



City of Delta

Designated Heritage Properties

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Burrvilla

6001 River Road (Deas Island Park)

Built in 1905

'Burrvilla' is a two-storey residence, originally built for Henry Benjamin Burr, and originally located at the corner of 62B Street and River Road. Reflecting Delta's early agricultural prosperity, the house was a social hub, a steamer landing site, and briefly housed the community's only post office. Architecturally, it is an exceptional late example of Queen Anne Revival style, bridging elaborate Victorian designs and early Edwardian simplicity. Remaining in the Burr family until 1974, 'Burrvilla' was Delta's first designated heritage building in 1981 and was relocated to Deas Island Park in 1982, forming a heritage grouping with Inverholme School, the Delta Agricultural Hall, and the Deas Island Cannery Site.



East Delta Hall (McKee Athletic Hall)

10379 Ladner Trunk Road

Built in 1931

East Delta Hall, constructed on land donated by the McKee family, is a community hall in East Ladner. Built by local farming volunteers, the hall features a distinctive barrel-vaulted barn design, wood framing, and original fenestration. Over decades, it has served as a social and athletic hub, hosting events such as basketball, badminton, wrestling, dances, and concerts. Recognized for its historical, cultural, and aesthetic value, East Delta Hall continues to reflect the spirit of Delta's early rural community. The site received official municipal heritage designation in 2024, and is now owned by the City of Delta.



Historical Municipal Hall

4858 Delta Street

Built in 1912

The Delta Municipal Hall is a prominent Edwardian-era civic building in historic Ladner Village. Designed in bold Arts and Crafts style by English-born architect Archibald Campbell Hope, the hall features brick and stucco cladding, half-timbering, and a symmetrical, imposing facade. The site includes a granite memorial clock tower honoring pioneer William Henry Ladner, and previously included a totem pole carved by Chief Wilkes James. Originally housing municipal offices, the hall later became the Delta Museum and Archives. The hall was municipally designated in 1983 and is owned by the City of Delta.



Inverholme School

6001 River Road (Deas Island Park)

Built in 1909

Inverholme School is a one-storey, one-room wood-frame schoolhouse relocated to Deas Island Park in 1982 alongside 'Burrville' and the Delta Agricultural Hall. It is a typical example of an early twentieth-century western Canadian one-room schoolhouse, reflecting the importance of education to pioneer communities. The building retains original features, including separate boys' and girls' entrances and banked windows. Originally located on 72 Street, it was moved and restored to preserve its character. Designated a municipal heritage site in 1983, Inverholme School illustrates the growth of Delta's early educational system.



McKee Residence (Rosetta)

4705 Arthur Drive

Built in 1895

John McKee Residence, built on the south edge of Ladner Village, is a two-storey late Victorian wood-frame home notable for stacked front verandas and scroll-cut ornamentation.

Originally built for Thomas Kerr, it was purchased by John McKee and remained in the McKee family for decades. The house was enlarged in 1912 and became known as “Rosetta.” It exemplifies late Victorian architecture, reflecting the social status of its early residents. Its landmark location, mature plantings, and historical associations led to municipal heritage designation in 1983, and the property owned by the City of Delta.



Oliver Barn

Demolished

11550 Ladner Trunk Road

Built in 1930

The Oliver Barn was a rare Gothic arch-roofed timber barn with a laminated truss system, eliminating the need for internal supports. It was a landmark in Delta’s Mud Bay area and historically associated with the Oliver family, including John Oliver, Premier of B.C., and his son Jack, who designed and built the barn. Now dismantled, the barn illustrated early agricultural innovation. Its unique design and historical significance highlight the loss of traditional barns in Delta. Reconstruction within a new structure was ultimately deemed unfeasible.



Paterson House (Inverholme)

7234 Ladner Trunk Rd

Built in 1913

'Inverholme' is a landmark Edwardian residence at Ladner Trunk Road near Highway 17, surrounded by mature trees and plantings that frame its historic setting. Built for the prominent Paterson family, it was named after their ancestral home in Scotland. Thomas W. Paterson, then Lieutenant-Governor of B.C., first owned the house, while Alex D. Paterson—long-time Delta reeve and MLA—managed the farm. Designed by noted contractor John B. Elliot, 'Inverholme' exemplifies Edwardian simplicity and fine craftsmanship. One of Delta's first designated heritage sites, its restoration earned the inaugural Delta Heritage Advisory Committee award.

