

Edmonton Historical Board

DATE/TIME: Wednesday, January 22, 2020 at 5:00 p.m.

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

MINUTES

These minutes were approved on February 26, 2020 by the Edmonton Historical Board

Chair

Recording Secretary

Attending:

Daniel Rose Barbara Hilden
Erin McDonald Stephanie Bailey
Neil Cramer Christina Wilson
James McTague Hanna Choi
Dominic Schamuhn
Anna Gibson-Hollow

Archives Staff:

Sonia Caligiuri, EHB Support
Kathryn Ivany, City Archivist

Guests:

David Johnston, Principal Heritage Planner
Marlena Wyman, Historian Laureate

Regrets:

David Ryning

Agenda Item

**Person(s)
Responsible**

Time allotted/item

WELCOME & CHAIR'S REMARKS

Meeting called to order at 5:10 p.m.
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 and Inuit Peoples. The subject matter of our work is the product of a difficult legacy, and

Daniel

5:00-5:05(5 mins)

	<p>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.</p> <p>Happy New Year everyone and welcome back.</p>		
1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA	Moved: Christina Approved (unanimously)	Daniel	5:05-5:06 (1 min)
2. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ November 27, 2019 minutes (attached) ▪ Chair's Report ▪ City Archivist's Report 	Moved: Barbara Approved (unanimously) -Minutes attached. -City Archivist's report circulated -Naming Committee to be shared at a later time.	Daniel	5:06-5:07(1 min)
3. Items for Discussion/Decision			
a) Presentation: Update on 2019 Let's Find Out Podcast	Presentation information attached. Chris provided an overview of this past season and thanked the EHB for their help and support of this project.	Chris Chang-Yen Phillips	5:07-5:27 (20 mins)
b) Update: EHB Strategic Planning	-Will be held on Saturday March 7, here at the Prince of Wales; 10-4:30 p.m. -Exact format to be determined, but hope is to explore and discuss some of the themes that came up at the last session further. -Sonia to circulate the "What We Heard" report, Bylaw and policies that govern the EHB.	Dominic	5:27-5:32 (5 mins)
c) Update: Community Member and U of A Student Interviews	Interviews were held last week on Wednesday; U of A students and interested Community members for the EHB's committees; 8 total were interviewed.	Daniel	5:32-5:37 (5 mins)

	<p>Motion 1: that the EHB appoint the following individuals as public members of EHB Committees for a term of one year</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Jason Lavin - HOC ● Cole Hawkins - HOC ● Stephan Greenhalgh- HOC ● Richard Wood - HRRP <p>Motion 2: that the EHB appoint the following individuals as Graduate Students Intern members of the Board subject to terms of the Graduate Student Internship Program.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Fatima Fazeli ● Andrew Lints <p>Motion 3: that the EHB appoint Dane Ryksen to the role of Historian on the Historic Resources Review Panel.</p> <p>Moved: Dominic Approved (unanimously)</p>		
<p>d) Reminder: Meeting with other Heritage Organizations</p>	<p>Will take place next week, 6-8 p.m. here in the Governor's Room -Daniel will circulate a draft agenda prior to the evening</p>	<p>Daniel/Dominic</p>	<p>5:37-5:42 (5 mins)</p>
<p>e) Discussion: Potential project/report for EHB</p>	<p>-Workplan for the Board that needs to be submitted to Council as part of the Annual Report. -List of potential projects for committees and Board to consider: reviewing of manual (adding structure to some policies ; Community member- create a job description; sample letters of info going to council; clarity between staff and community members/EHB members roles; how to bring</p>	<p>Daniel</p>	<p>5:42-6:02 (20 mins)</p>

	<p>forward motions; streamline meetings to get work done)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Liaison work- bi-annually (at least) -Governance housekeeping regularly; to be worked through alongside with strategic planning -Board member education- EHB members should attend sessions offered by Civic Agencies -Further discussion with the Executive to proceed with this. -Engagement with council: to be discussed further. -National Trust Conference: October 3-7 -Heritage Festival-booth -Advocacy and working together with EDHS and other organizations 		
4. Board Committee Reports			
a) Historical Resources Review Panel	No report	Barbara	
b) Heritage Outreach Committee	No report	Stephanie	
c) Plaques and Awards Committee	No report	Neil	
5. Other Reports and Updates			
a) Heritage Conservation Unit Report	<p>Report attached</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Downtown Cenotaph: is on the inventory. Looking at expediting the process for designation and rehabilitation. David will meet with Integrated Infrastructure Services to discuss designation. Also, potentially having a one off plaque done (and installed) in time for Remembrance Day this year in time for the 75th anniversary. Would EHB be open to doing the one off regarding the plaque -HRRP: work will be limited, regarding applications to review; Heritage Unit looking to EHB/HRRP to arrange for guest speakers. 	David	6:02-6:22 (20 mins)

b) Historian Laureate Report	Report attached -Potential for an upcoming review with current and past Historians Laureate.	Marlena	6:22-6:27 (5 mins)
6. Issues/Project Updates			
6. Other Business			
a) Administrative support	-Reminder that information for 2019 Annual Report is needed by January 31	Sonia	6:27-6:28 (1 min)
b) Building Agenda for Next Meeting		Daniel	6:28-6:29 (1 mins)
9. ADJOURNMENT	Moved by Neil at 7:14 p.m.		6:29

➤ **Next Meeting:** Wednesday February 26, 2020 5:00 pm

HERITAGE CONSERVATION UNIT REPORT
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UPCOMING DESIGNATIONS FOR 2020:

Kenneth T. Henderson Residence (Strathcona) - Bylaw passed by City Council on January 20, 2020
McLear Residence (Westmount) - scheduled for March 9, 2020, City Council

DESIGNATIONS FROM 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) - Designation Bylaw passed on September 24, 2019
Deltan Grocery (Deltan) - Designation Bylaw passed on September 24, 2019
Richards Block (Strathcona) - Designation Bylaw passed on October 8, 2019
Stovel Block (The Quarters) - Designation Bylaw passed on October 22, 2019

TOTAL FUNDING ALLOCATED: \$1,614,848.61

Potential Designations:

Abram Residence (Strathcona)	Nye Residence (Highlands)
Matas Residence (Garneau)	Judge Downes Residence (Strathcona)
Armstrong Residence (Garneau)	Stone House (Whitemud Equine Centre)
Strathcona Garage (Strathcona)	

Number of Demolitions in 2019: Nine

Ongoing Discussions:

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)	Henry Weitzel Residence (Strathcona)
Beaver House (Downtown)	St. Teresa School and the Dawson/O'Connell Buildings (Forest Heights)
Bellevue Community League (Bellevue)	Ukrainian Greek Cultural Association Hall (McCauley)
Bakos Residence (Westmount)	Brokenshar Building (Westmount)

2019 YEAR IN REVIEW

The Heritage Conservation Unit had a productive year in 2019. Seven properties were designated as new Municipal Historic Resources (MHRs), allocating over \$1.6 million in rehabilitation funding. This brings Edmonton to 158 designated MHRs. Two designations are already scheduled for approval from City Council for early 2020, with several other owners in varying stages of preparing applications to designate. We are expecting another busy year for designations, as City Council continues to show good support for the program.

In addition to the designations, the team also led and completed several significant initiatives, including:

- Completion of the new (DC1) Direct Development Control Provision zoning for the Westmount Architectural Heritage Area. The new DC1 was approved unanimously by City Council on July 15, 2019. Scott was instrumental in leading this initiative with the community and Administration partners, with much assistance from Vada. The approach developed in the new DC1 will directly inform the upcoming work on the Glenora Conservation Areas (see further below).
- Completion of Phase 2 of the Implementation Program for City-owned Historic Resources. The Implementation Program was unanimously endorsed by Executive Committee of City Council on December 2, 2019. David has been leading this initiative for the last two years, and will continue to take it through the next steps (see further below), further to direction received from Executive Committee.
- Completion of the Functional Use Study for Hangar 11 at Blatchford. David has been the lead on this initiative, liaising with Integrated Infrastructure Services and the consultant team. A report back to City Council on the building is planned for March of 2020 (see further below).
- Completion of an update on the Historic Resource Management Program, which was presented to Urban Planning Committee of City Council on October 15, 2019. Led by Scott, 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 (see further below).
- Completion of an analysis for additional rehabilitation funding for the Brighton Block and Strathcona Hotel projects, led by Scott, which was considered by Urban Planning Committee on October 15, 2019. The requests for additional funding for these two designated MHRs 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 (see further below).

- Completion of the Terms of Reference and Request for Proposals for the Glenora Conservation Areas character area zoning project (see further below).
- Launch of the On This Spot walking tour app for the Old Strathcona area.

Current Unit Initiatives

1. The October 15, 2019, update to Urban Planning Committee on the Historic Resource Management Program was accepted for information, and Committee passed a motion directing Administration to bring back a report in December 2021 exploring civic financial tools to support built heritage preservation. As a first step towards advancing this report, the Heritage Conservation team is seeking to initiate preliminary discussions to scope the feasibility of establishing an endowment fund to support built heritage preservation in Edmonton.
2. The October 15, 2019, report to Urban Planning Committee addressing the request for additional heritage funding for the Brighton Block and Strathcona Hotel was received for information, and Committee passed a motion directing Administration to continue to work with the property owners to develop a funding plan using the Quarters CRL (Community Revitalization Levy) for the Brighton Block and the Heritage Resources Reserve for the Strathcona Hotel. The Heritage Conservation team is currently working out the details of the funding plan.
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 March 2020 to allow for additional review and stakeholder discussions.
4. The Implementation Program for City-Owned Historic Resources was unanimously endorsed at the December 2, 2019, Executive Committee meeting. The presentation and support by Board Chair, Dan Rose, on behalf of the EHB was greatly appreciated. David will be engaging with the internal working committee to determine the necessary staffing and funding support for the program, as well as some prioritization of current City assets in terms of rehabilitation. A report in this regard will be brought back to Executive Committee in Q3 of 2020.
5. Green Space Alliance, in collaboration with POPULUS Community Planning, David Murray Architects and Donald Luxton & Associates, have been selected to complete the Glenora Historic Conservation Areas project. The project team is preparing to meet with neighbourhood stakeholders this month, with public engagement beginning in March. This initiative could result in the creation of three new DC1 zones for portions of the Glenora neighbourhood south of Stony Plain Road. The intent is to preserve the unique heritage character of the neighbourhood, while enabling sensitive redevelopment.

Respectfully submitted by: David Johnston, Scott Ashe, James Haney, Vada Antonakis

HISTORIAN LAUREATE REPORT
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December:

Three of the artists and I were interviewed by Global TV about the Sketching History exhibit. The story ran on December 26th: <https://bit.ly/2MJ7WVt>

- The travelling exhibit portion of Sketching History was at the Calder Library branch until the end of December and is at the Strathcona Library branch until the end of January.
- I have written several posts on my art blog about the Sketching History exhibit: <https://theprairieline.wordpress.com/>
- December 18: I participated in the Career Fair at Michael Phair Junior High School. I presented as Historian Laureate and spoke about careers in archives and visual arts.
- The EHC's Pilot Mentorship Program wrapped up on December 18th and I submitted my evaluation report to EHC.

January:

- I took part in the EHC blog post about the Historian Laureate position, along with Chris Chang-Yen Phillips and Shirley Lowe: <https://edmontonheritage.ca/2020/01/08/three-historians-laureate-share-comments-and-insights/>
- Further news regarding my exhibit from last year about Gladys Reeves, early Edmonton photographer and river valley advocate: two of her great-nieces from New Zealand found my blog post online about the exhibit and emailed me to express

their thanks. This is one of the reasons that I make art - to create a connection with history (most specifically women's history), my artwork and the viewer, and the opportunity to connect with the family of Gladys Reeves was both meaningful and greatly gratifying.

From great niece Marion: "We were delighted to learn more from your work of Aunty Glad and her contributions to Edmonton's historical records, and even more pleased to hear that she is held in such high regard."

From great niece Barbara: "Thank you so much for your interest and research into the life of our Aunty Glad. It makes me feel quite proud that I am related to such a strong and daring woman who accomplished such a lot."

Respectfully submitted by Marlena Wyman