

Edmonton Historical Board

DATE/TIME: Wednesday, May 25, 2016

LOCATION: Prince of Wales Armouries Heritage Centre, Jefferson Room

MINUTES

These minutes were approved on June 22, 2016 by the Edmonton Historical Board

Chair

Recording Secretary

Attending:

Dominic Schamuhn Dan Rose
Andreas Loutas Michael Boire
Leslie Chevalier Darlene Fisher
Neil Cramer Erin McDonald

Archives Staff:

Kathryn Ivany, City Archivist
Sonia Caligiuri, EHB Support

Guests:

Robert Geldart, Senior Heritage Planner
David Johnston, Principal Heritage Planner

Regrets:

Barbara Hilden
Earl Anderson

Agenda Item

Action

Person(s) Responsible

Date Due

1. Welcome and Chair's Remarks

Welcome to everyone. Meeting called to order at 5:03 p.m.

• Erin

2. Approval of Agenda

Moved: Leslie
Second: Michael
Addition of motion to Ad-hoc committee item under Items for Discussion.
Approved

• Erin

3. Approval of Minutes	Moved: Michael Second: Daniel -Correction: to Erin's name in El Mirador (Section 4, item d) Approved	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Erin 	
4. Items for Discussion			
a) Introduction: New Board members	-Introductions were made and a warm welcome to everyone	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Erin 	
b) Motion: Committee appointments of EHB Members	-At last EHB meeting, continuing members were appointed and approved to sit on the EHB committees, and the Executive. -New members need to be appointed to committee(s) -Motion: that the new members be appointed to the committees as: HRRP: Andreas and Neil; HOC: Dominic Moved: Leslie Second: Dan Approved (unanimously)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Erin 	
c) Motion: Community Members re-appointments	-Various community members currently sit on the EHB's committees -All members have been contacted and have expressed their interest to sit once again for this term. -Current policy created by the EHB has not been followed thus far. -At Executive Committee, a motion was moved that the EHB's policy be enforced. Each member will be contacted by letter letting them know of the process and that they may or may not be re-appointed, depending on length on Committees. Motion: That the EHB approve the re-appointment of the following community members for a one year term to the HRRP: Kathryn Merrett (Historian), Lee Smith (Member at Large), Johanne Yakula (Member at Large), Ken Tingley	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Erin 	

	<p>(Historian), Joe Friedel (Member at Large), Dorothy Field (Provincial Counterpart), Ian Morgan (Architect) and David Murray (Architect) Moved: Dan Second: Darlene Approved (unanimously)</p> <p>Motion: That the EHB appoint Ana Laura Pauchulo for a one year term to P&A Moved: Michael Second: Leslie Approved (unanimously)</p> <p>Motion: That the EHB re-appoint Linda Rae Carson to the a one year-term to HOC Moved: Leslie Second: Dan Approved (unanimously)</p>		
<p>d) Information: HRRP new member training</p>	<p>-As outgoing HRRP Chair, Barbara has suggested that a training guide be developed and provided to all HRRP members as well as to EHB members. -This will be done over the course of the year. This will then be brought to the EHB for a mini-training to introduce members to the role and duties of the Panel.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Erin 	
<p>e) Ad-hoc Committee: RFP Update and motion</p>	<p>-Ad-hoc committee was created to address questions from Council on the value of Heritage. Unfortunately, numbers based on Edmonton's information don't currently exist. -A motion was approved for the EHB to hire a consultant to research and create a report to address this issue. -Any EHB member wishing to, may join the Ad-hoc committee -The RFP section of the City has allowed the EHB to sole-source the hiring of the consultant up to a budget of \$10,</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Leslie, Michael, and Kathryn 	

	<p>000. Steps involved: EHB will approach individual(s), get a cost, and bring back to the City's system.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Once hired, the Ad-hoc Committee will meet with consultant monthly until report is completed. -Motion is not required as the budget is still within the amount already approved by the EHB. 								
<p>f) Update: Letter to Council on El Mirador Apartments</p>	<p>At last EHB meeting, EHB gave Erin and Kathryn direction to write a letter to Council.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Due to other issues, Erin did not have an opportunity to meet with Kathryn to draft this letter. -The individual who originally contacted the EHB has been contacted and provided with a letter response -Erin and Kathryn will touch base this month to follow-up with this item. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Erin 							
<p>g) Information: Mature Neighbourhood Overlay Public Engagement Opportunities</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Will be held this Saturday. If anyone is interested, please look at the City's website and see if space is still available. -Erin will be attending and will be able to report back at next month's meeting. -Also, information was circulated earlier today in regards to the City of Edmonton's survey on Discussing Guide for input on the Breathe: Edmonton's Green Network Strategy 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Erin 							
<p>5. Board Committee Reports</p>									
<p>a) Historical Resources Review Panel</p>	<p>-Presentation on the buildings from both HRRP meetings in May were reviewed by the EHB.</p> <p>Motion: That the Edmonton Historical Board approve the addition of the following 16 buildings to the Inventory of Historic Resources in Edmonton</p> <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%;">Pechet Residence</td> <td>13603-106 Avenue</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Iles Residence</td> <td>10515-133 Street</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Smith Residence</td> <td>10533-134 Street</td> </tr> </table>	Pechet Residence	13603-106 Avenue	Iles Residence	10515-133 Street	Smith Residence	10533-134 Street	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dan 	
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Williamson Residence	10216 Connaught Drive
Dunn Residence	10348 Connaught Drive
McClory Residence	10406 Connaught Drive
DeWynter Residence	10446 Connaught Drive
Vogel Residence	10433-134 Street
Greshuk Residence	10430 Connaught Drive
Gilbert Residence	12720-102 Avenue
Miller Residence	12730-102 Avenue
Walsh Residence	13020-102 Avenue
Anderson Residence	13219-102 Avenue
Curlett Residence	13308-102 Avenue
Butler Residence	13404-102 Avenue
Stewart Residence	10326-132 Avenue

Moved: Dan

Second: Erin

Approved (unanimously)

-While reviewing the buildings not recommended by the HRRP, the Northwest Utilities Demonstration House was flagged.

-The Heritage Planners provided further information on the Historic Significance of this building.

-In particular, this building is significant due to

-association with William Blakey

-This building was built specifically as a demonstration house to display and promote the arrival of natural gas service in Edmonton in the 1930s; one of the first fully gas-equipment houses in Edmonton.

-No other buildings built specifically for demonstration of Natural Gas in Edmonton

Motion: That the Northwest Utilities Demonstration House at 13224-102 Avenue be added to the Inventory of Historic Resources in Edmonton.

	<p>Moved: Darlene Second: Neil Approved (unanimously)</p> <p>The Edmonton Historical Board feels that the significance is high and should be added to the Inventory regardless of the changes that have occurred to the building over the years.</p>		
b) Heritage Outreach Committee	No report at this time	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Leslie 	
c) Plaques and Awards Committee	-Committee is in the process of writing the texts for all of the plaques and awards.		
6. Other Reports and Updates			
a)Heritage Planners' Report	-Report attached	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Robert 	
b) City Archivist's Report	-Chris Bruun exhibit is now online "Photographer's Eye" -50, 000 negatives to be brought into the Archives tomorrow	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Kathryn 	
c) Historian Laureate Report	<p>-Report attached -Chris is requesting funding to commission music for his podcasts project. Motion: That the EHB approve the distribution of up to \$2000.00 for music for his podcast project. Moved: Leslie Second: Dan Defeated (2 in favour, 6 opposed)</p> <p>-The Edmonton Historical Board asks that a more detailed budget including the different aspects for the project and associated costs be provided.. -The EHB is in support of the project would like more information to fulfill their fiduciary duties.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Chris 	

d) Naming Committee Report	No report at this time	•	
e) EDHS Update	No report at this time -EDHS has submitted their representative to City Council for Approval.	• Kathryn	
f) NAPDA Update	No report at this time	• Earl	
g) Heritage Council	No report at this time	•	
h) Fort Edmonton Park	No report at this time	• Darlene	
7. Issues/Project Updates			
8. Other Business			
a) Training Opportunities	-Training information: Vibrant Community Speaker Series: Reconciliation. Monday June 6, 2016 at the Yellowhead Brewery	• Erin	
b) Administrative support	-As of June 1, the City will no longer be using Microsoft Office Suite, will instead be using Google Docs. Please let me know if you are unable to access/open the information I send out.	• Sonia	
c) Building Agenda for Next meeting	-Naming Committee Appointment -Glenora -EDHS rep	• Erin	
9. Adjournment	Moved by Michael at 7:23 p.m.		

❖ Next Meeting: Wednesday June 22, 2016 5:00 p.m.

HERITAGE PLANNERS' REPORT
Report to the Edmonton Historical Board
May 25, 2016

Glenora Neighbourhood Historic Resources Inventory Phase II: Third and Fourth batches of historic resources were presented to the Panel on May 10 and May 24. Next presentation will be in June. Presentations will resume in August after the Panel takes a summer break in July.

Bylaw to Designate the Phyllis Grocery (Church Street) was passed by City Council on May 3rd.

Notice of Intention to Designate the Duncan Cameron Residence was passed by City Council on May 24th. Designation Bylaw will be prepared for City Council's approval on August 23, 2016.

Notice of Intention to Designate the Emery Residence in Garneau is scheduled for Executive Committee on July 5th, and then to City Council on July 12th.

McDougall Church Restoration Committee is working closely with Group 2 Architecture and their contractor is Ledcor. Work is expected to begin in mid to late June.

The Heritage Unit continues their dialogue with representatives to designate St. Joseph's Basilica, St. Joachim's Church, First Baptist Church, the Barto Residence (Alberta Avenue), the Shop Easy (Calder), the Calder Cenotaph and the Hunt Residence (Westmount).

Design work continues on the restoration of the Queen Elizabeth Planetarium. David Murray Architect has also been retained as the heritage consulting architect on the project. The City is also in the process of including the mosaics of the zodiac that are on the walkways as part of the restoration work. As part of the restoration and rehabilitation work the Planetarium will house a universal washroom to serve the park.

The review of the Historic Resource Management Plan (HRMP): we will soon be preparing a Terms of Reference for the project and then we need to find funding for the project. The scope of the exercise will be largely focussed on updating the existing Plan with a lens towards built heritage.

The Heritage Interpretive Plan for Rosedale is progressing. A consultant has been selected to undertake the project, and negotiations on the contract are underway. They will soon be contacting the Edmonton Historical Board and the other heritage stakeholders for input during the public consultation process.

The Neon Sign Museum held a very successful event on May 17 to welcome 10 new signs to the collection, including 2 one-sided signs on the Mercer Building. We had nearly 200 people in attendance, and a lot of social media and traditional media traffic. We have entered into a partnership with the owners of the Mercer Building as a formal expansion of the Museum.

On May 24th, (yesterday) City Council approved a Notice of Intention to Designate the Edmonton Iron Works Building located at 10415-96 Street. This Notice was prepared on a very short timeline, as the owners have filed an application to demolish all the buildings on the site. This is the first time in my 15 plus years with the City that a Notice of Intention was approved against the owner's wishes. This Notice initiates a 60 day in which we can negotiate a compensation package. A Designation Bylaw must be approved by City Council before 120 days expires after a Notice of Intention has been issued. There is no guarantee that this process will ensure the preservation of the Edmonton Iron Works Building.

The Whyte Avenue Corridor Study is currently underway. The timeline for completion has been extended to likely the second quarter of 2017. Engagement with the community and interested stakeholders is scheduled to begin sometime in June 2016.

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

Historian Laureate REPORT
Report to the Edmonton Historical Board
May 25, 2016

My apologies for not being able to attend this month's meeting in person. This month, I was able to contribute to some community events, spend some time listening to Edmontonians' stories, and work on another big chunk of the podcast.

1. On May 1, I was honoured to attend the launch of a book called *From Generation to Generation: Jewish Edmontonians as Heritage Builders* at Audrey's Books.
2. On May 7, I helped warm up the crowd and act as a volunteer judge at the Edmonton Regional Heritage Fair. I also attended the Ben Calf Robe school pow wow (kudos to Miranda Jimmy for inviting me and recommending I bring a folding chair).
3. On May 3, I was invited to meet some of the Fort Edmonton Park staff working on a queer history project, to look for ways to collaborate. I was able to feature Stuart McDougall, the intern doing the public outreach side of the project, on the May 18 episode of my CJSR arts and culture show *All That Matters*.
4. On May 12, I was invited by a mutual friend to meet an Edmontonian named Carmen-Lida Ordoñez. She has a remarkable life story of marrying young, immigrating to Canada from Ecuador, coming out as lesbian and rebuilding her life, helping form a union in small town Alberta, losing her father, and discovering painting. I was privileged enough to see her works in her home. I'm not sure how to share her story yet, but I'm letting it sit with me.
5. On June 12, I will be helping facilitate the Edmonton Chinatown Conference at the University of Alberta.
6. On June 16, I will be helping facilitate a session on gendered place names at the EPL as part of the Hacking Edmonton project.
7. This is the big one. My history podcast has picked up a name: *Let's Find Out*. I've refined the concept too, to play up my strengths as a weaver of people, and someone who can spread enthusiasm about discovering historical stories. It's a simple premise, but I think it offers a unique niche that won't step on the EHC podcast's toes.

Each month, I'll pick a question from an Edmontonian about our city's history, and we'll find out the answer together. In this way, I'll be able to not only highlight Edmonton's heritage, but also model an open and excited attitude to learning about history, and demonstrate what tools are available for listeners to find answers to their own questions.

I've commissioned original music from Edmonton musician Doug Hoyer (lately found in Georgia sadly, but within reach of an internet connection). This music will be used for theme music and background music throughout the length of the podcast's run, so I've commissioned a theme song and seven background tracks to suit different moods I plan on exploring.

I would like to request funding for this project from the Board. I've attached my notes to Doug about the particulars of the music, and the invoice he's provided for the writing, performing, and rights to use the music through the podcast's run. The cost for these eight tracks will be \$2000. This will be by far the largest up-front expense associated with the podcast. Additional costs will include a place online to host files, a website, and some graphic design work, but since creating this music is so time-intensive, I have started that ball rolling first.

Please let me know if you have any additional questions associated with this podcast or these costs! If the Board approves this expense, Doug has requested payment by e-transfer. Whether the Board prefers to pay Doug directly or send the funds through me, let me know and I can make it happen.

Errata:

- From June 5 - 11, I will be in Ottawa attending the National Community Radio Conference.
- I just listened to the soundtrack from the new musical *Hamilton*. If you haven't heard it, it's outstanding and moving and thought-provoking, it's available from the EPL through their digital service Hoopla. Edmonton needs a musical this good about its origins!

Thanks very much,

Chris Chang-Yen Phillips