

Edmonton Historical Board

DATE/TIME: Wednesday, August 28, 2019 at 5:00 p.m.

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

MINUTES

These minutes were approved on September 25, 2019 by the Edmonton Historical Board

Chair

Recording Secretary

Attending:

Neil Cramer Barbara Hilden
Stephanie Bailey Daniel Rose
David Rynning James McTague
Christina Wilson Erin McDonald
Hanna Choi Anna Gibson
Hollow

Archives Staff:

Sonia Caligiuri, EHB Support
Kathryn Ivany, City Archivist

Guests:

Robert Geldart, Senior Heritage Planner
David Johnston, Principal Heritage Planner
Elise Sammons, U of A Student

Regrets:

Dominic Schamuhn
Lauren Albrecht, U of A Student
Marlena Wyman, Historian Laureate

Agenda Item

Person(s) Responsible

Time allotted/item

WELCOME & CHAIR'S REMARKS

Meeting called to order at 5:04 p.m. Welcome everyone. On behalf of the Board, Daniel would like to begin tonight's meeting by respectfully acknowledging that this meeting and the many historic places to which we work to bring attention, sit on the traditional territory of Treaty Six First Nations, shared by the Metis and Inuit Peoples. The subject matter of our work is the product of a difficult legacy, and

Daniel

5:00-5:05(5 mins)

	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.		
1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA	Moved: Anna Gibson Hollow Approved (unanimously)	Daniel	5:05-5:06 (1 min)
2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES ▪ June 26, 2019 minutes	Moved: Neil Approved (unanimously)	Daniel	5:06-5:07 (1 min)
3 a) Chair's Update	-Holowach Chestnut Tree: Daniel had tweeted about this tree. A lot of interest in helping promote/celebrate the tree's 100 birthday. Potential for EHB to take lead on this event. More info to follow -Hotel Macdonald: previously proposed renovations to Confederation Lounge will not be proceeding -National Trust Conference: Daniel is in contact with the conference planners for potential EHB involvement. More information to come -Heritage focused events for Design Week in the Fall -Executive meeting: planned for September 11 -River Crossing Plan: going to Urban Planning Committee on September 3 at 9:30, River Valley room at City Hall	Daniel	5:08-5:13(5 mins)
4. Items for Discussion/Decision			
a) Update: Strategic Planning outcomes	-Information attached -Looking at having a follow-up session in the next few months -Please review attached documents for future discussion	Daniel	5:13-5:33(20 mins)

<p>b) Update: EHB letter to Urban Planning Committee to support River Crossing Project</p>	<p>https://www.edmonton.ca/projects_plans/communities_neighbourhoods/west_rossdale/river-crossing-business-plan.aspx -EHB's support letter attached -If anyone is interested in attending the Committee session with Council on Tuesday, please do.</p>	<p>Daniel</p>	<p>5:33-5:34 (1 min)</p>
<p>c) Upcoming: Upcoming HL recruitment</p>	<p>-Dominic and Daniel met with Chair & Vice Chair of EHC's board a while ago to begin to discuss what the relationship between both organisations is and should be in regards to this program. -Not too much information to share at this time -ToRs or MOU will be drafted and will be made ready for EHB approval at a later time -Further discussion will be had with the Executive Committee and Administration</p>	<p>Daniel</p>	<p>5:34-5:39 (5 mins)</p>
<p>d) Information: City neighbourhood renewal of Highlands</p>	<p>-Marlena provided some background information on this topic in the HL report -Community member contacted Dan to discuss the neighbourhood renewal plans for Highlands and to request that the EHB provide support to the Community by advocating to Administration on behalf of community. -At this stage, EHB members are not fully aware of the overall process that took place and the proposed renewal plan. -EHB members request further information before a decision on the EHB's position can be made. -Daniel will reach out to Administration to gather further information regarding the process and how heritage was/if incorporated. Daniel will then report back to the EHB and a decision will be made at that time.</p>	<p>Daniel</p>	<p>5:39-5:44 (5mins)</p>

	-Daniel will also provide an update to the community member		
5. Board Committee Reports			
a) Historical Resources Review Panel	-No meeting held in August -New meeting time will be from 5-7 p.m. on the second Tuesday of the month going forward. -Unfortunately, one member has resigned her position on the panel due to the change.	Barbara	5:44-5:46 (2mins)
b) Heritage Outreach Committee	-Meeting was held a couple of weeks ago. -Report attached	Stephanie	5:46-5:51 (5 mins)
c) Plaques and Awards Committee	-First drafts are complete; currently being reviewed -Neil has contacted FEP to hold the event at the park once again.	Neil	(0 mins)
6. Other Reports and Updates			
a) Heritage Planners' Report	Report attached	Robert	5:51-6:11 (20 mins)
b) City Archivist's Report	Report to follow	Kathryn	6:11-6:16 (5 mins)
c) Historian Laureate Report	Report attached	Marlena	6:16-6:21 (5 mins)
d) Naming Committee	-Meeting held last night -Report to follow	Erin	6:21-6:26 (5 mins)
e) Heritage Council	No report at this time	Kathryn	6:26- 6:31 (5 mins)
f) Fort Edmonton Park	No report at this time	Dominic	6:31-6:36(5 mins)
g) U of A Graduate Students	Elise- report draft is completed and currently being reviewed. Final report to be provided at next month's meeting along with a presentation (20 mins required for presentation)	Elise and Lauren	6:36-6:41 (5 mins)
7. Issues/Project Updates			
8. Other Business			
a) Administrative support	-Old EHB display- Photo to be shared. EHB members are asked to think about what you want to do with it going forward	Sonia	6:41-6:44(3mins)

b) Building Agenda for Next Meeting	-Meeting with members of other organizations (eg. NAPDA.; EDHS; EHC, etc.) -FAD- September 29. Neil, Stephanie and Sonia, to look at EHB having a table at POWA or at the Zoo	Daniel	6:44-6:45 (1 min)
9. ADJOURNMENT	Moved by Barbara at 7:03 p.m.		6:45 p.m.

➤ **Next Meeting:** Wednesday September 25, 2019 5:00 pm

HERITAGE OUTREACH COMMITTEE REPORT

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1. Communications Planning:

- The goal this year will be to create a communications plan to help realize the board's mission/vision, identify our key audiences and to help with succession planning.
- We have now received [the findings from our strategic planning session with Berlin](#). The committee will review these notes to help inform our communications planning
- The committee recommends that the board hosts a follow-up strategic planning session as soon as possible to work through and address some of the larger questions brought forward. If we do not have the available funds to use the previous facilitator, Hanna recommends using U of A business students as they look for projects like these as part of their course requirements

2. EHB Ongoing Promotion:

As the first order of business, the committee will focus on taking an inventory of how the existing outreach communications are performing.

a. Architectural Heritage Website

- Tim will provide the committee with analytics of how the website is performing at our next meeting
- **Goal:** To review and update website to ensure that it meaningfully and respectfully represents Indigenous perspectives

b. Building Heritage Newsletter

- Hanna will provide the committee with analytics of how the e-newsletter is performing at our next meeting
- **Goal:** To determine whether this communications vehicle serves our goals. If so, to determine a regular template and schedule that is consistent and sustainable.

c. FaceBook Page

- David will provide the committee with analytics of our facebook account at our next meeting

- Stephanie will continue overseeing facebook account. She intends to post something weekly. Any EHB members with interesting post ideas should contact Stephanie.
- **Goal:** To create a social media strategy to help us better execute our mandate.

3. **Wheritage Update:**

- The Wheritage board is now complete and currently at Fort Edmonton Park
- Keltie and Stephanie met with FEP staff on Tuesday, August 26 to discuss an agreement about joint custody of the board. This agreement will include storage, transportation, scheduling for events, lending/renting it out to third parties, liability for damages, etc. FEP will draft this agreement and the HOC will bring it to EHB for approval in the next couple of months.
- FEP expressed interest in partnering with the EHB in future events. They will be in touch with the HOC about any upcoming events that may serve our mandate.

Submitted by: Stephanie Bailey, HOC Chair

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Designations slated for 2019:

Marshall Hopkins Residence (Westmount) - Designation Bylaw passed on May 14, 2019
Ellen Elliot Residence (Westmount) - Designation Bylaw passed June 18, 2019
Walton L. Smith Residence (Westmount) - Designation Bylaw passed on June 18, 2019
Douglas Manor (Garneau) - Bylaw scheduled for September 24, 2019
Delton Grocery (Delton) - Bylaw scheduled for September 24, 2019
The Richards Block (Strathcona) - Bylaw scheduled for October 8, 2019
Stovel Block (The Quarters) - Bylaw scheduled for October 22, 2019

Designations slated for 2020:

Kenneth Henderson Residence (Strathcona) - NOI scheduled for October 29, 2019
McLear Residence (Westmount) - NOI scheduled for November 19, 2019

Potential Designations:

Ukrainian Greek Cultural Association Hall (McCauley)
Bakos Residence (Westmount)
Matas Residence (Garneau)
Judge Downes Residence (Strathcona)
Armstrong Residence (Garneau)
Wilson Residence (Glenora)
Stone House (Whitemud Equine Centre)
Strathcona Garage (Strathcona)

In discussion:

Dr. Leslie McIntyre Residence (Westmount)
Stewart Residence (Glenora)
Wilkin Residence (Glenora)
Kennedale Building (Belvedere)

Ritchie Triplex (Ritchie)
Frost Residence (Westmount)
Henry J. Wells Residence (McCauley)
Hartley Residence (Westmount)
Emerson Residence (Inglewood)
Henry Weitzel Residence (Strathcona)
Taylor Residence (Glenora)
Beaver House (Downtown)

Number of Demolitions to date: Seven

Updates:

1. The 2020 program for the This Old Edmonton House seminar series has been developed and provided to the team at John Walter Museum. The program start has been shifted from late February to mid March in order to try and boost attendance for the first 3 or 4 courses, which have been cancelled the last two years due to low registration.
2. The Westmount Architectural Heritage Area (WAHA) Rezoning project is now complete. The proposed DC 1 zoning was advanced to Public Hearing for consideration by City Council and passed unanimously on July 15, 2019.
3. 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 has been shifted to January 2020 to allow for additional review and stakeholder discussions.
4. The consultant team for the City-Owned Historic Resource Management implementation program continues to work through the project. All five workshops with the advisory committee have been held, and the consultant is now preparing the final implementation program document. David

will make contact with the Edmonton Historical Board to provide input on the final document when it is available.

5. City Council approved a service package to undertake a Direct Control Provision (DC 1) for the Glenora Historic Conservation initiative as part of the 2019-2022 budget. This initiative could result in the creation of three new DC 1 zones for portions of the neighbourhood south of Stony Plain Road. The procurement process to retain a consultant for the project is underway.

6. The consultant team has now shifted into the detailed design phase for the Ortona Armoury rehabilitation project. Delnor Construction has been hired as the Construction Manager for the construction phase. Tenants of the building completed moving out of the building in early June. More detailed building investigation, selective demolition, and hazardous material abatement is now underway.

7. The walking tour app for Strathcona's historic Whyte Ave. was officially launched on July 26, 2019! The app is now available to download from both the City of Edmonton and On This Spot websites. There are 15 stops on Whyte Ave. area including the CPR Station, Strathcona Library and Knox Church. There is also a 5 stop tour of Waltherdale and about John Walter. In addition, there are a series of cool "then and now" photos of Edmonton to view on the website. We are very pleased with the excellent media coverage we received and as of August 19th, there 7000 downloads!

Submitted by:

Robert Geldart, David Johnston, Scott Ashe

EDMONTON HISTORIAN LAUREATE'S REPORT
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July - August 2019

- July 6: Urban Sketchers Edmonton sketched the Al-Rashid Mosque in Fort Edmonton Park. Blog post is here: <https://edmontonsketchers.wordpress.com/2019/07/14/al-rashid-mosque-fort-edmonton-park-6-july-2019/>
- July 7: Urban Sketchers Edmonton were invited to sketch at St. Joseph's Basilica for Edmonton Historic Festival and Doors Open event. I was asked to give speak briefly about the role of the Historian Laureate to the tour groups as they passed by where I was sketching.
- August 3: Urban Sketchers Edmonton sketched Ritchie School, which is slated to be demolished. Blog post is here: <https://edmontonsketchers.wordpress.com/2019/08/15/ritchie-school-3-august-2019/>
- On September 7th, Urban Sketchers Edmonton will be sketching El Mirador apartments, also slated to be demolished
- Work continues on my exhibit *Sketching History: Rediscovering Edmonton's Architectural Heritage through Urban Sketching*.
- July 4: As requested by Councillor Scott McKeen, a pre-construction walk-through of the Ortona Armoury Arts Bldg was conducted. In attendance were Rebecca Visscher (Councillor McKeen's assistant), Dave Lamash (Senior Project Manager for Delnor Construction), several of the City team, David Johnston and me. Heritage and artist concerns were brought up once again.
- Ted Smith contacted me from the Highlands Historical Society. They have significant concerns about aspects of the City's neighbourhood renewal of Highlands: "The streets and avenues south of 112 avenue have had wide curving corners at the intersections that give Highlands their special streetscape look. With the renewal of the streets, sidewalks and curbs, the city are telling us they are going to square off the corners and that will change the look and feel of this special neighbourhood." He has asked if the EHB would be able to advocate to the City for keeping the streetscape looking the same as it has for the last 100+ years. Ted can be contacted re: their communication with the City and for more details at aetedsmith@gmail.com

- August 28: I am giving a talk and workshop at the Millet Museum and Archives, the first venue to host AFA/AGA's TREX exhibit *Real Women* (Aug 28 to Sept 25). I have four paintings in the exhibit that are about Edmonton women's history. One of my paintings, *The Beulah Home for Unfortunate Women and Girls* is featured on pg 3 of the AFA/AGA's TREX newsletter: <https://www.youraga.ca/sites/default/files/file/201906/sightlines%20June%20to%20Octobe%202019Small.pdf>

Respectfully submitted by Marlena Wyman