



# Minutes

## Board Meeting

**Meeting Date & Time:** April 23, 2025; 5:00PM - 7:00PM

**Meeting Location:** Virtually, via Google Meet

**Members:** Stephen Rees, Chair      Harrison Sheremeta, Vice Chair      Kyle Schole  
Vanessa Zembal      Elizabeth Cytko      Joshua Budinski  
Michael Aytenfisu      Darren N. Wagner

**Regrets:** Mark Minenko      John Beamish      James McTague  
Donna Coombs-Montrose, Historian Laureate

**Guests:** Councillor Sarah Hamilton      David Ridley, EHC Exec. Director  
Jess Burylo, EHC Chair      Emily Nokes

**Support Staff:** Kathryn Ivany, City Archivist      Mitchell Norenberg, EHB Coordinator  
David Johnston, Heritage Planner      Sydney Gross, Heritage Planner

Agenda Item	Description/Actions; Date Due	Responsible
<b>1. Welcome &amp; Territorial Acknowledgement</b>	- Steve opened the meeting at 5:05PM. - The Territorial Acknowledgment was read.	Steve
<b>2. Approvals</b>		
	- Agenda - approved after amendments. - EHB Board meeting minutes: <a href="#">March 26, 2025</a> - approved.	Steve
<b>3. Reports &amp; External Updates</b>		

a. Chair Report & Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Discussion on chairpersonship - Steve made a <b>motion</b> to have Harrison become EHB Chair effective at the May Board meeting - <b>Approved</b>. Steve will stay on as a past Chair Board member for a year to provide role orientation and guidance.</li> <li>- Review of the committee's membership will be made at the May Board meeting - Kathryn will distribute a Google form prior to the meeting asking about people's interest in being a committee chair.</li> </ul>	Steve
b. Council Liaison Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Harcourt House soon to be fully designated.</li> <li>- Concerns surrounding the structural integrity of the Princess Theater on Whyte Ave were discussed.</li> <li>- Councilor Hamilton will share commentary on the Garneau Community League's motion defeat by City Council with Mitchell to distribute to the rest of the Board.</li> </ul>	Councilor Hamilton
c. Heritage Unit Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- David and Sydney presented the Heritage Conservation Unit <a href="#">report</a> and a discussion was held.</li> <li>- Councillor Hamilton and the rest of City Council have not heard any updates about the Royal Alberta Museum in a while from the Province - it is still standing and well past the demolition date on its timeline.</li> <li>- Heritage Places Strategy coming along - invitations to the in-person engagement will soon be sent out. <u>Tuesday, May 20 at 6:30PM</u> at the POWA. Would like to have members of the EHB participate.</li> </ul>	David/ Sydney
d. Naming Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Nothing to report - yesterday's meeting pushed to April 29th.</li> </ul>	Harrison

e. Historian Laureate Report	- No report	Donna
f. City Archivist	- Kathryn presented her <a href="#">report</a> and a discussion was held.	Kathryn
<b>4. Committee Reports &amp; Requests for Decision</b>		
a. Historic Resources Review Panel	- Harrison presented the Donaldson Residence (11228 - 65 Street) and made a <b>motion</b> for it to be added to the Inventory - seconded by Elizabeth - <b>approved</b> unanimously.	Harrison
b. Historic Plaques Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Elizabeth gave an update from the April 7 meeting with David Panzarella from Devenio. There is a firm budget and it's okay if things have to be deferred to next year to stay within it.</li> <li>- Plaques event. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <a href="#">Auditorium</a> in the Revillon Building confirmed as venue - can bring in outside catering.</li> <li>- Darrel Babuk of Boreas Architecture &amp; Civic Design Inc. has agreed to give the historical presentation.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Mitchell/ Elizabeth
c. Policy & Planning Committee	- Met April 9th; Progress on 'Hidden Edmonton' mapping, and Engagement Event planning.	Harrison
d. Engagement Committee	- Met March 18th - Garneau Community League <a href="#">letter of support</a> was sent to Council (Motion defeated 4-8).	Chairs of Committee
<b>5. Other Business</b>		
a. Administrative Support	- Nothing to report.	Mitchell
<b>6. Roundtable and Conclusion</b>		
a. Roundtable	- EHC update from David Ridley:	Steve/All

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- EHB interest in historic/heritage resource awareness project, such as was done in the 2021 civic election period?</li> <li>- Alberta heritage places network formation - awaiting funding through GoA - for general interest.</li> <li>- EHC work with the National Trust of Canada- e.g. ACB heritage places.</li> <li>- EHB director questions if any, other connections of interest.</li> </ul> <p>- David Johnston would like the EHB to consider bringing back heritage awards for volunteers to recognize their efforts like what used to be done prior to COVID. Kathryn will share volunteer award information from the last time they were awarded.</p> <p>- Waste Diversion Article: <a href="#">Full Circle, Canadian Architect</a>.</p>	
b. Action Items	- Determine attendees for the Heritage Places Strategy Engagement on May 20. Elizabeth and Michael are interested and Vanessa will also be asked.	Steve/All
c. Next Meeting	- May 22, 2025 at 5:30PM - in-person at the POWA (10440 - 108 Ave).	Steve/All
<b>7. Adjournment</b> 6:47PM		