

Bylaw 19587 - To Designate the Bugis Residence as a Municipal Historic Resource

Recommendation

That Executive Committee recommend to City Council:

That Bylaw 19587 be given the appropriate readings.

Purpose

To designate the Bugis Residence as a Municipal Historic Resource pursuant to the provisions of the *Historical Resources Act*, RSA 2000, c H-9.

Readings

Bylaw 19587 is ready for three readings.

This Bylaw is authorized under the *Historical Resources Act*. To obtain passage of the bylaw, Council is required to achieve a majority vote on all three readings.

If Council wishes to give three readings during a single meeting, then prior to moving third reading, Council must unanimously agree “That Bylaw 19587 be considered for third reading.”

Advertising and Signing

This Bylaw is not required to be advertised and can be signed and, thereby, passed following third reading.

Position of Administration

Administration supports this Bylaw.

Report Summary

This Bylaw is to designate the Bugis Residence as a Municipal Historic Resource and to allocate financial incentives for its restoration.

Report

On November 26, 2019, City Council passed amendments to the City Administration Bylaw, delegating approval of Notices of Intention to Designate under the *Historical Resources Act* to the City Manager, where the owner consents to the designation of their property. Following this new process, a memorandum regarding the application to designate the Bugis Residence as a Municipal Historic Resource was provided by the City Planning Branch to City Council for their information on December 29, 2020. The required Notice of Intention to Designate was subsequently issued to the owners of the building by the City (pursuant to the City Manager's delegated authority) via registered mail on January 12, 2021.

Upon passage of the Bylaw, the Rehabilitation Incentive and Maintenance Agreement (Schedule "C" of Attachment 1) will be approved and come into effect.

The City will pay the owner up to \$75,000 from the current Heritage Resources Reserve balance, pursuant to the terms of the Rehabilitation Incentive and Maintenance Agreement (Schedule "C" of Attachment 1). This is to encourage the designation and rehabilitation of the Bugis Residence as a Municipal Historic Resource, in accordance with City Policy C450B - A Policy to Encourage the Designation and Rehabilitation of Municipal Historic Resources in Edmonton.

The Bugis Residence is on the Inventory of Historic Resources in Edmonton and merits designation under City Policy C450B - A Policy to Encourage the Designation and Rehabilitation of Municipal Historic Resources in Edmonton. The Bugis Residence is valued for its association with the early development of the Strathcona neighbourhood and as an example of the modified Foursquare architectural style. The building was previously known on the Inventory as the Frank Duguid Residence. Through the application to designate process, it was discovered that the applicant's family (the Bugis family) has owned the property since 1935. The Heritage Conservation team felt it was appropriate to apply a new name to the building through the designation process to reflect the 85-year history of the Bugis family's ownership. It is also worth noting that the owners had received approval for demolition of the house in 2018. However, after considering the long ownership of their family, and discovering the financial incentives available from the City to designate and rehabilitate the building, they decided to preserve the structure as a contribution to the history of the Strathcona neighbourhood.

The owner has completed the application requirements to have the Bugis Residence designated as a Municipal Historic Resource under the provisions of City Policy C450B.

The regulated portions of the structure, as outlined in Schedule “A” of Attachment 1, will be restored. Rehabilitation work will meet the *Standards and Guidelines for the Conservation of Historic Places in Canada*.

Corporate Outcomes and Performance Management

Corporate Outcome(s): Edmonton is attractive and compact.			
Outcome(s)	Measure(s)	Result(s)	Target(s)
Unique character and history of the neighborhood is preserved	Number of designated Municipal Historic Resources	162 (March 31, 2021)	There is no target for the designation of historical resources

Risk Assessment

Risk Element	Risk Description	Likelihood	Impact	Risk Score (with current mitigations)	Current Mitigations	Potential Future Mitigations
Financial	Grant provided used for costs that are not related to heritage resource conservation/rehabilitation	1- Rare	2- Moderate	2 - Low	- Administration reviews detailed work estimated from third party contractors for qualifying rehabilitation work - Funds are not disbursed until rehabilitation work is complete	

Public Engagement

Public engagement is not required for this process under the *Historical Resources Act*. Administration has engaged with the owners of the property throughout the designation process.

Budget/Financial Implications

Upon completion of the project phases, the City will pay the owner up to \$75,000 for rehabilitation from the Heritage Resources Reserve. The current Reserve balance is sufficient to cover committed funding, including the Bugis Residence.

The total estimated cost of the restoration portion of the project is \$150,683.48. Beyond the \$75,000 grant from the Heritage Resources Reserve, the owner is responsible for all costs associated with the restoration portion of the project.

The projections for the Reserve (using current commitments) anticipate a Reserve balance of \$2,015,360.26 at the end of 2021. Administration is considering a number of potential heritage designations for use of these funds, which will be brought forward for Council approval as required. Based on the current commitments, the Reserve balance is anticipated to decline to a balance of \$713,697.22 at the end of 2022. The Reserve is funded by the tax levy on an annual basis (\$2.3 million in 2021 including \$418,000 specifically for the Edmonton Brewing and Malting Company Ltd).

Legal Implications

In consideration of the incentive payable for the rehabilitation of the Historic Resource (as described in Schedule "C" of Attachment 1), the Owner has waived the right to compensation under the *Historical Resources Act*.

Attachments

1. Bylaw 19587 -To Designate the Bugis Residence as a Municipal Historic Resource
2. Location Map of the Bugis Residence
3. Photographs of the Bugis Residence
4. Heritage Officer's Statement of Significance
5. Description of City-Funded Work for the Bugis Residence
6. December 29, 2020, Memorandum to City Council re: Notice of Intention to Designate the Bugis Residence as a Municipal Historic Resource

Others Reviewing this Report

- M. Persson, Chief Financial Officer and Deputy City Manager, Financial and Corporate Services
- C. Owen, Deputy City Manager, Communications and Engagement
- K. Fallis-Howell, Acting City Solicitor