Uthaithit Temple: a place to worship relics of Phra Charoen Ratchadet (Kwad), the 1st governor of Maha Sarakham



(Source: Maha Sarakahm City Museum)

After the construction of Wat Nuea (Wat Mahachai) as the city temple, Thao Mahachai (Kwad), the first governor, had renovated Wat Tai (Uthaithit Temple) for the people of the city to preserve Buddhism. Later, Phra Charoen Ratchadej (Oun), the third governor, came to patronize the temple and invited Phrakru Yogi Uthaithit from Roi Et Province to come and teach Thai language as well as Moolakajjai (Pali Grammar Book) until there were a large number of people coming to study. Later, a pagoda containing the relics of Thao Mahachai (Kwad) and his wife Mae Sri Sumal was built for children and grandchildren to worship.