



# CHARLES BARKER RESIDENCE

10834 - 125 STREET NW

## CITY OF EDMONTON HISTORIC RESOURCE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

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### DESCRIPTION OF HISTORICAL PLACE

The Charles Barker Residence is a one and one-half storey wood framed and clad structure with a cedar-shingled gabled roof, large shed dormer, and covered verandah on the front façade. The residence is located within the historic Westmount neighbourhood.

### HERITAGE VALUE

The Charles Barker residence is an important architectural and historical example of a single-family dwelling with simplistic Craftsman-style influences and design elements such as exposed wood frame construction, wood siding, and cedar shingles.

Stewart Hill, a developer and realtor with South Side Realty Company, built the Charles Barker Residence in 1912. The location and modest Craftsman architecture of the residence were such that it was marketed to, and likely occupied by, professionals or civil servants. Several individuals and families have occupied the residence since Charles Barker, who first lived in the home in 1915.



The Charles Barker Residence is located within the Westmount Architectural Heritage Area, which was established in 1983 to recognize the distinct architectural character of the Westmount, which was developed prior to WWI and has the greatest concentration of pre-war single-family dwellings in Edmonton.

### CHARACTER DEFINING ELEMENTS

The shape, form, and massing of the building including the materials and modest Craftsman design elements such as:

- + the gabled roof, shed dormer, and enclosed verandah with hipped roof;
- + the materials including the wood clapboard siding and cedar shingles;
- + the window patterns and styles such as the picture and sash windows;
- + the decorative elements such as the short, square verandah posts with a plain base and capital, sloped soffit with exposed rafters, scalloped exposed end rafters and large triangular eave brackets;
- + the application of colour, including contrasting trim and primary colours;
- + projecting bay window with cedar-shingled hipped roof and exposed rafters; and
- + exterior brick chimney with a corbelled top.

*Designated as a Municipal Historic Resource through Bylaw 13684 in July 2004.*

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