



# A.K. BUCKHAM RESIDENCE

9825 - 86 AVENUE NW

## CITY OF EDMONTON HISTORIC RESOURCE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

Edmonton

### DESCRIPTION OF HISTORICAL PLACE

The A.K. Buckham Residence is a one and one-half storey front gabled house with Craftsman influences. The building is clad with clapboard siding on the first and second storeys with wood shingles above the second storey windows in the the gable end. The site is located mid-block on a residential street and occupies one city lot in Edmonton's Mill Creek residential area in the neighbourhood of Old Strathcona.

### HERITAGE VALUE

The heritage value of the A.K. Buckham Residence lies in its notable Craftsman influenced architectural style and design. Built in 1914, the A.K. Buckham Residence is significant due to its association with the development of Strathcona after the City of Strathcona was amalgamated by Edmonton in 1912.

The A.K. Buckham Residence is an excellent example of a Craftsman influenced front gabled house with a wraparound veranda. The veranda has square columns with tapered piers. The house, with its bellcast roof, has exposed rafters at the eaves. On the roof of the veranda, there is a small deck which is accessible from a bedroom.

Alexander Kirkwood Buckham, a real estate agent who lived in the Strathcona Hotel before he occupied this house, is first listed at this address in 1915. At that time, he was an employee of the Edmonton City Police Department.

### CHARACTER DEFINING ELEMENTS

The significance of the A.K. Buckham Residence is expressed in the character defining elements such as:

- + the elements of the Craftsman-influenced front gable design such as, bellcast roof, exposed rafters at the eaves, and open wraparound verandah;
- + wood siding on the first and second floor and wood shingles located in the peak of the gable above the second floor windows;
- + exposed rafters;
- + roof deck located above the verandah on the front elevation;
- + open wraparound verandah with squared columns and tapered piers and closed railing;
- + original front door and original second floor door and storm door; and
- + the pattern, style, and construction of all wood windows.

*Designated as a Municipal Historic Resource through Bylaw 16514 in September 2013.*



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