

CLARKE RESIDENCE

Minimum Documentation

1. Unique f/p/t identifier

2. Jurisdiction

Alberta

3. Name of Historic Place

Clarke Residence

4. Location of Supporting Documentation

Red Deer and District Archives

Archivist

City of Red Deer

PO Box 5008, 4914 - 48 Avenue

Red Deer, AB T4N 3T4

File: Clipping File – Hugh Clarke

Red Deer Historical Walking Tour, 1983

Red Deer Historical Walking Tours, 1990

Tax and Assessment Department

City of Red Deer

PO Box 5008, 4914 - 48 Avenue

Red Deer, AB T4N 3T4

Tax Inquiry for Roll Number: 1630950

Alberta Community Development

Cultural Facilities and Historical Resources

Old St. Stephen's College

8820 - 112 Street

Edmonton, AB T6G 2P8

File: Provincial Heritage Inventory Data Base

5. Formal Recognition Authority

Local Governments (AB)

6. Statute

Historical Resources Act

City of Red Deer Bylaw No. 3102/94



Figure 1: Clarke Residence, 1999

7. Formal Recognition Type
Municipal Historic Resource

8. Formal Recognition Date
1994/01/31

9. Owner Notification and Owner Response
Notification: yes
Response type: yes

10. Specific Location of Historic Place

4757 – 56 Street
Red Deer, AB T4N 2K2

Lat 52.27499 / 52 degrees 16 min 30 sec

Long -113.80894 / -113 degrees 48 min 32 sec

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11. Specific Location
4757 – 56 Street
Red Deer, AB T4N 2K2

12. Description of Boundaries
Lot 27
Block A
Plan K1
excepting thereout all mines and minerals

13. Area of Historic Place

929 m²
0.093 hectares
0.23 acres

14. Number and Type of Contributing Resources
One building

15. Historic Place Functional Category (original)
Residence

16. Historic Place Function Type(s) (original)

Single Dwelling

17. Description of Historic Place

The Clarke Residence is a Victorian style, one and one-half storey, L-shaped house with a cross gable roof and covered verandah. It is situated in the Woodlea residential neighbourhood, north of downtown Red Deer.

18. Heritage Value of Historic Place

Heritage Value

The Clarke Residence is significant as the home of Hugh Clarke, a prominent building contractor who was responsible for the construction of numerous early public buildings and residences in Red Deer. The house is also significant for its association with Hugh's wife, Gertrude Gaetz, a member of Red Deer's founding family. The Clarke Residence has historical value as part of the former "Son-in-law Row," the name given to properties on 56 Street that were wedding gifts from the Reverend Dr. Leonard Gaetz to his children. Hugh and Gertrude Clarke resided in the home until 1920.

Architectural Value

The Clarke Residence, built sometime between 1910 and 1912, is one of the best remaining examples of a Victorian style home in Red Deer.

19. Character-defining elements

- Victorian style form and massing including: the steep feature gable over the front entry with larger front and side gables, decorative sunburst pattern fret work in the gable peaks, idiosyncratic false dormer over the front entry steps, and sandstone foundation
- Original window pattern and cantilevered bay window projection on west and east elevation
- Location on "Son-in-law Row" (56 Street)

20. Photographs/Images

Contemporary Photograph

Image Description: Exterior north view of the Clarke Residence, February 2004

Image Caption: North view of the Clarke Residence, February 2004

Image Copyright: City of Red Deer, 2004

Image-Misc. Info. : N/A

Image Type: Exterior Photo



Figure 2: Contemporary Photo, Clarke Residence

Historic Photograph

Image Description: Exterior Northwest view of the Clarke Residence, circa 1910

Image Caption: Northwest view of the Clarke Residence, circa 1910

Image Copyright: Red Deer and District Archives, Photo: pa-80-24-1w-10

Image-Misc. Info. : N/A

Image Type: Historic Photo



Figure 3: Historic Photo, Clarke Residence

Optional Documentation

21. Other name(s)

22. Cross-reference to Historical/Archaeological Collection

23. Ownership of Historic Place (category)

Freehold: Non-corporate

24. Historic Place functional category and type(s) (current)

Residence, single dwelling

25. Construction date range

1910 to 1912

26. Significant Dates

1910 to 1920

27. Associated event/person/organization/architect/builder

Hugh Clarke (person)

Gertrude Gaetz Clarke (person)

Reverend Dr. Leonard Gaetz (person)

28. Theme category

Expressing Intellectual and Cultural Life

29. Theme type

Architecture and Design

30. Web-site link

No