

## BYLAW 20574

### Bylaw to Designate the Rossdale Brewery as a Municipal Historic Resource - Amendment No. 1

#### Recommendation

That Executive Committee recommend to City Council:

That Bylaw 20574 be given the appropriate readings.

#### Purpose

To amend Bylaw 16360, being a Bylaw to Designate the Rossdale Brewery as a Municipal Historic Resource.

#### Readings

Bylaw 20574 is ready for three readings

Bylaw 20574 is authorized under the *Historical Resources Act*. A majority vote of City Council on all three readings is required for passage.

If Council wishes to give three readings during a single meeting, then prior to moving third reading, Council must unanimously agree “That Bylaw 20574 be considered for third reading.”

#### REPORT

The Rossdale Brewery was designated as a Municipal Historic Resource in 2013. Constructed in 1905, it is the oldest remaining brewery building in Edmonton and a landmark in the Rossdale neighbourhood.

Municipal Historic Resource designation requires cooperation between a property owner and the City of Edmonton. At the time of designation, the City’s heritage planners work with the property owner to identify the scope of the rehabilitation that the owner will undertake. This scope is written into the legal agreement that becomes part of the designation bylaw approved by City Council. After the designation, however, circumstances related to the property sometimes change. Such changes can necessitate changes to the rehabilitation scope and thus trigger an amending bylaw like this one.

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The proposed change to the Rossdale Brewery designation would leave the City rehabilitation grant amount unchanged at \$175,000 but reallocate how these funds are assigned to different rehabilitation categories. A portion of the funds previously allocated to stabilize the building's footings (\$45,000) is no longer required as a result of a different approach recommended by a structural engineer. This allocated amount will now be split to cover increased costs identified for (1) window and door restoration, and (2) roof and cupola repairs.

### **Community Insight**

Heritage preservation and affordable housing are priorities for many Edmontonians. This bylaw will facilitate the preservation of the William Buster Residence by aligning City-funded rehabilitation grant amounts to the cost of the remaining rehabilitation work. Through the creation of The City Plan, Edmontonians advised that it was critical to retain and steward historic resources even as the City is redeveloped and modernized, recognized as The City Plan value of "Preserve." Administration has engaged with the owner of the property throughout the designation process. Additional engagement with the public for this process is not a requirement under the *Historical Resources Act*.

### **Budget/Financial Implications**

The proposed change to the Rossdale Brewery heritage designation would leave the City rehabilitation grant amount unchanged at \$175,000. The funding from the Heritage Reserve Fund has been approved in the 2023-2026 operating budget.

### **Legal Implications**

This amending bylaw is required in order to reallocate how the rehabilitation grant amount is allocated and extend the period of time in which the owner is required to complete the rehabilitation work.

### **Attachments**

1. Bylaw 20574 - Bylaw to Designate the Rossdale Brewery as a Municipal Historic Resource - Amendment No. 1
2. Location Map

### **Others Reviewing the Report**

- M. Plouffe, City Solicitor