

Edmonton Historical Board

DATE/TIME: Wednesday, November 25, 2020 at 5:00 p.m.

LOCATION: Virtually via Google Meets

MINUTES

These minutes were approved on January 27, 2021 by the Edmonton Historical Board

Chair

Recording Secretary

Attending:

Daniel Rose Alison McGavigan
Dominic Schamuhn Carrie-Ann Lunde
David Rynning Nancy MacDonald
Stephanie Bailey

Archives Staff:

Sonia Caligiuri, EHB Support
Kathryn Ivany, City Archivist

Guests:

David Johnston, Principal Heritage Planner
Amber Paquette, Historian Laureate

Regrets:

Anna Gibson-Hollow
Neil Cramer
James McTague
Fatima Fazeli, U of A
Student Board Intern
Andrew Lints, U of A Student
Board Intern

Agenda Item

Action

Person(s) Responsible

WELCOME

Meeting called to order at 5:06 p.m.
Welcome to everyone.

Daniel would like to begin tonight's meeting by respectfully acknowledging that although today's meeting is taking place remotely throughout Edmonton, we are all on the traditional territory of Treaty Six First Nations, Métis and Inuit Peoples. The subject matter of our

Daniel

	work is the product of a difficult legacy, and 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.	
Chair's Remarks	Nothing at this time	Daniel
1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA	Moved: Dominic -A few revisions: 7b- Stakeholders event to be moved up to main agenda. 3a-EHB Stance will not be voted on as not ready yet and so will be removed at this time Approved (unanimously)	Daniel
2. APPROVAL OF Minutes ▪ October 28 , 2020 minutes (attached)	Moved: Dominic Approved (unan)	Daniel
3. Items for Discussion/Decision		
a) Discussion/Decision:Baird donation	-Thanks to Nancy and James for taking the lead on this work. -A decision needs to be made today. -City procedures with finance has changed and no longer able to hold over the \$15,000.00 donation -David can reach out to the Alberta Sign Association and see if they accept donations to be used towards a specific sign and what it would entail -Daniel has spoken to both the EAC and EHC who are able to work with the Board and accept the funds along with a letter of agreement which details the work to be undertaken Motion: That the Edmonton Historical Board will allocate \$15,000 provided by the Baird family, at the discretion of the Chair, to the Edmonton Heritage Council, the Edmonton Arts Council, Alberta Sign Association, or relevant organization in recognition of the donation	Daniel

	<p>received from the Baird Family, before Dec 31, 2020.</p> <p>Moved: Dominic</p> <p>Approved (unanimously)</p>	
<p>b) Discussion/Decision: 2020-2021 Annual Report</p>	<p>-Will need to go to Council in March (as per previous year timelines)</p> <p>-In order to meet this deadline, the report will need to be approved at the February meeting, and work will need to begin.</p> <p>-2019 annual report was shared with members</p> <p>-Sonia will email those who will need to provide information</p>	Daniel
<p>c) Information: EHB Bylaw</p>	<p>-Meeting will be arranged for December for discussion of this item. A couple of dates will be provided for further discussion</p>	Daniel
<p>d) Discussion/Decision: Heritage Stakeholders Event</p>	<p>-Was held in late January; informal way to touch base</p> <p>-Was successful and EHB should begin planning the next one.</p> <p>-To held virtually</p> <p>-Dominic & Alison will help to coordinate the next one.</p>	Daniel
<p>4. Board Committee Reports</p>		
<p>a) Historic Resources Review Panel</p>	<p>-A brief overview of the process was provided to EHB as this is the first motion this term.</p> <p>-David Johnston provided a presentation for the Windsor Park in the Windsor Park Neighbourhood.</p> <p>Motion: That Windsor Park , located at 8905 Windsor Road, in the Windsor Park neighbourhood be added to the Inventory of Historic Resources in Edmonton</p> <p>Moved: David</p> <p>Approved (unanimously)</p>	
<p>b) Heritage Outreach Committee</p>	<p>Report attached</p>	Stephanie
<p>c) Plaques and Awards Committee</p>	<p>No report at this time</p>	Neil

5. Other Reports and Updates		
a) Heritage Planner's Report	Report attached	David J
b) Naming Committee Report	Report attached	Stephanie
c) Historian Laureate Report	<p>-Miskamowin Film Project overview was provided as well as a detailed budget breakdown. -Amber is requesting funds to help with the project.</p> <p>Motion: That the EHB approve \$10, 000.00 towards the Miskmowin Film project; of which \$5000 is to be paid by December 2020 and the remaining \$5000 in 2021 Moved: Stephanie Approved (unanimously)</p>	Amber
d) City Archivist's Report	<p>-CEA is open by appointment only -Numbers are down in terms of walk-in; but online numbers have grown exponentially. -Setting priorities for 2021. Curatorial staff have been focussing on re-opening of FEP in late Spring, which includes re-cataloguing 70,000 items and are about 75% complete. -CEA now has Podcasts available, releasing every two weeks.</p>	Kathryn
6. Issues/Project Updates		
7. Other Business		
a) Administrative support	<p>-City recruitment for all Agencies, Boards and Commissions is scheduled to begin on Wednesday December 9, 2020. -Currently, the EHB will have 5 vacancies to fill.</p>	Sonia
b) Building Agenda for Next Meeting		Daniel
6. ADJOURNMENT	Moved by David R at 7:04 p.m.	

➤ **Next Meeting:** Wednesday January 27, 2020 5:00 pm

HERITAGE OUTREACH COMMITTEE REPORT
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Committee Meeting: November 4 and 18, 2020

Attendees:

Nancy McDonald David Rynning Cole Hawkins Jason Lavin

Guests: Myriam Gerber & Mansoureh Modarres - Centre for Race and Culture

1) Politics of Naming Virtual Panel Event Update

-Date confirmed: January 20, 2020

-Moderator confirmed: Sen. Paula Simons

-Shortlist of panelists confirmed:

-Rob Houle, Indigenous histories researcher

-Shannon Studen-Bower, Western Canada researcher

-Deborah Dobbins, Black history researcher

-Dan Rose, EHB

2) Website vetting

-Interim report submitted. Would like to share with board for feedback and invite Rob Houle to present at the January board meeting.

Respectfully submitted by: Stephanie Bailey , HOC Chair.

HERITAGE CONSERVATION UNIT REPORT
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UPCOMING DESIGNATIONS FOR 2020/2021:

Munroe Residence (Westmount) - Designation Bylaw to City Council on December 7, 2020
Strathcona Garage (Strathcona) - Notice of Intention to Designate being prepared
Edmonton Cenotaph (Downtown) - Notice of Intention to Designate being prepared
Nye Residence (Highlands) - Notice of Intention to Designate being prepared
Bashor Residence (Highlands) - Notice of Intention to Designate being prepared

APPROVED DESIGNATIONS IN 2020:

Kenneth T. Henderson Residence (Strathcona) - Bylaw passed on January 20, 2020
McLear Residence (Westmount) - Bylaw passed on March 9, 2020
Abram Residence (Strathcona) - Bylaw passed on October 5, 2020

TOTAL FUNDING ALLOCATED: \$224,790.93

Potential Designations:

Armstrong Residence (Garneau)	Stone House (Whitemud Equine Centre)
Frank Duguid Residence (Strathcona)	11344 - 62 Street NW (Highlands)
Singer Residence (McCauley)	Great Western Saddlery Building (Downtown)
Royal Bank Building (Queen Alexandra)	W.A. Griesbach Residence (Glenora)

Proposed Demolitions:

11223 - 66 Street NW (Highlands)	1913 Ritchie School (Ritchie)
El Tovar Apartments (Oliver)	Burrell Residence (Glenora)
Hore Residence (Britannia Youngstown)	Glencairn (Glenora)
Woodward Residence (Westmount)	Northwestern Utilities Building (Queen Mary Park)
Glenora Patio Homes (North Glenora)	El Mirador Apartments (Downtown)

Ongoing Discussions:

Dr. Leslie McIntyre Residence (Westmount)

Wilkin Residence (Glenora)

Ritchie Triplex (Ritchie)

Henry J. Wells Residence (McCauley)

Emerson Residence (Inglewood)

Beaver House (Downtown)

Bellevue Community League (Bellevue)

Judge Downes Residence (Strathcona)

Stewart Residence (Glenora)

Kennedale Building (Belvedere)

Frost Residence (Westmount)

Hartley Residence (Westmount)

Henry Weitzel Residence (Strathcona)

St. Teresa School & the Dawson/O'Connell Buildings (Forest Heights)

Matas Residence (Garneau)

Carleton Sheldon Residence (Highlands)

CURRENT UNIT INITIATIVES:

1. 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. City Council approved the funding plan for the Brighton Block on October 15, 2020. The funding request for the Strathcona Hotel was under \$500,000 and within Administration delegated authority to provide, so it will not require Council approval.

2. 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 is on hold due to the COVID-19 circumstances. We are working with the City Clerk to determine an available future Committee date.

3. 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. Due to the COVID-19 circumstances, this report will likely be delayed until late 2020 or early 2021.

4. The Glenora Heritage Character Area Rezoning project, which has been delayed since March by COVID-19, is resuming this month. With pandemic restrictions, the public engagement portion of the project is going online. An updated project website and public survey will go live in late November. The survey will gather resident feedback on what Edmontonians value in terms of the heritage character of the area. The consultant will take public feedback, together with their heritage character analysis and City input, to draft an initial heritage Direct Control Zone for early 2021. City Administration, our consultants, and the community working group are working to complete the project and proceed to Council prior to the municipal election in Fall 2021.

5. A consultant team has been selected to undertake the Advanced Assessment and Priority Rehabilitation project for the Rosedale Power Plant complex. The team will be led by the Marc Boutin Architectural Collaborative (MBAC), who are presently also working with the City on the rehabilitation of the Ortona Armoury and the pavilions in William Hawrelak Park. MBAC has partnered with DFS Architecture and Design and Saucier + Perrotte, both out of Montreal. Collectively, they bring a very strong team to the project. Work is already underway for the Historic Building Record component of the exercise. The planned roof replacement work for the Turbine Hall and Switch House has been deferred to spring 2021.

6. David is working with the team at IIS on the rehabilitation of the Stone House at the Whitemud Equine Centre. The consultant team has been selected and the team is underway with the preparation of the required schematic design report, which will then inform the detailed design report. The project will involve full rehabilitation of the building, and will include its designation as a Municipal Historic Resource. Rehabilitation work on the building is expected to start in late 2020 and continue through 2021.

7. Scott continues to represent the Unit regarding the proposed redevelopment of the Archibald Block site on Whyte Avenue. The owner is proposing to rezone the site to accommodate an 8-storey building, which would involve the demolition of the existing building, which is listed on the Inventory. The property is also located within the Old Strathcona Provincial Historic Area, so Alberta Culture, Multiculturalism and Status of Women will be asked to review the proposal.

8. David is working with the Windsor Park Community League and the Open Space Strategy team on the potential designation of a portion of Windsor Park as a Municipal Historic Resource as a cultural landscape. The park will need to be brought forward to the EHB first as an Application to Amend the Inventory. The Community League is working to put some background history of the park together. We recently met with the Community League representatives, and they are starting the preparation of a possible Application to Amend the Inventory.

9. Scott is representing the Unit in recent discussions on the Centre LRT concept, and how this would potentially impact the High Level Bridge. We are reiterating to the consultant team and internal stakeholders that the bridge is a designated Municipal Historic Resource, and must be preserved. A report exploring a range of options will be advanced to Council for consideration in 2021.

10. David is also part of the project teams for the rehabilitation of the Peter Hemingway Fitness and Leisure Centre and the pavilions in Hawrelak Park. While none of the buildings are currently on the Inventory, the approach being taken will be to consider

the buildings as historic resources, and ensure that rehabilitation work is undertaken in a way that their historic integrity will be retained as much as possible.

11. A consultant team has been engaged to undertake a Rehabilitation Assessment of the Edmonton Iron Works in the Quarters. The project is being led by GEC Architecture, in partnership with ERA Architects of Toronto. The work will involve an identification of key rehabilitation work needed to the entire complex (the original 1909 Edmonton Iron Works building, and the north and south annexes), a conservation plan, and a detailed building record of the structure. The Quarters team is exploring opportunities for a new tenant to occupy the space.

12. Two historic neon signs were recently removed from the Western Cycle building on 124 Street and Stony Plain Road. David has been coordinating with the Alberta Sign Association for the removal of the signs, and their eventual installation as part of the Neon Sign Museum. The first priority is to explore how the iconic cyclist sign can be introduced at the Museum as a roof-mounted sign, recognizing its 60-year history on the roof of the former business.

13. A consultant team led by S2 Architecture is in the early stages of design work for a new parkade structure and some basic rehabilitation at the Orange Hub in the Jasper Place area. The building is the former location of the Grant

MacEwan Community College Jasper Place campus, and is listed on the Inventory. We are working with the City's IIS team and the consultants to ensure that the new parkade is designed to be respectful to the historic building, and that any rehabilitation work is undertaken in a manner to ensure the City can designate the building in the future.

14. We have been in contact with the owners of the Massey Ferguson building (the former Healy Ford site) regarding the condition of the property, which is listed on the Inventory. The building has been deteriorating and the owners are having issues with vandalism. They are working with the Edmonton Police Service to secure the site. The previous rezoning of the property included an expected designation of the building, and we are working with the owners to explore options for moving forward.

15. We have been able to secure additional funding from Young Canada Works towards a new Graduate Heritage Planner position. Funding being provided this year far exceeds the typical contribution from the federal government, so we were able to secure this position. However, due to the economic challenges the City is facing, the position will only be for a 6-month term, instead of our usual 8-month position. We expect the position to be filled by December 2, 2020.

16. Despite the COVID-19 circumstances, interest in the program continues to be high. Scott is processing a number of maintenance grant applications for designated

buildings, and David is processing two grant applications for the Lighting Heritage Buildings Pilot Program. We are also in active discussions related to possible applications to designate and applications to amend the Inventory.

Submitted by the Heritage Conservation Unit: David Johnston, Scott Ashe and James Haney

NAMING COMMITTEE REPORT
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ATTENDEES

Ms. Alyssa Lefebvre, Chair

Ms. Stephanie Bailey, Edmonton Historical Board

Ms. Ailwin Boulet

Ms. Maryanne Wiebe

Ms. Erin McDonald, Vice-Chair

Ms. Debra Ayling

Ms. Marla Miller

OLD BUSINESS

1. Discussion with the Oliver Community League (4:30pm presentation by President Robyn Paches with advocates Jacquelyn Cardinal and Hunter Cardinal and Administration's Indigenous Relations Office's Emilea Saadeh and Ward Antoniuk and Public Engagement and Communications Officers Azkaa Rahman and Mary-Ann Thurber)

Presentation from Oliver Community League:

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1FxES1XbS4hTK1ltd4_AohzQlhW6dedoH/view

OTHER BUSINESS

2. Discussion about the future LRT (Groat Road) Bridge Administration On-going discussions regarding naming opportunities for the naming of the future LRT Bridge over Groat Road as part of the Valley Line west expansion. The LRT Valley Line west project will be expanding the existing Bridge along Stony Plain Road over Groat Road to accommodate the future LRT line.

3. Discussion about the Naming Policy C509B review and revision Administration Naming Policy C509B was revised and adopted on May 12, 2015. Civic Committee Policies and Bylaws are to be reviewed every five (5) years with recommended changes to City Council.

Respectfully submitted by: Stephanie Bailey, EHB Representative