been reviewing the design with Sergio Serrano, the designer for the exhibit. The date for the opening reception has been set for Wednesday November 20, 2019 from 5pm to 8pm at the Prince of Wales Armouries Heritage Centre. An electronic version of the invitation will be emailed to board members, and you can re-send to anyone who you feel would be interested. Hardcopy poster and postcard versions will also be distributed for promotion.

I have been matched with my protégé for the EHC's Pilot Mentorship Program and we will be meeting for our first session soon. She is a young history enthusiast who is a History major at the U of A and has an interest in interpreting history through filmmaking.

Respectfully submitted by Marlena Wyman