

Edmonton Historical Board

DATE/TIME: Wednesday, November 22, 2017 at 5:00 p.m.

LOCATION: Prince of Wales Armouries Heritage Center, Jefferson Room

MINUTES

These minutes were approved on January 24, 2018 by the Edmonton Historical Board

Chair _____

Recording Secretary _____

Attending:

Andreas Loutas Darlene Fisher
 Earl Anderson Erin McDonald
 Rebecca Goodenough Aimee Shaw
 Dominic Schamuhn Daniel Rose
 Stephanie Coombs Barbara Hilden
 Neil Cramer

Archives Staff:

Sonia Caligiuri, EHB Support
 Kathryn Ivany, City Archivist

Guest:

David Johnston, Principal Heritage Planner
 Robert Geldart, Senior Heritage Planner
 Deeksha Choudhry, Graduate Heritage Planner

Regrets

Agenda Item

WELCOME & CHAIR'S REMARKS

Meeting called to order at 5:02 p.m. Welcome to everyone at the last meeting of 2017.

**Person(s)
Responsible**

**Date
Due**

Barbara

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved: Erin
Second: Aimee
Approved (unanimously)

Barbara

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- October 25, 2017 minutes

Moved: Rebecca
Second: Dan
Approved (unanimously)

Barbara

3. Items for Discussion/Decision

<p>a) Follow-up- Hangar 11 Heritage Assessment report</p>	<p>-Letter is drafted and ready to be shared to Barbara for review. This letter is in response to the report from some months ago. EHB is awaiting next phase of report.</p>	<p>Barbara</p>	
<p>b) Follow-up: Naming Edmonton</p>	<p>-Meeting with EHB, EHC, and Naming Committee took place on November 7. -Alex, David R, Dan and Erin were in attendance. -Good discussion on sensitivities around naming. Consensus is to make positive change but not quick reactions -Action item is to continue the relationship with an ad-hoc committee formed from Naming Committee, P&A and EHC to continue discussion. -Erin will speak with Neil (P&A Chair) to discuss further. Possibly to make recommendations from EHB & EHC back to Naming Committee</p>	<p>Barbara</p>	
<p>c) Follow-up: Request from Artists Quarters in the Quarters</p>	<p>-Request information and response from City Clerk's attached -Any advocacy to Province needs to approved by City Council; Council is aware and there is no need for the EHB to proceed, -Barbara has drafted a letter letting Mr. Mayne know the EHB's position</p>	<p>Barbara</p>	
<p>d) Discussion: EHB budget planning and allocation</p>	<p>-Budget attached -Discussion was to be had at Committee levels -HOC discussed anticipated projects and projected amounts. -HRRP discussion has not yet taken place. However, there may not be many items to cover as panel's work is standard -P&A- discussion has not taken place. However, budget varies depending on number of plaques and awards being approved</p>	<p>Barbara</p>	

	<p>-HL- potentially increasing the honorarium to be inline with the Poet Laureate. Currently, \$5000/year of honorarium.</p> <p>-HL and PL postings to be shared with EHB.</p> <p>Decisions to be discussed at January's meeting.</p>		
e)Follow-up: Board Training session	-Information attached	Barbara	
4. Board Committee Reports			
a) Historical Resources Review Panel	-No report at this time. Next meeting will be on December 12	Andreas	
b) Heritage Outreach Committee	<p>-Curio previously approved design fees for Council package and banner. Quote for production. Motion: That the EHB approve the funds for the production of the roll up banner of \$367.50. Moved: Dominic Second: Neil Approved (unanimously)</p> <p>-Architectural website. Vendor has provided a quote regarding updating the current website. A number options have been suggested by the vendor. Motion: That the EHB approve the expenditure of \$12, 210 usd to upgrade the current website Moved: Dominic Second: Erin Approved (unanimously)</p> <p>-Annual luncheon will be on Wednesday December 6th. In the Councillor's Boardroom. HOC will draft speaking points to be circulated.</p> <p>-Thank you to the HOC members for all the work done with the packages sent to Councillors</p>	Dominic	

c) Plaques and Awards Committee	-Invites and programs have been approved for new -Executive to reach out to Elder to establish relationship -Event to be held in February. -Volunteers will be required to help present the awards and plaques.	Neil	
5. Other Reports and Updates			
a) Heritage Planners' Report	Report attached	Robert	
b) City Archivist's Report	Maribeth has been hired as new Archivist -Exhibit circulating on Christmas -Muttart, Artifacts Centre is having a 1950's toy and Elvis exhibit -Building renos will begin in Spring	Kathryn	
c) Historian Laureate Report	No report at this time	Chris	
d) Naming Committee	-Controversial names and proper commemoration -Valley line/West LRT line stops and stations was discussed. Will be street level (as street cars). -Naming rights have been given to the Enoch Cree First Nations for the naming of a building which will be on land annexed from the Nation in the 50's -Work is being done with LRT Administration and Indigenous communities. -Naming Committee is also working with Indigenous Communities for naming within Edmonton; to adopt a sensitive naming practice and policies.	Erin	
e) EDHS Update	Report attached	Aimee	
f) NAPDA Update	No update on the organization -This will be Earl's last meeting, as he has decided to step away from the EHB.	Earl	
g) Heritage Council	-Dan has been hired by the EHC. -Grants deadline coming up, December 22.	Kathryn	
h) Fort Edmonton Park	No report at this time Next meeting will be December 7 with new CEO	Darlene	
6. Issues/Project Updates			

7. Other Business			
a) Administrative support	-Review of Orientation Manual -Kathryn and Sonia to review policies and bring update to EHB as whole.	Sonia	
b) Building Agenda for Next Meeting	-River Crossing next phase of consultation- next meeting will be November 29 at NAPDA Cabin -EHB Chair gets opportunity to review applicants for new positions. Please think about what your committees need. -Please think about how the EHB can/should work/seek input from Indigenous individuals/communities- item for next meeting.		
c) Earl's farewell	Thank you to Earl for his work on the EHB		
8. ADJOURNMENT	Moved by Stephanie at 6:39		

> **Next Meeting:** Wednesday January 24, 2018 5:00 pm

HERITAGE PLANNERS' REPORT

Report to Edmonton Historical Board

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As 2017 comes to a close , we have twelve Designation Bylaws approved and one Notice of Intention scheduled for November 29, 2017. For 2018 we have two Notices of Intention to Designate scheduled for City Council for approval.

Approved Designation Bylaws in 2017:

William Buster Residence, at 10950-81 Avenue (Garneau)
Calder Cenotaph (Calder)
Queen Elizabeth II Planetarium (Woodcroft)
J.B. Little Brickyard House (Riverdale)
Ira Stephens Residence (Highlands)
Rodd Apartments (Boyle Street)
Streetcar Railway Substation No. 600 – on 124 Street (Oliver)
Mill Creek House (Strathcona)
Barto Residence (McCauley)
Tipton Investment Co. Building (Whyte Ave)
Southpark Sign (Queen Alexandra)
Gibbard Block (Highlands)

Upcoming Designation Bylaws in 2018

St. Joachim Church (Oliver)
Burns Residence (McCauley)

Upcoming Notices of Intention to Designate (2017 and 2018)

Burns Residence (McCauley) on Nov. 29, 2017
Blue Cross Animal Hospital (McCauley) 2018
West End Telephone Exchange (Oliver) 2018

Potential:

The Richards Block (Strathcona)

In discussions:

Ukrainian Greek Cultural Association Hall (McCauley)
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)
10840 - 126 Street NW (Westmount)

Demolitions:

To date eight (8) applications to demolish historic resources listed on the Inventory have been approved in 2017.

Updates:

A project to rezone the Westmount Architectural Historic Area (WAHA) in order to amend the current DC1 to better preserve the architectural character of the area has been initiated. As part of background research for this project, a character survey of the 227 properties in the area was undertaken in October by Scott, Deeksha and a few of the planning co-op students and work has begun on the character analysis. A meeting with the WAHA Committee was held on November 8, 2017 to discuss the project, the parameters and the timelines. A project launch is tentatively scheduled for mid-February, 2018.

The Westmount Community League also has a committee tasked with setting up their own Westmount plaque program similar to Highlands. They have asked for financial support from the Heritage Reserve Fund's "Promotions" category. We did support the Highlands Historical Society with their plaque program and we will be supporting the Westmount Community League as well. Westmount hopes to have their own plaques ready for installation by summer 2018.

A report on City Owned Historic Resource Management Strategy is now scheduled for Urban Planning Committee on November 29 with a recommended approach to ensure the development of a comprehensive strategy for the proper preservation of the City's existing historic resources. The report will now identify that the City is undertaking a broad-based asset management program, and a specific focus on historic assets will form part of this.

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.

Hangar 11: a draft Building Condition Assessment has been received by Integrated Infrastructure Services, using S2 Architecture and RJC Engineering. The Heritage Management Unit has also reviewed and accepted a Heritage Significance Assessment from David Murray Architect. David is in discussions with the Blatchford Team to encourage them to re-consider their plans for Hangar 11 to demolish it, and instead explore preservation and adaptive re-use opportunities. Outside of Hangar 14 (the Aviation Museum), Hangar 11 is the only remaining hangar on Blatchford Field. Negotiations with NAIT on the proposed land transfer have apparently moved forward, and we are working to determine the fate and next steps.

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.

The work of planWhyte continues. The goal of this study is to better understand how the area's heritage, character and livability be further strengthened while exploring opportunities for additional development over the next 20-25 years. The study will examine heritage, land use, urban design, transportation, and development opportunities (outside the core heritage commercial area), in order to develop a design vision for the long term evolution of Whyte Avenue. A third public open house was held on June 20, 2017, which was well attended. The purpose of the open house was to present the draft design concept and project direction for feedback. A final open house will be held to present the final recommendations prior to City Council consideration, targeted for early 2018.

On July 11, City Council approved the River Crossing Heritage Interpretative 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 Heritage Interpretative Plan. The City has hired a Stantec as consultant for the redevelopment concept design.

Ritchie School built in 1913 at 9750 - 74 Avenue, owned by the Conseil Scolaire Centre-Nord is under threat. The owners have drawn up conceptual plans to build a new school, demolish the existing school except for the gym. Councillor Nickel is aware of this. The Province is also aware and has expressed their interest in the school. Our Unit and Citizen Services (Open Space Planning and Design) have been in a meeting with the school board and expressed our concerns. A design coordination meeting was held in June by owner's architect, Stantec. New school will be built while the 1950's portion of the existing school will continue to operate. The Province informed us they are unlikely to intervene to save the school. Based on the Architect's timeline, the demolition of existing building is expected to begin in June 2019.

David continues to work with Real Estate and Housing on the planned rehabilitation of the Edmonton Iron Works. The City is arranging hazmat assessment and remediation work, as well as general clean-up of the building interior. A draft Building Condition Assessment report has been received - the City is retaining Darrel Babuk to review this report to provide recommendations. 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. Darrel will be assisting in providing documentation on the buildings to address the requirements from the Province.

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). We have 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.

The Real Estate and Housing Branch in consultation with heritage and urban design staff members have reviewed all proposals and selected Beljan Development as the successful purchaser of the Street Railway Substation No. 600, a designated historic resource located on 124 Street.

Scott has joined the steering committee for the Coliseum Station Area Redevelopment Plan. The project area includes the Northlands exhibition grounds. Through the plan, the City will seek to establish a permanent location for the Old Timer's Roost, a vernacular log cabin constructed in 1928, so that it can be designated as a MHR. The plan will also identify opportunities to recognize the more than 100-year history of Northlands as the site of Edmonton's annual agricultural exhibition.

The Jasper Place Historic Resources Inventory is underway, with Donald Luxton & Associates as the consultant team. David and the Luxton team met with representatives of the West Jasper Place community to discuss the Context Paper on November 6. The other three communities (Britannia-Youngstown, Canora and Glenwood) have not expressed any interest in the project to date. The evaluations of the selected buildings with the HRRP will begin 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 have a survey on Insight Community. On November 21, a short questionnaire will be posted for one week only. If you do not already belong to Insight Community please sign on and answer the survey.

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

EDMONTON DISTRICT HISTORICAL SOCIETY REPORT

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The EDHS needs a new Treasurer

Any possible candidates for the Treasurers position are encouraged to express their interest to Dean Wood, at the EDHS. If anyone would like any further information about this post, do let me know.

Reaching out to other organizations

The President of the EDHS noted that the idea of reaching out to other organisations has been raised by ARF in past as well as during strategic planning discussions. The EDHS had a discussion about if they want to arrange a social event to network or to invite individual associations to present to one of their board meetings. It was suggested that the Heritage Council should be approached to host a networking event.

Newsletter

The next edition of the newsletter will be out in January.

Speakers Series

The Speaker Series coordinator is starting to reach out to people for next years talks. If anyone is interested or knows of folks who have something to share, do let me know.

Special Events

There will be a suggestions box at the Christmas dinner, for people to add their ideas for topics, conversations or events for the EDHS to host.

Tickets for the Christmas Dinner are still available and it is guaranteed a splendid evening!