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## **CURRENT BOARD MEMBERS**

### **Allan Bolstad**

Mr. Bolstad has a Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Alberta and spent 13 years as a journalist. He served as a City of Edmonton Councillor from 1992-2004 and went on to work as a sessional lecturer in the journalism department at Grant MacEwan College. He spent nearly ten years as Executive Director of the Edmonton Federation of Community Leagues (EFCL) before retiring in 2018. He has also served in a variety of volunteer capacities, including as a board member of the Edmonton and Area Land Trust, Ritchie and Sherbrooke Community Leagues, and chaired the development of the Community League Plaza in Hawrelak Park, the EFCL's 100th Anniversary Project.

### **Joshua Budinski**

Mr. Budinski is a graduate of Grant MacEwan University. He is currently a Senior Manager with the Canadian Aviation Transportation Security Authority at the Edmonton International Airport. He is a former Board member of the Alberta Transportation Safety Board and served as Vice President of Elmwood Park Community League where he continues to assist in different capacities.

### **Chris Buyze**

Mr. Buyze is a designer and small business owner working in residential and commercial design for over 15 years. His firm's work can be found all over Alberta and British Columbia, with particular specialties in custom residential infill, historic restoration, facade improvement, and energy efficient building technologies including the use of straw bale, structural insulated panels and concrete panels. He is a community leader with extensive involvement in Downtown Edmonton's development over the past decade.

### **Miles Davis**

Mr. Davis owns a commercial development company in Edmonton that focuses on small retail and infill projects. Over the past 8 years he has successfully executed developments in many municipalities around Alberta. Prior to starting his company, Miles spent 12 years working for a major national oil company managing corporate real estate and development in Western Canada. Miles is actively involved in the community and is the current board Chair for KidSport Edmonton.

### **Laura Delfs**

Ms. Delfs holds a B.Sc. and LL.B from the University of Alberta and a LL.M in Law and Sustainable International Development from the University of Washington. She practiced corporate/commercial law in Edmonton with a large firm, before transitioning to in-house counsel and legal consulting work. Ms. Delfs has extensive international volunteer experience in India, Africa, and Southeast Asia. Locally, she is a volunteer with the Edmonton Food Bank, sits on the Board of the Homeward Trust Foundation, and is a provincially appointed Public member of the Council of the Alberta College of Social Workers.

## **Donald Fleming**

Mr. Fleming served a number of terms as an elected trustee and the Chair of the Edmonton Public School Board and as President of the Public School Boards Association of Alberta. He holds a Masters degree in Communications from the University of Calgary and has an extensive background in government communications with the Public Affairs Bureau of the Alberta Government. For a number of years, he was responsible for providing strategic communications advice, speech writing and personal correspondence services to the Chief Commissioner of the Alberta Human Rights and Citizenship Commission. Prior to his appointments to the City of Edmonton Subdivision and Development Appeal Board and to the Community Standards and Licensing Appeals Committee, he was an Appeals Commissioner and Ad Hoc Chair with the Appeals Commission for Alberta Workers' Compensation.

## **Rick Hachigian**

Mr. Hachigian was employed by the City of Edmonton from 1976 to 2013. He is a former Land Use Control Officer, Development Officer, and Development Planner.

## **Rohit Handa**

Mr. Handa is a registered architect and an active lawyer in the Province of Alberta. Mr. Handa combines his dual professional status in his role as Chief Executive Officer at a local architecture and building solutions firm; which he started after being called to the Bar in 2016. Prior to this role, Mr. Handa had worked with large architecture firms and law firms in the City of Edmonton. He obtained his Juris Doctor from the University of Alberta in 2015 and his Bachelors of Architecture from Drury University (Missouri) in 2010.

## **Gwen Harris**

Ms. Harris was admitted to the Alberta Bar in 1995 and has been involved in quasi-judicial appeal adjudication as chair of the Child Welfare Appeal Panel and as a hearing chair with the Appeals Commission for Workers' Compensation. Gwen has been extensively involved with the Civil Claims Mediation Program in the Provincial Courts of Alberta. She has been an active volunteer on a number of boards and is currently serving as a Public Member/Chair of the Insurance Council Appeal Board.

## **Robert Hobson**

Mr. Hobson is a registered professional planner (APPi) with over 40 years of experience in federal, provincial and local government as a planner, consultant, developer, and municipal councillor. He obtained a Master's Degree in Planning from University of British Columbia and a Master's Degree in Public Administration from Queens University. He currently chairs the Edmonton Heritage Council.

## **Jack Jones**

Mr. Jones is a civil engineer and previous general contracting business owner with over 35 years of experience managing construction projects throughout Western Canada, the Northwest Territories and the U.S. He is currently active in construction dispute resolution through mediation and arbitration. He has nine years of past service on the Edmonton Assessment Review Board and currently serves on the provincial Land & Property Rights Tribunal and as a public member on the council of the Association of Alberta Forest Management Professionals.

## **Jim Kindrake**

Mr. Kindrake obtained his Law Degree from the University of Alberta in 1978. He has practiced litigation in both the private and public sectors, finishing his legal career as Senior Counsel with the Department of Justice Canada. He has been a sessional instructor at both the Faculties of Law and Business at the University of Alberta.

## **Debby Kronewitt Martin**

Ms. Kronewitt Martin is a Managing Partner of a local business consulting firm specializing in strategic management, project management and organizational change management. She holds a diploma in Urban and Regional Planning and spent over 25 years planning in the private and public sectors. Following this she worked in the public sector in communications, managing special events and managing Information technology program teams. She retired from the City of Edmonton after holding numerous senior positions over 33 years. She has sat on a number of boards and committees, including the Project Management Institute (NAC), the Alberta Chapter of the Association of Change Management Professionals, Athabasca University Board of Governors and numerous School Parent Advisory Committees.

## **Shari LaPerle**

Ms. LaPerle is a lifelong Edmontonian and a University of Alberta graduate, holding a BA in Political Science. She also is also certified in Globalization and Governance as well as Alternative Dispute Resolution. Ms. LaPerle is a Presiding Officer of the SDAB and an experienced regulator, having had a career both within and at arm's-length from government. She has worked for the Capital Region Board, the Rural Municipalities of Alberta, and the Government of Alberta.

## **Melanie McCallum**

Ms. McCallum graduated from the University of Alberta with a BA in Sociology. She was formerly employed by the Alberta Department of International and Intergovernmental Relations, where she worked to advance the Province's global interests. She has served on various boards, councils, and committees, including community leagues.

## **Dana Mackie**

Mr. Mackie earned degrees from the University of Calgary (BA, International Relations) and the University of Alberta (MBA, Public Policy Management). He has served in various executive positions and portfolios for the Government of Alberta over the last nine years and currently serves as Assistant Deputy Minister, Seniors and Strategic Services, Alberta Seniors and Housing. Past positions included executive roles in Environment and Parks, Economic Development and Trade, International and Intergovernmental Relations, and Advanced Education.

## **Karen Munro**

Ms. Munro obtained a LL.B. from the University of Alberta in 1990 and a LL.M. from Osgoode Hall Law School in 1993. She taught law for one year at the University of New Brunswick. She began practicing law in Alberta in 1993, and has practiced in both the private and public sectors. She recently retired from Justice and Solicitor General with the Government of Alberta. In both public and private practice, Ms. Munro focused on administrative law.

## **Alex Nagy**

Alex Nagy has diverse experience in department and program management, project management, engineering, strategic planning, community planning and development, board governance, and quasi-judicial appeals tribunals. The majority of his career has been spent in the private sector plus 9 years in the public sector. He provided consulting services to a diverse range of clients including large to small municipalities, private land development companies, provincial and federal governments and industrial and oil companies. He was recently appointed by the Lieutenant Governor in Council of Alberta as a member of the Alberta Land and Property Rights Tribunal. He is currently a Public Member (Appointed by the Province of Alberta) of Supply Chain Canada Alberta Institute Board of Directors and a past member of the Edmonton and Area Land Trust Board of Directors. He volunteers for the Mentoring Program of the Association of Professional Engineers and Geoscientists of Alberta (APEGA). He is a Life Member of APEGA and recently retired from full time employment.

## **Art Peterson**

Mr. Peterson is Professor Emeritus at the University of Alberta in the Department of Civil & Environmental Engineering. This is his second term on the Subdivision and Development Appeal Board.

## **Maya Pungur-Buick**

Ms. Pungur-Buick holds a BA in History (Political Science) from the University of Alberta and an Advertising and Public Relations Diploma from MacEwan University (Grant MacEwan Community College). Over the past 20 years, Maya has served in various leadership capacities with the City of Spruce Grove, City of St. Albert, NorQuest College, Alberta Alcohol & Drug Abuse Commission, and ATB Financial, after starting her career with the Government of Alberta's Public Affairs Bureau. Previously, she enjoyed a successful career as a communications leader with a focus on establishing communications and marketing functions. She has a history of volunteering and currently sits on the Board of Directors of the Edmonton West Primary Care Network and their Finance and Audit Committee where she serves as Vice Treasurer and on the Women Building Futures Board of Directors and their Governance and Audit Committees where she serves as Treasurer. She recently served on Edmonton's Ward Boundary Commission from 2019-2020.

## **Stephen Raitz**

Mr. Raitz has completed a Bachelor of Arts in Planning from the University of Alberta in 2019 and has worked as an urban and regional planner in the Edmonton area. He is currently completing a Law Degree at the University of Alberta. He sits on the board of Paths For People and is also an improviser with Rapid Fire Theatre.

## **Christopher Samuel**

Mr. Samuel is the Director of Legal Research and Writing at the University of Alberta Faculty of Law, where he teaches legal writing and criminal law. Prior to joining the Faculty, he practiced as a Crown Prosecutor at the Public Prosecution Service of Canada. He was called to the Alberta bar in 2011 and has been an active member of the Canadian Bar Association, serving terms as chair of both the Edmonton Law Day and Criminal Justice committees. Chris also spent three years as the President of Rapid Fire Theatre's Board of Directors and is currently the President of the Strathearn Community League.

**Elaine Solez**

Ms. Solez has been active in community leagues for more than 30 years, focusing on planning and development. She is retired from the Government of Alberta, where she worked as a senior manager in the areas of planning, policy, performance measurement and evaluation in the ministries of Education and Justice.

**Winston Tuttle**

Mr. Tuttle is a lawyer with municipal planning experience through work with builder-developer clients. He has a young family and also officiates hockey and baseball.