

Edmonton Historical Board

DATE/TIME: Wednesday, January 24, 2018 at 5:00 p.m.

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

MINUTES

These minutes were approved on February 28, 2018 by the Edmonton Historical Board

Chair _____

Recording Secretary _____

Attending: Andreas Loutas Darlene Fisher Erin McDonald Barbara Hilden Dominic Schamuhn Daniel Rose Aimee Shaw Neil Cramer		Guest: David Johnston, Principal Heritage Planner Robert Geldart, Senior Heritage Planner Deeksha Choudhry, Graduate Heritage Planner Councilor Scott McKeen, Council Advisor		Regrets Stephanie Coombs Rebecca Goodenough	
Archives Staff: Sonia Caligiuri, EHB Support Kathryn Ivany, City Archivist					
Agenda Item				Person(s) Responsible	Date Due
WELCOME & CHAIR'S REMARKS		Meeting called to order at 5:05 p.m. Welcome everyone and Happy 2018!		Barbara	
1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA		Moved: Dominic Approved (unanimously)		Barbara	
2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ November 22, 2017 minutes 		Moved: Neil A couple of typos to be fixed Approved (unanimously)		Barbara	
3. Items for Discussion/Decision					

<p>a) Motion: approval of 2018 meeting dates and times</p>	<p>-Dates have been circulated; no changes. -EHB meets the 4th Wednesday of the month, HOC the 2nd Wednesday, HRRP the second Tuesday. Executive meets as required Motion: That the EHB approved the proposed meeting dates Moved: Dan Approved (unanimously)</p>	<p>Barbara</p>	
<p>b) Follow-up- Hangar 11 Heritage Assessment report</p>	<p>Information received and circulated -Letter submitted to Peter Ohm requesting the Building Condition Report -Letter and Report received last week. -NAIT does not want the building. A land transfer is possible at City's discretion. Input from EHB on Condition Assessment report would be appreciated. -Has largely been an Administration level conversation upto this point. -Discussion about steps EHB could take. Two possibilities: 1) Letter to our Council Advisor (Councillor McKeen), copying all of Council, outlining what information has been received and providing input and asking to be a part of future conversations 2) Providing/researching actual options for adaptive re-use of Hangar -This could be something looked at by HRRP -EHB can notify other interested groups to let them know what EHB has done and encouraging them to reach out to Council/Administration as well Motion: That the EHB proceeds with the two options outlined above, to write a letter to Councillor McKeen and researching other options Moved: Erin</p>	<p>Barbara</p>	

	Approved (unanimously)		
c) Discussion: RAM bldg in Glenora	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Small research project has been commissioned by Heritage Planners from a U of A Planning student to show the community importance of the old RAM Building. -Planners will provide a copy of report to the EHB when it is completed. -HOC to share link on Facebook when available -EHB to possibly hold an event to discuss this building, inviting MLA and Councillor for the area -Touch base with Old Glenora Historical Society, EDHS, EHC to try to arrange for an event. -Further information to follow. 	Barbara	
d) Discussion: Relationship with Council Advisor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -C. McKeen's comments: will probably not be at every mtg.; flexible to meet informally as well with Chair. -Finds Councillor Liaison role a good way to raise awareness with at least one Councillor. -Wants to raise awareness of the importance of built heritage. -To be a resource for the Board. -EHB: Board is delighted to have a resource on Council -Board wants to be able to advise and respond rather than reacting as issues come up. 	Councillor McKeen	
d) Information: Art of Living next phase	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Letter was sent to Edmonton Arts Council (EAC) regarding the revisions and updates to the Art of Living Plan. -EAC has invited a member of the EHB to participate on the Advisory Committee. First meeting will be held on January 25, and Barbara will be in attendance. <p>Motion: That Barbara be the EHB's representative at the Advisory Committee, and Erin to be the alternate</p> <p>Moved: Dominic</p>	Barbara	

	Approved (unanimously)		
e) Follow-up: Board Training session January 13, 2018	-Information circulated -Highlighted the changes with regards to reporting and presenting to Council -2 new Bylaws	Barbara	
f) Discussion: 2017 EHB Annual Report information	2017-2018 workplans: attached Yearly Timeline provides the majority of the EHB's actions and how these are broken down to the Committees. -Barbara will organize this timeline for a more formal document -Please review and make any suggestions for approval at February's meeting 2017-2018 Budget: Needs to be approved by EHB at February's meeting as well -Discussion on the possibility of increasing the Historian Laureate's honorarium Motion; To approve the adjustment and increase to the Historian Laureate's honorarium to \$7500. Moved: Erin Approved (unanimously) -Conversation will be had with EHC's Board on how program can be further supported	Barbara	
g) Follow-up: Naming Edmonton	-Naming Committee has actively been inviting Indigenous communities to be involved at discussions for future naming. -Letter has been drafted by Naming Committee and will be sent first to the Confederacy of Treaty 6 First Nations and Metis Nation of Alberta, as per the City's memorandum.	Barbara	
4. Board Committee Reports			
a) Historical Resources Review Panel	-Information on batch 1 and 2 of the Westmount Inventory was reviewed. Motion: That the Edmonton Historical Board recommend the addition of the following	Andreas	

	<p>buildings to the Inventory of Historic Resources in Edmonton Stingley Residence, Doth Residence, Waithe Residence, Salahub Residence, Newman Residence, Town of Jasper Place Fire Hall, Butler Memorial Park, Cameron Residence Moved: Andreas Approved (unanimously)</p> <p>Motion: That the Edmonton Historical Board recommend the addition of the following buildings to the Inventory of Historic Resources in Edmonton Lesick Residence, Steele Residence, Ebenezer United Church, Lumpe Residence, David Residence, Giesbrecht Residence, Gray Residence, Smolec Residence, Thompson Residence, The Pantry Moved: Andreas Approved (unanimously)</p> <p>Motion: That the Edmonton Historical Board recommend the addition of the McLear Residence, located at 10840-126 Street to the Inventory of Historic Resources in Edmonton Moved: Andreas Approved (unanimously)</p>		
b) Heritage Outreach Committee	Report attached -HOC is looking to spend on Facebook advertising (\$30/month).HOC given the go-ahead as amount is within the amount budgeted for advertising.	Dominic	
c) Plaques and Awards Committee	-Event is next week -Please be here for 6:30.	Neil	
5. Other Reports and Updates			

a) Heritage Planners' Report	Report attached	Robert	
b) City Archivist's Report	Report attached	Kathryn	
c) Historian Laureate Report	No report at this time	Chris	
d) Naming Committee	-2 meetings since November's EHB. -Good conversation regarding the Griesbach Neighbourhood, naming a park and a pond: Griesbach Central Park and Maple Leaf Lake -Relationship with Indigenous groups as mentioned above -West LRT line naming continues	Erin	
e) EDHS Update	Report attached	Aimee	
f) NAPDA Update	None at this time		
g) Heritage Council	-Working on strategic plan. -Project Accelerator Grant nominations open	Kathryn	
h) Fort Edmonton Park	Report attached	Darlene	
6. Issues/Project Updates			
-Changes requested to EHB's Bylaw were approved;to change appointed members from NAPDA and EDHS to Council appointed members -Reminder to Chairs to submit their reports for Annual Report by Friday			
7. Other Business			
a) Administrative support	No report at this time	Sonia	
b) Building Agenda for Next Meeting			
8. ADJOURNMENT	Moved by Aimee 7:37 p.m.		

➤ **Next Meeting:** Wednesday February 28, 2018 5:00 pm

HERITAGE OUTREACH COMMITTEE REPORT

Report to Edmonton Historical Board

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The Heritage Outreach Committee met with Robert Geldart to receive an update on the development of a heritage walking tour mobile app, and to discuss the role heritage planners can play in developing content for the new electronic newsletter. Robert has offered to complete a mailing to homeowners that previously received the printed newsletter – this mailing will include the Board's new brochure along with an invitation to sign up for the electronic newsletter. Robert also committed that as new buildings are added to the inventory, the initial contact letter will include information on signing up for the electronic newsletter.

As part of the Board's increasing presence on social media, we are recommending that the Board undertake Facebook advertising to enhance our reach. While the Facebook page has seen ample growth through regular posts and organic sharing, a financial investment will be required to develop a larger audience. This advertising will be targeted at audiences that are likely to be interested in the work of the Board.

Stephanie is leading the development of content for the Board's new brochure. As previously approved by the Board, Curio has been retained to work on the project with a projected completion in March of 2018.

As approved by the Board in November of 2017, Devenio is undertaking an update to the Edmonton's Architectural Heritage website. This work is ongoing with an anticipated completion in the first quarter of 2018. When complete, these updates will allow the new profiles to be activated on the website.

The work on consideration of a partnership with Fort Edmonton Park continues, and Tom Long from Fort Edmonton Park is now working with potential vendors to identify the scope of the project and associated costs. Tom will be attending the February Heritage Outreach Committee meeting to discuss the scope of the project with the committee.

Respectfully submitted by: Dominic Schamuhn, HOC Chair

HERITAGE PLANNERS' REPORT

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For 2018 thus far, one Designation Bylaw approved and two Notices of Intention to Designate scheduled for City Council for approval.

Approved Designation Bylaws in 2018:

St. Joachim Church (Oliver) approved on January 23, 2018

Upcoming Designation Bylaws in 2018

Burns Residence (McCauley) scheduled for March 20, 2018

Upcoming Notices of Intention to Designate in 2018

Blue Cross Animal Hospital (McCauley)

West End Telephone Exchange (Oliver)

Potential:

The Richards Block (Strathcona)

Ukrainian Greek Cultural Association Hall (McCauley)

In discussion:

Mayor J.J. McKenzie Residence (Strathcona)

Snook Residence (Allendale)

Dr. Leslie McIntyre Residence (Westmount)

Keillor Cabin/Stone House (Whitemud Equine Centre)

Judge Downs Residence (Strathcona)

Empire Building (Downtown)

McClory Residence (Glenora)

Stewart Residence (Glenora)

Ostolovsky Residence (Glenora)

Wilkin Residence (Glenora)

Wilson Residence (Glenora)

Bellevue Community League Hall (Bellevue)

Kennedale Building (Belvedere)
Ernest Manning Residence (Rural Northeast South Sturgeon)
McLear Residence (Westmount)
Elliot Residence (Westmount)
James Griffith Residence (Westmount)
Kensington Court (Calder)
Joe's Grocery (Fort Road)
The Stone Residence (Inglewood)
The Denomme Residence (Calder)

Demolitions in 2018:

None to date

Updates:

The 2018 This Old Edmonton House seminar series program has been set, and registration is now available on the City's eReg website (www.edmonton.ca/ereg). There is a slate of 12 courses this year, with two new ones - a Historic Interiors Tour at Rutherford House, led by Johanne Yakula, and a Masonry/Stucco course being taught by Chris Ambrozic of Scorpio Masonry. The first course, Windows and Doors I, is set for February 26, 2018, and the program runs until mid May. Share this information with others who may be interested in these courses.

The Westmount Architectural Heritage Area (WAHA) Rezoning project is underway. A consultant, Dnyanesh Deshpande, has been engaged to provide graphic support for the duration of the project. A meeting with the WAHA Committee has been set for February 5, 2018 to discuss any project updates and the upcoming project launch and Open House, which has been scheduled for March 13, 2018.

The Westmount Community League also has a committee tasked with setting up their own Westmount plaque program similar to Highlands. The Heritage Management Unit is providing financial support from the Heritage Reserve Fund's "Promotions" category. Westmount hopes to have their plaques ready for installation by summer 2018.

There has been recent interest in the Lighting Heritage Buildings Pilot program. David is expecting an application for the Empire Building on Jasper Avenue before the end of January. He has also met recently with the operators of the Varscona Theatre to discuss the potential application. An application for the Rosedale Power Plant is also being prepared with EPCOR. To date, only one grant has been approved - \$50,000 for lighting of the Imperial Bank of Canada building (World Trade Centre) on Jasper Avenue.

The report on the City-Owned Historic Resource Management Strategy was passed without discussion by Urban Planning Committee on November 29. The report recommended an approach to ensure the development of a comprehensive strategy for the proper preservation of the City's existing historic resources, in tandem with a broader strategy around all City-owned assets. The next steps will involve outreach to stakeholder groups, including the EHB and EHC to get perspective on how the City should manage its resources.

Interior demolition at the Queen Elizabeth II Planetarium is largely complete, and the City will be issuing the tender for the rehabilitation work very soon. The project is targeted for completion in 2019.

The City has received the letter from the EHB requesting an opportunity to review the Building Condition Assessment report for Hangar 11. A response from the City Planning Branch is pending, further to discussions with Integrated Infrastructure Services, Real Estate Services and City Planning. David is in discussions with various parties to encourage retention and adaptive re-use of the structure.

Oliver 112 Street houses: The City has had building condition assessments completed recently on the three properties, and have engaged Dub Architects to develop options to rehabilitate and re-purpose the buildings. At this point, there is not a specific re-use program that has been identified. David is working with the team for the assessments and reviewing the possibility of rezoning the site to allow for additions to be made at the rear of the buildings to provide additional redevelopment opportunity. Dub Architects have indicated that the rehabilitation costs vastly exceed the City's available budget. The team is working on options on how to best address the circumstances with the funding currently available, which will largely be limited to very basic stabilization only.

On July 11, City Council approved the River Crossing Heritage Interpretive Plan (HIP). The HIP will now move into work planning for short-term implementation, which will consist of low-cost tactical interpretation and events that leverage partnerships and existing programs to celebrate the four interpretive themes in the HIP. David will continue to be involved on the project team for the River Crossing Business Plan (development concept phase). The City has hired Stantec as consultant for the redevelopment concept design. A drop-in workshop for the Business Plan was held on November 29 at the Old Timer's Cabin on Scona Road. David and Deeksha are working with the team to explore opportunities for the remaining houses in the area.

David continues to work with Real Estate and Housing on the planned rehabilitation of the Edmonton Iron Works. The City retained Darrel Babuk to review the Building Condition Assessment, as well to prepare a full Statement of Significance and

Integrity for the building, and basic summaries for the other structures on the site. Discussions are ongoing with Alberta Culture and Tourism to determine what specific portions of the building need to be preserved, and what can be removed.

The Jasper Place Historic Resources Inventory is well underway, with Donald Luxton & Associates as the consultant team. The evaluations of the selected buildings with the HRRP began on December 12, 2017. The project is scheduled for completion in March 2018.

At the August 23, 2017, Urban Planning Committee (UPC), Councillor Catarina initiated an inquiry in relation to a recent subdivision proposal in the Viewpoint DC1 and more broadly how future DC1 zones might approach the conservation of low density character relative in comparison to the Viewpoint DC1. Administration will return to UPC with a report responding to the inquiry on January 31, 2018.

As we continue our work exploring the possibility of creating an app for our four walking tour booklets (Downtown, Strathcona, Oliver, and Highlands), we now have survey results from Insight Community. We received a total of 1,650 responses from the Insight Community members. Overall, there was strong support for a historical walking tour mobile app with approximately 850 respondents saying they would use the app. The respondents thought that this would be a very good way to introduce Edmonton's history to visitors, and for residents to re-discover their own city in a different light. We also asked them to pick top three features they would want the app to have. Historic photos, audible tours and an interactive platform were the three most popular choices. Other potential features requested by respondents included customizable tour routes, push notifications for historic landmarks and compatibility with smartphones and tablets. We met with Tourism representatives with Alberta Culture and Tourism. They are in support of our project and stated they have funding opportunities. We are now partnering with Edmonton Heritage Council on the project, as they qualify for potential funding from Alberta Culture and Tourism. Municipalities do not qualify for this funding. Will likely focus on a pilot app starting with Strathcona.

Respectfully submitted by: Robert Geldart, David Johnston, Scott Ashe and Deeksha Choudhry

CITY ARCHIVIST'S REPORT
Report to Edmonton Historical Board
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Happy New Year!

Lots of exciting things are happening at the Archives - including recruitment of the next Historian Laureate. Sonia has been busy arranging interview and circulating resumes and expressions of interest.

The Edmonton Heritage Council has been doing some strategic planning around their role and director for the next cultural plan for the City and the EHB will have a role as well. The Archives staff and Sonia would be more than happy to set up a session for you to look at what expectations and hopes that the Board has for the next ten/twenty years.

The Archives continues to seek a technological solution for its on-line catalogue as our old system is coming to "end of life". There are some interesting possibilities we are pursuing which might also assist with some digital preservation processes as well. In the meantime we are reviewing how we describe collections according to archival best practice so we will be ready for a new system when it comes.

Along with that change we now have some timelines for the building construction project this summer which will include a new electrical panel, new boilers, several new and relocated heat pumps (which control the cooling in the archives' vaults as well), and a roof replacement (with insulation). Some of this may result in suspensions of service (while the vaults are affected) for about three to six weeks. We will keep you informed.

Governance work continues - with the Historical Resources Review Panel giving us our first test case for the guideline and procedure on Access to Restricted Materials. During the research for the Jasper Place inventory we discovered that a significant portion of the Town of Jasper Place records were unprocessed - and therefore restricted to the general researcher. We have been working on this guideline and the Donald Luxton group was able to make an application to see some of this material based on the guideline. A limited amount of material directly related to the town's property records will be available for Sam to study.

Paula has been assisting with photograph reproductions for the plaques and certificates for the February event - however, since Tj's retirement we don't have the same support for the framing. Sonia has taken that over.

Upcoming events to put on your calendar are:

January 31 - Historian Laureate V - interviews late March announcement early April
protocol event at City Hall

Feb 1 - Plaques and Awards events here at the POWA.

Respectfully submitted by: Kathryn Ivany, City Archivist

EDMONTON DISTRICT HISTORICAL SOCIETY REPORT

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Website Redesign proposals

There was a discussion of the 5 proposals for the redesign project, which resulted in giving serious consideration to two of them. A decision will be made this week about which company the EDHS will proceed with and a subcommittee will be working directly with them and new material will be written.

Highlands Historical Foundation

The Highlands Historical Foundation is about to publish some of the diaries of James Bond Steele. All 15 diaries have already been transcribed. The Foundation is asking for a letter of support from EDHS for their AHRF grant request. Members agreed to provide the letter of support.

Speakers Series

The presentation in December was well received. The January topic is “Canada’s First Mosque – the Al Rashid”. Following discussion about how to increase the number of attendees at these events, it was agreed that a notice will be sent to other heritage groups prior to each speaker night.

Special Events

The topic of future bus tours along with some suggested tours was raised. Board members were encouraged to bring tour ideas forward.

Respectfully submitted by: Aimee Shaw, EDHS Representative

FORT EDMONTON PARK MANAGEMENT CO. REPORT

Report to Edmonton Historical Board

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- Strategic Planning meeting held December 7 with Darren Dalgleish, Fort Edmonton's new CEO
- City Council approved an increase in admission fees and charges, however, between feedback from the 2017 season and the state of the current economy, it was decided not to increase admission fees for 2018.
- The current Heritage Railway Train barn and the electrical and mechanical systems are not up to code or current OH&S standards. The building, as well as 2 maintenance pits have been condemned. No access to the building is allowed, which includes its contents – this includes the steam and diesel locomotives, train cars, and office equipment. Proper supports will be installed to secure the building until the locomotives can safely be removed. A project manager has been assigned to this task. A second team is working on plans for a needs assessment for a replacement barn or mixed operations workshop. Without access to the barn, maintenance on the trains can't go forward. Therefore, there will not be any train operations for the 2018/2019 season.

Respectfully submitted by: Darlene Fisher, EHB Representative to FEMCO