

Edmonton Historical Board

DATE/TIME: Wednesday, June 22, 2016 at 5:00 p.m.

LOCATION: Prince of Wales Armouries Heritage Center, Jefferson Room

MINUTES

These minutes were approved on August 24, 2016 by the Edmonton Historical Board

Chair

Recording Secretary

Attending:

Neil Cramer Barbara Hilden
Dominic Schamuhn Andreas Loutas
Leslie Chevalier Aimee Shaw
Earl Anderson Erin McDonald
Daniel Rose

Archives Staff:

Kathryn Ivany, City Archivist
Sonia Caligiuri, EHB Support

Guests

Chris Chang-Yen Phillips
Robert Geldart, Senior Heritage Planner
David Johnston, Principal Heritage Planner
Brooke Hoeven, Graduate Heritage Planner

Regrets:

Darlene Fisher
Michael Boire

Agenda Item	Action	Person(s) Responsible	Date Due
WELCOME & CHAIR'S REMARKS	5:02 p.m. Welcome to everyone especially Aimee and Brooke. Aimee is the EDHS' representative to the EHB and was just approved by Council. Introductions. Aimee has asked to abstain from voting today	Erin	
1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA	Moved: Barbara Second: Neil Addition to agenda: 3F- Rossdale redevelopment update 3G- Briefing notes for Council re: EHB/EHC 3H- Naming Committee rep Approved	Erin	
2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES ▪ May 25, 2016	Moved: Dominic Second: Earl Approved	Erin	

3. Items for Discussion/Decision			
a) Information: Letter to Council regarding Blatchford Field redevelopment, Hangar 8	-Erin was made aware of the redevelopment update regarding the demolition of Hangar 8, which is on the Inventory. -Erin submitted a letter to Council highlighting two items from the approved Site Redevelopment ARP. -This was not in response to any Council item. -Demolition permit was issued on June 16. -At the very least, the EHB was able to provide input into this issue.	Erin	
b) Information: Update on EHB budget	-Current budget has been reviewed, and EHB currently has a surplus. -There are funds allocated for the Historian Laureate program.	Erin	
c) Follow-up: Mature Neighbourhood Overlay Public Engagement Opportunity	-Held on May 28th. -Earl was able to attend, provided a brief overview of the session. Topics covered were diverse and many.	Earl	
d) Follow-up: Ironworks Building	-Came up mid month. Erin was contacted by a reporter to be interviewed. -Building is located on 96 St, and part of the ARP for the Quarters. -Strong historical integrity, and is on the Inventory. -Current owners want to sell the building, currently vacant. -City is pursuing designation against the owner's consent; if successful, City will need to compensate.	Erin	
e) Information: Knox Church Invitation to Neighbourhood Family Fun & Historical Tour	The Knox Church has extended an invitation to the EHB. It has been circulated. If you are able, please contact the organizer directly	Erin	
f) Information: Rossdale redevelopment Update	-Team overseeing this project provided Erin a status update. -Have an agreement with a consultant for a heritage interpretation plan, and want the EHB involved. -Team is interested in speaking to the EHB. -More information to come	Erin	
g) Information: Briefing notes to Council on EHB and EHC roles	-At a recent CSC, Councillor Esslinger asked what the difference is btw the EHB and the EHC. Information provided at the meeting was simplistic. -Good opportunity for EHB to provide information to Council to address this.	Erin	
h) Approval: EHB representative to Naming Committee	-Committee of the City that provides Council with recommendations for the naming of roads, parks, etc.	Erin	

	<p>-Meetings are held on the fourth Tuesday of the month at 4:15 p.m.; 2nd floor boardroom of the HSBC building.</p> <p>-Aimee and Erin will discuss to see who will be the representative.</p>		
4. Board Committee Reports			
a) Historical Resources Review Panel	<p>Panel met on June 14 and reviewed 13 buildings. 12 were approved and 1 not.</p> <p>Motion: That the following 12 buildings be added to the Inventory of Historic Resources in Edmonton.</p> <p>Crescent Place 13910 Stony Plain Road Talmud Torah 13212-106 Avenue Mayhew Residence 10240-136 Street Singer Residence 10218-137 Street Bouchier Residence 10209-138 Street Fleming Residence 14004-100 Avenue Jenner Residence 13719-101 A Avenue Spencer Residence 10107-138 Street Shaw Residence 10108-138 Street Hayward Residence 13516 Ravine Drive Kline Residence 13612 Ravine Drive Dower Residence 99 St. George's Crescent</p> <p>Moved: Daniel Second: Barbara Approved (For: 8; Abstain: Aimee)</p> <p>Motion: That the House of Tomorrow, at 1 St. George's Crescent, be added to the Inventory of Historic Resources in Edmonton.</p> <p>Moved: Dominic Second: Neil</p> <p>-EHB reviewed the building and supporting information. Members felt that the Integrity of the building has been altered significantly.</p> <p>Defeated: (For: 3 (Dominic, Earl, Dan); Opposed: 5 (Neil, Leslie, Barbara, Andreas, Erin); Abstain: 1 (Aimee))</p>	Daniel	
b) Heritage Outreach Committee	<p>-No meeting this month. Next meeting will be in August with discussion on logos, letterhead, etc</p> <p>-Heritage Homeowners: meeting on June 29th to create a steering committee. Anyone interested in attending contact Leslie.</p>	Leslie	

	-24 buildings have been added to the website over the past few months. More to be added as well. -Facebook page: any EHB member wanting to be involved, please let Erin know.		
c) Plaques and Awards Committee	-Received a nomination for the Edmonton Regional Heritage Fair. For students in grade 4-9. Has been around for around 20 years. Motion: that the EHB award the Edmonton Regional Heritage Fair. Moved: Barbara Second: Leslie Approved, (Abstention: 1 (Aimee))	Barbara	
d) Ad-Hoc Committee	-Consultant has been hired; Shirley Lowe. Currently resolving a few issues. -Committee will be meeting with her throughout the term to ensure EHB's needs are met.	Leslie	
5. Other Reports and Updates			
a) Heritage Planners' Report	Report attached	Robert	
b) City Archivist's Report	-Received a donation from the Edmonton Sun. A mover was hired- approx, 1 million negatives, microfiche equipment. Will be looking for funding to process this donation.	Kathryn	
c) Historian Laureate Report	Report attached -Chris provided further details in explaining the budget. Motion: That the EHB approve upto a maximum of \$3000, for the Historian Laureate to be able to complete his podcast project. Moved: Neil Second: Daniel Approved	Chris	
d) Naming Committee	No report at this time		
e) EDHS Update	-Doors Open begins on July 3. Launch will be held at the Legislature. Brochures were made available -Book launch on December 13. Edmonton House Journals by Gerhard Enz and Ted Binnema at the Royal Alberta Museum.	Aimee	
f) NAPDA Update	- Klondike Breakfast to be held in July	Earl	
g) Heritage Council	-Annual report to Council was earlier this week -Currently re-evaluation of grant programs.	Kathryn	
h) Fort Edmonton Park	No report at this time.	Darlene	
6. Issues/Project Updates			

7. Other Business			
a) Administrative support	-City is going with a paperless strategy, I will not have paper copies of the materials available any longer, unless you absolutely need copies. Can make materials available on laptop/projector -July and August, I will be working modified hours and taking some time off. Best way to reach me is through email.	Sonia	
b) Training Opportunities	None at this time	Erin	
c) Building Agenda for Next Meeting		Erin	
d) Old Strathcona Walk	-City will be engaging with the Province regarding the Provincial Historic area. -Was a good experience.	Barbara, Daniel, David J.	
e) Roland Lines descendant	-Centenary of Roland Lines will be this September. Family member has asked if EHB would be able to commemorate it. -Daniel and Kathryn will explore options. To be brought back to the Board at next meeting.	Daniel	
8. ADJOURNMENT	Moved by Barbara at 7:01 p.m.		

➤ **Next Meeting:** Wednesday August 24, 2016 5:00 pm

HERITAGE PLANNERS' REPORT
Report to the Edmonton Historical Board
June 22, 2016

You have already been introduced to our new Graduate Heritage Planner, Brooke Hoeven. She will be with us for the next 8 months until early February 2017. We are very pleased to have her on board working with us.

Glenora Neighbourhood Historic Resources Inventory Phase II: Third, fourth and fifth batches of historic resources were presented to the Panel on May 10, May 24 and June 14. Presentations from the Consultant will resume in September. In August, the Panel will be evaluating applications from individual homeowners.

Bylaw to Designate the Duncan Cameron Residence is scheduled for City Council on August 23, 2016.

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

Notices of Intention to Designate the Hunt Residence (Westmount), the John Wood Residence (Oliver) and the Shop-Easy Grocery (Calder) are scheduled for Executive Committee on August 16 and then to City Council on August 23.

Notices to Designate First Baptist Church on 109 Street in the Downtown is scheduled for Executive Committee on August 30 and then to City Council on September 6.

An amending bylaw to the original Designation Bylaw for McKay Avenue School is scheduled for City Council on August 23. The amending bylaw is to accommodate an additional \$225,000 from the Heritage Reserve to assist in the unforeseen rehabilitation work required for the roof structure on the building. The original grant from the Heritage Reserve was for \$300,000. Edmonton Public Schools is also contributing an additional \$390,000 for this work, beyond their original \$300,000 grant. Edmonton Public Schools has also applied for a Canada 150 grant to assist in the rehabilitation work.

McDougall Church Restoration Committee is working closely with Group 2 Architecture and their contractor is Ledcor. Scaffolding is expected to go up in the next week or two. McDougall Church applied to Canada 150 grant to assist further with their restoration work. The work will focus on the brick re-pointing, the cornices and the front steps.

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

Design work continues on the restoration of the Queen Elizabeth II Planetarium. David Murray Architect has been retained as the heritage consulting architect on the project. As part of the restoration and rehabilitation work, the Planetarium will house a universal washroom to serve the park. Telus World of Science has also stepped forward as a project partner and future part-time tenant of the building. An application to designate the Planetarium as a Municipal Historic Resource is expected this fall.

As many of you probably know, the Brighton Block, also known as the Ernest Brown Block, is for sale by the owner of UCAMA. This sale has generated some media attention. The building is already designated and protected.

The review of the Historic Resource Management Plan (HRMP) will be delayed due to lack of available funds until the fall of 2017, at which time we plan to have a Request for Proposals to be sent out to consultants with the intent to begin the work in early 2018. The scope of the exercise will be largely focused on updating the existing the Plan with a lens towards built heritage.

The Heritage Interpretive Plan for Rosssdale is progressing. Final negotiations with the preferred consultant are being completed. They will soon be contacting the Edmonton Historical Board and other heritage stakeholders for input during the public consultation process.

The pilot program for lighting of historic resources is slowly getting ready for a public roll-out. Heritage Unit staff recently met on site with representatives from EPCOR, Alberta Culture, the Rosssdale ReGeneration group, and staff leading the River Crossing project at the Rosssdale Power Plant for a late-night evaluation of lighting mock-ups for the main building (internally and externally) and the seven stacks on the roof. The mock-ups went well, and the group felt there were some tremendous opportunities to light the structure.

We continue to monitor the situation with the Edmonton Iron Works building, located at 10415-96 Street NW. City Council issued a Notice of Intention to Designate to the owner on May 24, 2016. This was the first time that we are aware of that Council issued an NOI without the consent of the owner. The issuance of the NOI places a 120-day hold on the building where it cannot be demolished or altered. An appeal on the demolition permit for the building was heard by the Subdivision and Development Appeal Board on May 25, 2016. The SDAB approved the demolition permit; Law Branch representatives were present to inform them of the NOI and the 120-day hold; however, the SDAB has no legal jurisdiction to refuse a demolition permit. The owner has now applied for their commercial building permit for the demolition. We are meeting with our Law Branch representatives and Alberta Culture and Tourism on June 23 to discuss options for preservation. The City is also still looking to issue a Notice of Intention to Expropriate for the property as another alternative.

We are expecting to see the demolition of Hangar 8 at Blatchford in the near future, unfortunately. Limited discussions with the Blatchford team did not yield any interest in preserving this important resource. The demolition permit was issued on June 16, and the commercial building permit for the demolition is now under review.

The Plan Whyte project is currently underway. The timeline for completion has been extended to likely the second quarter of 2017. A planning study workshop was held on June 16 with the community and interested stakeholders of which 40 to 50 people were in attendance. Surprisingly, heritage is not a huge topic of discussion so far - of more apparent interest to stakeholders are issues related to retail and entertainment opportunities, traffic and parking, vandalism, vacant storefronts, festivals, patios, etc.

The City has formally initiated a project program to undertake extensive rehabilitation of the interior and mechanical/electrical systems at the Ortona Armoury in Rosssdale. The building is a designated Municipal Historic Resource. Heritage Unit staff have been involved in the early discussions.

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

HISTORIAN LAUREATE REPORT
Report to the Edmonton Historical Board
June 22, 2016

This month, I am doing two short speaking events and producing a one-off podcast. I am also continuing to work on the development of the Let's Find Out podcast.

1. On June 12, I participated in the Edmonton Chinatown Conference at the University of Alberta. The organizers asked me to record conversations throughout the day and produce a short podcast summarizing my experiences. It will be posted on the Chinese Benevolent Society's site.
2. On June 15, I gave a short talk on gendered place names at the EPL as part of the Hacking Edmonton project. Many thanks to the City Archives for their help researching stories of streets named after women before the new numbering system was introduced in 1914.
3. On June 26, I'll be giving a short talk at the John Walter Museum as part of the entertainment at their afternoon tea party.
4. As requested, I have attached a more complete breakdown of current costs associated with the podcast I am developing, and anticipated future costs.
5. In July, I will be meeting with local author Laurel Deedrick Mayne. I will also be chasing stories for the podcast, and setting up the publishing infrastructure.

Errata:

- Just a personal note of excitement from the National Campus and Community Radio Conference in Ottawa earlier this June: All That Matters - the arts and culture program I produce at CJSR – won a national award for “Special Programming.” The winning broadcast was a documentary called Boot Camp Poets, and it focused on a group of inmates at Edmonton's Remand Centre who formed a poetry and rap group.

Thanks very much,

Chris Chang-Yen Phillips