

# Edmonton Historical Board

**DATE/TIME:** Wednesday, March 28, 2018 at 5:00 p.m.

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

## MINUTES

These minutes were approved on April 25, 2018 by the Edmonton Historical Board

Chair

Recording Secretary

### Attending:

Andreas Loutas      Dominic Schamuhn  
 Daniel Rose         Neil Cramer  
 Stephanie Coombs   Barbara Hilden  
 Rebecca Goodenough Erin McDonald

### Archives Staff:

Sonia Caligiuri, EHB Support  
 Kathryn Ivany, City Archivist

### Guest:

Evert Poor  
 Councillor Scott McKeen  
 Robert Geldart, Senior Heritage Planner  
 Deeksha Choudhry, Graduate Heritage Planner

### Regrets

Darlene Fisher  
 Aimee Shaw

### Agenda Item

**Person(s)  
Responsible**

**Date  
Due**

### WELCOME & CHAIR'S REMARKS

Meeting called to order at 5:02 p.m.

The EHB acknowledges that this meeting is being held in a building on the traditional land of the Treaty 6 Territory.

Warm welcome to Evert Poor. Mr. Poor has generously accepted the EHB's invitation to provide guidance on ways the EHB can participate and support TRC.

Barbara

<b>1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA</b>	<b>Moved:</b> Rebecca <b>Approved</b> (unanimously)	Barbara	
<b>2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES</b> ▪ <b>February 28, 2018 minutes</b>	<b>Moved:</b> Daniel <b>Approved</b> (unanimously)	Barbara	
<b>3. Items for Discussion/Decision</b>			
<b>a) Discussion:</b> EHB's approach to TRC and next steps	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-The EHB has been looking at ways in which to contribute and work towards TRC. Two years ago, the EHB invited an Elder to open the EHB's event with a Blessing.</li> <li>-EHB continues to work towards meeting this goal, and to working towards something that is long standing and meaningful.</li> <li>-Evert Poor has been invited to tonight's meeting as he is a member of the Metis Nation of Alberta, and has worked extensively with other organizations.</li> <li>-Some activities: Blanket exercises; self education; speaker series; heritage awards; youth involvement; mentoring program; change the focus of the conversation; profile on Indig. sites and bringing these into the narrative; mentoring a secondary Indig. Student (board experience); collaboration with the Arche. Society.</li> <li>-Building a relationship is important, and EHB is encouraged to reach out to different Indi. groups and bands. Conference being held at end of April, EHB members has been invited to attend.</li> <li>-Building these relationships is a must!</li> <li>-Kathryn will circulate the brochure for conference</li> </ul>	Barbara	
<b>b) Update:</b> RAM building in Glenora	-No updates on this item	Barbara	
<b>c) Update:</b> Hangar 11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Response letter has been received and is attached</li> <li>-Councillor inquiry will be drafted by Councillor McKeen, with support from Councillor Esslinger</li> </ul>	Barbara	
<b>d) Information:</b> 2018-2020 Historian Laureate announcement	-Chris' term is coming to an end.	Barbara	

	<p>-The EHB would like to thank Chris for all of his work. Chris has done a really wonderful job over these past two years.</p> <p>-The new Historian Laureate will be announced on Tuesday April 10.</p>		
<b>4. Board Committee Reports</b>			
a) Historical Resources Review Panel	<p>Buildings from Jasper Place Inventory batch 4 were reviewed.</p> <p><b>Motion: That the following buildings from the Jasper Place Inventory be added to the Inventory of Historic Resources in Edmonton</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Richards Residence, 10245-153 Street</li> <li>-Imperial Building, 15110 Stony Plain Road</li> <li>-Fuller Residence, 9902-152 Street</li> <li>-Spurrier Residence, 9805-155 Street</li> <li>-Grant MacEwan Community College, Jasper Place Campus, 10045-156 Street</li> <li>-Hore Residence, 10231-157 Street</li> <li>-Jasper Place Separate School District Headquarters, 10421-159 Street</li> <li>-Brightview School, 15425-106 Avenue</li> </ul> <p><b>Moved:</b> Andreas <b>Approved</b> (unanimously)</p>	Andreas	
b) Heritage Outreach Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Stephanie working on new brochure; to be sent to the owners on the inventory and register to encourage owners to sign up for the new newsletter</li> <li>-Work continues on the newsletter and using mailchimp</li> <li>-Keltie and Rebecca will be working with Tom at FEP with Wheritage</li> <li>-Facebook likes: Jan 1 1093, today 1302, \$41.00</li> <li>-Committee still working on a recommendation on an EHB hosted event.</li> </ul>	Dominic	
c) Plaques and Awards Committee	<p>No report at this time</p> <p>-Next meeting will be held next week.</p>	Neil	

5. Other Reports and Updates			
a) Heritage Planners' Report	<p>Report attached</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Owner of the Minchau Blacksmith Shop has applied for demolition. David Johnston has been working with owner over past 3 years to designate this building, however owner has decided against this. Building currently zoned as DC2 (commercial and residential up to 12 storeys)</li> <li>-Province is now looking at this situation</li> <li>-Rebecca recused herself from vote as she may be involved in the Provincial process</li> </ul> <p><b>-Motion: That the EHB proceed with drafting a formal recommendation to City Council to preserve the Minchau Blacksmith Shop</b>  <b>Moved: Dan</b>  <b>Approved</b> (unanimously with one recusal)</p>	Robert	
b) City Archivist's Report	No report at this time	Kathryn	
c) Historian Laureate Report	Report attached	Chris	
d) Naming Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Print out circulated.</li> <li>-Update: Naming of bridge and stops of LRT west; working with Enoch Cree Nation. Nation is coming back with some recommendations. All of the stops and stations are now named;</li> <li>-Conversations with Treaty 6 and Metis Nation</li> <li>-Long term possibilities with the Decoteau area/neighbourhood; and recognition that whole City is traditional land.</li> </ul>	Erin	
e) EDHS Update	No report at this time	Aimee	
f) NAPDA Update	No report at this time		
g) Heritage Council	-April 5 Session; 6-8; upcoming public engagement session for 2029: Building Edmonton's Community Plan for Arts and Heritage.	Daniel	

	Bonnie Doon Community brochures were circulated as well. -AGM- May 30		
h) Fort Edmonton Park	No report at this time	Darlene	
i) Art of Living Update Committee	-Next consultation on April 12 (Heritage)	Barbara	
j) Highlands neighbourhood renewal	-First community engagement session -Project intro, stakeholder workshop and public workshops -Saturday, April 14 9:30-1:15 first public workshop -Tuesday, April 17 5-8:45; same session just an evening session	Erin	
<b>6. Issues/Project Updates</b>			
<b>7. Other Business</b>			
<b>a) Administrative support</b>		Sonia	
<b>b) Building Agenda for Next Meeting</b>	-Committee roster, FEP -Ongoing relationship with EDHS & NAPDA		
<b>8. ADJOURNMENT</b>	Moved by Dominic at 7:18 p.m.		

> **Next Meeting:** Wednesday April 25, 2018 5:00 pm

# **HERITAGE PLANNERS' REPORT**

**Report to Edmonton Historical Board**

**March 28, 2018**

To date in 2018, two Designation Bylaw approved and three Notices of Intention to Designate scheduled for City Council for approval.

## **Approved Designation Bylaws in 2018:**

St. Joachim Church (Oliver) approved on January 23, 2018

Burns Residence (McCauley) approved on March 20, 2018

## **Upcoming Designation Bylaws in 2018**

West End Telephone Exchange (Oliver) scheduled for April 24, 2018

## **Approved Notices of Intention to Designate in 2018**

West End Telephone Exchange (Oliver) February 13, 2018

## **Upcoming Notices of Intention to Designate in 2018**

Blue Cross Animal Hospital (McCauley), May 1 and 8, 2018

Ernest W. Morehouse Residence (Highlands), May 1 and 8, 2018

Griffith Residence (Westmount), May 22 and 28, 2018

## **Potential:**

The Richards Block (Strathcona)

Ukrainian Greek Cultural Association Hall (McCauley)

McLear Residence (Westmount)

## **In discussion:**

Snook Residence (Allendale)

Dr. Leslie McIntyre Residence (Westmount)

Keillor Cabin/Stone House (Whitemud Equine Centre)

Judge Downs Residence (Strathcona)

McClory Residence (Glenora)

Stewart Residence (Glenora)

Wilkin Residence (Glenora)  
Wilson Residence (Glenora)  
Bellevue Community League Hall (Bellevue)  
Kennedale Building (Belvedere)  
Ernest Manning Residence (Rural Northeast South Sturgeon)  
Elliot Residence (Westmount)  
Kensington Court (Calder)  
Ritchie Triplex (Ritchie)  
Ernest Morehouse Residence (Highlands)  
Christ Church (Oliver)  
Frost Residence (Westmount)

### **Demolitions in 2018:**

Netzel Residence 10525 - 78 Avenue  
Louise Watts Residence 11031 - 86 Avenue

### **Updates:**

The 2018 This Old Edmonton House seminar series program has been up and running, and registration is now available on the City's eReg website ([www.edmonton.ca/ereg](http://www.edmonton.ca/ereg)). There is 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 next course is Millwork and Floors on April 9, and the program runs until mid May. Share this information with others who may be interested in these courses.

The Westmount Architectural Heritage Area (WAHA) Rezoning project is underway. A consultant, Dnyanesh Deshpande with Greenspace Alliance, has been engaged to provide graphic support for the duration of the project. To launch the project, the first drop in workshop took place on March 13, 2018. It was well attended with close to 100 people. The next drop-in workshop will be in June.

The Westmount Community League also has a committee tasked with setting up their own Westmount plaque program similar to Highlands. They were in attendance at the Open House on March 13th to promote their program. The Heritage Management

Unit is providing financial support from the Heritage Reserve Fund's "Promotions" category. Westmount hopes to have their plaques ready for installation by Summer or Fall 2018.

There has been recent interest in the Lighting Heritage Buildings Pilot program. Discussions are underway with the operators of the Hardware Grill to submit a proposal, and there has been recent interest from the Hotel MacDonald. An application for the Rosedale Power Plant is also being prepared with EPCOR. To date, two grants have been approved - \$50,000 for lighting of the Imperial Bank of Canada building (World Trade Centre) on Jasper Avenue, and \$50,000 for the Empire Building, also on Jasper Avenue.

The report on the City-Owned Historic Resource Management Strategy was passed without discussion by Urban Planning Committee on November 29. The report recommended an approach to ensure the development of a comprehensive strategy for the proper preservation of the City's existing historic resources, in tandem with a broader strategy around all City-owned assets. The next steps will involve outreach to stakeholder groups, including the EHB and EHC to get perspective on how the City should manage its resources.

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.

Administration has been provided the letter from the EHB to Councillors McKeen and Esslinger regarding Hangar 11, and the interest in having the Building Condition Assessment reviewed. A response from the City Planning Branch has been provided. David is in discussions with various parties to encourage retention and adaptive re-use of the structure.

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. Design drawings for the basic stabilization work for all three buildings have been submitted and are under review.

David continues to work with Real Estate and Housing on the planned rehabilitation of the Edmonton Iron Works. The City retained Darrel Babuk to review the Building Condition Assessment, as well to prepare a full Statement of Significance and Integrity for the building, and basic summaries for the other structures on the site. Alberta Culture and Tourism has provided clearance for the site, allowing the north, south and east portions of the structure to be demolished. Discussions on retention of the north and south portions are ongoing; the east portion will be demolished. The main Iron Works structure will be designated as an MHR at some point.



The Jasper Place Historic Resources Inventory is well underway, with Donald Luxton & Associates as the consultant team. The evaluations of the selected buildings with the HRRP began on December 12, 2017. The fourth, and final, batch of proposed historic resources was reviewed on March 13. Seven sites were tabled to the April 10 meeting for further discussion.

We are continuing the possibility of creating an app for our four walking tour booklets (Downtown, Strathcona, Oliver and Highlands). We are most likely going to focus on the Strathcona walking tour as a pilot project. We are now talking with the On This Spot app team about introducing the Strathcona walking tour on their app. The Edmonton Heritage Council has generously offered to be a sponsor for the project.

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

# EDMONTON HISTORIAN LAUREATE REPORT

## Report to Edmonton Historical Board

March 28, 2018

My last month as Historian Laureate.

- On March 10, we hosted our Let's Find Out live panel, About Green Onion Cakes. It was a ton of fun, and we had about 50-60 guests at the Mercury Room to eat green onion cakes, learn about food cultures and immigration and racism, and ask questions. Our panelists included local playwright and author Marty Chan, restaurateur Siu To, and RAM Curator of Cultural Communities Linda Tzang. Thanks to everybody from the EHB and EHC who could make it out!
- CBC interviewed me on Radio Active and wrote an online piece about the panel, which got some pretty huge buzz: <http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/edmonton/green-onion-cakes-edmonton-lets-find-out-siu-to-1.4566603>
- On March 16, I spoke on a LGBTQ+ Media and Storytelling Panel at the Intersections of Queer Symposium at the University of Alberta.
- CBC interviewed me again for Radio Active to look back at my term as Historian Laureate: <http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/edmonton/chris-chang-yen-phillips-historian-laureate-1.4584943>
- I am continuing to mentor a group of Community Service Learning students from the University of Alberta who are helping with Figure 一, 二, 三, 六, 八 – a Chinese community art project showcasing the history and cultural impacts of Edmonton's Chinatown throughout the past 120 years. Three students from Shannon Stunden Bowers' HIST 377 class will be creating short audio pieces that capture moments in Chinatown's history. Cui Jinzhe will use them to help inspire her final paintings for the project. So far they have interviewed Edmontonians like Emmy Mah (who performed on the Chinese Benevolent Association's Klondike Days parade float in the 1950's), Helen Kwan Yee Cheung (author of Painted Faces on the Prairies), Ken Gee (who remembers picking goji berries on Grierson Hill with his grandmother), Tin Yip (a very active volunteer and curling coach in the community), Raymond Ng (a local business owner), Jessica Mah (historian for the Mah Society), Patrick Tso (who has helped run the a Chinese computer society in the neighbourhood), and Grace Law (who helped organize the Harbin Gate remembrance in March).
- We posted the podcast version of the Let's Find Out About Green Onion Cakes panel: <https://letsfindoutpodcast.com/2018/03/28/episode-21-about-green-onion-cakes/>
- I'll be at the official ceremony on April 10 for the new Historian Laureate.

And that's all.

Respectfully submitted by: Chris Chang-Yen Phillips