

Edmonton Historical Board

DATE/TIME: Wednesday, January 23, 2019 at 5:00 p.m.

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

MINUTES

These minutes were approved on February 27, 2019 by the Edmonton Historical Board

Chair

Recording Secretary

Attending:

Andreas Loutas Christina Wilson
 Dominic Schamuhn Daniel Rose
 Lauren Albrecht David Rynning
 Elise Sammons
 Rebecca Goodenough

Marlena Wyman, Historian Laureate

Archives Staff:

Sonia Caligiuri, EHB Support
 Kathryn Ivany, City Archivist

Guests:

Robert Geldart, Senior Heritage Planner
 David Johnston, Principal Heritage Planner
 Councillor Scott McKeen

Public in attendance interested in Minchau
 Blacksmith Shop:
 Victoria
 Chelsey
 Dustin

Regrets

Barbara Hilden
 Erin MacDonald
 Neil Cramer
 Hanna Choi

Agenda Item

Person(s) Responsible

Date Due

WELCOME & CHAIR'S REMARKS

Welcome to everyone at 5:03 p.m.

Introductions made as guests present from the public

On behalf of the Edmonton Historical Board, Daniel respectfully acknowledges that we are meeting on the traditional territory of the Treaty Six First Nations, and later Metis peoples whose

Daniel

	histories, languages and cultures enrich our share heritage and community.		
1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA	Moved: Christina Approved (unanimously)	Daniel	
2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES ▪ November 28, 2018 minutes	Moved: Andreas Approved (unanimously)	Daniel	
3. Items for Discussion/Decision			
a) Follow-up: Connections & Exchanges (City's new Arts and Heritage 10 year plan)	-Discussion was held at last EHB meeting regarding the City's new 10 year plan. -Letter was submitted to Plan's project team -Both the Chair and Vice Chair of each of the Edmonton Historical Board and the Edmonton Heritage Council's Board will be meeting next week (February 8th) to have a discussion around this plan -Any thoughts or ideas, please pass them along to Daniel and Dominic so these ideas can be addressed at next week's meeting	Daniel	
b) Discussion: Preparation for 2018-2019 Annual Report Submission	- Committee Chairs, please have conversations with your committees to plan spending/work items within the next month for the budget component -Review of the 2019/2020 Workplan. Review committee mandates and upcoming work -EHB to meet soon to have a strategic planning session to plan for the next few years -Chairs, please have your committee information ready for the report and submit by the end of the week.	Daniel	
c) Follow-up: Council Luncheon	-Luncheon took place in early December -Most EHB members were present. Ideas generated at luncheon are attached. -Doing more community oriented work to reach new audiences	Dominic	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Direction EHB is going in appears to be inline with what Council is looking for. -Councillor Walters will be meeting with Marlena, as Historian Laureate, in February. -Thank you to HOC for putting the speaking notes together -EHB to look at a different time or even format for the next event with Council to hopefully have more Councillors attend. 		
d) Motion: EHB's representative to Naming Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Civic Agencies requires the representative from the EHB -Erin has expressed an interest to continue <p>Motion: The Edmonton Historical Board recommends that Erin MacDonald be the EHB's representative to the Naming Committee</p> <p>Moved: Christina</p> <p>Approved (unanimously)</p>	Daniel	
e) Discussion: El Mirador Apartments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Spanish Revival building on 108 Street -The risk of the demolition of this building is high. Building is currently on inventory but not designated. -The owner has formally applied to rezone the site and the application is currently under review. Application indicates that all buildings on site will not remain -Rezoning application should be going to Council sometime in the Spring. David will keep on top of this application and keep the Board updated -Demolition application has not been submitted yet. -Last remaining purpose residential buildings north of Jasper Avenue and on 108 Street; other components regarding its rarity discussed and should be highlighted 	Daniel	

	-HOC to be tasked with how to proceed and to come up with recommendations for the EHB		
4. Board Committee Reports			
a) Historical Resources Review Panel	-No report at this time -Holiday luncheon held in December at which Marlana presented	Andreas	
b) Heritage Outreach Committee	-Winter newsletter went out; upto 216 subscribers -Annual report: work continues -Facebook post at Christmas: 20k reached, 951 likes, 208 shares	Dominic	
c) Plaques and Awards Committee	Report attached	Neil	
5. Other Reports and Updates			
a) Heritage Planners' Report	Report attached -City owned Historic Resources: 63 Owned by City. EHB has been listed as a stakeholder and will be asked for feedback	Robert	
b) City Archivist's Report	Report attached	Kathryn	
c) Historian Laureate Report	Report attached	Marlena	
d) Naming Committee	Report attached	Erin	
e) Heritage Council	-Project Accelerator Grants March 1 deadline	Daniel	
f) Fort Edmonton Park	-Next meeting will be tomorrow -Board meeting/orientation was held end of Nov -Working through expansion project: 161 mill.; FEP not closed for upcoming year for group functions but no gate admissions	Dominic	
6. Issues/Project Updates			
7. Other Business			

a) Administrative support	-Sonia will be away from February 15-22	Sonia	
b) Building Agenda for Next Meeting	-Include standing item: Update from U of A students- no update at this time; will be members of the HOC		
c) Blacksmith Shop	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Members of public in attendance requested to find out what the status of the Minchau Blacksmith Shop is. Heritage Planners provided the following information. -Bldg is not for sale. Province did an evaluation and decided not to proceed with the designation of the building. -Bldg is on the inventory and is not designated. -Planners will be sending a letter to council to notify Council of the Province's decision. -Owner had previously applied to demolish. Application has not been removed, but owner's intentions are not known at this time. -Planners are encouraging the designation. -The Board thanks the public members who attended and for their interest. -Should individuals be interested, David Johnston can put them in contact with the owner. 	Daniel	
8. ADJOURNMENT	Moved by Dominic at 6:49 p.m.		

➤ **Next Meeting:** Wednesday February 27, 2019 5:00 pm

PLAQUES AND AWARDS COMMITTEE

Report to Edmonton Historical Board

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December and January have been relatively quiet for the P&A committee, the booking for our annual event was finalized in December so we are confirmed for our April event at the Capitol Theatre at Fort Edmonton Park.

1. Adding more Indigenous Recognition to our Plaques

In early January a letter was drafted and sent to the Indigenous Relations Office with the City of Edmonton, asking if the office would be interested in providing some guidance and cooperation with this new initiative. As of the writing of this report there has been a response and the Chair of the P&A Committee is organizing a meeting with a representative from the office.

2. P&A Meeting

No meeting was held in December of January, but the P&A Committee did discuss via email some ideas for including recognition of traditional land use in our plaques. A meeting will be held in February to discuss the upcoming event in April and to finalize roles for that evening.

Respectfully submitted by: Neil Cramer, Plaques and Awards Chair

HERITAGE PLANNERS REPORT
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Designations slated for 2019

Marshall Hopkins Residence (Westmount) - January 29, 2019

Ellen Elliot Residence (Westmount) - April 2019

Walton L. Smith Residence (Westmount) April 2019

Douglas Manor (Garneau) - June 2019

Potential Designations:

The Richards Block (Strathcona)

Ukrainian Greek Cultural Association Hall (McCauley) Bakos Residence (Westmount)

Matas Residence (Garneau)

Judge Downes Residence (Strathcona)

Delton Grocery (Delton)

Stovel Block (The Quarters)

Armstrong Residence (Garneau)

Wilson Residence (Glenora)

In discussion

Dr. Leslie McIntyre Residence (Westmount)

Keillor Cabin/Stone House (Whitemud Equine Centre) Stewart Residence (Glenora)

Wilkin Residence (Glenora)

Kennedale Building (Belvedere)

Ritchie Triplex (Ritchie)

McLear Residence (Westmount)

Frost Residence (Westmount)

Remy J. Wells Residence (McCauley)

Hartley Residence (Westmount)

Emerson Residence (Inglewood)

Henry Weitzel Residence (Strathcona)

Number of Demolitions to date:
Four

Updates:

1. The 2019 This Old Edmonton House seminar series program is now live on the City's eReg website and is open for registration. The first course, Windows and Doors I, takes place on February 25, 2019.
2. The Westmount Architectural Heritage Area (WAHA) Rezoning project is progressing well. The third and final engagement event is tentatively scheduled for March 12, 2019. Pending the outcome of that event, the proposed amendments will be advanced to Public Hearing for consideration by Council in the summer of 2019.
3. David is coordinating a report on the outcome of the Functional Use Study and the process related to partnerships and future use of Hangar 11, which will involve the Historical Board and other advocacy groups. The report is due back in September 2019. The RFP for the Advanced Assessment and Documentation component has been issued to the City's list of standing offer firms, with proposals due by January 31.
4. The report on the City-Owned Historic Resources Management Action Plan was passed by Executive Committee on October 15, 2018. David has received approval from Procurement to proceed with a non-competitive offer to hire a management consultant to help prepare the detailed program. It is anticipated that contact will be made with the Edmonton Historical Board to provide input as the process unfolds.
5. City Council approved a service package to undertake a Direct Control Provision (DCI) for the Glenora Historic Conservation initiative as part of the 2019-2022 budget. This could result in the creation of three new DC 1 zones for portions of the neighbourhood south of Stony Plain Road.
6. Rehabilitation work on the Yorath House, a city owned facility in Buena Vista Park is substantially complete and the building is now available for booking by the public.
7. The rehabilitation and redevelopment of the Brighton Block is ongoing, with the structural stabilization of the building now substantially complete and work beginning on the 3 storey rooftop addition.
8. We continue to work closely with the owner of the Strathcona Hotel and Alberta Culture and Tourism on a concept plan for the repurposing and redevelopment of the building, which is both an MHR and PHR.
9. Rehabilitation work on the Ortona Armoury is now in its initial phases, after the City retained a consulting team to design the rehabilitation. The initial phase involves a detailed condition assessment and the development of the functional program for the re-design of the space. A key direction emerging from the discussions is the idea of enclosing the courtyard space on the west side of the building to create more performance area for

the tenants and community in the future. The schematic design report is anticipated to be completed by mid March.

10. David is coordinating a number of legal agreements for grants from the Lighting Heritage Buildings Pilot program. A \$30,000 grant will be provided to the Quarters team for the Goodridge Block, and a \$22,000 grant will be provided to the owners of the Ritchie Mill for their project. The City has also received approval from Alberta Culture and Heritage to move forward with the lighting project for the Rosedale Power Plant, which will receive a \$50,000 grant. The owners of the Metals Building are also finalizing the quote from their contractor.
11. For your awareness, the Strathcona Garage and Scona Apts. located at 10505 - 81 Avenue NW is currently for sale. On the real estate listing, the building is identified as a historic resource, but it is not designated or protected. At this time, and as far as we know, the building is not under threat. The building is located in the Provincial Historic Area and the Province has been advised. We have been told that the developer clients to date who have viewed the building are more interested in re-use versus demolition.
12. Also, for your awareness, the UCAMA Building located at 9670 Jasper Ave. is listed for sale. It is designated and protected. Historically it's known as the Pendennis Hotel. The exterior is essentially completed, while the interior is partially completed. The only news we have to date is that there is a pending sale.
13. Our project of creating an app for Strathcona with On this Spot Enterprises, we have an agreement in place and the project is proceeding. Our goal is to launch the app in June 2019. The Edmonton Heritage Council has generously offered to be a sponsor for the Strathcona project.
14. Darbi Kinnee's last day of work as our Graduate Heritage Planner was January 18, 2019. However, we are fortunate that Darbi will be continuing with the Urban Design Unit as a Planning Technician to work with both the Naming Committee and Edmonton Design Committee as well as devoting some of her time to assist with our Heritage work. For 2019-20, we intend to submit to Young Canada Works an application by March 1st, to hire another Graduate Heritage Planner.

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

CITY ARCHIVIST'S REPORT
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POWA still under construction - no access to vaults for retrieving materials for researchers. Impact on our ability to give orientations to University Classes - Tim has been doing outreach instead.

Working on writing text panels for the Canada Packers chimney, working with Inglewood neighbourhood who are about to start a revitalization project and a renewal (infrastructure) project in case they have an interest in adding interpretation to their streets as part of that project. Public Engagement session tonight - if you are interested.

Our Edmonton program on CBC was filmed at the Artifact Centre to highlight the Mayors Gifts collection. Sherry Haley - over 30 years with the Artifact City is retiring in February. We are hosting 2 practicum students at the Artifact Centre and 2 (potentially 3) from MacEwan.

We have applied to Young Canada Works for a summer student and the Archives Society of Alberta to process the records of the Universiade Games.

Ensure everyone is aware that the Aviation Museum Association was given one time funding assistance from council (third time since I started) with the condition that they work with the Edmonton Heritage Council to develop a plan to move towards sustainability and improved practice as a museum. They have a new lease signed - which will allow the City to provide maintenance and equipment lifecycle management - which will hopefully protect the heritage building while updating the boilers, electrical, and mechanical systems (delayed from last year while the lease was in flux.)

Recent collections completed are the Edmonton Grads and several smaller family fonds. In process are the records of the Parks and Receptions Department including approximately 50,000 photographs of various levels of provenance.

Respectfully submitted by; Kathryn Ivany, City Archivist

EDMONTON HISTORIAN LAUREATE'S REPORT

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Late November:

- I attended the *Métis Talks* panel discussion on archival research and Métis histories on November 23rd that was hosted by the Rupertsland Centre for Métis Research at the U of A. I am interested in seeing how the gap in indigenous history can be filled in archives.
- I met with Kathryn Ivany and Tom O'Grady at the City of Edmonton Archives on November 29th regarding the development of an exhibit, *Sketching History: Rediscovering Edmonton's Architectural Heritage through Urban Sketching*, that I will be curating as Historian Laureate, tentatively opening in November 2019. This exhibit will consist of sketches of Edmonton's architectural heritage by members of Urban Sketchers Edmonton, archival photographs and background information about the buildings. The exhibit will be mounted at the City Archives/Prince of Wales Armouries for up to a year after which there is potential for it to travel. I am also looking into the possibility of publishing an exhibit catalogue. All of this will be dependent on funding. I will be meeting with the EHS Heritage Outreach Committee about this.

December:

- I organised a sketchout for Urban Sketchers Edmonton at Rutherford House historic site on December 1st. I published a post in the Urban Sketchers Edmonton blog and the Historian Laureate Facebook page.
<https://edmontonsketchers.wordpress.com/2018/12/12/rutherford-house-december-1-2018/>
- On December 11th, I gave a talk/slide presentation to the Historical Resource Review Panel about my Urban Sketchers Edmonton group, and my initiative for us to sketch Edmonton's architectural heritage.
- On December 18th, I gave a talk/slide presentation for WAVE (Women's Advocacy Network of Edmonton) about one of my areas of focus as Historian Laureate: preserving women's history, and the interpretation of women's history through my visual art practice.

January:

- I organized a sketchout for Urban Sketchers Edmonton at Plaza Bowling on January 5th. The interior of Plaza Bowling has remained the same since 1959. I published a post in the Urban Sketchers Edmonton blog and the

Historian Laureate Facebook page.

<https://edmontonsketchers.wordpress.com/2019/01/19/plaza-bowling-january-5-2019/>

- I am continuing the archival research and studio production of my paintings for the group exhibit *Real Women*, for the Art Gallery of Alberta's TREC program, which will start travelling summer 2019. I posted the second painting that I have completed for this exhibit on the Historian Laureate Facebook page and my art blog. This painting is based on my research at the Provincial Archives of Alberta about Edmonton nurse Madeleine Jaffray Morrison, who served overseas in the First World War as a lieutenant and nursing sister in French field hospitals, and was wounded there. She was a war amputee and a decorated war veteran.

<https://theprairieline.wordpress.com/2018/12/06/bluebird-madeleine-jaffray/>

- In their January/February issue, Alberta Views magazine included a photo and announcement of my upcoming public talk for the Edmonton & District Historical Society in March. I will be speaking about my first year as Historian Laureate.

- My Gladys Reeves exhibit from last September has picked up further interest. I will be speaking at two public events in February:

- o February 9th at Chris Chang-Yen Phillips's *Let's Find Out* podcast Live Event (re: Gladys's advocacy to preserve Edmonton's green spaces)

<https://letsfindoutpodcast.com/2019/01/07/feb-9-live-panel-on-how-nature-shapes-us/>

- o February 12th at PhotoEd Magazine's Pecha Kucha night (re: Gladys as one of the first female photographers in western Canada)

<https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/photoed-magazine-photo-inspiration-night-edmonton-tickets-53463082519>

Respectfully submitted by: Marlena Wyman, Edmonton Historian Laureate

NAMING COMMITTEE REPORT

Report to Edmonton Historical Board

January 23, 2019

Naming Committee December 11, 2018 (5:00 pm)
Edmonton Tower, 10111 – 104 Avenue NW

MEMBERS

Ms. Alyssa Peters, Chair
Ms. Erin McDonald, Vice-Chair, EHB Ms. Ailwin Boulet
Ms. Ancuta Cristea
Dr. Gulwant Gill
Ms. Marla Miller
Ms. Maryanne Wiebe

ADMINISTRATION

Mr. Cory Sousa, City Planning

Old Business

1. Request to name a portion of the Terwillegar Heights District Park with the Leger Neighbourhood
Ongoing discussion regarding the request to rename a portion of the Terwillegar Heights District Park to "Bryan Anderson Athletic Grounds", with support from the Community group TRAC (Terwillegar Riverbend Advisory Council). Earlier meetings had tabled a Naming Committee decision pending Fall 2018 Budget deliberations, in anticipation of funding for the Artificial Turf facility at the Park.

Fall 2018 budget discussions illuminated further concerns with the site, with engineers determining the soil is too soft for the proposed facility and a new location would be required if the project was approved for funding.

The Naming Committee anticipates a presentation by TRAC to discuss a renewed effort to name the park, or a portion thereof, in honor of former Councilor Bryan Anderson.

New Business

2. Request to rename a building within the Strathcona Neighbourhood

The Naming Committee reviewed an application submitted by the Junior League of Edmonton to rename the C&E Railway Museum (10447 – 86 Avenue NW) within the Strathcona Neighbourhood.

The Junior League made the request following the closure of the Museum, and the dissolution of the Collection.

The Naming Committee unanimously approved the Motion:

To rename the C&E Railway Museum (10447 – 86 Avenue NW) to C&E Railway Station.

3. Request to rename the Shaw Conference Centre within the Downtown Neighbourhood

The Naming Committee reviewed an application submitted by the Edmonton Economic Development Corporation (EEDC) requesting to rename the Shaw Conference Centre (9797 Jasper Avenue NW) within the Downtown Neighbourhood.

The existing naming rights, part of a 20 year sponsorship agreement, expired on December 31, 2018.

The Naming Committee unanimously approved the Motion:

To rename the Shaw Conference Centre (9797 Jasper Avenue NW) to Edmonton Convention Centre.

4. Discussion regarding the Decoteau ASP Neighbourhood namings

The first Neighbourhood Bylaw within the Decoteau Area Structure Plan (ASP) was approved by City Council. The neighbourhood has been given the placeholder name of "Decoteau Northwest" until an approach to naming for the Area is finalized.

5. Discussion regarding Oleskiw River Valley Park Project

Administration was directed to confirm the public engagement options related to potential naming within the Oleskiw River Valley Park. The Naming Committee desires a public engagement opportunity that connects with the historic land use by Indigenous peoples, and the current diverse communities in the Oleskiw Neighbourhood.

Next meeting: Tuesday, January 22, 2019

Respectfully submitted by: Erin MacDonald, EHB representative to Naming Committee