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Subject: Online Form Submittal: Mayor and Council

Mayor and Council

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Last Name Howard

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Return email address:

Subject: COVID19 OPENING OF RESTRICTIONS

Body

May 5, 2020

Mr. Adrian Dix, Minister of Health , and Dr. Bonnie Henry and
CITY COUNCIL OF SALMON ARM

Dear Sir and Madame, I live in Salmon Arm ,BC and I am 71 years old , retired and therefore have plenty of time to listen to watch , digest and think about the news. Obviously much of it related to the Covid19 pandemic. There are many sources that I both watch and read. NY Times, CBC, BBC, CGTN, and other Canadian news outlets. I also have the time to observe business still open in Salmon Arm and how they conduct themselves (measures they take) to mitigate transmission of the virus. Some businesses (few) do well , others okay and others just don't get it at all. Sometimes I have been impudent enough to bring to the business managers attention , serious deficiencies in their anti -transmission measures. Almost without exception the most indignant and frankly most ignorant of the managers have the worst practices or sometimes no measures in place at all.

With the imminent possibility of starting to allow more businesses to open I would like to make some suggestions as to measures that should be taken in order for patrons to feel comfortable but more importantly to prevent a second wave and new transmission of the virus.

Because I have observed such a disparate degree of anti -transmission measures (and lack of measures) being taken by businesses in Salmon Arm , it has become obvious to me that

businesses need strict guidelines and rules that must be adhered to . Personally I am not comfortable entering most of the business, even though I wear a N95 mask and keep or try to keep my distance from people. The business that I am speaking about now are grocery stores, banks , hardware stores, nurseries, etc. I think if you are going to allow more businesses to open we need to do the following things.

1. Every city should have an ANTI-TRANSMISSION OFFICER, and regulator. It would be the officers job to visit every store or business to first, instruct what measures they must take to prevent the viral transmission and second to monitor all the businesses to make sure that they are strictly adhering to these best practices. Obviously in large cities this would mean having many officers. Consequences of non compliance would be a stiff fine of perhaps \$1000 a day and or immediately shutting down the business, preferably both.

2. All business managers and staff in service industries, barbershops, Salons, dental offices, physiotherapists, chiropractors, cafes, boutiques and small stores, and big stores and so many others, should be tested negative before they can work and after testing negative they should be checked for fever before work , regularly, if not daily. Wherever there is close and or intimate contact. If a cook was infected , that person cook contaminate hundreds of people in a day , without knowing it. Or a waitress, who is handling glass ware, and cutlery and delivering a plate of food.

3. I believe that for a period of at least a month if not two, that all the people working in the service sector industries (point no. 2) should also be required to wear a surgical mask or other certified mask.

4. All businesses that are allowed to open , must be cleaned thoroughly .

5. All business must have hand sanitizer at the entrance of the store with strict instructions to patrons /clients to use the sanitizer. Also , there must be sanitizer at every exit of the establishment , so people can use it and feel confident and comfortable when they leave a store or barbershop or whatever, that they have not been contaminated by touching products. The strict use of sanitizer upon entering a business will help prevent physical contamination of items on store shelves . This measure is very simple to implement and yet very important. All banks should have hand sanitizer in the ATM vestibules. Do customers not deserve to know that ATM buttons are not contaminated by someone.

6. Social distancing rules should continue at least for a month, to allow you to ascertain the consequences of opening up of the stores.

I am sure that there are many more things that can be thought of and certainly that you are aware of. I am just an ordinary guy walking around observing and thinking about what I see, what makes sense to me and what doesn't make sense to me. For what it is worth. I hope some if not all of these measures make sense to you. I can also tell you that personally , I will not be comfortable going into a restaurant , for example , and therefore will not go , if I do not see the kind of measures being implimented , such as those above. I am in the high risk category . I do not feel like being at the mercy of someones indifferent attitude about the viral protection measures.

PS, My other great concern is the porosity of the Border. I would hope that there is strict testing going on at our borders, and I don't just mean filling in a questionnaire. I mean testing for fever of everyone, and only allowing people into Canada from the States, who have a compelling reason for coming in. It is quite clear with the daily American death count , that the virus is out of control in many areas of the states, and therefore we must assume everywhere.

Thank you for your attention

And thank you both for being such competent managers of this Crisis. It is very much appreciated and admired.

Brian Howard, Salmon Arm , BC

Would you like a response:

Yes

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May 8, 2020

Mayor and Council Members
City of Salmon Arm
500 - 2nd Avenue NE
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Re: Mt. Ida Cemetery - Bylaw 4280

My son, Warren A. Brown, died in 2013. At that time we acquired two side-by-side plots. Warren's grave marker was set in cement, similar to all the others in that section.

My husband, Gordon D. Brown, died in 2019. Because of Bylaw 4280 Gordon's marker has not been set in cement and appears to have been just dropped in the dirt. It is the only marker in that area that is not set in cement and looks incomplete and out of place. I am very disappointed and am respectfully requesting that my husband's marker be set in cement similar to my son's. The same regulations should apply to both as the plots were purchased at the same time.

Thank you for your consideration of my request.

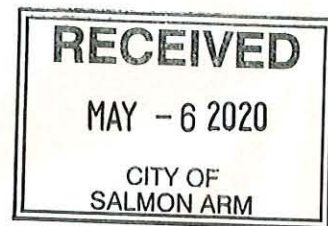
Yours truly,

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March 16, 2020

Dear Sponsors and Volunteers,

On behalf of the Shuswap Trail Alliance board, partner organizations, and communities of the Shuswap, thank you for joining with us to support our annual Shuswap Trails Party and Auction on February 7th.

Once again, we were truly overwhelmed and inspired by the determined support of leaders and businesses like you to ensure our collaborative efforts continue to grow greenway trails and active transportation pathways for walking, cycling, skiing, snowshoeing, EQ riding, and yes – paddling - throughout the region.

This year to date, with 475 people turning out to the February 7th sell-out event, we raised over \$50,000 dollars for greenway trail projects in the Shuswap. And we are very pleased to let you know that we are once again working to leverage those funds through matching grants, in-kind, and volunteer support. Every penny goes toward creating, maintaining, signing and promoting trails in the Shuswap with our regional partners. And there are some very exciting projects in the works!

Plus we remain committed to supporting the regional trails roundtable as it brings Secwepemc, provincial, regional, municipal, industry, economic, environmental, health, education, and both motorized and non-motorized trail stewardship organizations together to better manage how we access and move throughout our communities and the land.

Again, thank you for your sponsorship, volunteer time, and support. We look forward to seeing you out on Shuswap Trails this season!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be "Rob Marshall" and "Phil McIntyre-Paul" joined together, with a horizontal line underneath.

Rob Marshall (Chairperson) and
Phil McIntyre-Paul (Executive Director)
for the Shuswap Trail Alliance
www.shuswaptrails.com



Thank You

Heading north on the Sicamous-to-Armstrong Rail Trail.
(Photo: Jacob Brett)

From the Shuswap Trail

This certificate is awarded with gratitude to:

City of Salmon Arm Council

in recognition of

Silver Sponsorship

Shuswap Trails Party and Fundraiser

Friday, February 7th, 2020

Rob Marshall, STA Chairperson



The Shuswap
TRAIL ALLIANCE

www.shuswaptrails.com



Media Release: May 15, 2020

Sicamous-to-Armstrong Rail Trail technical planning proceeds

The Shuswap – North Okanagan, Splatina Secwepemc Nation Territory, British Columbia – Despite the COVID-19 restrictions, technical planning for the new rail trail between Sicamous and Armstrong has moved ahead over the past two months.

As part of the commitment to tell the true story of the region within the Secwepemc Nation Territory, preliminary assessments have been conducted by Splatina leadership for both archaeological and cultural heritage values. . As well, planning includes geotechnical, environmental, agricultural, storm water, erosion control, steep slope, and structural bridge assessments by local experts.

Now that it is spring, technical sub-consultants are able to access the currently closed rail corridor to complete this planning work with limited risk of exposure to the COVID-19 virus.

The Governance partners remind everyone the rail trail remains closed until safely developed for walking and cycling. Residents who live near the greenway can expect to see authorized personnel occasionally travelling the corridor by foot or vehicle. Authorized vehicles include ATVs and trucks used by technical experts helping to design the 50 kilometre trail between Sicamous and Armstrong.

Temporary kilometre markers have also been installed to assist in the planning. The work will also include flood monitoring and invasive plant mitigation.

Assembling funds for capital development of the rail trail now becomes a top priority.

The Governance Advisory Committee was disappointed to learn that the Federal/Provincial Government infrastructure grant application was not selected due to over-subscription to the program. But follow-up is underway to reapply and explore additional sources of Provincial and Federal funding.

Political support for the rail trail remains strong among all partners, who recognize the significant social and economic opportunity the rail trail holds for the communities throughout the region. This is particularly important, given the upcoming period of economic recovery following the pandemic.

Once COVID-19 measures allow, in-person consultations and public meetings will resume. Discussion will include the Agricultural Land Commission application currently under review and information updates at local events. In the meantime, everyone is encouraged to check out the rail trail website and call or email with questions or comments.

A technical staff team oversees the rail trail project under the guidance of a Governance Advisory Committee chaired by Splatina Kukpi7 (Chief) Wayne Christian. It is made up of leadership from Splatina, the Regional District of North Okanagan, and the Columbia Shuswap Regional District who jointly own



the corridor. The Shuswap Trail Alliance provides project management support, with technical engineering provided by Urban Systems Limited.

The Rail Trail partners gratefully acknowledge the financial support of the Province of British Columbia. A grant through the BC Rural Dividend Program was secured last year, leveraging contributions by the CSRD Electoral Area E and District of Sicamous Economic Initiatives Fund to complete the technical plan.

For more information visit www.ShuswapNorthOkanaganRailTrail.ca.

Photo (see [accompanying jpeg](#)): Sicamous-to-Armstrong Rail Trail technical planning proceeds – technical experts from Waters Edge Limited assess rising waters and erosion on the rail trail along the Shuswap River this spring for the Sicamous-to-Armstrong rail trail development plan. Technical planning includes archeological, cultural, geotechnical, environmental, agricultural, storm water, erosion control, steep slope, and structural bridge assessments by local experts. More information at www.ShuswapNorthOkanaganRailTrail.com. (Photo Credit: Waters Edge Ltd)

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SHUSWAP CYCLING CLUB

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April 30, 2020

The Shuswap Cycling Society would like to host the 7th annual Shuswap Cross, Cyclocross race in Salmon Arm at Klahani Park (6391 10 Ave S.E.) on Sunday October 4th, 2020. This event is a race in the Interior Cyclocross Series - a series of 11 races in the Interior of BC (www.bcinteriorcross.ca).

We are aware that we may need to cancel this event if events are not sanctioned through the Provincial Government and Cycling BC due to the COVID-19 pandemic. We are, however, asking for event approval with the optimism that we will be able to host this event in October.

Approximately 80% of race participants travel to Salmon Arm from various locations in the Interior. This cyclocross event brings in visitors to Salmon Arm and helps our economy. Some participants stay at Hotels in Salmon Arm, dine out at local restaurants and purchase fuel in Salmon Arm.

Enclosed are the Cyclocross rules and approximate course design. We will forward the Certificate of Insurance (naming the City of Salmon Arm, CSRD and Shuswap Recreation Society as named insured) as soon as it is available.

The Shuswap Cycling Society is a great organization and is a strong believer in promoting healthier lifestyles and supporting the Shuswap economy.

Thank you for your assistance and support in putting on this event.

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Shuswap Cycling Society
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BC INTERIOR CYCLOCROSS

Racer Guidelines



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Categories

Categories are listed below in order of ability, apart from youth categories—which are based on age—and single-speed categories:

Men's Categories

1. Elite Men
2. Masters Men (40+)
3. Junior Elite Men (U19)
4. Intermediate Men
5. Novice Men
6. U17/U15/U13 Men
7. Single-Speed Men

Women's Categories

1. Elite Women
2. Masters Women (40+)
3. Junior Elite Women (U19)
4. Intermediate Women
5. Novice Women
6. U17/U15/U13 Women
7. Single-Speed Women

Race Day Schedule

Registration

Registration will be open for at least a half hour prior to the start of each race.

Pre-Riding

Due to time constraints at many of our race locations, organizers are only required to provide one half hour of open course pre-riding to racers. Racers will be allowed to pre-ride the course **ONLY** during allotted times. Outside of this race courses will be considered **CLOSED** other than to those whose category is currently racing. Any racers caught pre-riding the course during a time when pre-riding is not allowed, such as during another category's race, may be disqualified from their race.

Race Schedule

The following outlines the race durations and the order of the starting grids:

Race 1 (Morning Race)

Time: 45 minutes

Categories: Single-Speed Men, U17/U15/U13 Men, Intermediate Women, Novice Men, U17/U15/U13 Women, Single-Speed Women, Novice Women

Race 2 (Kids Race)

Time: 10-20 minutes (depending on participation numbers, ages and course layout)

Categories: Under 12

Race 3 (Afternoon Race)

Time: 60 minutes

Categories: Elite Men, Masters Men, U19 Men, Intermediate Men, U19 Women, Elite Women

Bicycle/Equipment Rules

Bicycle and equipment guidelines are divided into **STRICT** and **HONOUR SYSTEM** rules.

STRICT rules are enforceable by BCICX officials on race day. This may mean that a rider will be asked to remedy the equipment problem, be required to race in a different category, or be disqualified from the race if there is no other option available.

HONOUR SYSTEM rules are not enforced by BCICX officials on race day and racers are encouraged to self-govern regarding these rules. If you see something unsafe or someone pushing the limits of tire size talk to them first before bringing it up with the BCICX officials.

All Categories

STRICT - All bicycles must be in good working order.

STRICT - All extraneous parts should be removed—fenders, racks, lights, etc.

STRICT - Both front and rear brakes must be equipped.

STRICT - Bicycles with a motor or pedal assist of any type are not allowed.

STRICT - Tires must not be "slick"—they must have knobs or traction bars of some kind and in sufficient quantity to be safely ridden on the course being raced.

Elite, Masters, Junior Elite (U19)

STRICT - Handlebar must be a drop bar.

STRICT - Must have STI-type† or single-speed road brake/shift levers.

STRICT - Wheels must be 700c.

STRICT - Bicycles equipped with suspension are not allowed.

HONOUR SYSTEM - Tires must be max 33mm wide.

Intermediate

STRICT - Handlebar must be a drop bar.

STRICT - Must have STI† or single-speed road brake/shift levers.

STRICT - Wheels must be 700c.

STRICT - Bicycles equipped with suspension are not allowed.

HONOUR SYSTEM - Tires must be max 45mm wide.

Novice, U17/U15/U13

STRICT - Handlebar must be a drop or mountain bike bar.

HONOUR SYSTEM - Tires must be max 66mm/2.6" wide.

Single Speed

STRICT - Handlebar must be a drop or mountain bike bar.

STRICT - Bike must be affixed with only a single chainring and rear cog or shifters must be sufficiently disabled (to be determined by BCICX officials) on a geared bike.

HONOUR SYSTEM - Tires must be max 45mm/1.75" wide.

† STI-type levers are those designed to be run on a drop bar. This excludes "cross" or "frog" levers and all mountain bike or v-brake style levers even if they would feasibly fit and function on a drop bar.

Points System

Points Tracking

Overall series standings will be calculated for each rider in each category using the total points accumulated during all attended races in the series. Single-speed categories raced in addition to an afternoon race category is the only way two titles can be earned.

Points are not transferable between categories and racers are responsible for signing up for and racing in the appropriate category at each race. If a racer registers in the wrong category, their points will be recorded in that category for that race.

The following table shows the point award distribution for each place up to 60th:

Place	Points	Place	Points	Place	Points	Place	Points	Place	Points	Place	Points
1	200	11	95	21	60	31	45	41	35	51	25
2	175	12	90	22	58	32	44	42	34	52	24
3	155	13	85	23	56	33	43	43	33	53	23
4	140	14	80	24	54	34	42	44	32	54	22
5	130	15	75	25	52	35	41	45	31	55	21
6	120	16	71	26	50	36	40	46	30	56	20
7	115	17	69	27	49	37	39	47	29	57	19
8	110	18	66	28	48	38	38	48	28	58	18
9	105	19	64	29	47	39	37	49	27	59	17
10	100	20	62	30	46	40	36	50	26	60	16

Double Points Races

The series premiere earns racers double points.

Category Upgrades/Downgrades

A rider who is lapped more than once by a significant portion of their race category during a race except due to mechanical failure may be asked by officials to race in a lower category during their next race if such a category exists.

A rider that laps more than half the field in their category during a race may be asked to race in the next category up from their current one at the next race if such a category exists.

Any requested upgrades will be discussed well ahead of time and with deference to racer preference.

Starting Grid

For the first race of the series the starting grid will be based upon the last season's overall results. Racers who did not accumulate points in the last season will be asked to self-seed behind these racers.


After the first race the overall series points will be used to form the starting grid for each category. The rider with the highest accumulated points total will be in the first slot of the first row, then the rider with the second highest accumulated points total will be beside him or her, and so forth down the line and through the rows within each category.

Any rider from another series wishing to start according to their points total in that series must present a copy of the standings from that series to officials at registration.

2020 Cyclocross - Klahani Park

Approximate route for 2020 Cyclocross race at Klahani Park
October 4, 2020

Legend

 2020 Cyclocross Race

Google Earth

Image City of Salmon Arm

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*Southern Interior Local
Government Association*

2020 SILGA COMMUNITY EXCELLENCE AWARD WINNERS

NEWS RELEASE

The SILGA Board of Directors are pleased to announce the following winners of the 2020 SILGA Community Excellence Awards in the following categories:

Social Responsibility

City of Vernon

Partners in Action

Environmental Sustainability

RD Central Okanagan

Okanagan Flood Collaboration

Economic Development

City of Revelstoke

Food Security

The award ceremonies will be done virtually at an upcoming council/board meeting of the winning local government. To view these submissions please go to the SILGA website at <https://www.silga.ca/convention/excellence/>.

The SILGA board would like to thank all the local governments that submitted nominations; as in the past, the quality of the submissions this year made their selections difficult to make.

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Subject: 2020 UBCM Community Excellence Awards

Good morning,

Applications are now being accepted for UBCM's 2020 Community Excellence Awards. The application deadline is July 10, 2020. The awards recognize and celebrate UBCM members that have implemented projects or programs that demonstrate excellence in meeting the purposes of local government in B.C. [Read more](#)

<https://www.ubcm.ca/EN/meta/news/news-archive/2020-archive/2020-community-excellence-awards.html>

Thanks, Alison

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2020 Community Excellence Awards

May 13, 2020

Applications are now being accepted for UBCM's [2020 Community Excellence Awards](#). The application deadline is July 10, 2020. The awards recognize and celebrate UBCM members that have implemented projects or programs that demonstrate excellence in meeting the purposes of local government in B.C.

UBCM recognizes the unique circumstances and challenges faced by BC local governments during the pandemic. This includes reduced staff and financial capacity in order to address the impacts caused by the pandemic. However, the pandemic, through the Community Excellence Awards, also provides for the opportunity to celebrate and showcase the leadership and innovation that local governments are providing in their communities. Applicants are encouraged to include any COVID-19 pandemic response actions and/or activities in their applications.

Through the awards program, local governments can hear about the successful initiatives of other members, and then adapt these programs and policies for their own communities. The awards are only open to UBCM members, including local government and First Nation members. Members may submit one application per category.

The four categories are:

Excellence in Governance. Governance is the process of decision-making and the means by which decisions are implemented (or not implemented). This category includes projects/programs that utilize governance processes or policies that are outcomes-based and consensus oriented, support and encourage citizen participation in civic decision-making, are efficient, equitable and inclusive, open and transparent; and exemplify best practices in accountability, effectiveness, and long-term thinking. This may include projects focused on staff, elected officials and/or the community at large.

Excellence in Service Delivery. Service delivery involves the actual production and provision of goods and services to the community, and should be integrated with community plans and aligned with financial plans. This category includes projects/programs that provide effective services in a proactive manner, demonstrate benefit to the community, and utilize performance measures, benchmarks and standards to ensure sustainable service delivery.

Excellence in Asset Management. Asset management is an integrated business approach that involves planning, finance, engineering and operations to effectively manage existing and new infrastructure in order to maximize benefits, reduce risk and provide satisfactory levels of service to community users in a sustainable manner. This category includes projects/programs that demonstrate a comprehensive system of asset management policies and practices.

Excellence in Sustainability. Sustainability means meeting current needs without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs. This category recognizes UBCM members that incorporate a long-term sustainability lens by considering the four pillars - cultural, social, economic and environmental issues - in planning, policy and practice. Projects/programs that incorporate a long-term sustainability lens by considering cultural, social, economic and environmental issues in planning, policy and practice.

Awards are going to be presented during UBCM's 2020 Convention, and all delegates are invited to attend the awards event. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, UBCM is reviewing delivery options for the 2020 Convention with decisions expected in late May 2020. This may impact the format of the Community Excellence Awards Ceremony.

For more information, contact Danyta Welch at (250) 356-5193 or awards@ubcm.ca.



May 13, 2020

Ref: 249732

His Worship Mayor Alan Harrison
City of Salmon Arm
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Dear Mayor Harrison:

This year, June 1-7 marks British Columbia's Child and Youth in Care Week. I invite you and your community to join British Columbians in celebrating the strength, creativity, resilience and tenacity of young people who are in or have been in care.

Child and Youth in Care week is a chance to break the stigma that these youth face. Sadly, the stories told of young people in care are often ones of tragedy and broken commitments, but British Columbia's children and youth in care are so much more than these stories. They are artists, athletes, storytellers, caregivers, and activists. They are our province's future teachers, mechanics, doctors, researchers, parents and leaders. Join us in offering an alternative story and elevating the voices of children and youth. With their unique lived expertise, young people who are in or have been in care deserve to be celebrated and honoured for the love and diversity they bring to all our communities.

We hope that you will find time over Child and Youth in Care Week to spread a message of awareness and care in your communities. Face-to-face events will not be taking place this year due to the COVID-19 pandemic, but I encourage you to visit the Web site for tips and ideas for virtual events and other creative ways to celebrate at www.bcchildandouthincareweek.com. You can also help promote this message of celebration using the Web site's social media tools.

Thank you for your support of British Columbia's children and youth in care. If you have any questions or require more information, please contact the Federation of BC Youth in Care Networks at info@fbcyicn.ca.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Katrine Conroy".

Katrine Conroy
Minister of Children and Family Development



2020-May-13

Via email: AG.Minister@gov.bc.ca

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Dear Minister Eby,

Re: Supporting Businesses by Making Liquor Licensing More Flexible

At the Special Council meeting of 2020-May-11, the City of Nanaimo Mayor and Council, by way of motion, unanimously supported the City of North Vancouver - Mayor Linda Buchanan's letter of May 8, 2020 regarding the request for flexibility with the liquor licensing regulations for businesses who are looking to expand their outdoor seating area as BC begins its COVID-19 Phase 2 restart plan with enhanced protocols.

Council's motion reads as follows:

"It was moved and seconded that Council direct Mayor Krog to write a letter in support of the City of North Vancouver's request to Honourable David Eby, Q.C. supporting businesses by making liquor licensing more flexible."

The City of Nanaimo firmly believes if the province can provide pliancy, in these unprecedented times, to amend the current liquor licensing regulations community businesses will have a better chance of success.

Sincerely,



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MAYOR

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May 8, 2020

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Dear Minister Eby:

RE: Supporting Businesses by Making Liquor Licensing More Flexible

As Mayor of the City of North Vancouver I want to start by thanking you for the work you have done to serve British Columbians.

I appreciate how quickly your government has responded to the needs of people and businesses. This pandemic has highlighted, among other things, the agility and speed of our public service when they are needed urgently.

It is with that same urgency I ask you to consider examining how we can increase flexibility in outdoor seating and liquor licensing in support of our businesses.

I have been hosting business round tables to learn about the unique needs of our business sectors. From these conversations I have learned of a few actions that could be taken immediately to ensure restaurants, pubs, and breweries can be resilient businesses as we begin to re-open gradually.

As you are aware, the current liquor licensing regulations for pubs, breweries and restaurants requires only permanent changes when adding potential capacity such as increased outdoor patio space.

Our City is in the process of revising our outdoor dining process to allow these businesses to expand their patio areas on a temporary basis as we begin BC's restart plan. This will assist these businesses to be able to serve customers on their premises while meeting safe distancing requirements.

My understanding is that the current provincial licensing requirements will not permit temporary changes, therefore I am concerned this will negatively impact these businesses and discourage many from being able to open up to serve the public on their premises.

Changing this model to allow greater flexibility could be the difference in countless businesses being able to keep their doors open and expanding their service from their current significantly reduced levels.

We have seen new challenges like never before, and your government has acted swiftly to deliver results. I urge you to consider what I have detailed to you in this letter. We now know

changes can happen quickly when they are needed, and these changes are needed immediately to support our food and liquor industry.

Do not hesitate to contact me if you require additional information. I thank you in advance for your consideration.

Yours Truly,



Linda Buchanan
Mayor of the City of North Vancouver

c.c. All B.C. municipal governments
Bowinn Ma, MLA for North Vancouver-Lonsdale
BC Restaurant & Food Services Association
Alliance of Beverage Licensees
BC Craft Brewer's Guild
North Vancouver Chamber of Commerce
Lower Lonsdale Business Improvement Association

From: Jeff Guignard

Sent: Monday, May 11, 2020 9:25:23 PM

To: Alan Harrison; Debbie Cannon; Chad Eliason; Kevin Flynn; Tim Lavery; Sylvia Lindgren; Louise Wallace-Richmond

Subject: Flexible, innovative, and expedited patio permitting.

Your Worship and Council:

On behalf of the British Columbia's 14,500 hospitality businesses—including restaurants, bars, craft breweries, and winery tasting rooms—we are writing to request your urgent support to aid the survival of local hospitality businesses and thousands of livelihoods during this pandemic crisis. Specifically, we are requesting your assistance for flexible, innovative, and expedited patio permitting.

British Columbia's hospitality industry is facing collapse. While the global COVID-19 pandemic has reverberated throughout our economy, our industry's local small hospitality businesses were hit first, hit hardest, and will be among the last to recover. The majority of BC's restaurants, bars, and tasting lounges have closed, laid off staff, and are facing bankruptcy and financial collapse. Even those businesses remaining opening during this pandemic to offer limited takeout and delivery services and are experiencing dramatically reduced revenues and are struggling to survive.

The collective economic disruption in our sector has been staggering:

- Job losses within the restaurant sector alone are estimated at 121,500.
- At least 1 in 10 restaurants have already closed forever with associated permanent job losses.
- Over 50 per cent of smaller independent restaurants say they will be bankrupt within three months from the start of this crisis (i.e. by June of this year).
- 80 per cent of BC's hospitality businesses have been forced to temporarily lay off the vast majority of BC's 192,000 foodservice employees.
- 80 per cent of Liquor Primaries (i.e. pubs, bars, nightclubs) are closed.
- Liquor Primaries who remain open for take-out/deliver services have experienced 90-95 per cent decline in revenues.
- Over 70 per cent of BC's hotels are closed.
- BC's tourism sector has laid off 70 per cent of all employees totaling over 130,000 workers.
- All 197 craft brewery tasting rooms in BC are closed, reducing average brewery revenues by over 80 per cent.
- All 366 licensed BC winery tasting rooms in BC are closed, reducing average revenues by over 50 per cent.
- 83 new breweries opened in BC since 2017, including 28 in the last 12 months. These new or recently opened businesses face the biggest threat of permanent closure for our industry.
- Over 250,000 hospitality and tourism workers have already been laid off in BC since the start of this COVID crisis.

While we are working with our provincial and federal governments partners on protocols for a gradual and phased reopening of our sector, BC's local communities have a key role to play in supporting economic recovery. We ask you to support our industry with fast, flexible, and nimble permitting and business services to help our industry get back up and running.

The first opportunity to offer concrete support is with regards to patios, as they offer a hospitality experience within the relative public trust of outdoor space. We ask that your municipality work creatively and collaboratively with operators to help expand current patio areas, add new patios quickly, and permit dining, liquor service and manufacturer's sampling in controllable public spaces.

Specifically, we request your support to:

1. Increase flexibility for patio types and sizes (including consideration for pre-detailed designs and formats), expedited permitting including applications and renewals, as well as the number of patios allowed;
2. Increase the space use of existing patios or picnic areas to allow chairs to be spread out to meet distancing requirements (i.e. many patios have more space than the current floor plans allow them to use);
3. Allow pop-up outdoor dining and manufacture sampling spaces;
4. Allow and increase the use of parklets and public space for dining;
5. Allow any increase in patio, picnic area or outdoor space be considered a continuation of an establishment's existing approved alcohol service area or manufacture's sampling area to provide samples and not require additional endorsements or authorizations.
6. Coordinate with any relevant bodies—such as the Liquor and Cannabis Regulation Branch, Fire Department, etc.—to reduce red tape and speed approval timelines wherever possible.

As a sample, we have attached a recent motion from Vancouver Councillor Sarah Kirby-Yung that is resoundingly supported by BC's hospitality businesses.

It is our sincere hope that we can work with your council to find significant and meaningful measures to ensure our critical industry survives. We recognize that some of these measures may only be made possible for a limited time to help respond to the COVID-19 crisis. Short term assistance is as important as long term as our industry has never before faced a crisis of this magnitude. The very survival our industry's small businesses and the jobs they create now depend on urgent leadership and bold action from our government partners in communities such as yours.

Thank you in advance for your support. We would also like to offer our sincere thanks and appreciation to Council and staff for your diligent work to keep British Columbians healthy and safe during this provincial state of emergency and global crisis.

We remain at your disposal to offer advice and perspective on these issues. Please do not hesitate to contact us at any time.

Sincerely,

Jeff Guignard, Executive Director
Alliance of Beverage Licensees

Ken Beattie, Executive Director
BC Craft Brewers Guild

Ian Tostenson, President & CEO
BC Restaurant and Foodservices Association

Miles Prodan, President & CEO
BC Wine Institute

CC:

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Hon. Harry Bains, Minister of Labour
Hon. Adrian Dix, Minister of Health
Hon. Lisa Beare, Minister of Tourism, Arts and Culture
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From: Roland Silver **On Behalf Of** Accessibility

Sent: May-13-20 11:12 AM

To: Caylee Simmons

Subject: Grant & Community Accessibility Successes Information! - Join Us in Celebrating Access Awareness Day This Year!



Dear administrator,

We recently reached out to you regarding this years' National AccessAbility Week (May 31st to June 6th) and Access Awareness Day which is scheduled for June 6th.

As you may know, Access Awareness Day is about people and communities coming together to celebrate the ways communities have been successful in creating welcoming and inclusive spaces for everyone! COVID-19 has changed the way that people can come together to celebrate but it has not changed the way people and communities care for each other and work together for true inclusion.

As mentioned, we want to celebrate your communities' accessibility successes and to offer your community the opportunity to receive a \$500 grant with funding support from the Federal government. The funding shall be used to host an event to celebrate Access Awareness Day's theme of "Accessibility Means Knowing No Limits" or the National AccessAbility Week theme of "I Make a Difference Because I Can".

Attached to this email is the \$500 grant application (attachment 1). Due to office closures as a result of COVID-19, the date for submission of the grant application is not fixed, however, applications cannot be accepted once funds are fully allocated, so please send in your applications as soon as possible. If an event and associated grant funding are not applicable to your community within 2020, we would love for you to share your story about the ways that your community has been successful in removing barriers and increasing accessibility and inclusion. Please see attachment 2 for details.

We have also included a poster in PDF form (attachment 3) to assist with communication for your event. More accessibility posters can be found on our website at <https://www.sparc.bc.ca/accessibility/access-awareness-day/>. We want to celebrate your community and recognize that true accessibility comes from everyone working together.

Should you have any questions or require further information, please do not hesitate to reach out!

Many thanks and stay safe!

Thank you,

Roland Silver

Manager, Accessibility Initiatives

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SPARC BC works with communities in building a just and healthy society for all.

SPARC BC's office is located within/on the unceded, traditional, ancestral territories of the Skwxwúmesh (Squamish), xʷməθkʷəy̓əm (Musqueam), and sə́lilwətaɣ̓ (Tsleil-Waututh) Nations.

Accessibility means knowing no limits.

\$500 AccessAbility Grants

These grants are provided through SPARC BC with funding support from the Federal government through the Accessible Canada Social Development Partnership Program as well as the Province of British Columbia through the Provincial Accessibility Secretariat. These grants are available to local government partners, local Accessibility Committees as well as local disability serving organizations.

About Your Organization

Please share a bit of information about your organization.

Your Name: _____

Your Organization: _____

Address: _____

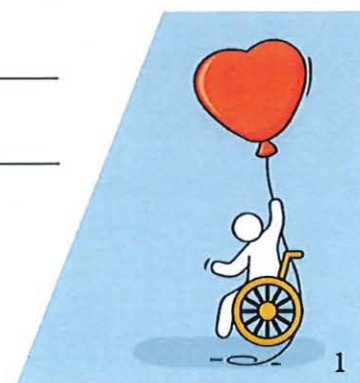
Municipality: _____

Postal Code: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Partner Organizations:



About Your Idea

Please describe how your event builds on the Access Awareness Day theme of **"Accessibility Means Knowing No Limits"**, or the National AccessAbility Week theme of **"I make a difference because I can"**.

Date, Time & Location of Your Event

Please provide more information about when you will be holding your event and the number of participants that you expect to attend your event.

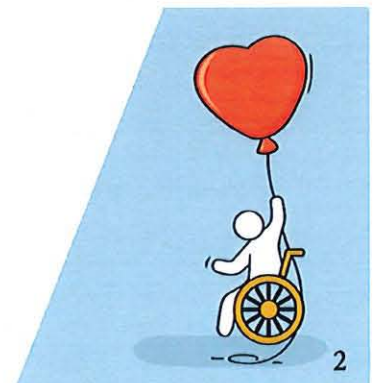
Date of your event: _____

Time of your event: _____

Location of your event: _____

Are you planning to hold your event on Access Awareness Day or during National AccessAbility Week or will you have to hold your event at a different date because of COVID-19?

- ☐ Our event will be on Access Awareness Day (Saturday, June 6, 2020)
- ☐ Our event will be during National AccessAbility Week (May 31 -June 6, 2020)
- ☐ We will be holding our event later this year because of COVID-19. We will confirm the event later this year.



Exploring ways to promote true inclusion

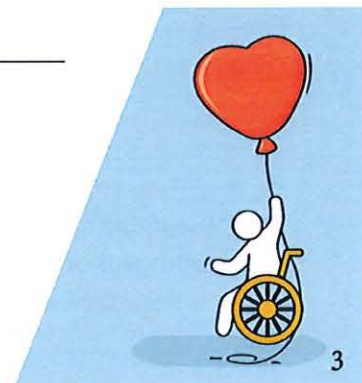
There are different ways that communities can come together to promote and support greater accessibility. The funding provided through these grants is intended to recognize and support leadership in accessibility as well as highlight community and regional innovation. In thinking about your event, please describe the different ways that you hope your event can help to promote and support greater accessibility and inclusion in terms of promoting:

- ☐ Economic inclusion _____
- ☐ Social inclusion _____
- ☐ Recreational inclusion _____
- ☐ Cultural inclusion _____
- ☐ Other aspects of community life _____

Breaking down barriers

True inclusion can happen when society is successful in breaking down barriers and in supporting opportunities for true participation in all aspects of community life. Please describe the different ways that your event seeks to break down barriers and to promote full and equal inclusion in all aspects of community life.

- ☐ Building partnerships _____
- ☐ Raising awareness _____
- ☐ Catalyzing innovation _____
- ☐ Changing attitudes _____
- ☐ Address other barriers _____



Key outcomes and highlights from your event

One of our goals is to draw attention to local innovation and the different ways that people and communities can come together to show that by investing in accessibility the possibilities are limitless. Please share the types of outcomes you hope to achieve through your event.

Knowledge development and knowledge transfer

Please let us know the different ways that you will be sharing the knowledge and insights gained through your event. Also please let us know if you would be interested in participating in the following:

- ☐ Sharing your story and highlights of your event through social media
- ☐ Participating in a workshop designed to share the different ways that people and communities can work together to promote greater accessibility and inclusion.
- ☐ Participating in a provincial community of practice on specific topics that are important to you and other in the area of accessibility and inclusion.
- ☐ Other: _____

Next steps

Please complete this grant application form and return it to SPARC BC to the attention of Roland Silver - rsilver@sparc.bc.ca.

Questions

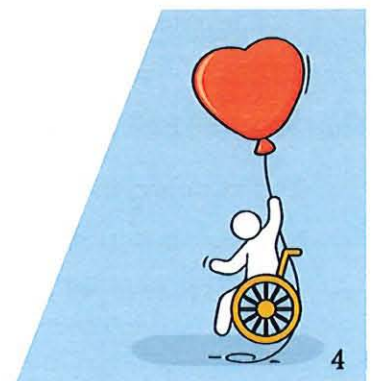
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Accessibility Means...



LIVE GRAPHIC RECORDING | Drawing Change
Sam Bradd

Let's Celebrate *Your* Community Accessibility Successes!

Please take a few minutes to share your story about ways that your community has been successful in removing barriers and in creating spaces and places that are truly welcoming and inclusive.

Selected stories and feedback will be posted on our website during National AccessAbility week which is May 31 to June 6, 2020.

Submit your stories and ideas at accessibility@sparc.bc.ca, under the subject: Accessibility Means...



Accessibility Means...



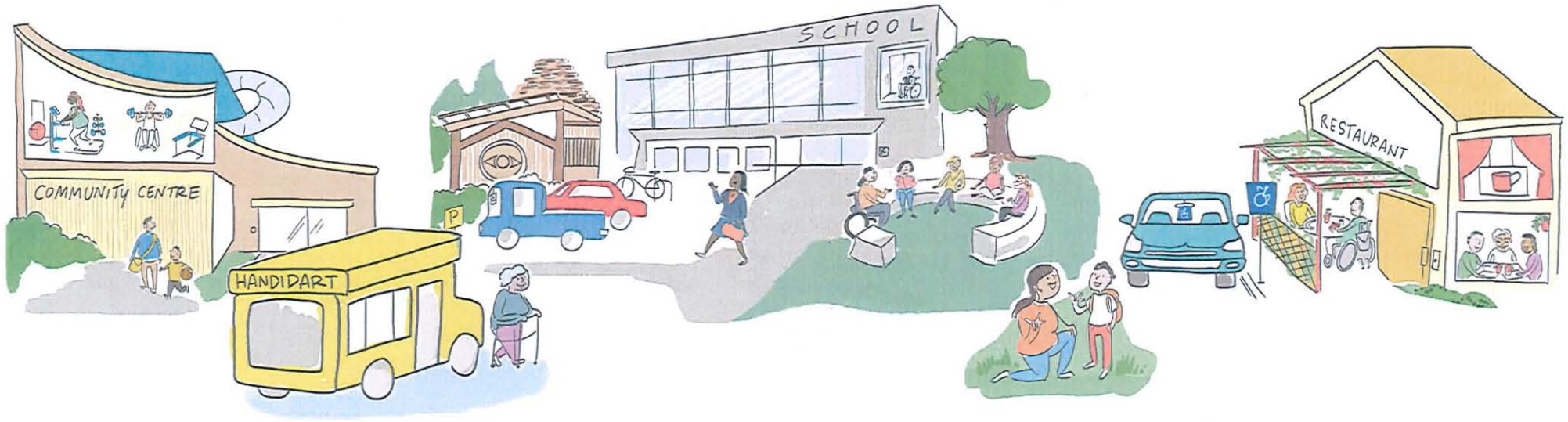
What does accessibility mean in your community?

This year, as part of our Access Awareness Day activities, we would like to profile ways communities have been successful in promoting true accessibility. This includes the different ways that communities have been able to create spaces where everyone can share their talents, experiences and abilities in real and meaningful ways and where full participation in all aspects of community life is possible.

The theme for Access Awareness Day for this year is "Accessibility Means Knowing No Limits". This theme recognizes that while society has been successful in making progress, there are still barriers or limitations that prevent individuals with disabilities from having the opportunity to fully participate in their community.

We would like to share these stories through our website and through Instagram under the title of "Accessibility Means...". The theme is intended to invite conversations about what accessibility means from an economic, social, recreational, cultural or personal perspective. As we gather the stories, we want to build on the idea that "Accessibility Means Knowing No Limits". Help us to show that when people and communities come together, the possibilities are limitless.





Accessibility means knowing no limits