

# Edmonton Historical Board

**DATE/TIME:** Wednesday, June 24, 2015

**LOCATION:** Prince of Wales Armouries Heritage Centre, Jefferson Room

## Minutes

These minutes were approved on August 26, 2015 by the Edmonton Historical Board

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Chair

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Recording Secretary

**Attending:**

Sean Moir      Gayle Simonson  
Darlene Fisher   Barbara Hilden  
Leslie Chevalier   Erin McDonald  
Michael Boire      Jesse Watson  
Ana Laura Pauchulo

**Archives Staff:**

Sonia Caligiuri, EHB Support  
Kathryn Ivany, City Archivist

**Guests:**

Darren Oltmanns, Highlands Community Member  
Yvette Cioran, Highlands Community Member  
Robert Geldart, Senior Heritage Planner  
David Johnston, Principal Heritage Planner  
Scott Ashe, Principal Heritage Planner

**Regrets:**

Gordon Hearn  
Daniel Rose  
Danielle Metcalfe-Chenail

Agenda Item	Action	Person(s) Responsible	Date Due
<b>1. Welcome and Chair's Remarks</b>	Call to order at 5:05 p.m. Warm welcome to everyone and to our guests. A reminder that the regular EHB meeting will be shortened to accommodate time for strategic planning	▪ Erin	
<b>2. Approval of Agenda</b>	-Date needs to be updated on #2; addition of guests from Highlands under Other Business. <b>Moved:</b> Jesse <b>Second:</b> Michael <b>Approved</b>	▪ Erin	
<b>3. Approval of Minutes</b>	<b>Moved:</b> Barbara	▪ Erin	

	<b>Second: Gayle Approved</b>		
<b>4. Board Committee Reports</b>			
a) Historical Resources Review Panel	-Report attached <b>Motion: that McCray's Garage at 12520-102 Avenue be added to the Inventory of Historic Resources in Edmonton.</b> <b>Moved: Barbara</b> <b>Second: Jesse</b> <b>Approved (unanimously)</b>	▪ Barbara	
b) Heritage Outreach Committee	-Report attached	▪ Leslie	
c) Plaques and Awards Committee	-No report at this time	▪ Sean	
<b>6. Other Reports and Updates</b>			
a) Heritage Planners Report	Report attached	▪ Robert	
b) City Archivist's Report	Report attached	▪ Kathryn	
c) Historian Laureate Report	Report attached	▪ Danielle	
d) Naming Committee	Report attached -Action item: As a name usually take 2-3 meetings to be reviewed by the Committee, EHB can review names for historical context.	▪ Michael	
e) EDHS	-Reminder of Doors Open which will begin in a couple of weeks, and EHB's sponsored event on July 7	▪ Gayle	
f) NAPDA	-No report at this time	▪ Marilyn	
g) EHC	-Report attached -Kathryn attended the Strategic Planning workshop; anyone wanting further information please see Kathryn.	▪ Kathryn	
h) Fort Edmonton Park	-Report attached	▪ Darlene	
<b>7. Other Business</b>			
a) Edmonton Highlands Community subdivision	-Guests addressed the EHB to notify that an application has been submitted to subdivide the property at 6110-111 Avenue NW. The site is not Designated, on the Inventory, or in a DC1 zone. -Community group has collected signatures, letters, etc. to provide to the City's Planning Department. -Speakers provided EHB with copies of information. -Erin thanked speakers for taking the time to come and speak to	▪ Darren Oltmanns ▪ Yvette Cioran	

	EHB. Unfortunately, due to site not being designated, on the inventory, or a DC1 zone, there is very little the EHB can do regarding this situation. -EHB discussed situation further and decided a letter will be sent to Community encouraging their effort, but also explaining EHB's limitations.		
a) Administrative Support	-No report at this time	▪ Sonia	
b) Building Agenda for Next Meeting	-EHC's David Ridley and Chair Satya Das will be speaking to EHB.	▪ Erin	
<b>8. Adjournment</b>	Moved by Michael at 6:07 p.m.	▪ Erin	

- **Next Meeting: Wednesday August 26, 2015 at 5:00 p.m.** in the POWA Jefferson Room
- **Please bring:** Your agenda, meeting minutes, committee reports
- **Please read:** Your agenda, meeting minutes, committee reports

**Historic Resources Review Panel  
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HRRP met Tuesday, June 9.

The Heritage Planers identified a building not currently on the Inventory and presented it to the Panel for evaluation:

- McCray's Garage (12520 – 102 Ave NW)

- In 1914, Milton McCray received a building permit for a lot in the community we know today as Westmount. At the time, few homes had garages and automobile owners needed a place to store their cars. McCray's provided this – owners walked from their Glenora homes in the mornings and picked up their cars; on their ways home after work, they collected one of the McCray boys from the garage who would accompany the owners home, then drive the cars safely back to be stored for the night.

- This building, though having suffered somewhat from a series of owners in recent years, is significant on several fronts – it is one of the last remaining heritage industrial buildings in a neighbourhood currently under significant developmental pressures; it retains its original 1914 scale, form, and massing; original window openings have been preserved in the façade and sides (where windows have been bricked in, the voussoirs and concrete sills remain).

- In addition to the considerable built-heritage value of the building itself, the Panel felt the story it preserves and the brief moment of transition between horse to car it represents were significant and therefore recommended that McCray's Garage be added to the Inventory. Under arising business, the Panel discussed renovations currently underway at the Leamington Mansion (10125 114th St; see photo below) and the lack of dialogue between the developers and heritage planners. The heritage planners advised that the Glenora inventory will be going ahead this fall. The Panel, taking July off, reconvenes in August.

The Panel has one motion to present:

- That McCray's Garage at 12520 102 Ave NW be added to the Inventory.

Respectfully submitted by: Barbara Hilden, HRRP Chair

**Heritage Outreach Committee  
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**Current and Future Projects**

Building Heritage Newsletter: in print. To be mailed out shortly. Robert Geldart is appealing to the Board members to submit an article (100-500 words) celebrating our built heritage. It must be about Edmonton's built heritage celebrating either our designated buildings or the buildings on the Inventory of Historic Resources in Edmonton. If you have suggestions for photos to go with your article, please include it in your submission. Submissions to be in by September 14, 2015.

Edmonton Heritage Homeowner's Association- Next meeting to be held on Saturday, July 11, 2015 from 2-4 p.m. at the Olson-Watt Residence. It will also be a celebration of the home's 100<sup>th</sup> birthday.

Edmonton's Architectural Website- Linda Rae Carson has applied to be a member at large on HOC in order to work with Gayle to add teacher resources to the website. Seven new buildings have now been uploaded to the website. Kyle will be letting EHB Facebook followers know which ones they are.

Facebook Page- Kyle continues to update the page with interesting and relevant posts. We're almost at the magical tipping point of 500 followers. Tell everyone to like us please!

Panel discussion- The EHB sponsored event, Demystifying Heritage Designation, is set to go. It will be held at the Yellowhead Brewery, a designated building, on Tuesday July 7, 2015 from 6-8:30 p.m. Melanie Moore will be presenting as a heritage homeowner. David Johnston will be presenting as a Heritage Planner. Kyle is trying to find a heritage commercial property owner to present. Appetizers will be provided; alcohol and other non-alcoholic drinks will be available for purchase. We're promoting in the following ways so far:

Facebook

YEG Heritage (EHC's listserve)

EHC bulletin

Archives' listserves

Heritage listserve

Danielle (webpage, facebook, twitter)

City Twitter

Heritage Forward

Edmonton Heritage Homeowners

Heritage Newsletter

**Future Projects:**

HOC met with Ronna Bremer, Director of Image-Reputation & Marketing and Mark Torjusen, Senior Communications Advisor to discuss new publicity materials for the EHB. IT was decided that more planning and assessment of communication needs should be done before materials or a logo are devised.

Respectfully submitted by: Leslie Chevalier, HOC Chair

**Heritage Planners' Report**  
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Update on the Historic Resources Inventory for the Calder Neighbourhood: We will now be working with the consultant to finalize the Statements of Significance and Integrity.

For the Glenora Neighbourhood Historic Resources Inventory, our status report was discussed at Executive Committee on June 16th. A representative from the Old Glenora Heritage Conservation Association spoke to the Executive Committee as well. AHRF has determined that it can support the project, but only with a \$20,000 grant. The long-term funding support from the Province for neighbourhood inventories remains uncertain, however, Executive Committee asked us to proceed with the Inventory work and to get it done as quickly as possible without phasing the work over a couple of years. We are scheduled to return to Executive Committee in November to provide an updated status report.

A report and designation Bylaw Designate for the historic Canada Packers Chimney Stack has been prepared along with the signed Rehabilitation Incentive and Maintenance Agreement, which will be considered by City Council on July 7.

Notice of Intention to Designate the Rose Residence at 11212-64 Street located in Highlands has been prepared and will be scheduled for Executive Committee on August 18, 2015.

Notice of Intention to Designate the Coates Residence at 13068-115 Street located in Calder is being prepared with an anticipated Executive Committee date of September 1, 2015

Potential upcoming designations:

- Yorath House (River Valley Capitol Hill)
- Hulbert Block (Whyte Ave.)
- Mayor Sheppard Residence (Strathcona)
- First Baptist Church (Downtown)
- Emery Residence (Garneau)
- Mah Building (Alberta Avenue)
- William Lowes Residence (Strathcona)
- Moffatt Residence (Inglewood)
- Field/Secord Residence (Glenora)

McDougall Church: Its status as a Provincial Historic Resource is imminent. The Province has promised the Church \$750,000. The Mayor and Councillor McKeen stated that McDougall Church could be allocated \$500,000 from the Heritage Reserve Fund in 2016 if the church applies to designate and City Council approves. We are now waiting for the Church to submit to The City of Edmonton its formal application to Designate.

Work continues with the owner of the former Molson Brewery site to accommodate ongoing construction of the new development and to provide direction on the submission of applications to designate Buildings 11 and 12. This includes considerations towards grant funding from the owner and strategies for addressing this.

A media event took place on Monday, June 22, 2015 on the sign enforcement program for Old Strathcona. It's a partnership with OSF and OSBA and the City to work with business owners and to ensure more signs are in compliance to protect Old Strathcona's historical character.

Heritage Management Unit is currently in discussions with Alberta Culture and Tourism regarding heritage preservation and a Big City Charter. These meetings also include Calgary heritage planners. We have had one meeting to date. Second meeting is scheduled for Friday June 26th.

We are currently working on a draft Terms of Reference for the Lighting of Heritage Buildings Pilot Project. This project came out the Winter City Strategy to feature our heritage buildings with lighting, especially during the long nights of winter.

A report on options for the preservation of historic properties, responding to an inquiry from Councillor Henderson, is scheduled to be heard by Community Services Committee on June 29, 2015.

First Presbyterian Church: Work is progressing well. The stained glass window at the front of the church has been removed and replaced with a temporary plexi-glass window. The masonry contractor has completed his work and the scaffolding has been removed. Repairs to the stained glass window are expected to take 18 months (being undertaken by John Gilroy from Vancouver).

Church Street –rezoning of the area to DC1 will be advanced later this summer and into the fall.

Our heritage walking tours of Jasper Avenue and 104 Street for the delegates of the Federation of Canadian Municipalities conference was well attended and well received. The heritage unit was also part of the tour organized at the Rosedale Power Plant, about Transforming Rosedale.

The spring issue of the Building Heritage Newsletter is now with the printers and we should have them in by tomorrow or Friday and ready to mail out. We are now preparing for the fall issue of the Building Heritage Newsletter. I have sent out emails to all of you and I received back a number of replies with great suggestions for articles. Thank you!

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

**City Archivist's Report**  
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The summer is in full swing and the Archives continues to be busy with researchers, mainly academics. We have had a couple of interesting proposals from U of A professors who wish to incorporate visits to the archives and assignments to be completed here as part of their courses next session. We are developing an in-class orientation to the Archives which can be delivered prior to their visit.

Sonia and I attended the City's training session for administrative support to Boards and Agencies (Supporting Successful Meetings) and benefited from the advice from the Parliamentarian and the City staff. We hope the Board members who attended the Saturday session found it as informative as we did.

The virtual exhibit on the great flood of 1915 will be launched next weekend at the John Walter Museum which will be hosting a special event (usually themed on John Walter's birthday) which will include flood related activities including a furniture relay. All are welcome to attend and see a virtual rendition of the exhibit (since there is no WiFi on site) or you can check it out on our website at [http://www.edmonton.ca/city\\_government/edmonton\\_archives/virtual-exhibits.aspx](http://www.edmonton.ca/city_government/edmonton_archives/virtual-exhibits.aspx)

Our summer student (Young Canada Works) has been working on a number of small projects but has recently completed the finding aid for the Edmonton Eskimos collection including 16 scrapbooks of their accomplishments.

The Archives staff has also met with the Open Data group with the City who are looking at finding more datasets to make available on the City's catalogue. The Archives is attempting to find a way of integrating their search engine to access materials already available on our catalogue. Some of those datasets might be EHB materials – such as the names database – derived from your publication – [Naming Edmonton: Ada to Zoe](#).

Respectfully submitted by: Kathryn Ivany, City Archivist



**Historian Laureate's Report  
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Have been really involved with RISEdmonton and the Heart Garden that is now on the southwest lawn at City Hall. It will be there for a week and I hope you'll go visit and think about how you can contribute to the reconciliation.

Gave a talk at the Congress for the Social Sciences and Humanities (Canadian Historical Association) in Ottawa June 3, about Rethinking and Rebranding History. Was on a neat panel with other folks about Practising the Discipline of History. Really bonded with a bunch of public historians from across the country and will write about this experience a bit more in an upcoming EHC blog (I received a travel grant from them to attend). Also took part in several Truth and Reconciliation Events that were deeply moving.

My Aviation ABC's book now has an illustrator, local graphic designer and artist Jason Blower. We have been working on self-publishing it but now a traditional publisher in Victoria is interested in it. Check out Jason's colouring/activity book in progress, Hello YEG!

Gave a talk to the Canadian Club of Edmonton about diversity in Canadian aviation history on June 17.

The collection of essays I'm editing is with my publisher, Brindle & Glass, and on track for publication in Spring 2016. It's about "aha moments" around colonialism in Canada and the essays are written by indigenous and non-indigenous people from across the country. I'll circulate a media release soon with more information.

Still working away on the Multicultural Women and Seniors Services Association community – based oral history project. We have had some scheduling issues with participants' travels but are planning on meeting in person on July with reps from Provincial and City Archives to discuss preservation of the interviews, transcripts, as well as photos and videos we are creating.

Starting up on a new column on CBC Radio Active this summer called Who We Are, about diversity in Edmonton past and present. It will be airing Wednesdays at 4:40 p.m. (except for Canada Day) and I start with JAHSENA and the Jewish Community in town tomorrow.

Respectfully submitted by: Danielle Metcalfe-Chenail

**Naming Committee Report  
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The Naming Committee met June 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Mike Boire attended as the (new) representative from the EHB but as an observer as the Executive Committee will ratify this appointment in early July. There are 6 existing members including a past-EHB member, two city staff from other (non-Sustainable Planning) departments and community members. The Naming Committee is supported by 2 full-time staff and one intern. The bylaw and policy mandate and terms of reference were updated in May of this year. Briefly, the Naming Committee meets to:

-Name development areas, parks, etc. to recognize and commemorate noteworthy persons associated with Edmonton, reflect Edmonton's heritage, and to recognize the flora, fauna and natural features of the community.

Reviewing the minutes and reports made to the EHB over the last 18 months, there are only two examples on which to base this monthly update. As such, this is a proposal to the EHB to establish a model. The agenda of the meeting will be shared and any aspects that touch on the EHB's mandate will be highlighted. Input from the EHB during our meeting immediately following the Naming Committee meeting will be shared with the Naming Committee.

This month:

1. Riverview Area Structure Plan (SW of Anthony Henday at city limits) request by administration.
2. Summerside request by developer
3. Keswick name change request by developer
4. Aster request by administration
5. Reserve List addition request (Dr. D. H. Lakey) by Naming Committee member

The Naming Committee discussed the criteria for naming, input from the administration's Horticulturalist and Forestry staff and whether Naming Committee meetings and deliberations are public. Also, the criteria for biographies as part of a request were discussed. Input on this item from the EHB would be appreciated.

Because the Naming Committee meets monthly the day before the EHB, any suggestions on what feedback mechanism is satisfactory to the EHB would be appreciated.

Respectfully submitted by: Michael Boire

**Edmonton Heritage Council  
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*Recent Changes:*

- New Executive for this year: Chair – Satya Das; Vice Chair – Gregory Bounds; Treasurer – Lan Chan-Marples; Secretary – Ana Laura Pauchulo
- Four new Directors elected to the Board at May's AGM (including Jesse Watson also on EHB)

*Upcoming Events:*

- June 11 & 12: Strategic Planning Workshop hosted by EHC for organizations that have received funding from EHC
- Summer 2015: As part of Edmonton City as Museum Project there will be a number of pop-up museum exhibits (Heritage Festival, Folk Fest, City Free Admission Day)

Respectfully submitted by: Ana Laura Pauchulo

**Fort Edmonton Park Management Company  
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- Update to infrastructure rebuild - tentative start sometime in April 2018 with full closure of the park until completion in 2020. This includes building in 2018-2019 followed by site clean-up and restoration in 2020. Deep utilities would be done first. Questions still exist around how to minimize impact, whether the project can be accelerated to minimize closure.
  
- Design for the Blatchford catering kitchen expansion completed
  
- Work continues on Aboriginal engagement, including developing an MOU with the Metis Nation of Alberta to be signed August 7, and developing increased and enhanced aboriginal programming in conjunction with Confederacy of Treaty Six First Nations and the Metis Nation of Alberta.
  
- Granite carver Stewart Steinhauer from Saddle Lake Cree Nation is offering a free two-year loan (May 2016-May 2018) to the park of a large 3-piece sculpture that he is currently working on. A written agreement with the carver is currently underway.
  
- Fox Farm paddock re-construction should be complete by July 2015 which will result in changes to the pasture configuration and improve utilities availability for Fort animal care.
  
- Three smaller projects for 2015 include a new manure spreader, new stove for Erasmus House, and rebuild of the clay oven and stand on the Fort site.

Next FEMCO board meeting will be held September 14, 2015.

Respectfully submitted by: Darlene Fisher