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RE: PS Singh BCH Briefing re: BC RAHA

From: Engelbrecht, Maya AG:EX <Maya.Engelbrecht@gov.bc.ca>
To: May, Cheryl OHCS:EX
Sent: January 27, 2021 8:00:00 PM PST
Received: January 27, 2021 8:00:00 PM PST

Ok thanks, Sue said:

Confirmed by Shayne that its ok to proceed with the Parliamentary Secretary without the AG as he is already aware.

From: May, Cheryl OHCS:EX <Cheryl.May@gov.bc.ca>
Sent: Wednesday, January 27, 2021 7:59 PM
To: Engelbrecht, Maya AG:EX <Maya.Engelbrecht@gov.bc.ca>
Subject: RE: PS Singh BCH Briefing re: BC RAHA

I don't think this would include PS Singh. It is for 2 other PSs and relates to housing, so related to MDE (not sure if he would want to attend).

“for Parliamentary Secretary for Seniors Services Mable Elmore and Parliamentary Secretary for Accessibility Dan Coulter”

From our team, please include John Thomson rather than me.

Thanks,

Cheryl

From: Engelbrecht, Maya AG:EX <Maya.Engelbrecht@gov.bc.ca>
Sent: January 27, 2021 7:54 PM
To: May, Cheryl OHCS:EX <Cheryl.May@gov.bc.ca>
Subject: PS Singh BCH Briefing re: BC RAHA

Hi Cheryl, Sue has asked me to schedule a briefing for PS Singh just wanted to confirm with you first.

Please let me know.

Thanks,
-M

From: Sue Bate <sbate@bchousing.org>
Sent: Wednesday, January 27, 2021 3:45 PM
To: Engelbrecht, Maya AG:EX <Maya.Engelbrecht@gov.bc.ca>
Subject: FW: Briefing re: BC RAHA

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Hi Maya,

Shayne would like the following attendees from BCH on this call:

Shayne Ramsay, CEO – sramsay@bchousing.org
Sara Goldvine, VP Communications – sgoldvine@bchousing.org
Erin Smandych, Director Applicant Services Management – esmandych@bchousing.org

Topic: Briefing on the BC RAHA Program, formerly the HAFI Program – timeline for announcement mid Feb
Briefing Materials attached from previous discussions with AG/Ministry staff – no other materials being provided

Times when all three are available are:

Feb 2nd at 3 pm

Feb 4th at 8 am

Feb 5th at either 9 am, 11:30 am or 2 pm

If you can please confirm.

Cheers,

Sue

From: Engelbrecht, Maya AG:EX <Maya.Engelbrecht@gov.bc.ca>
Sent: January 27, 2021 12:14 PM
To: Sue Bate <sbate@bchousing.org>
Cc: Papadopoulos, Nikki OHCS:EX <Nikki.Papadopoulos@gov.bc.ca>
Subject: RE: Briefing re: BC RAHA

Hi there, Sue

Yes, I am happy to assist with setting up a meeting. Please could you let me know the following information:

Meeting with

Preferred Timing:

Topic:

Attendees: names and titles of all attendees

Material: name of material being provided (due to the DMO 48 hrs and MO 24 hrs in advance, whenever possible)

Thanks -M

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Sent: January 27, 2021 8:30 AM
To: Sue Bate <sbate@bchousing.org>
Cc: Papadopoulos, Nikki OHCS:EX <Nikki.Papadopoulos@gov.bc.ca>
Subject: RE: Briefing re: BC RAHA

Hello again Sue, Is it this one?

MO will be requesting a briefing with for Parliamentary Secretary for Seniors Services Mable Elmore and Parliamentary Secretary for Accessibility Dan Coulter on the BC-RAHA (Previously HAFI program) program launch. No timeline provided.

From: Sara Goldvine <sgoldvine@bchousing.org>
Sent: January 27, 2021 8:24 AM

To Sue Bate <sbate@bchousing.org>

Subject: Briefing re: BC RAHA

Hi Sue,

Can you check on the status of the briefing for the BC RAHA program? We have now discussed this at a couple of the weekly briefings, but are waiting on an official briefing before we can launch the new program. ^{s.13}

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We will need five business days between the official approval of the program and the official launch. Briefing materials have already been prepared in RAHA, I believe.

Thanks for your help in advancing this! I will also mention to the MO, but ultimately we need the briefing to come via the official channels in the Ministry.

Sara Goldvine
VP Communications
BC Housing

Parliamentary Secretaries Briefing Request - BC RAHA Program

From: Engelbrecht, Maya AG:EX <Maya.Engelbrecht@gov.bc.ca>
To: Normand, Nicole AG:EX, Nanninga, Tanera AG:EX
Cc: Harder, Derrick AG:EX, Milne, Gala AG:EX
Sent: January 27, 2021 8:35:37 PM PST
Received: January 27, 2021 8:35:38 PM PST
Attachments: 612237_AG_DBN_HAFI Rebrand and Relaunch.pdf

Hi Nicole and Tanera, could I request your assistance in setting up a briefing for Parliamentary Secretary for Seniors Services Mable Elmore and Parliamentary Secretary for Accessibility Dan Coulter? I'm not sure if the AG would like to attend, could you please ask? I've been advised that PS Singh would not be required to attend.

Attendees:

John Thomson, ED Housing
Shayne Ramsay, CEO BC Housing
Sara Goldvine, VP Communications
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FW: Material 430 pm Feb 8 - Meeting with PS Coulter and Elmore - BC RAHA Program

From: Engelbrecht, Maya AG:EX <Maya.Engelbrecht@gov.bc.ca>
To: Dowler, Thea AG:EX
Sent: February 8, 2021 4:40:10 PM PST
Received: February 8, 2021 4:40:11 PM PST
Attachments: BC RAHA FAQ DRAFT Jan 11 2021.pdf, NR_BC RAHA_DRAFT.pdf, BCH-BC-RAHA-Posters - All.pdf

From: Engelbrecht, Maya AG:EX

Sent: Friday, February 5, 2021 3:11 PM

To: Harder, Derrick AG:EX <Derrick.Harder@gov.bc.ca>; Milne, Gala AG:EX <Gala.Milne@gov.bc.ca>; Dowler, Thea AG:EX <Thea.Dowler@gov.bc.ca>; May, Cheryl OHCS:EX <Cheryl.May@gov.bc.ca>; Thomson, John OHCS:EX <John.Thomson@gov.bc.ca>; XT:HLTH Ramsay, Shayne <sramsay@bchousing.org>; XT:Goldvine, Sara GCPE:IN <sgoldvine@bchousing.org>; 'esmandych@bchousing.org' <esmandych@bchousing.org>; Chu, Timothy GCPE:EX <Timothy.Chu@gov.bc.ca>; XT:Michaud, Deneka GCPE:IN <dmichaud@bchousing.org>; 'esmandych@bchousing.org' <esmandych@bchousing.org>

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Subject: Material 430 pm Feb 8 - Meeting with PS Coulter and Elmore - BC RAHA Program

Good afternoon,

Please see the attached material for the Meeting with PS Coulter and Elmore - BC RAHA Program on Monday.

Note – The material is not yet final and is being shared for the purpose of providing info for the briefing, final documents will be provided through GCPE.

Best Regards,
Maya Engelbrecht
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RE: Link for tomorrow's BC Housing/ Accessibility Event

From: Engelbrecht, Maya AG:EX <Maya.Engelbrecht@gov.bc.ca>
To: Nanninga, Tanera AG:EX
Cc: Normand, Nicole AG:EX
Sent: March 17, 2021 11:50:53 AM PDT
Received: March 17, 2021 11:50:53 AM PDT

Thanks so much!

From: Nanninga, Tanera AG:EX <Tanera.Nanninga@gov.bc.ca>
Sent: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 11:33 AM
To: Engelbrecht, Maya AG:EX <Maya.Engelbrecht@gov.bc.ca>
Cc: Normand, Nicole AG:EX <Nicole.Normand@gov.bc.ca>
Subject: FW: Link for tomorrow's BC Housing/ Accessibility Event

For tomorrow at 11:30 (🕒)

From: Leeuw, Sonja SDPR:EX <Sonja.Leeuw@gov.bc.ca>
Sent: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 11:26 AM
To: Nanninga, Tanera AG:EX <Tanera.Nanninga@gov.bc.ca>
Cc: Thomas, Vivian P GCPE:EX <Vivian.Thomas@gov.bc.ca>; Turcott, Sam R SDPR:EX <Sam.Turcott@gov.bc.ca>; Coulter, Dan SDPR:EX <Dan.Coulter@gov.bc.ca>; Tyrrell, Cailin LASS:EX <Cailin.Tyrrell@leg.bc.ca>
Subject: Link for tomorrow's BC Housing/ Accessibility Event

Hello Everyone,

Brady will be logging on 15 minutes early if you want to hop on the call a little early for mic/cam/tech check and quick chat prior to admitting "guests".

Our list of people who have RSVP'd has reached 50.

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Find your local number s.15; s.17

Thank you all,

Sonja Leeuw (She/Her)
Administrative Assistant to the
Honourable Nicholas Simons,
Minister of Social Development and Poverty Reduction
Phone (236)-478-2864

**MINISTRY OF ATTORNEY GENERAL
BUILDING AND SAFETY STANDARDS BRANCH
MEETING BRIEFING NOTE**

PURPOSE: MEETING Note for David Eby, QC
Attorney General and
Minister Responsible for Housing

Meeting with: Tanya Fawkes-Kirby, Regional Director, BC Chapter of the
Canadian Association of Occupational Therapists (CAOT-BC) on February 16, 2021

Topic:

This 30 minute meeting may provide an opportunity to discuss:

1. CAOT-BC's strategic priorities that include:
 - a. Developing and strengthening infrastructure to support CAOT-BC
 - b. Engaging occupational therapists and the occupational therapy community
 - c. Representing the professional interests to external stakeholders
 - d. Promoting occupational therapy in BC
 - e. Advancing accessibility initiatives (e.g., home modifications)
 - f. Developing organizational strength and excellence
2. Opportunities to work together to improve accessible housing in British Columbia.

Key Messages:

- Building a Better BC for People with Disabilities is the provincial 10-year action plan to make BC more accessible for people with disabilities.
- BC Housing is anticipated to launch the BC Rebate for Accessible Home Adaptations Program in February 2021. This program will require an Occupational Therapist (OT) assessment for specific adaptations.
- The Province recognizes there is a need to create more options for those struggling to find safe, affordable, and functional housing that meets occupants' needs. This includes BC's most vulnerable who need intensive care and supportive housing.

BACKGROUND:

Canadian Association of Occupational Therapists – BC Chapter

- CAOT-BC is a provincial chapter under the national CAOT that represents occupational therapists at the provincial level by working with the provincial government and local occupational therapist employers and funders.

British Columbia Building Code (BCBC)

- The 2018 BCBC is based on the 2015 National Building Code (NBC).
- The Province is committed to reducing building code variations to achieve consistent codes and standards throughout Canada.
- The BCBC provides the minimum requirements to make buildings accessible.
- In December 2020, the updated digital Building Accessibility Handbook was published to support code users to apply the BCBC accessibility requirements.

Housing Programs

- Housing programs and services for people with disabilities receive more than \$5 billion in funding each year. These programs are offered through government, crown agencies, and corporations.

DISCUSSION:

The Building and Safety Standards Branch is collaborating with the Federal Government and inter-ministry partners, including the Accessibility Secretariat to ensure the next edition of the BCBC will make new buildings more accessible for all people.

Government is making an historic investment of \$7 billion over 10 years to build 36,900 units of affordable housing. More than 23,000 of these new units are now open, under construction, or in the approvals process, in nearly 90 communities across the province.

The Community Housing Building BC – Community Housing Fund facilitates the development of mixed income, affordable rental housing projects across all regions of the province. Persons with disabilities are identified as a priority target group of this program.

BC Housing has redesigned and rebranded the program formerly known as the Home Adaptations for Independence as the BC Rebate for Accessible Home Adaptations Program (BC RAHA), which will be launched in February 2021.

The BC RAHA offers a maximum lifetime grant of \$17,500 for a qualifying household/unit, with no cost-share requirement. The program is income-tested, based on BC Housing's low- and moderate-income limits.

Maximum rebates are available for the most common types of accessibility adaptations, ensuring that applicants receive equal funding for the same types of adaptations. Only adaptations not on the program schedule will require an estimate.

Under the new program, an OT assessment will be required for certain adaptations. Applicants who pay for a private OT assessment will be given a rebate to help cover the cost.

Accessibility requires a holistic approach that considers many diverse needs to make BC more inclusive for everyone.

INDIGENOUS PEOPLES CONSIDERATIONS:

- A comprehensive and inclusive engagement strategy will be developed to seek input from Indigenous Peoples in BC and other diverse groups to identify impacts and opportunities to enhance building accessibility in the BCBC.

GBA+ OR DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION IMPLICATIONS:

- GBA+ analysis of changes to the BCBC will ensure services meet the needs of diverse groups in an inclusive and accessible manner.

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Approved by:

Cheryl May
A/Associate Deputy Minister
Housing, Construction Standards, and
Multiculturalism
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Attachments (1)

1. Biography - Managing Director CAOT-BC

Attachment 1 – Biography – Managing Director CAOT-BC

CAOT-BC Managing Director

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From: May, Cheryl OHCS:EX
Sent: March 1, 2021 11:27 AM
To: Harder, Derrick AG:EX; Milne, Gala AG:EX
Subject: accessibility & building code

Just checking in – I’m hearing from SDPR that their MO would like PS Coulter to do some early consultation on the Building Code – in the next couple weeks. Have you heard this? Actually, I was told it was coming from both MOs. This is quite out of sync with PS Coulter’s workplan in which a consultation in Q3 of this year was agreed to as the approach. Appreciate any intel you can add.

Thanks,
Cheryl

Cheryl May
Acting Associate Deputy Minister
Housing, Construction Standards, and Multiculturalism
Ministry of Attorney General and Minister Responsible for Housing

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From: May, Cheryl OHCS:EX
Sent: February 5, 2021 8:43 AM
To: Pape-Salmon, Andrew OHCS:EX
Subject: FW: CLIFF: 613573 - PS Coulter Work Plan with AG on the BC Building Code

FYI

Thanks,

Cheryl

From: Engelbrecht, Maya AG:EX
Sent: February 5, 2021 7:51 AM
To: May, Cheryl OHCS:EX ; Campbell, Tracy AG:EX
Cc: Papadopoulos, Nikki OHCS:EX ; Ramsay, Launa P OHCS:EX ; Walters, Hailey AG:EX ; Genzale, Morgan AG:EX ; Fyfe, Richard J AG:EX
Subject: CLIFF: 613573 - PS Coulter Work Plan with AG on the BC Building Code

Good morning, Cheryl and Tracy

Please see below from Gala. I am hoping you can coordinate on this. We referred over to you first Cheryl **CLIFF: 613573**, I'll attach all to an eApp and send over now.

Please let me know if you have any questions/concerns.

Thanks very much,
-M

From: Milne, Gala AG:EX <Gala.Milne@gov.bc.ca>
Sent: Wednesday, February 3, 2021 2:21 PM
To: Engelbrecht, Maya AG:EX <Maya.Engelbrecht@gov.bc.ca>
Cc: Harder, Derrick AG:EX <Derrick.Harder@gov.bc.ca>
Subject: FW: For action by Feb 15: Parliamentary Secretary work planning

Hi Maya

Last month we requested staff bring forward a draft working plan for PS Singh. I understand that's underway and thank you for that.

We are now being asked to put together a **draft working plan for PS Coulter's work with the AG on the BC Building Code**. Can you please request a first draft from staff on this? I've copied the relevant section from the PS's mandate letter below.

Work with the Attorney General and Minister responsible for Housing to ensure the next iteration of the BC Building Code includes changes that will make new buildings more accessible for all people.

Attached is a blank template as well as the draft that SDPR is currently working with for PS Coulter just as an FYI.

I know it's short turnaround but if possible we would appreciate a first draft back next week if possible.

Thanks so much,

Gala

From: Meggs, Geoff PREM:EX <Geoff.Meggs@gov.bc.ca>

Subject: For action by Feb 15: Parliamentary Secretary work planning

Hello all

I am writing with respect to Parliamentary Secretary work planning that will take place in collaboration with your Minister and Deputy Minister, and with support of the Premier's Office. I have attached a template to guide this work.

The main intent of this template is to reflect an agreed-upon approach to roles and responsibilities. We request that these templates be completed collaboratively with Ministers, Parliamentary Secretaries, and Deputy Ministers. Preliminary workplans for commitments in mandate letters were submitted by ministries to the Planning and Priorities Secretariat in December. Please attach those to the templates above, with any adjustments – we don't want you to recreate work.

Jon Robinson, Executive Director in the Planning and Priorities Secretariat, will be the liaison for the Premier's Office for this work, and is available to answer any questions and to participate in any conversations you set up. Jon can be reached at Jon.Robinson@gov.bc.ca or 250-893-4538. Amber Hockin, Deputy Chief of Staff, is also available to assist and answer any questions at Amber.Hockin@gov.bc.ca or 250 356-0273. We are looking for completed documents to be submitted to Jon by **February 15**.

Thank you for taking on these roles to advance key Government commitments. I look forward to working with you over the term.

Regards,
Geoff Meggs,
Chief of Staff to Premier Horgan

From: May, Cheryl OHCS:EX
Sent: February 4, 2021 5:10 PM
To: Pape-Salmon, Andrew OHCS:EX; Jensen, Jun'ichi OHCS:EX
Cc: Ramsay, Launa P OHCS:EX
Subject: RE: PS Accessibility

Nope. As noted in the email below these are due to the PO by Feb 15 and I need it early next week to meet that deadline.

Thanks,

Cheryl

From: Pape-Salmon, Andrew OHCS:EX
Sent: February 4, 2021 3:51 PM
To: Jensen, Jun'ichi OHCS:EX ; May, Cheryl OHCS:EX
Cc: Ramsay, Launa P OHCS:EX
Subject: FW: PS Accessibility

I just spoke with Sam.

Here are my notes:

- No need to prepare a workplan right away
- We lead this mandate, but the PS Accessibility (Dan Coulter) has this as a secondary mandate
- PS Coulter is keen to learn more about our plans
- SDPR Secretariat is wanting to support us
- Time period for engagement: fall 2021 onward
- We identified a goal to have a meeting with PS Coulter in 4-6 weeks from now (before March 12)
- At that time, we can share a workplan with SDPR
- Timing subject to Minister's calendar

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Sent: February 4, 2021 3:34 PM
To: Pape-Salmon, Andrew OHCS:EX <Andrew.PapeSalmon@gov.bc.ca>
Subject: RE: PS Accessibility

Thanks Andrew – suggest a 5 minute call to make sure we're on the same wavelength 😊

From: Pape-Salmon, Andrew OHCS:EX <Andrew.PapeSalmon@gov.bc.ca>
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Alexander, Jessica OHCS:EX <Jessica.Alexander@gov.bc.ca>

Subject: RE: PS Accessibility

Greetings Sam,

I am writing in response to the request for a workplan for our building code changes noted below.

Is there a meeting on February 15 on this topic?

Can you share your template with us so we can align ours with your submission?

Given the tight timeframe, when I have approved it, I will send it over to you for comment simultaneous to my ADM's review.

Regards,

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Please see our website: www.gov.bc.ca/buildingcodes



Where ideas work



I acknowledge with respect the Lkwungen-speaking peoples on whose traditional territory the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing stands and the Songhees, Esquimalt and WSÁNEĆ peoples whose historical relationships with the land continue to this day.

From: Galbraith, David J SDPR:EX <David.Galbraith@gov.bc.ca>

Sent: February 4, 2021 1:42 PM

To: Fyfe, Richard J AG:EX <Richard.Fyfe@gov.bc.ca>; May, Cheryl OHCS:EX <Cheryl.May@gov.bc.ca>

Cc: Turcott, Sam R SDPR:EX <Sam.Turcott@gov.bc.ca>

Subject: PS Accessibility

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Sent: February 4, 2021 2:54 PM
To: Pape-Salmon, Andrew OHCS:EX
Cc: Jensen, Jun'ichi OHCS:EX
Subject: RE: PS Accessibility

This all seemed to bypass me – so can I confirm that you have the template? I think there are multiple approvals needed and 2 ministries to deal with so I'd actually like to see this early next week.

Let's make sure we are keeping Sam Turcotte in the loop so he can help manage from the SDPR end of things.

Thanks,

Cheryl

From: Pape-Salmon, Andrew OHCS:EX
Sent: February 4, 2021 2:49 PM
To: May, Cheryl OHCS:EX
Cc: Jensen, Jun'ichi OHCS:EX
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Thanks – I was not aware of the Feb 15, but I expect my staff are.

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Subject: FW: PS Accessibility

Hi Andrew – are you aware of this requirement?

Thanks,

Cheryl

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To: Galbraith, David J SDPR:EX; Fyfe, Richard J AG:EX
Cc: Turcott, Sam R SDPR:EX
Subject: RE: PS Accessibility

Thanks David – that makes sense to me. I'll confirm my team is on it and that Sam is kept in the loop so that we can coordinate around the PS.

Cheryl

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From: May, Cheryl OHCS:EX
Sent: March 1, 2021 11:25 AM
To: Turcott, Sam R SDPR:EX; Galbraith, David J SDPR:EX; Fyfe, Richard J AG:EX
Subject: RE: PS question

Thanks Sam – I’m going to reach out to our MO and see if I can get any info – it is definitely out of sync with the workplan.

Thanks,

Cheryl

From: Turcott, Sam R SDPR:EX
Sent: March 1, 2021 9:30 AM
To: Galbraith, David J SDPR:EX ; May, Cheryl OHCS:EX ; Fyfe, Richard J AG:EX
Subject: RE: PS question

Morning Cheryl,

We’re happy to support engagement with the disability community as we’ve discussed and as contemplated in PS Coulter’s workplan (attached for reference). The workplan deliverables contemplate that the engagement work will begin in Q3 of this year and continue into 2022/23.

As Dave mentioned, our MO has indicated that both of our MO’s want to host a meeting on the Building Code work in the next week or two which strikes me as pre-empting those workplan deliverables planned for Q3. Our team has limited capacity to support Building Code engagement that’s out of sequence/scope with the workplan deliverables given other files on the go. Will be interesting to see if a similar request filters down through your MO in which case I’m happy to re-engage and discuss our shared approach.

Best,
Sam

From: Galbraith, David J SDPR:EX <David.Galbraith@gov.bc.ca>
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Subject: RE: PS question

Thanks Cheryl. Maybe I will ask Sam to connect with you on this (not clear to me who the stakeholders are etc).

David Galbraith
Deputy Minister
Ministry of Social Development and
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Subject: RE: PS question

Hi Dave – have not heard this yet, but appreciate the heads up. It's my understanding that the Accessibility Secretariat which supports PS Coulter had agreed to a partnership approach where they would organize consultations with the disability community where they have the relationships already and are already engaging – and the Building team would organize consultations with construction industry and local governments and provide the technical expertise around the building code. Accountability for the Building Code certainly lies with us, but we were envisioning a partnership approach to supporting PS Coulter to gather the input of the disability community. Appreciate you reaching out though because if that doesn't sit well with you, we will have to revisit. My worry is that the building team won't be nearly as well equipped to do this engagement without the support of the secretariat.

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Subject: PS question

Hi Richard and Cheryl

Parliamentary Secretary Coulter's Ministerial Advisor has indicated to us that it is a shared desire of both of our MO's to convene "a stakeholder meeting either next week or the following week for his building code work" and to also share details of the recent changes to the HAFI program which MAG administers. Has a similar request come through your MO? I typically wouldn't see it as SDPR's function to organize events related to the Building Code except to the extent explicitly contemplated in PS Coulter's work plan. I'd appreciate your perspective on this request and where accountability for it lies. I imagine there will be more of these types of requests and I'm nervous about somehow us getting involved in stuff that's not my, but PS Coulter's, mandate.

Cheers,

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