# HERITAGE PLANNING BEST PRACTICES REVIEW 2023

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# PRESENTATION OBJECTIVES

- Get updated on principles for heritage planning in Canada and current best practices
- Get updated o the current Heritage Conservation Act Transformation Project and its connection with best practices such as the adoption of UNDRIP
- Understand the role and use of the various heritage planning tools
- Understand the role of heritage professionals in the development review process



Aerial view of Kelowna, 1983. Beautiful BC Magazine

# PRESENTATION OUTLINE



# MHAT IS HERITAGESSSS

"Heritage is an essentially collective and public notion. Though heritage is certainly valued by individuals, its reason for being, by definition, is to sustain a sphere of public interest and public good". Randall Mason, Economics and Heritage Conservation



# MHAT IS HERITAGEssissis

"The heritage of a community is any physical, cultural, or social resource that is unique to and valued by a community and can be passed from generation to generation."

BC Heritage Branch





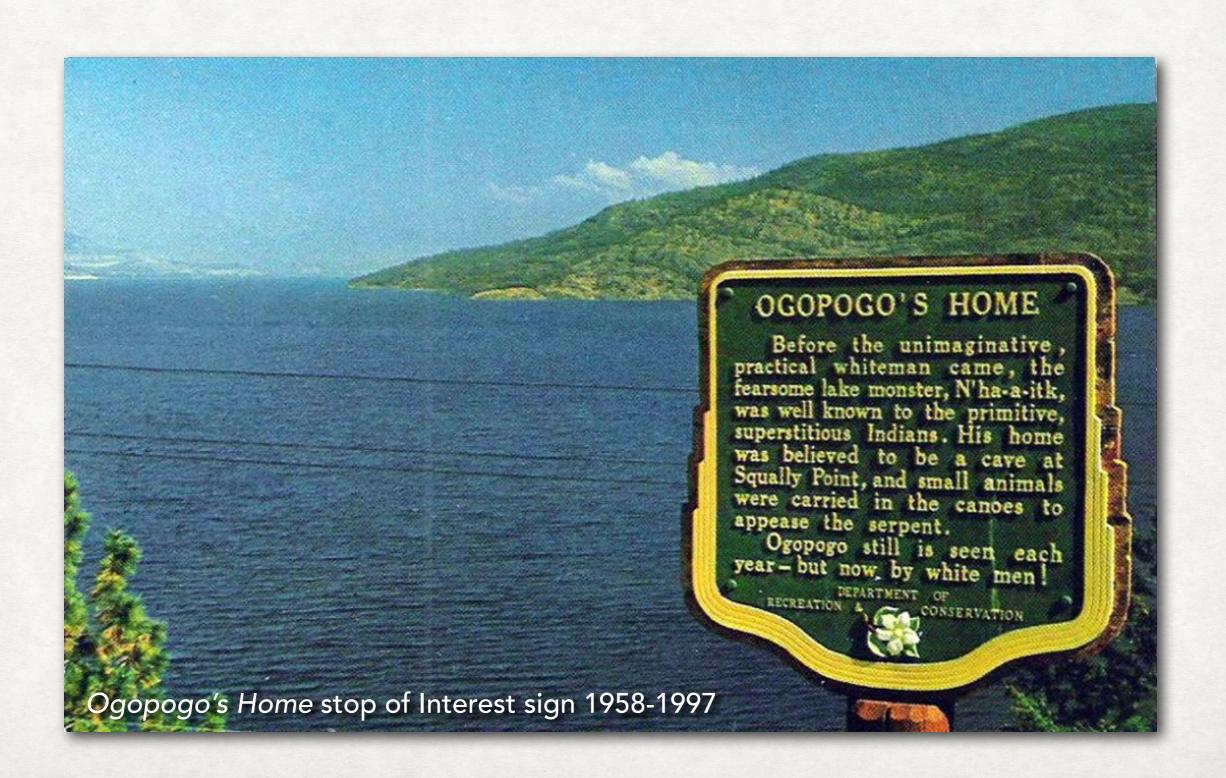
- 1920s origins in BC were curatorial and memorial
- Heritage determined by experts,
   "I know it when I see it"
- Aesthetic values predominated
- Focus on built heritage -European architectural traditions



Helmcken House - Victoria, BC

- Community values-based
- Many voices inclusive and diverse
- Working-class
   neighbourhoods, run of
   the mill homes
- Cultural landscapes and intangible heritage
- Covers dark or negative moments of our heritage







Heritage Conservation Act Transormation Project 2022-2024

**UNDRIP** in British Columbia



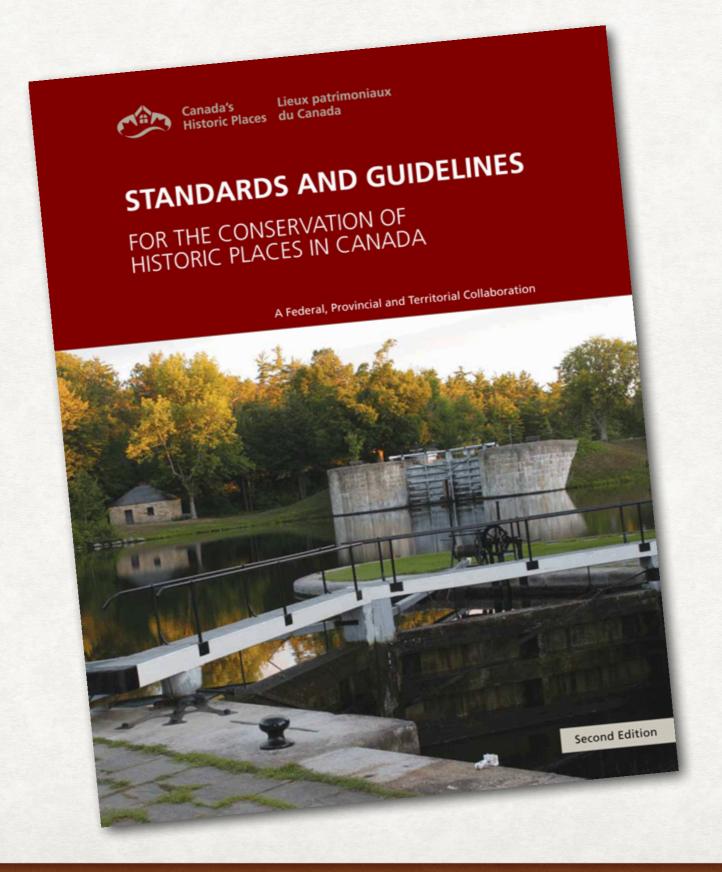
Lekwungen Dancers in BC legislature - October 2019

# HERITAGE CONSERVATION

is the management of change



# HERITAGE CONSERVATION IN ACTION



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# Canadian Association of Heritage Professionals

BC Association of Heritage Professionals (BCAHP)





- Heritage Review of HAPs for HCA
- CHR Evaluation Criteria
- Conservation Plans for heritage sites of for HRAs

#### LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT - PART 15 - HERITAGE CONSERVATION

#### **Community Heritage Register**

- Alternate Solutions under the B.C. Building Code
- Alternative Compliance under the Energy Efficiency Act
- Order for Temporary Protection

#### Heritage Revitalization Agreement

#### Heritage Designation Bylaw

- Heritage Alteration Permit
- Heritage Inspection
- Heritage site maintenance standards

#### Heritage Conservation Area

Heritage Alteration Permit

#### Community Heritage Commission

(or Advisory Committee)



#### LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT - PART 15 - HERITAGE CONSERVATION

#### Community Heritage Register

#### The carrot

- Heritage awareness, community pride and conservation culture
- Alternate Solutions under the B.C. Building Code
- Alternative Compliance under the Energy Efficiency Act
- Kelowna Heritage Grants Program
- Heritage Revitalization Agreement

#### The stick

- Order for Temporary Protection
- Municipal Heritage Designation (which could require compensation)



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#### Community Heritage Register - supporting documents

- Kelowna Heritage Register Evaluation Criteria
- Statements of Significance



Heritage Register Evaluation Criteria August 2022

#### Statement of Significance James D. Pettigrew House - 1913



#### Place Description

The Murdoch House is a one and one-half storey Arts and Crafts residence, located on the east side of Abbott Street in Kelowna's historic Abbott Street neighbourhood, compatible in scale and massing with other residences in the area. The site is well landscaped with mature trees and shrubs.

#### Heritage Value

The Murdoch House is significant as a demonstration of Kelowna's first phase of residential expansion, and reflects the city's development as the population and economic base increased due to significant growth in the fruit industry. It was built circa 1913 for Ellis Murdoch, (1875-1950) and his wife Alice Kathleen Murdoch, who had just arrived in Kelowna to set up as orchardists.

The Murdoch House is valued as a local example of the influence of the Arts and Crafts style, popular in the period prior to the First World War. This house features a dominant cross-gabled roof, a projecting front bay window balanced by an inset corner verandah and typical wooden detailing.

#### Character Defining Elements

- setting; with a compatible residential setback in an area of houses of similar style, age and scale; - residential form, scale and massing as expressed by its one and one-half storey plus basement height - cross-gabled roof with shed roof at front over bay and verandah;
- concrete foundation and wood-frame construction;
- Arts and Crafts details such as portions of original cedar shingle siding; half-width inset front verandah with shed roof, exposed beams and square verandah columns with triangular braces, and glazed front

elements of original cladding that may lie underneath the later stucco;

ture garden setting.

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#### Heritage Revitalization Agreement

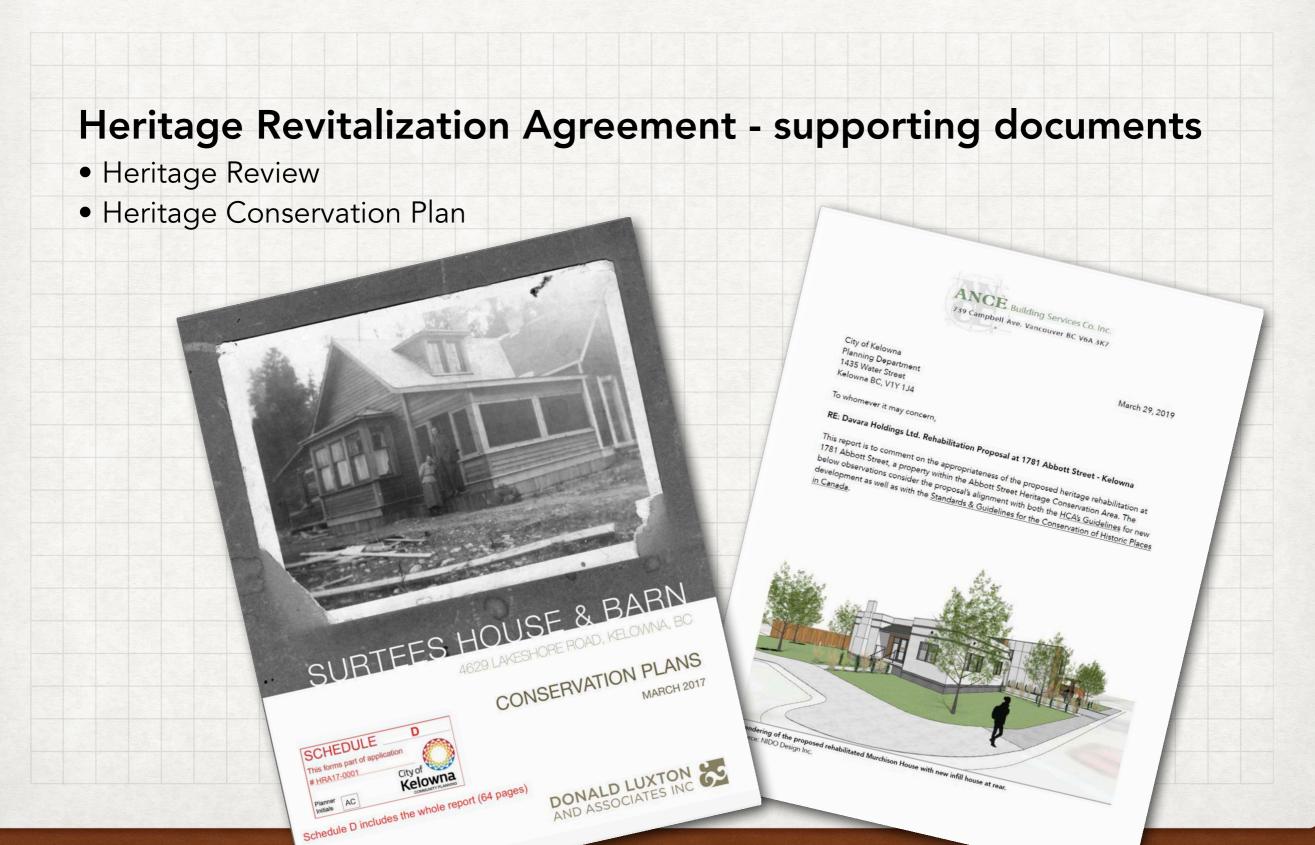
HRAs are legal agreements that supersede local zoning regulations, providing incentives for owners to conserve heritage properties.

HRAs are likely our most powerful and flexible tool - supporting heritage retention, rehabilitation and other OCP priorities.

HRAs do NOT set precedence because each one is written to suit a unique property, its unique context and unique heritage asset.

A good HRA balances private and public benefits.

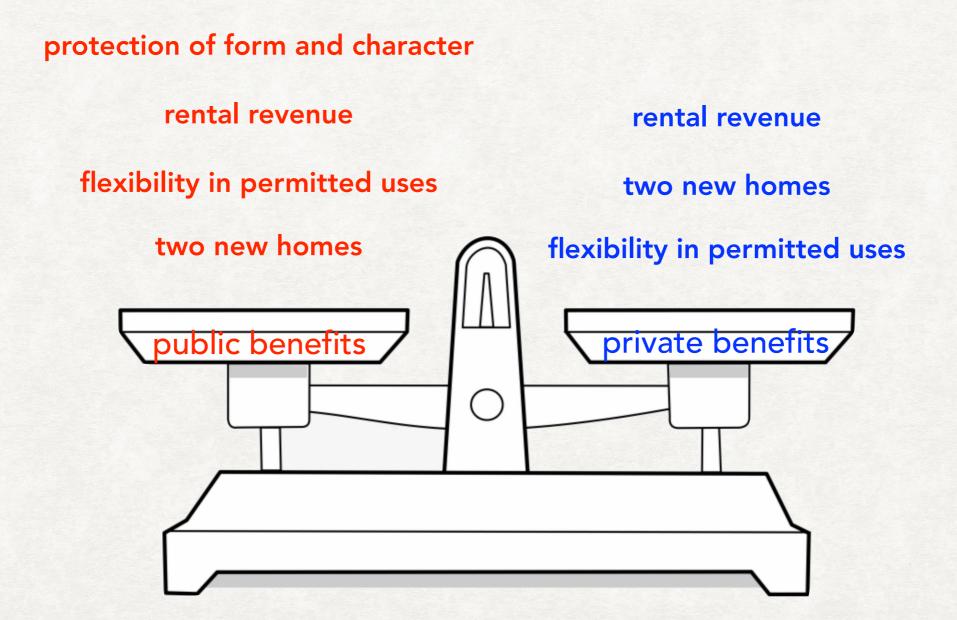
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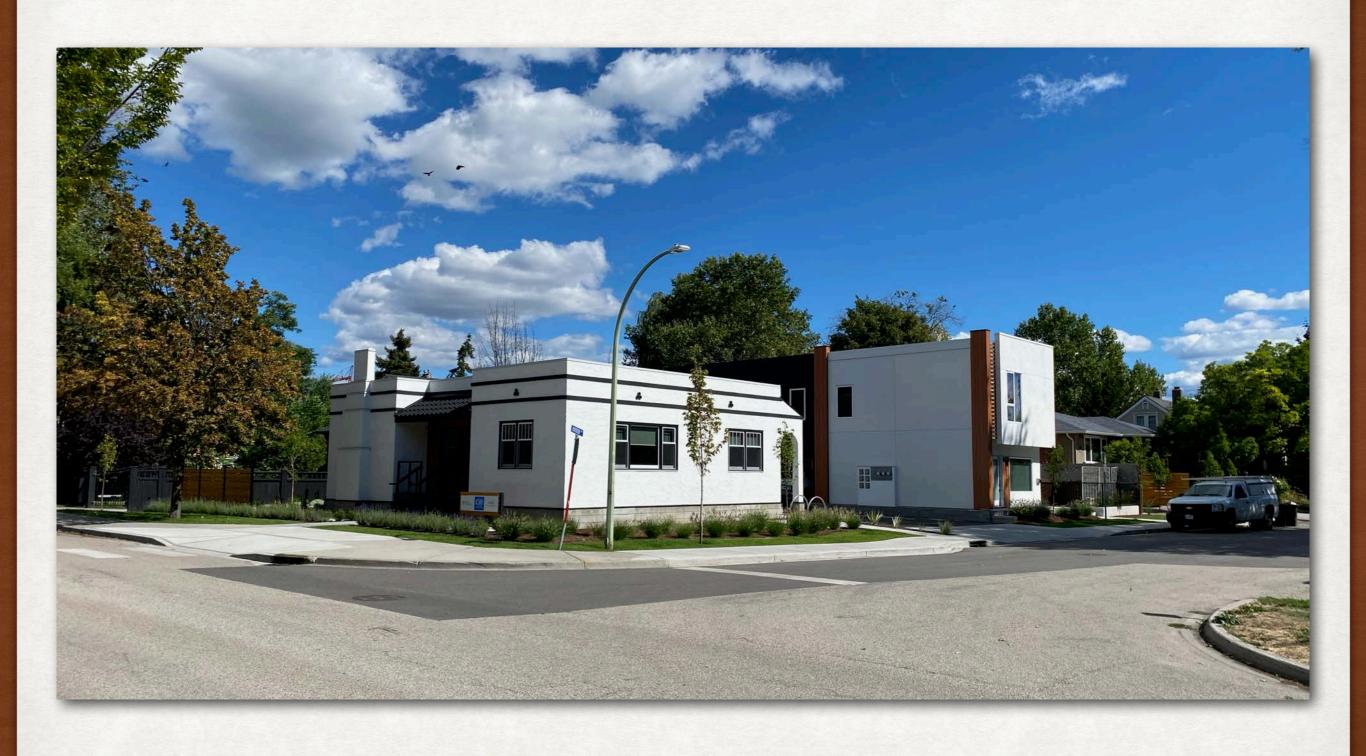
## HRA case study - Murchison House 1781 Abbott St. (Oct 2019)



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#### Heritage Conservation Area



Queen's Park HCA, New Westminster



#### **Old Town Design Guidelines**

New Buildings and Additions to Existing Buildings (2019)



Old Town HCA, Victoria

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Cooks Hill HCA, Newcastle AU



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#### Heritage Conservation Area - Abbott and Marshall Street

The Abbott Street Heritage Conservation Area is a neighbourhood steeped in local history and features a wide variety of housing styles popular over the past 100 years. Some homes are iconic examples, while others have blended traditional elements, but all proudly enhance the diversity of the area.

#### The Elements of Styles

#### VICTORIAN REVIVAL

- · regal feel to the architecture, up to 2.5 storey height
- · steep gable roof with returned eaves and gabled dormers
- · multiple pane windows
- · wrap around open porch
- decorative detailing

#### ARTS & CRAFTS

- · exposed, natural materials
- · low-pitched gabled roof with wide, unenclosed eave overhang
- · roof rafters exposed

McWilliams House, built 1931

Residence of T. Finley McWilliams, City Police

2072 Abbott Street



1806 Abbott Street



#### DUTCH REVIVAL

Cadder House, built 1908, 2124 Pandosy St.

Queen Anne influenced Country House, rare use of

Thomas Willing Stirling formed Kelowna Shippers Union, involved in the Kelowna Land and Orchard Co.

Kelowna Sawmill, Okanagan Loan and Trust, Stirling

and Pitcairn, founder of Kelowna General Hospital and

St. Michael and All Angels Anglican Church.

- · shed or
- out

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A rare example on Riverside Avenu

- · shed and high-gable roof
- · stepped parapet, flat roof
- · flush eaves and stucco detail · single and multi-sash
- vertical windows
- · asymmetrical front facade



- flat parapet roof · stucco and horizontal
- banding and cladding
- · low horizontal massing · multi-sash windows, narrow trim
- · curved walls
- · asymmetrical facade · canopy over entrance
- 1858 Abbott Street, Architect: Robert Lyon Hardware and Paints. Later associated with

#### **EARLY SUBURBAN** BUNGALOW

Modern, convenient and popular, the variations in the Abbott Street area



STYLES

· Fanciful style · Stucco cladding • Up to 11/2 stories

Vertical windows Asymmetrical facade · Portico front entrance · Multi-sash windows

· Gable roof forms

A vintage bungalow home on Glenwood Ave

- · Horizontal emphasis
- · low gable and hip roof form
- · plain soffit and brackets
- · siding below belt-line, stucco above
- · horizontal and picture windows
- · asymmetrical front facade
- · asphalt shingle roof
- · driveways and attached carports



- half-timbering · steeply pitched roof prominent cross gables
- tall narrow windows · small window panes
  - Cookson House. built 1929. 1912 Abbott Street Built for E. Cookson, Sec. Treas. of Rowcliffe Cannin Architect: Robert Rowley



MacLean House, built 1942, 1869 Maple St. Georgian Revival. Builder: A. Patterson Roy MacLean was publisher and managing e of the Kelowna Courier (1938-74), an influentia

- · vertical, multi-sash windows
- · window shutters
- · symmetrical fronts



H. Pettman House built 1941, 228 Lake Avenue

CAPE COD STYLE:

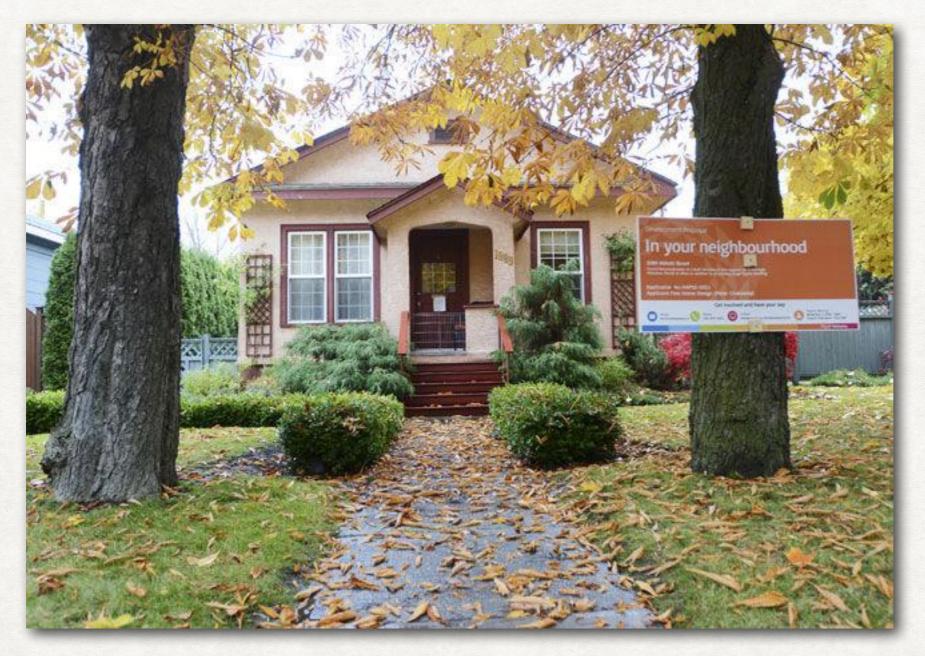
A Colonial sub-style, compa and functional with end gable roof, horizontal siding and window shutters.



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#### HCA case study - 1989 Abbott Street



"Heritage-home renos rarely become a council issue" Daily Courier - October 28, 2016

#### HCA case study - 1989 Abbott Street



1914 fire insurance map -Kelowna Public Archives



1979 and 1983 Abbott in May 2009. Source: google street view

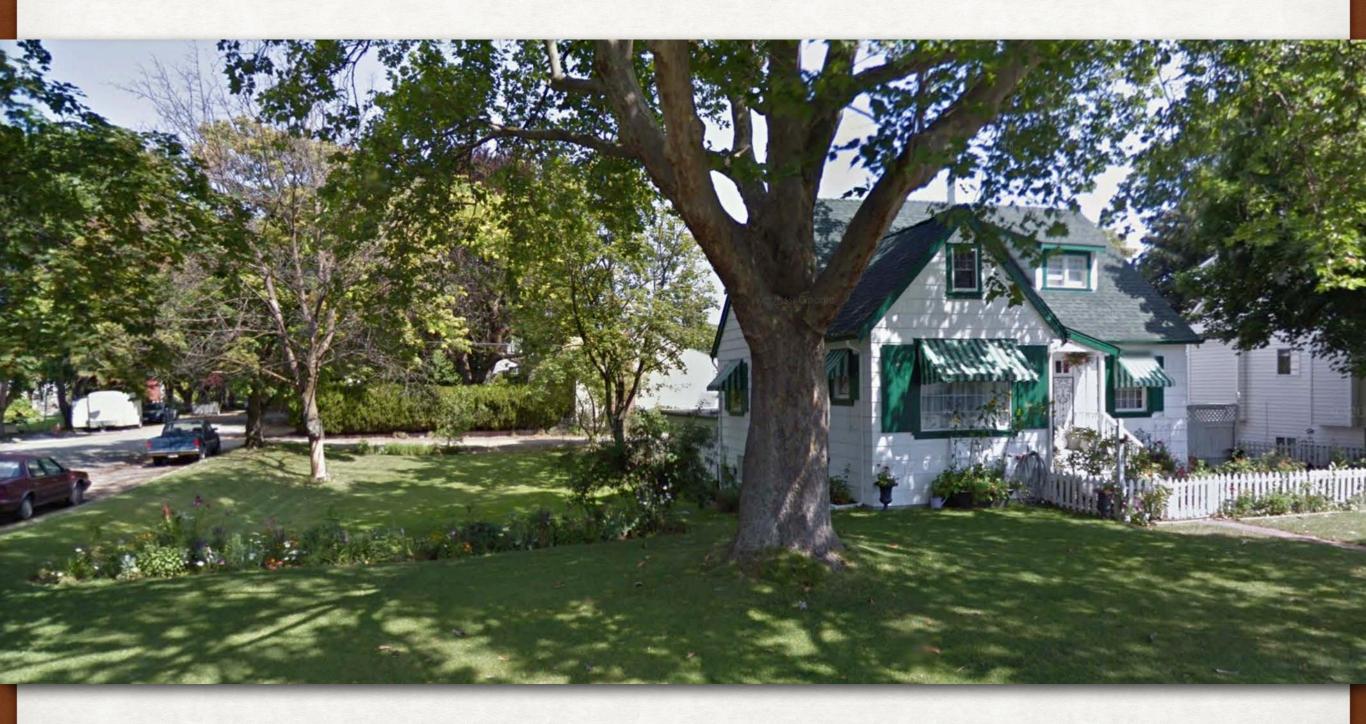


1985 and 1989 Abbott in September 2011. Source: google street view

# HCA case study - 1989 Abbott Street



## HCA case study - 260 Lake Avenue



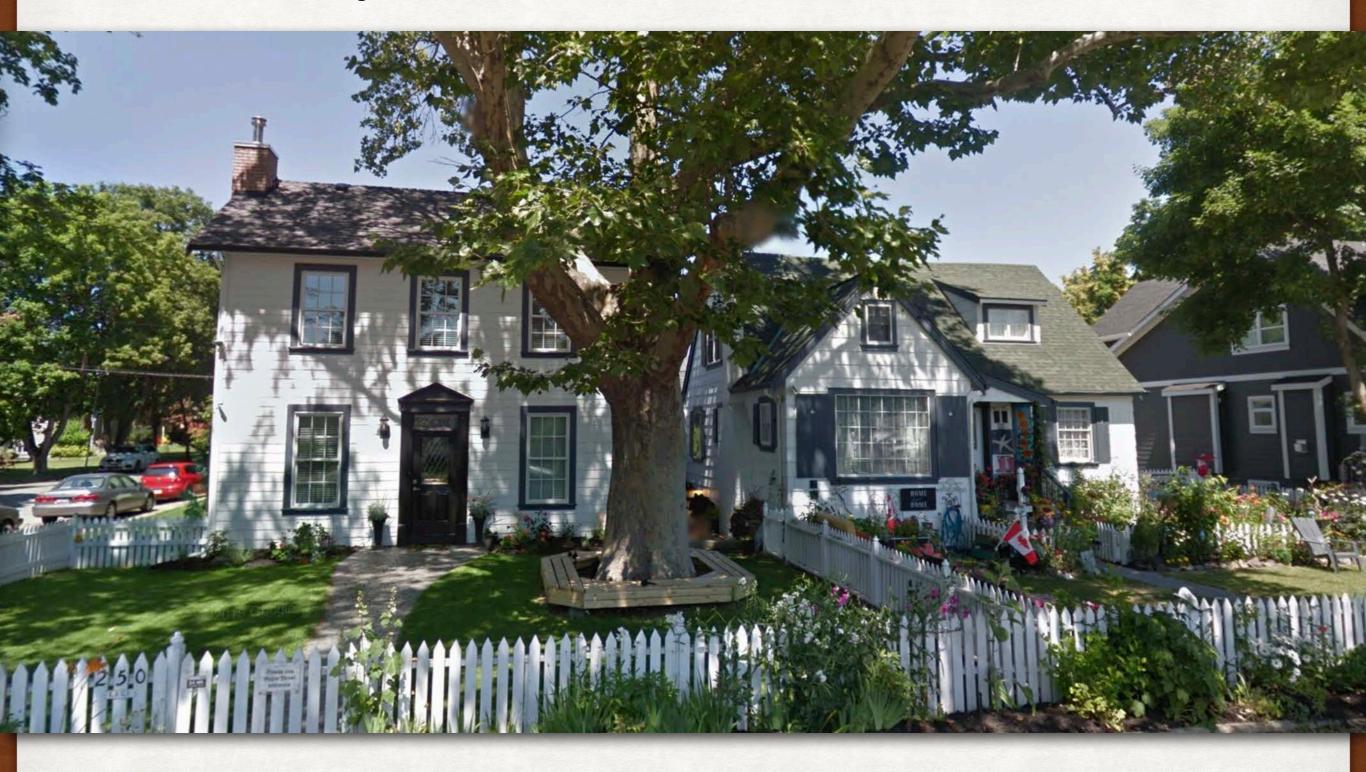
streetview - July 2012

## HCA case study - 260 Lake Avenue



streetview - August 2014

## HCA case study - 260 Lake Avenue



streetview - July 2017

#### HERITAGE POLICIES IN NEIGHBOURHOOD PLANS



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#### Heritage Advisory Committee



Heritage is a community asset and a community responsibility.

HACs provide the community perspective, not a professional or technical opinion.

# THE KELOWNA CONTEXT

#### WHAT IS GUIDING HERITAGE DECISIONS?

#### Vision: Heritage Strategy 2007

Kelowna will be a viable and strong community that balances growth with support for the protection of our distinctive and authentic natural, cultural and built heritage assets through: diverse partnerships; heritage incentives; and integrated and innovative approaches to heritage conservation, community development and public awareness.

#### 2040 Official Community Plan

Kelowna's heritage is a history tied to the land, the cultural environment and the people who have long understood the richness of this area. It is reflected in our historically and architecturally significant buildings, structures, natural landscapes, historic districts, archaeological sites and other places of heritage value....While the City has a large stake in the preservation of heritage, it is the diverse partnerships with the syilx/Okanagan people and the local heritage organizations that are integral to the overall success of heritage conservation in Kelowna.

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HERITAGE AND SUSTAINABILITY

"The Greenest Building is the One that is Already Built" Carl Elefante, FAIA, FAPT LEED AP



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