

Edmonton Historical Board

DATE/TIME: Wednesday, April 27, 2016
LOCATION: Prince of Wales Armouries Heritage Centre, Jefferson Room

MINUTES

These minutes were approved on May 25, 2016 by the Edmonton Historical Board

 Chair

 Recording Secretary

Attending:

Ana Laura Pauchulo Gayle Simonson
 Barbara Hilden Darlene Fisher
 Erin McDonald Earl Anderson
 Dan Rose Michael Boire
 Sean Moir Leslie Chevalier
 Chris Chen-Yang Phillips

Archives Staff:

Kathryn Ivany, City Archivist
 Sonia Caligiuri, EHB Support

Guests:

Robert Geldart, Senior Heritage Planner
 David Johnston, Principal Heritage Planner
 Chris Hodgson, Director, Sustainable Development

Regrets:

Jesse Watson

Agenda Item	Action	Person(s) Responsible	Date Due
1. Welcome and Chair's Remarks	Welcome to everyone especially the new Historian Laureate Chris and Chris Hodgson. Brief update on Board members. 2 members had chosen not to continue. In January Erin was made aware of a potential Conflict of Interest due to new employment, which had to be	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Erin 	

	<p>made aware to Council's Community Services Committee (CSC). CSC made the decision to appoint 3 new members who will begin their terms on May 1. Orientation will be held next week.</p> <p>Introductions of all present</p>		
2. Approval of Agenda	<p>Moved: Michael Second: Earl Approved</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Erin 	
3. Approval of Minutes	<p>Moved: Sean Second: Gayle Approved</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Erin 	
4. Items for Discussion			
<p>a)Presentation: Mitchell & Reed Auction House (The Artery) & The Graphic Arts Building</p>	<p>-Background information on these sites was provided. -Purpose of presentation was to provide a brief update on the status of the sites and to engage EHB before the next steps. -EHB thanked Chris for his reaching out to the EHB for feedback. -Further information to be shared.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chris Hodgson 	
<p>b) Information: Naming Committee information to provide for incoming Board members</p>	<p>-EHB values its role on the Naming Committee -Information/briefing will be provided to the new members so they are able to make a decision if they want to be the EHB's representative</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Erin 	
<p>c) Information: HRMP review timeline and EHB involvement</p>	<p>-Currently there is a delay as no resources to undertake this project at this point -A request for a Consultant to be hired is being put forward. -Once hired, it will be around 18 months before the EHB's input will be required.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Erin, Robert 	

<p>d) Follow-up: Letter on El Mirador Apartments</p>	<p>-Erin responded to the initial letter of contact. -El Mirador Apartments was specifically mentioned in EHB's annual report to CSC. -At this point, as no other actions have been taken, EHB is not able to do anything at this time. -EHB will keep an eye on the situation and see if there is anything else the EHB can do. -While waiting: EHB has instructed Erin and Kathryn to draft a letter to Council copying Community Services and Planning.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Erin 	
<p>e) Update: Ad-hoc Committee</p>	<p>Motion: That the Edmonton Historical Board hire a consultant to prepare a report that looks at documenting the value of Built Heritage Presentation as outlined in the Terms of Reference Moved: Michael Second: Dan -Terms of Reference (ToRs) were reviewed and discussed. Amendments to language. Approved</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Leslie 	
<p>f) Motion: Executive and Committee appointments</p>	<p>-Proposed Executive roster for 2016-2017 Chair: Erin Vice Chair: Barbara Chairs: HOC: Leslie, P&A: Barbara, HRRP: Dan Motion: That the Edmonton Historical Board approve the slate as presented Moved: Michael Second: Darlene Approved</p> <p>-Proposed Committee roster for 2016-2017 HOC: Leslie, Earl</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Erin 	

	<p>P&A: Barbara, Michael, Earl HRRP: Dan, Darlene Motion: That the Edmonton Historical Board approve the slate as presented Moved: Barbara Second: Michael Approved</p>		
<p>g) Discussion: Correspondence with Council and Administration</p>	<p>-Process: Chair usually writes the correspondence once Board has discussed an issue and given direction. -Should any member wish to take on a topic that is presented and discussed by the Board, they may do so with the Chair reviewing and signing prior to submission -Board asked that Sonia circulate letters to EHB members once submitted to Council and/or Administration</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Erin 	
<p>h) Information: Letter submitted to Executive Committee regarding City's Inventory</p>	<p>-Letter was submitted to Council -Robert will follow-up with some of the information flagged in the letter. -Letter attached</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Erin 	
<p>i) Information: Annual Report presentation to Community Services Committee</p>	<p>-Annual Report presentation to CSC on April 25. -3 additional members of Council were present at presentation. -Erin highlighted some information in the report and specifically El Mirador and Sylvancroft -Went well, with good dialogue with Council members</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Erin 	
<p>5. Board Committee Reports</p>			
<p>a)Historical Resources Review Panel</p>	<p>Barto Residence was reviewed by HRRP on April 12. Motion: That the Barto Residence at 11425-95 A Street be</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dan 	

	<p>added to the Inventory of Historic Resources in Edmonton Moved: Dan Second: Barbara Approved</p> <p>-13 residences were reviewed from the second batch of the Glenora Inventory.</p> <p>Motion: that the following 12 residences be added to the Inventory of Historic Resources in Edmonton Moved: Dan Second: Barbara -Loney Residence: 13312-102 Avenue -Brennan Residence: 13612-103 Avenue -Allyn Residence: 13618-103 Avenue -Souch Residence: 13520-106 A Avenue -Brody Residence: 10414-134 Street -Warren Residence: 10422-134 Street -Visser Residence: 10526-134 Street -Kallal Duplex: 10620-24-136 Street -MacPherson Residence: 10306-137 Street -Foster Residence: 10314-137 Street -Pike Residence: 10502-137 Street -Lawson Residence: 10611-137 Street Approved</p> <p>-1 Building not recommended was the Scott Residence at 13720 Stony Plain Road.</p>		
<p>b) Heritage Outreach Committee</p>	<p>-Meeting this month focussed on the Newsletter and the next steps for it. -A survey will go out to the current recipients regarding</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Leslie 	

	format (paper or electronic), and what they would like to see on it.		
c) Plaques and Awards Committee	<p>Committee met on April 25 and reviewed the nominations received.</p> <p>Motion: That the Edmonton Historical Board prepare and present the following awards and plaques for the respective recipients at the February 2017 EHB P&A ceremony</p> <p>Awards: Beatrice Demetrius Janne Switzer</p> <p>Plaques: Edmonton 1881 School House Coates Residence Rose Residence Mountfield Residence Yorath Residence Hulbert Block Edmonton Brewing & Malting Co. (Molsons) Admin Office (Molsons) McDougall United Church 1st Edmonton Cemetery ca 1880s (above Mackinnon Ravine)</p> <p>re-writes of the following plaques: -Downtown post office site (now Westin Hotel, on account of demolition of existing plinth bearing information) -Olson-Watt residence (on account of availability of substantive new information).</p> <p>Moved: Sean Second: Gayle</p>		

	<p>Approved</p> <p>-Further review of the nomination for the Heritage Fair Organization is needed, so it will be deferred to next month.</p>		
6. Other Reports and Updates			
a)Heritage Planners' Report	-Report attached	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Robert 	
b) City Archivist's Report	-No report at this time	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Kathryn 	
c) Historian Laureate Report	-Chris provided a brief introduction into what he has been doing so far -Report attached	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Chris 	
d) Naming Committee Report	-No report at this time as no meeting this month	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Michael 	
e) EDHS Update	-No report at this time	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Gayle 	
f) NAPDA Update	-Report attached	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Earl 	
g) Heritage Council	-No report at this time	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Ana Laura 	
h) Fort Edmonton Park	-No report at this time	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Darlene 	
7. Issues/Project Updates			
8. Other Business			
a)Recognition for outgoing EHB members	-Thank you to Sean, Ana Laura, Jesse and Gayle for you work during your time with the Edmonton Historical Board and its Committees. Your commitment and support is greatly appreciated. The EHB wishes you well.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Erin 	

b) Administrative support	-No report at this time	● Sonia	
c) Building Agenda for Next meeting	-Will be developed prior to next meeting	● Erin	
9. Adjournment	Moved by Sean at 7:49 p.m.		

❖ Next Meeting: Wednesday May 25, 2016 5:00 p.m.

Letter to Council on City's Inventory

Edmonton Historical Board
Prince of Wales Armouries Heritage Centre
10440-108 Avenue
Edmonton, Alberta T5H 3Z9

April 8, 2016

His Worship Don Iveson
And Edmonton City Councillors
Second Floor, City Hall
1 Sir Winston Churchill Square
Edmonton, Alberta T5J 2R7

Re: City Heritage Building Inventory

Dear Mayor Iveson and Councillors,

The Edmonton Historical Board (EHB) is an advisory board for the City Council of Edmonton, providing information and recommendations relating to Edmonton's history generally and specifically in reference to the city's built heritage. One of the regular recommendations made by the Board to Council is the addition of buildings or properties to the City's Inventory of Historic Resources.

The EHB is aware that the Executive Committee is receiving the Administration report on the City Heritage Building Inventory. The EHB believes that the City has a duty of care regarding city-owned historical buildings, such that the City is obligated to set the best possible example when it comes to the preservation and protection of historical assets. As such, historic buildings, monuments and historical fragments that are city-owned should automatically be considered for inclusion on the Heritage Inventory.

We strongly believe that inclusion on the Heritage Inventory, at a minimum, should be considered for any potential city-owned asset. Consideration when a new asset is purchased could prevent such occurrences as did recently with the Graphic Arts Building.

Additionally, the EHB would strongly recommend that we be consulted during Administrative discussions regarding the disposition of city-owned historical assets which are included on the Inventory or are Designated Municipal Resources. Despite the Mitchell & Reed Auction House ("the Artery"] being on the Inventory, we believe no pause was taken before Administration opted to recommend demolishing the building. Had the EHB been consulted, we could have offered our expertise in the historical significance of either building before demolition was Considered.

Furthermore, we believe it is important for the City Council to consider which City-Owned Heritage Building Assets have not been included in the Attachment to the current report. We believe there maybe historic resources which are neither Designated or on the Heritage Inventory, which have been excluded from this listing. It is imperative that the entire listing of city-owned assets be carefully reviewed to determine if historical assets exist within the City's current holdings.

Finally, the Edmonton Historical Board supports the recommendation to develop a "City-Owned Historic Resource Management Strategy"; and we would offer our expertise during the development of this plan. We believe we can provide specific expertise, and are well-positioned as an Advisory Board to offer support and advice on matters of City-Owned Heritage Building Assets.

Kind Regards,
Erin McDonald
Chair, Edmonton Historical Board

HERITAGE PLANNERS' REPORT
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Glenora Neighbourhood Historic Resources Inventory Phase II: Second batch of historic resources was presented to the Panel on April 12th. For the month of May, there are two scheduled meetings to review and evaluate the third and fourth batches of historic resources.

Designation Bylaw to designate the William Lowes Residence (Strathcona), and Cameron Block (Chinatown) were passed by City Council on April 19th

Bylaw to Designate the Phyllis Grocery (Church Street) is scheduled for City Council on May 3th.

Notice of Intention to Designate the Duncan Cameron Residence is scheduled for Executive Committee on May 10th and then to City Council on May 24th.

Notice of Intention to Designate the Emery Residence in Garneau is scheduled for Executive Committee on July 5th and then to City Council on July 12th.

McDougall Church Restoration Committee is working closely with Group 2 Architecture (Allan Partridge) as their architect on reviewing the submissions from general contractors.

The Heritage Unit continues their dialogue with representatives to designate St. Joseph's Basilica, St. Joachim's Church and First Baptist Church.

Design work continues on the restoration of the Queen Elizabeth Planetarium. David Murray Architect has also been retained as the heritage consulting architect on the project. The City is also in the process of including the mosaics of the zodiac that are on the walkways as part of the restoration work.

The Heritage Unit has submitted an application to City Wide Planning to rezone Church St to a DC1 to reinforce its special character. Public meetings on the DC1 rezoning will be scheduled for Fall 2016.

The review of the Historic Resource Management Plan (HRMP): The Heritage Management Unit has determined that we need to hire a consultant to conduct the review of the HRMP and carry out the public consultation process and possibly host workshops, etc. Our Chief Planner, Peter Ohm, has received a briefing on our proposal to retain a consultant and has asked that we present to the Directors of the City Planning Branch, the why, how, when and what. At this time we estimate it will take 18 months to complete.

On April 19th, a report on City Owned Historic Resources Inventory was received by City Council. Your April 8th letter was referenced by Councillor Henderson on your request that EHB would like to have input in the process of the preparing a City Owned Historic Resource Management Strategy, that other city owned building may have heritage value, and your concerns about the Artery and Graphic Arts Building. This report from Integrated Infrastructure Services (a new City Branch) was to inform Council on the condition of 57 City owned historical assets; 9 are cemeteries and monuments. 48 are buildings. Twenty-seven (27) of the 48 buildings were assessed and of these, 12 are in good condition, 10 are in fair condition and 5 are poor condition. Of the 21 buildings without a recent condition assessment, 8 buildings do not require one as they have been renovated or secured in recent years. The 13 buildings without detailed condition assessment reports are regularly monitored but have not been assessed in the last 5 years. Integrated Infrastructure Services has plans to complete the balance of building assessments in time for the 2019-22 Building and Capital Rehabilitation capital program. They have prioritized the assessments for the designated historic resources that are in poor condition.

Also, the motion on this item was generated from the verbal report on the Artery Buildings, which was also discussed at City Council and Mr. Trocenko stated that Mr. Chris Hodgson will meet with EHB to discuss the public offering of the Artery and the Graphic Arts building prior to its release.

This Old Edmonton House Seminar Series is now finished for this year. We had a few cancelled courses. Overall, we are satisfied on how it went considering the seminar series was cancelled in 2015. In late August we will begin to plan for the courses for 2017.

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

Historian Laureate
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My first month as Historian Laureate! I spent some time getting my bearings by meeting with folks from the City of Edmonton, the City archives, and the Edmonton Heritage Council. And I answered what felt like a tornado of media requests. I also laid down some groundwork for the podcast I'm developing.

1. I was interviewed about my appointment by:

Global - <http://globalnews.ca/video/2628642/chris-chang-yen-phillips-named-edmontons-4th-historian-laureate>

CBC TV,

Radio Active on CBC,

and Metro Edmonton -

<http://www.metronews.ca/news/edmonton/2016/04/05/chris-chang-yen-phillips-named-edmonton-historian-laureate.html>

CBC.ca, CTV.ca, and the Mill Woods Mosaic also wrote stories about the appointment.

<http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/edmonton/chris-chang-yen-phillips-named-edmonton-s-4th-historian-laureate-1.3523935>

<http://edmonton.ctvnews.ca/edmonton-s-new-historian-laureate-named-1.2846673>

2. The Next Up leadership program invited Kathryn Lennon and I to lead a workshop on Creative Activism. We talked the participants through an exercise where they made dioramas depicting something that frustrated them about Edmonton, and then another diorama about how they could help change it immediately with no resources, and without asking for permission.

3. Moderated a talk on the Conditions and History of Sexual Exploitation, as part of the Sexual Exploitation Working Group's Collaborative Efforts for Change conference.

4. Gave a Career Week talk at Parkallen School on being a journalist and historian laureate.
5. Rode along for the Snow Goose Chase to record for the first episode of the podcast I'm developing.
6. Brainstormed ideas for researching stories of small cultural communities with City of Edmonton folks working on the River Crossing heritage interpretive plan for the Rossdale area.
7. On May 1, I'll be attending the launch of a book called From Generation to Generation: Jewish Edmontonians as Heritage Builders at Audrey's Books.
8. On May 7, I'll be attending the Heritage Fair and the Ben Calf Robe school pow wow.

Thanks very much,
Chris Chang-Yen Phillips

Northern Alberta Pioneers & Descendants Association
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Our board is basically in a transitional period yet.

This is in lieu of a new President, Allan Farrants, who had to take over from Gordon Hearn who had to retire from being the President. As all you know, Gordon was part of the EHB prior to this.

Respectfully submitted by: Earl Anderson, NAPDA Representative