RE: Feb 8 Meeting with City of Vancouver Mayor and Councillors

From: Normand, Nicole AG:EX <Nicole.Normand@gov.bc.ca>
To: Engelbrecht, Maya AG:EX <Maya.Engelbrecht@gov.bc.ca>
Cc: Nanninga, Tanera AG:EX <Tanera.Nanninga@gov.bc.ca>

Sent: February 5, 2021 9:11:45 AM PST

Thanks Maya. I have made the note in the Minister's calendar.

Nicole Normand

Administrative Coordinator to the Honourable David Eby, QC Attorney General and Minister Responsible for Housing

Phone: 778-974-5921

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Sent: February 5, 2021 8:59 AM

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DAG

Cheryl May

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Sent: Thursday, February 4, 2021 2:12 PM

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Date & Time: Feb 8, 11:30-noon **Location:** via CC Pls see details below **Topic:** Pls see attached and below

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Ministry staff: Yes

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To: Normand, Nicole AG:EX

Cc: Milne, Gala AG:EX, Nanninga, Tanera AG:EX, Dowler, Thea AG:EX

Sent: February 5, 2021 12:41:49 PM PST

Looks good. Thanks Nicole

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On Feb 5, 2021, at 12:34 PM, Normand, Nicole AG:EX <Nicole.Normand@gov.bc.ca> wrote:

Hello Derrick,

I have heard from Wanda, City of Vancouver (councilor Dominato's request), they have confirmed the following attendees for Feb 8, 11:30am.

Do you have any concerns with me confirming?

City of Vancouver confirmed attendees:

Lauren Reid, Senior Policy Advisor, Office of the Mayor (On behalf of Mayor Kennedy Stewart)

Councillor Melissa De Genova,

Councillor Adriane Carr,

Councillor Michael Wiebe,

Councillor Sarah Kirby-Yung,

Councillor Colleen Hardwick,

Councillor Lisa Dominato,

Councillor Rebecca Bligh,

Councillor Christine Boyle,

Councillor Jean Swanson, and

Councillor Pete Fry

Thank you,

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From: Normand, Nicole AG:EX Sent: January 8, 2021 1:39 PM

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<Tanera.Nanninga@gov.bc.ca>; Dowler, Thea AG:EX <Thea.Dowler@gov.bc.ca>

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Great, thanks Derrick.

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Sent: January 8, 2021 12:23 PM

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I would go back to Clr Dominato's assistant and ask that everyone else be invited. And copy Connie in Mayors office too, and invite Mayor as well. I have spoke to the mayor's office so they know it is coming.

Sent from my iPhone

On Jan 8, 2021, at 11:59 AM, Normand, Nicole AG:EX < Nicole.Normand@gov.bc.ca > wrote:

Good morning,

We can proceed with arranging this meeting for Councillor Dominato and include all City of Vancouver Councillors.

Before we go ahead and schedule, can you please advise if there is a protocol/you have a preference with how to proceed:

- -Should we go thru Connie in the Mayor's office for a list of Councillors to include Or
- -Should we go directly to Councillor Dominato's Assistant and request that all councillors are invited to the meeting

If no preference, that is fine also, just wanted to double check! ©

Thanks.

From: Harder, Derrick AG:EX < Derrick. Harder@gov.bc.ca>

Sent: January 6, 2021 2:16 PM

To: Normand, Nicole AG:EX < Nicole.Normand@gov.bc.ca>

Cc: Milne, Gala AG:EX < Gala.Milne@gov.bc.ca >; Nanninga, Tanera AG:EX

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I'll try and talk to her today. But if we don't connect by midday tomorrow, go ahead with scheduling.

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On Jan 6, 2021, at 2:15 PM, Normand, Nicole AG:EX < Nicole.Normand@gov.bc.ca > wrote:

Hi Derrick,

As per scheduling, here is a copy of the email to discuss with Vanessa.

I wanted to make sure I have the directions clear, should we go ahead and arrange a meeting with all City of Vancouver Councillors or would you like us to wait until you have had time to speak with Vanessa?

Thank you.

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Nicole AG:EX < Nicole.Normand@gov.bc.ca>

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Happy New Year Tanera and Nicole.

Just a quick note to keep the following request on the radar.

Have a great week.

Sincerely,

Wanda Bradbury

Assistant to Councillors

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e: wanda.bradbury@vancouver.ca

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From: Anderson, Dulcy < <u>Dulcy.Anderson@leg.bc.ca</u>>

Sent: December 22, 2020 3:24 PM

To: Bradbury, Wanda < Wanda. Bradbury@vancouver.ca>

Cc: Nanninga, Tanera AG:EX < Tanera. Nanninga@gov.bc.ca >; Normand,

Nicole AG:EX < Nicole.Normand@gov.bc.ca >

Subject: [EXT] RE: Following up - meeting request Minister Eby

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Wanda,

David's Ministry office is going to be handling this meeting, so I'm leaving you in the very capable hands of Tanera and Nicole (cced here).

Thank you! Dulcy Dulcy Anderson | Constituency Assistant | Vancouver-Point Grey dulcy.anderson@leg.bc.ca | (she/her) | 604-660-1297 | 2909 West Broadway, Vancouver, BC V6K2G6 |

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From: Bradbury, Wanda < Wanda. Bradbury@vancouver.ca >

Sent: Tuesday, December 22, 2020 2:27 PM

To: Anderson, Dulcy < <u>Dulcy.Anderson@leg.bc.ca</u>> **Subject:** Following up - meeting request Minister Eby

Hello Ms. Anderson,

I welcome the opportunity to assist with scheduling this important meeting. Would Minister Eby have 30 minutes available during the following options?

- Tuesday, January 12 between 10:30 am 1:00 pm
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- Wednesday, January 13 between 10:00 am 11:00 am
- Wednesday, January 13 between 1:00 pm 3:00 pm
- Thursday, January 14 between 9:30 am 11:00 am
- Friday, January 15 between 1:45 pm 2:30 pm

I look forward to your reply.

Gratefully yours,

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[&]quot;The two skills of the warrior are compassion and insight. Compassion is easy - it arises spontaneously from an open heart. Insight or discernment requires more skill. We have to choose our battles."

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From: Papadopoulos, Nikki OHCS:EX <Nikki.Papadopoulos@gov.bc.ca>

To: Engelbrecht, Maya AG:EX <Maya.Engelbrecht@gov.bc.ca>

Sent: February 6, 2021 6:57:55 AM PST

Hi Maya,

Can you please add Raymond Fieltsch to this meeting, I think he was missed as I don't see this yet in his calendar for Monday.

Regards, Nikki

From: Engelbrecht, Maya AG:EX <Maya.Engelbrecht@gov.bc.ca>

Sent: February 5, 2021 9:03 AM

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Agenda and Notes - Feb 8

From: Engelbrecht, Maya AG:EX < Maya. Engelbrecht@gov.bc.ca> To: Fyfe, Richard J AG:EX <Richard.Fyfe@gov.bc.ca> Sent: February 7, 2021 3:19:23 PM PST Hi Richard, please see your agenda for tomorrow attached and my notes below. Notes: 830 am - DAG and Cheryl - Weekly no material - via MS Teams - Click here to join the meeting 9 am - MAG Exec Weekly - agenda attached here and material in SP - via MS Teams - Click here to join the meeting 10 am – MDE, DAG, ADM Sandstrom, Doug White and Members - Bi-Weekly – no material – via Skype: CC: Join Skype Meeting 1030 am - AG Meeting with BC Law Institute - material in SP - via Skype -Join ID: Skype Meeting Topic: revolving vision and program possibilities at BC Law Institute Attendees: Minster MA DAG, Kurt Sandstrom and Paul Craven Executive Director, PLD Karen Campbell, Executive Director Chair Emily Clough, Board Chair **Gregory Blue** 1130 am – AG Meeting with City of Vancouver – material in SP – via Skype -Join ID: Skype Meeting Attendees: Minister MA DAG Cheryl May Raymond Fieltsch, ED, Homelessness Policy and Partnerships Branch Sara Goldvine, VP Communications Stephanie Allen, AVP Strategic Business Strategies City of Vancouver confirmed attendees: Lauren Reid, Senior Policy Advisor, Office of the Mayor (On behalf of Mayor Kennedy Stewart) Councillor Melissa De Genova, Councillor Adriane Carr, Councillor Michael Wiebe. Councillor Sarah Kirby-Yung, Councillor Colleen Hardwick, Councillor Lisa Dominato. Councillor Rebecca Bligh, Councillor Christine Boyle, Councillor Jean Swanson, and Councillor Pete Fry 1230 pm Join Skype Meeting

Minister Eby Minister Rankin James McNish (SMA) and Doug Caul (DM) DAG Erin Christie, Legal Counsel Paul Yearwood, Legal Counsel – Supervising Solicitor ADAG Barbara Carmichael Andrea Jarman, Legal Counsel Minister Ralston ADM, Les MacLaren ADM, Simon Coley
1 pm — Meeting with Premier — material in SP — via CC: Attendees: Premier Horgan Minister Heyman Minister Conroy Gov Staff: John Allan Kevin Jardine Richard Fife PO Staff: Geoff Sheena Eric Lori
230 pm - AG Meeting with Mark Benton and Doug White – material in SP – via Skype – Join Skype Meeting Topic: Gladue Transition Attendees: MA AG DAG ADM Sandstrom Coleen Spier, ED, Indigenous Justice Strategy Wendy Jackson, Legal Counsel Mark Benton, CEO Legal Aid BC
3 pm – Allan Castle – no material - via Skype ID: - Join Skype Meeting
330 pm - Travel time and appointment – <u>Richard, please note that all of the AG meetings you see in your calendar</u> <u>are supported by others.</u>
Thanks, -M

Attendees:

responsive records to FOI request

From: May, Cheryl OHCS:EX < Cheryl. May@gov.bc.ca>

To: Papadopoulos, Nikki OHCS:EX <Nikki.Papadopoulos@gov.bc.ca>

Sent: February 10, 2021 11:27:14 AM PST

Attachments: RE: QUESTION FW: AG Meeting with City of Vancouver Mayor and

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Acting Associate Deputy Minister

Housing, Construction Standards, and Multiculturalism

Ministry of Attorney General and Minister Responsible for Housing

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To: Papadopoulos, Nikki OHCS:EX
Cc: Fieltsch, Raymond SDPR:EX
Sent: February 4, 2021 2:58:32 PM PST

Raymond could join if he is available. No materials needed. I assume BCH is invited as this is operational.

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Attachments: 2020-07-31 Letter to Premier - Cllr Dominato.pdf

This would relate to that FOI request as well.

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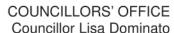
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July 31, 2020

The Honourable John Horgan Premier of British Columbia West Annex Parliament Buildings Victoria, BC V8V 1X4 premier@gov.bc.ca



Dear Premier Horgan,

Let me start by saying thank you for your leadership in responding to the current global pandemic. These are unsettling times for all of us and your leadership is being recognized across the political spectrum.

These are also unsettling times on a number of other fronts and it is in this vein that I'm writing you today.

The growing challenge of homelessness, mental health, and addiction related issues in Vancouver obliges governments at all levels to radically rethink how we deliver social services across the spectrum.

The decampment of Oppenheimer Park, and subsequent dismantling of the encampment on the federal Port lands, followed by the establishment of a new encampment in Strathcona Park has again demonstrated that our approach to dealing with homelessness, mental health, and addictions is failing to keep up to a worsening problem that is dividing our community.

On one hand, we have citizens on the margins of life or death – those homeless or precariously housed, some struggling with untreated mental illness, addiction, and chronic health issues, who are in desperate need of our help and safe, secure housing. On the other hand, we have citizens who are feeling unsafe in their neighbourhoods, losing their community parks to encampments, finding discarded needles in public spaces, and facing increased crime and violence.

I am writing you on behalf of Vancouver citizens with urgency and imploring your government's help. I know my Council colleagues are also deeply concerned about the emerging tensions that are playing out in a number of downtown area neighbourhoods and we are struggling to find effective solutions.

In light of these growing concerns, I have two urgent requests for your Office and Cabinet.



First, with respect to the growing encampment in Strathcona Park, which is now triple the size of the encampment at Oppenheimer Park, we have an untenable situation emerging. While we have residents in clear need of safe and stable housing, we also have residents who are increasingly feeling unsafe in their neighbourhood. And so I'm urging the Province to expedite the recently announced navigation centres to provide emergency shelter and wrap around services to people who are currently in need, and increase the proposed capacity of the centres from 60 spaces to 200 spaces.

Secondly, with respect to the growing concerns that we have residents who are not getting adequate mental health and addiction supports, I'm seeking your support to establish a municipal-provincial-federal task force on mental health and addiction, with a mandate to review the current service delivery and outreach framework, including the interdependencies and coordination between our different levels of government. I have given notice on a motion calling for this cross-jurisdictional task force and with the support of my Council colleagues, hope that we can begin this work with you and the federal government as soon as possible.

While the Province's recently released strategy a *Pathway to Hope: Better Access to Mental Health and Addictions Care* has laudable goals and proposed actions, individuals who are dying of opiate overdoses and living precariously on our streets do not have the benefit of time. In addition to my urgent requests above, I believe we collectively need to:

- Urge the federal government to work with the Province and municipalities to move to a
 fully funded, permanent system of safer supply and decriminalize simple possession of
 illicit substances as the Police Chiefs and BC's Chief Medical Officer have called for;
- Invest in more community-based addiction treatment and recovery options;
- Establish formal interagency protocols for homeless and mental health/addiction outreach to ensure better coordination and follow through;
- Invest in supported employment programs to help people build skills and esteem.

In recent months, we've seen the positive impact all levels of government can have when working together and with urgency; BC has emerged as a leader in the race against time to put measures in place to flatten the curve against COVID19. I believe that an urgent, intentional, and coordinated approach to housing, mental health and addictions can yield similar results.

The City of Vancouver is continuing to identify land for temporary modular housing and is a willing partner in tackling the complex issues facing our city; however, we cannot do it alone. This is a time to lean in, collaborate, and adopt progressive and responsive solutions.

Councillor Fry and I have a meeting with Minister Simpson next week and will raise these urgent requests with him. I would welcome meeting with you or your staff to further discuss the time sensitive requests outlined above and the broader policy conversation.

Sincerely,

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