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From: Lawal, Kassandra CITZ:EX
Sent: January 26, 2021 2:34 PM
To: Beare, Lisa CITZ:EX
Subject: QUOTE FOR APPROVAL -- NR_Abbotsford Law Courts_4 Feb 2021_DRAFT (003)ke (003) (002)
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Abbotsford Law Courts opens, increasing access to justice

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The building is 180,000-square-feet and located in Abbotsford's city centre. It houses fourteen courtrooms: eight Provincial Court courtrooms, three Supreme Court courtrooms and three rooms suitable for case conferences, restorative justice and Indigenous justice cases. Provincial court operations began at the new building on Jan. 18, 2021, followed by Supreme Court operations on Feb. 1, 2021. The new courthouse is also able to accommodate proceedings of the Court of Appeal for British Columbia.

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Quotes:

Alice McKay, Chief of Matsqui First Nation –

Robert Bauman, Chief Justice of BC –

Christopher Hinkson, Chief Justice of the BC Supreme Court –

Melissa Gillespie, Chief Justice of the Provincial Court of BC –

Lisa Beare, Minister of Citizens' Services –

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Henry Braun, Mayor of Abbotsford –

Quick Facts:

- The new courthouse will be constructed within the city centre civic precinct on land leased to the Province by the City of Abbotsford.
- The Abbotsford Law Courts building is located at 32375 Veteran's Way s.13 and replaces the existing courthouse at 32203 South Fraser Way s.13
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- The Abbotsford Law Courts is part of the Lower Fraser Valley Court Strategy, which is based on demographic and courtroom demand analysis over the next 20 years.

Learn More:

For more information about the project, visit:

<https://news.gov.bc.ca/releases/2018AG0056-001380>

For more information on B.C.’s Courts:

<https://www.bccourts.ca/>

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Approved

Honourable Lisa Beare, Minister
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On Jan 26, 2021, at 2:34 PM, Lawal, Kassandra CITZ:EX <Kassandra.Lawal@gov.bc.ca> wrote:

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Cc: Emerson, Kim GCPE:EX
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Approved as edited.

Note my shift of the last comma:

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Hi Kassandra,

We've drafted a quote for MLB and made a couple minor edits in the attached news release that AG has written. Over to you for a quote approval before we send it back to AG.

Lisa Beare, Minister of Citizens' Services –

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Thanks!

Courtney