



# Naming Committee

Honouring People and Places in Our City

THE CITY OF  
**Edmonton**

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## Father James “Jim” Holland



Father Jim Holland is known for his welcoming spirit as Priest at the Sacred Heart Church of the First Peoples. He is a positive and strong voice for the people of the parish and the Boyle McCauley community.

Father Jim grew up on a tobacco farm in Wayne County, North Carolina with his parents and seven other siblings. He graduated from business school in Atlanta, Georgia, and while travelling and working throughout Canada, he volunteered his time caring for terminally ill cancer patients alongside a group of nuns. Though he was not raised Catholic, he was baptised in 1967, and later found his calling in Edmonton, Alberta when he joined the Oblate order.

At 52 years old, in July of 1995, Father James “Jim” Holland was ordained as a priest at Lac Ste. Anne by Archbishop Joseph MacNeil. In September of that year, Father Jim was assigned to Sacred Heart Church of the First Peoples.

As a member of the McCauley community, Father Jim is committed to the organizations and people that make up the community. He has volunteered his time by serving as treasurer of the board of directors for the Boyle McCauley News, board member of the McCauley Community League, a member of the board of director of the Boyle McCauley Health Centre, and Chaplain for the Knights of Columbus. He has spearheaded improvements on 96<sup>th</sup> Street to help revitalize the neighbourhood and taken part in the McCauley Skating Rink project which helps maintain the rink as a hub for positive activity in the neighbourhood. Father Jim has held numerous fundraisers in order to benefit the community, some of which have aided with the restoration of the historic church, wheel chair accessibility throughout the church, and Christmas gifts and celebrations for the less privileged in the community.

Father Jim received the Queen Elizabeth II Golden Jubilee Medal in 2002, as well as the Capital Region Integrity Award from the Rotary Club of Edmonton in 2007.



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Sacred Heart Church of the First Peoples is committed to welcoming all peoples. The church hosts many conferences in order to address a wide range of community traditions and support groups.

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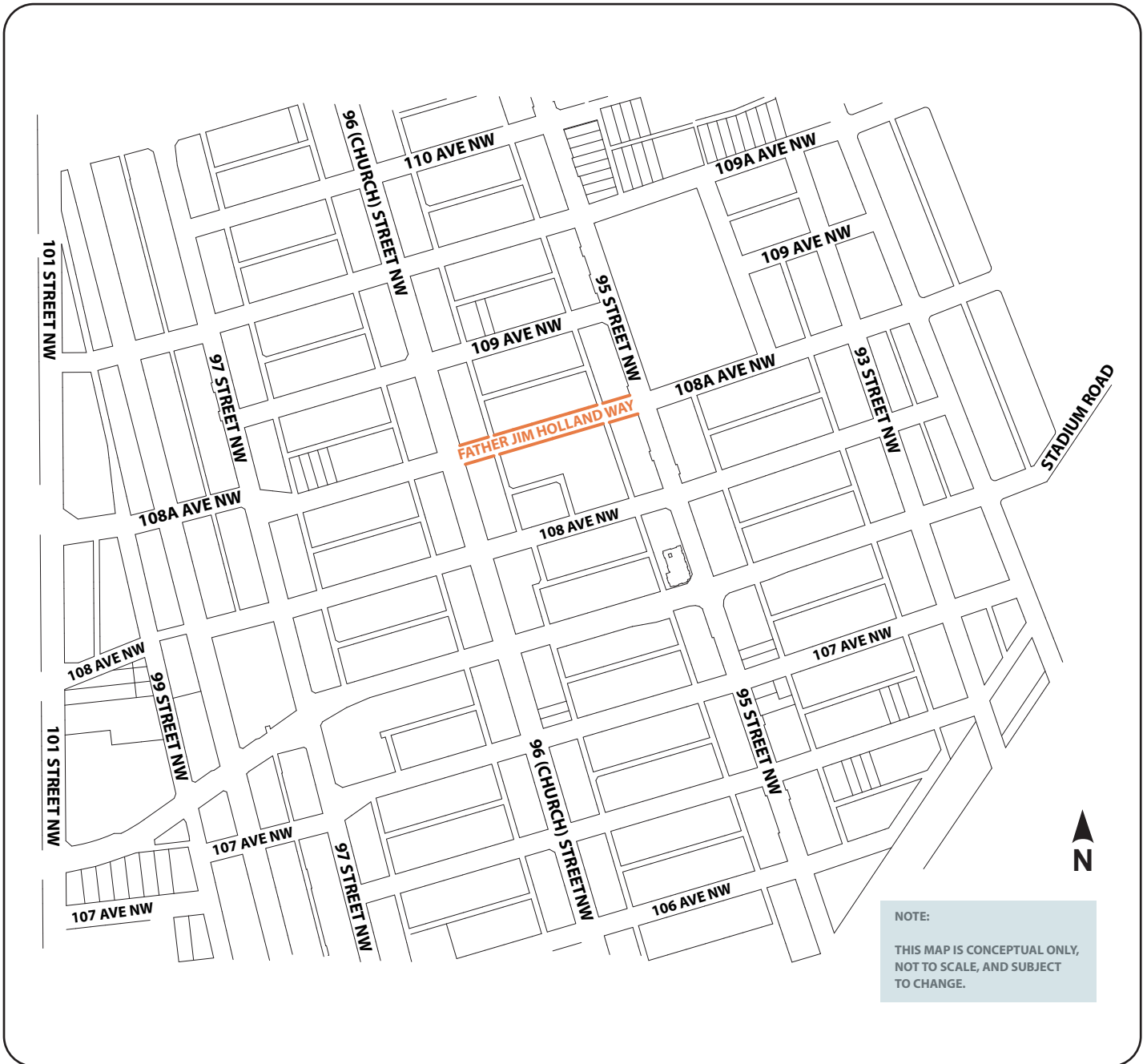
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## APPROVED HONOURARY ROAD NAME

McCauley Neighbourhood

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