

Edmonton Historical Board

DATE/TIME: Wednesday, September 23, 2015

LOCATION: Prince of Wales Armouries Heritage Centre, Jefferson Room

Minutes

These minutes were approved on October 28, 2015 by the Edmonton Historical Board

Chair

Recording Secretary

Attending:

Gordon Hearn Leslie Chevalier
Daniel Rose Darlene Fisher
Jesse Watson Erin McDonald

Archives Staff:

Sonia Caligiuri, EHB Support
Kathryn Ivany, City Archivist

Guests:

Robert Davies
Scott Ashe, Principal Heritage Planner

Regrets:

Danielle Metcalfe-Chenail
Sean Moir
Gayle Simonson
Barbara Hilden
Michael Boire
Ana Laura Pauchulo

| Agenda Item | Action | Person(s) Responsible | Date Due |
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| 1. Welcome and Chair's Remarks | Call to order at 5:01 p.m. Warm welcome to everyone and to our guests, especially Mr. Robert Davies who would like to address the Board, also, Gordon. Introductions took place. | ▪ Erin | |
| 2. Approval of Agenda | Moved: Jesse Second: Leslie Approved | ▪ Erin | |
| 3. Approval of Minutes | Moved: Darlene Second: Jesse Approved | ▪ Erin | |
| 4. Items for Discussion/Decision | | | |
| a) Presentation: Mr. Robert Davies, Interested/private Historian | -Mr. Davies spoke to Board about his work as a private historian and the information he has collected over the years. | ▪ Robert Davies | |

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| <p>b) Follow-up: Presentation to Executive Committee- Mitchell & Reed Auction House (The Artery) and the Graphic Arts Building.</p> | <p>-Erin and other members of EHB reviewed the reports going to Council's Executive Committee; EHB members were dissatisfied with the proposed demolition of these two buildings for laydown plans for the LRT. -Council's Executive Committee called a special meeting on Friday as 12 people have requested to speak. -Direction from Council: Walter Treshenko has been given 2 weeks to come up with strategies/options for the preservation of one or both of these structures. -Action: Dan and Erin will draft a letter to council addressing this issue to be submitted by Wednesday of next week. -EHB has asked that the Heritage Planners to notify EHB when reports are going to Council regarding built heritage so EHB has time to prepare information should it be required.</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Erin | |
| <p>c) Administration: Ethical Guidelines for Citizens Who Serve on City Boards, Agencies, and Commissions</p> | <p>-Members were asked to read and complete form to be submitted to Civic Agencies.</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Erin | |
| <p>5. Board Committee Reports</p> | | | |
| <p>a) Historical Resources Review Panel</p> | <p>August's report attached Motion: That the Campbell Residence at 12608-107 Avenue be added to the Inventory of Historic Resources in Edmonton. Moved: Darlene Second: Daniel Approved</p> <p>Stephen's Residence, 6526-111 Avenue. Built in 1914, building permit not found; some minor alterations; early residential development in Highlands, craftsman style. Motion: That the Stephen's Residence at 6526-111 Avenue be added to the Inventory of Historic Resources in Edmonton. Moved: Darlene Second: Jesse Approved</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Darlene | |

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| b) Heritage Outreach Committee | -August's Executive meeting: Linda Rae Carson was interviewed; good candidate. Motion: that Linda Rae Carson be accepted as a member at large for the HOC Committee for the remainder of this term Moved: Leslie Second: Jesse Approved -Door's Open event: went well; 75+ attendees -Heritage Home Owners meeting was held at the Olson-Watt Residence -Facebook: 532 Likes; Kyle has asked for some help, if anyone has anything to add, please forward to Dan, Leslie and Kyle. -Next meeting: work on communication's plan | ▪ Leslie | |
| c) Plaques and Awards Committee | No Report at this time | ▪ Sean | |
| 6. Other Reports and Updates | | | |
| a) Heritage Planners' Report | Report attached | ▪ Scott | |
| b) City Archivist's Report | Report attached | ▪ Kathryn | |
| c) Historian Laureate Report | August Report attached | ▪ Danielle | |
| d) Naming Committee | Report attached | ▪ Michael | |
| e) EDHS | -Speaker Series begins next week at Queen Alexandra School | ▪ Kathryn | |
| f) NAPDA | -Organization received matching grant of \$190 thousand from the Federal Government to help with renovations to the cabin. | ▪ Gordon | |
| g) EHC | -July's report attached | ▪ Kathryn | |
| h) Fort Edmonton Park | -Report attached | ▪ Darlene | |
| 7. Other Business | | | |
| a) Brewery Building | -Erin has been contacted by the designation group looking for a letter of support. Erin to meet with group next week. | ▪ Erin | |
| b) HUL | -Erin is working with Bob Buckell, Karen Tabor and David R to work on and support the HUL MOU. | ▪ Erin | |
| c) Administrative Support | -Councillor's Luncheon- Will take place on November 4, more information to follow. -David Ridley and Satya Das will be presenting to EHB in October. | ▪ Sonia | |
| d) Building Agenda for Next Meeting | -Discussion materials for Luncheon with Council. | ▪ Erin | |
| 8. Adjournment | Moved by Jesse at 7:03 p.m. | ▪ Erin | |

- **Next Meeting: Wednesday October 28, 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

Report to Edmonton Historical Board
Wednesday August 11, 2015

HRRP met Tuesday, August 11.

The Panel heard a presentation to add the Campbell Residence at 12608 107 Ave to the Inventory. Both the owners and their representative were in attendance and all addressed the Panel. The following were noted:

- The house was likely constructed around 1916 by a sergeant in the NWMP. Thomas Campbell is first listed as resident in 1919. He is probably the home's third owner;
- Thomas Campbell owned a prosperous furniture company in Edmonton. He was also, variously, a realtor and auctioneer. He lived in the home until 1948, when he moved to Ada Blvd. After this time, a number of tenants in the Campbell Residence are listed, indicating the property was very probably converted from single-family to multifamily dwelling (a post-war City of Edmonton initiative encouraged such conversions);
- the house has been radically and ramblingly altered since its 1916 construction: suites have been remodeled, additions tacked on, staircases and entrances both added and removed. It is believed that all these alterations (including stucco) were completed in or around 1948 and, as such, the Panel recommends the home's period of significance be noted as 1946-1959;
- many interior elements remain, including original windows, lathe & plaster walls, maple hardwood flooring, and original chimneys;
- the house has been vacant for two years and is in need of significant restoration. The owners intend to restore the home to its ca. 1948 multi-family state (accommodating three separate residences on the lower, main, and upper floors), respecting its historical character, and are interested in pursuing Designation with the city. Having reviewed the research, evaluated the building, and requested an amendment to the period of significance, the Panel unanimously recommends the Campbell Residence be added to the Inventory of Historic Resources. Under arising business, the Chair presented the Board's discussions around the HUL project. The documents will be distributed electronically for the Panel's review and subsequent discussion.

The recent sale of the Cornwall Residence was discussed. Robert advised the owners have not initiated discussion about potential designation. The Panel also lamented the apparent impending tear-down of Peter Hemmingway's Edmonton home.

The Panel will next meet September 8.

The Panel has one motion to present:

- **That the Campbell Residence at 12608 107th Ave be added to the Inventory.**

Respectfully submitted by: Barbara Hilden, HRRP Chair

Heritage Planners' Report
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Update on the Historic Resources Inventory for the Calder Neighbourhood: Plans underway to schedule a meeting with owners of historic resources added to the Inventory, likely in November.

For the Glenora Neighbourhood Historic Resources Inventory, the contract was awarded to Donald Luxton and Associates. Consultants have started their work to create a Places of Interest list. First meeting with the Community is September 29, 2015. We are scheduled to return to Executive Committee on November 10 to provide an updated status report.

Notice of Intention to Designate the historic Edmonton Malting and Brewing Building (no. 11 and 12) are going forward to Executive Committee on October 6, 2015.

A report and designation Bylaw to Designate the Coates Residence at 13068-115 Street and the Yorath House located in the River Valley has been prepared along with the signed Rehabilitation incentive and Maintenance Agreement, which will be considered by City Council November 17, 2015.

Notices of Intention to Designate the Hulbert Block located on Whyte Ave and McDougall Church is going forward to Executive Committee on November 10, 2015.

The Artery and Graphic Arts Building, working with Real Estate, Housing and Economic Sustainability and stakeholders on options for City Council to make their decisions on.

Potential upcoming designations:

- Mayor Sheppard Residence (Strathcona)
- First Baptist Church (Downtown)
- Emery Residence (Garneau)
- William Lowes Residence (Strathcona)

Queen Elizabeth Planetarium: Plans are underway to select an architect, prepare drawings, tender, etc. in 2016 with the intent to begin restoration and rehabilitation work by spring 2017.

The Alberta Professional Planners Institute recently held their annual conference in Edmonton and David Johnston with David Murray and Shafraaz Kaba provided a guided tour of Modern Buildings in Edmonton. Scott Ashe with Karen Tabor and David Holdsworth provided a guided tour of Old Strathcona with focus on the role of heritage revitalizing the area.

The spring issue of the Building Heritage Newsletter was mailed out in July. We are now preparing for the fall issue of the Building Heritage Newsletter. The focus will be on two houses in Calder.

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

City Archivist's Report
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The beginning of fall is always busy as the City takes up the mantle or real work after the lazy days of the summer. Although the building was open all summer to serve visiting academics and visitors the pace has already picked up as work and school resume. There are two professors at the U of A (one in history and one in planning) who are including archives in their course work and expecting their classes to come and research here for an assignment.

Our Young Canada Works student, Holly Peterson, has returned to school after completing four months of work which included a number of small projects on record groups, creating a finding aid to the First World War Collections at the Archives, as well as creating a metadata schema for future intakes of digital records. You can review her WWI project on our website or by reading her blog on the Transforming Edmonton site <http://transformingedmonton.ca/when-the-war-came-to-k-days/> .

We now have a new practicum student, Candice Laycroft, from the University of Alberta's School of Library and Information Studies. Candice will be finishing the Community Services records inventory and then specifically working with those records that relate to the Edmonton Federation of Community Leagues. Many of the earliest leagues are moving towards centennials in the next few years. She will be with us on Mondays for about three months.

The virtual exhibit on the great flood of 1915 launched successfully at the John Walter Museum celebration of John Walter's birthday at the end of June.
http://www.edmonton.ca/city_government/edmonton_archives/virtual-exhibits.aspx .
The Hallowe'en exhibit has come down from the display cases but will re-emerge in a few months as a virtual exhibit. It will be replaced by an exhibit on the Incline Railway (in comparison to the proposed funicular into the river valley).

New exhibits on our collections are being prepared for Free Admission Day (Sept. 27th) which will also celebrate the 100th Anniversary of the building of the Prince of Wales Armouries. There will be a pancake breakfast on site from 9-11 AM followed by all the usual FAD events. The Edmonton Heritage Council and CJCA are creating a pop-up museum around culture and music, the Southern Alberta Light Horse will be demonstrating one of their armoured vehicles (outside), the Telephone Historical Centre will be open and there will be tours of the Archives and the Armouries as well as other events and activities. Ann Hall, one of the Board's former members will be presenting at 2 PM on the Grads Basketball team.

Respectfully submitted by: Kathryn Ivany, City Archivist

**Historian Laureate's Report
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Sorry I can't be at next week's meeting. I'm sure you'll have lots to chat about. I was very happy to see the Cornwall Mansion get bought up by someone who apparently has the intent to preserve and market its historic character!

A mini update/report for me:

- Announcement for forthcoming anthology I edited, which involves several Edmonton-area writers and scholars - [In This Together: Fifteen True Stories of Real Reconciliation](#) (afterword is a candid conversation between CBC's Shelagh Rogers and Justice Murray Sinclair of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission!)
- Currently involved in [Reconciling Edmonton](#), an arts and heritage project funded by Edmonton City as Museum Project Grant. Public engagement portion will continue for next couple of months and we plan to unveil the finished art and poetry at a Round Dance in November.
- Attended Treaty 6 Recognition Day yesterday - great event!
- Did weekly column called [Who We Are](#) on Edmonton's diversity and will continue monthly for the foreseeable future
- Recent blog posted on ECAMP website about local aviator, [Owen Cornish](#)
- Forthcoming article on restoration and curatorial practices at Ukrainian Cultural Heritage Village in *ACUA Vitae* magazine
- Deep in my work on South Asian oral history project. Have made some connections between Multicultural Women and Seniors Services Association and City and Provincial Archives that I think will be fruitful
- Continuing my research into Camsell Hospital. Currently applying for grants and noting leads from community members
- Have monthly historic outreach talks lined up right until my last day on March 31 at everything from EDHS to Grant Mac to U of A to Caribbean Women's Network and the Feminist Club!

Respectfully submitted by: Danielle Metcalfe-Chenail

**Naming Committee Report
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The NC met August 25th with the following items on the agenda (the results of the committee's deliberations & actions are unofficial – the official minutes are posted once approved):

1. Request to name a road located within the Summerside Neighbourhood. (Saly Place):
Carried
2. Request to name a road located within the Strathcona Industrial Park Neighbourhood:
Tabled
3. Request to name a portion of road within the McCauley Neighbourhood: Tabled
4. Request to name collector roads within the Marquis Neighbourhood (Marquis Way/Boulevard): Carried
5. Request to name a park within the Beverly Heights Neighbourhood (Beverly Page Park):
Carried
6. Request to honour Edgar T. Jones: Tabled
7. Request to add a name onto the Names Reserve List (Donald Milne): Carried
8. Review of the names of the Names Reserve List.

Items are usually tabled due to a lack of, or a NC request for more, information. Item no. 6 involves naming parks, viewpoints, paths and sections of ravines. These are not named. This may be included as part of a way-finding project i.e. for emergency response in the parks etc. The work done by NC staff has been shared with Community Services for input. This addition to/expansion of the NC scope would add considerable potential for heritage etc. Item no. 8 is part of the ongoing renewal of the Reserve Names List, started in 1956, which was not subject to the 2005 bylaw update.

Respectfully submitted by: Michael Boire

**Edmonton Heritage Council
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Updates:

- There were a number of pop-up museums this summer as part of ECAMP (check out the EHC Blog post)
- EHC has a new committee – it is still in the process of figuring out what it should be and do but, generally, the task of the Community Engagement Committee will be to ensure that Edmontonians are engaged in heritage work (beyond the grants)
- David gave a presentation on the Historic Urban Landscape approach and how EHC might take it up as a guiding framework. The discussion focused on how EHC can contribute to municipal plans and policies, the Art of Living, and work with the Old Strathcona Foundation (with whom the city signed a MOU informed by HUL) and other communities. Two important points were emphasized in the discussion: 1) The idea of Edmonton as "new" needs to change and, as such, there needs to be a more complex understanding with respect to what is of historical "value" in the city (ie., what is of "value" here may be different than what is of value in cities that are known for their history); 2) A historical urban landscape should be marked by the intangible, spiritual, present and the future (in addition to the tangible and the past)

Upcoming Events:

- Edmonton Heritage Network event in the Fall
- EHC Grants will be opening in the Fall (call for jurors closed August 21)
- Float Yer Boat, September 13

Respectfully submitted by: Ana Laura Pauchulo

**Forte Edmonton Park Management Company
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- Update to infrastructure rebuild – Still much debate over the anticipated closure of the park for the infrastructure rehabilitation. Several scenarios were reviewed, including options for no closure of the park to full closure and several options in between. A report will be put forward based on both the city's assessment on the construction side and FEMCO staff's options on the operations side to help make the final decision.
- Environmental reviews are currently underway for the entire park site.
- Construction of the Blatchford Hangar kitchen addition should be completed by the end of November
- Expansion to the existing Model Railway Association freight shed scheduled for late Spring/Summer 2016
- First meeting with committee of Elders appointed by the Confederacy of Treaty Six First Nations held in June to gather feedback on the Indigenous Peoples' Experience concept.

Next FEMCO board meeting will be held December 7, 2015.

Respectfully submitted by: Darlene Fisher