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From: Merrifield, Katy PREM:EX
Sent: Tuesday, November 22, 2016 10:55 AM
To: Wolford, Jessica GCPE:EX; Woolley, Paul GCPE:EX
Subject: RE: Housing NR
Attachments: 2016PREM0145-002468.pdf

From: Wolford, Jessica GCPE:EX
Sent: Tuesday, November 22, 2016 10:54 AM
To: Woolley, Paul GCPE:EX
Cc: Merrifield, Katy PREM:EX
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Do we have the revised?

From: Woolley, Paul GCPE:EX
Sent: Tuesday, November 22, 2016 10:10 AM
To: Merrifield, Katy PREM:EX; Wolford, Jessica GCPE:EX
Cc: Fraser, John Paul GCPE:EX; Gleeson, Kelly T GCPE:EX; Chin, Ben PREM:EX; Kerr, Carleen GCPE:EX
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On it.

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We've just received a confirmed figure on the # of jobs for today's announcement – 5500. Straight from MRC. Please amend the NR – I've held it corporately.

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NEWS RELEASE

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Ministry of Natural Gas Development and Responsible for
Housing

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Two backgrounders follow.

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Investment in Housing Innovation (\$500 million):

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Importance: High

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Updated release is attached.

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Subject: Re: DRAFT: Province details half-a-bllion dollars in affordable housing

I figured that was just what the kids are calling a billion these days.

> On Nov 21, 2016, at 5:54 PM, Merrifield, Katy PREM:EX <Katy.Merrifield@gov.bc.ca> wrote:

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> "billion" is spelled incorrectly in the header
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Subject: FW: DRAFT: Province announces project details for \$516 million in new affordable housing

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Please find your news release attached for final edits and approval.

Once approved we'll queue this to go "as it happens", provincewide including all ethnic media.

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Please refer to the files attached to this email. The following is the summary of the News Release

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Ministry of Natural Gas Development and Responsible for Housing

NEWS RELEASE
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Provincial Investment In Affordable Housing Program (\$355 million):

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This and the other materials are good to send now.

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NEWS RELEASE

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Cc: Chin, Ben PREM:EX; Woolley, Paul GCPE:EX; Wolford, Jessica GCPE:EX
Subject: Suggested Final
Attachments: clean.docx

Shane – we took your feedback on the #'s and here's what we've settled on. It's cleaner and the funding breakdown is clearly stated in the backgrounders rather than up top in the NR.

Please advise if you're good with this.

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From: Dwivedi, Anish GCPE:EX
Sent: Monday, November 21, 2016 10:55 AM
To: Smart, Stephen PREM:EX
Cc: McPhee, Jordan PREM:EX
Subject: RE: Interview with Christy Clark

We can do it in the same room as the meet & greet with mothers

-----Original Message-----

From: Smart, Stephen PREM:EX
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Anish,

We need to find a spot at the Surrey venue to accommodate this 15 min interview with PTC. We can do it right after the event wraps (approx 11:30am). Are you able to find a suitable location?

Thanks,

S.

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On 2016-11-21, 10:39 AM, "Amritjit Sran" <s.22@...> wrote:

>Sure that's great. Thx
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>Sent from my iPhone
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>> On Nov 20, 2016, at 10:08 AM, Smart, Stephen PREM:EX
>><Stephen.Smart@gov.bc.ca> wrote:
>>
>> We will be in Surrey in the morning. If you wanted to do it out there
>>just after 11, that is possible.
>>
>>> On Nov 19, 2016, at 9:38 AM, Amritjit Sran <s.22@...>

>>>wrote:
>>>
>>> Hi Stephen,
>>> If possible can you pls change Timing around 11 am. Thx
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>>> Sent from my iPhone
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>>>> On Nov 18, 2016, at 2:45 PM, Smart, Stephen PREM:EX
>>>><Stephen.Smart@gov.bc.ca> wrote:
>>>>
>>>> Hi Amritjit,
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>>>> Thank you so much for your patience with this request. I am pleased
>>>>to confirm your interview with the Premier on Tuesday, November 22nd.
>>>>Would
>>>> 12:30pm work for you at our offices at Canada Place? And just to
>>>>refresh my memory, the would be about 15 minutes long? Is that
>>>>correct?
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>>>> Thanks,
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>>>> Stephen
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>>>> -----
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>>>> Stephen Smart
>>>> Press Secretary
>>>> Office of the Premier of British Columbia
>>>> Phone: (778) 389-6202 <[tel:\(778\)%20389-6202](tel:(778)389-6202)>
>>>> Email: stephen.smart@gov.bc.ca
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>>>>> On 2016-11-14, 8:19 PM, "Amritjit Sran" <s.22
>>>>>wrote:
>>>>>
>>>>> Hi Stephen,
>>>>> Will see you on November 22 at downtown Vancouver pls let me know
>>>>>about timing. Thx
>>>>>
>>>>> Sent from my iPhone
>>>>>
>>>>>> On Nov 11, 2016, at 8:58 AM, Smart, Stephen PREM:EX
>>>>>> <Stephen.Smart@gov.bc.ca> wrote:
>>>>>>
>>>>>> Amritjit,
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>>>>>> I'm so sorry for my lack of reply. We've been really busy. I'm
>>>>>>looking potentially at either November 21st or 22nd for this at
>>>>>>our offices in downtown Vancouver. Would either of those days
>>>>>>work for you?

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>>>>>> Stephen
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>>>>>>> On Nov 4, 2016, at 1:30 AM, Amritjit Sran
>>>>>>> <s.22 >
>>>>>>> wrote:
>>>>>>>
>>>>>>> Hello Stephen,
>>>>>>> This is amritjit Sran from Ptc chl still waiting for date and
>>>>>>> time conformation from you,pls let me know ASAP. Thx
>>>>>>> s.22 |
>>>>>>>
>>>>>>> Sent from my iPhone
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McPhee, Jordan PREM:EX

From: Dwivedi, Anish GCPE:EX
Sent: Monday, November 21, 2016 12:18 PM
To: Smart, Stephen PREM:EX; GCPE Editors
Cc: McPhee, Jordan PREM:EX; McPhee, Adam PREM:EX; Merrifield, Katy PREM:EX; Kay, Maclean PREM:EX; Dolan, Chelsea PREM:EX
Subject: Re: Draft MA for 7am distribution tomorrow
Attachments: GOBC - SMART - CONFIRMATION NOV 22nd 2016.doc

Dial in attached.

Anish

From: Smart, Stephen PREM:EX
Sent: Monday, November 21, 2016 11:43 AM
To: GCPE Editors
Cc: McPhee, Jordan PREM:EX; McPhee, Adam PREM:EX; Dwivedi, Anish GCPE:EX; Merrifield, Katy PREM:EX; Kay, Maclean PREM:EX; Dolan, Chelsea PREM:EX
Subject: Draft MA for 7am distribution tomorrow

Hello Editors,

Here is a draft MA for a PCC/MRC event tomorrow morning. Can you please format for 7am province-wide distribution tomorrow morning.

I am just waiting on call-in details from Telus, but I'm heading out of the office shortly so wanted to get you the basics before I left. I will send you those dial-in numbers as soon as I get them.

Thanks!

S.

Stephen Smart
Press Secretary
Office of the Premier of British Columbia
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Email: stephen.smart@gov.bc.ca

McPhee, Jordan PREM:EX

From: Dwivedi, Anish GCPE:EX
Sent: Friday, November 18, 2016 3:20 PM
To: Merrifield, Katy PREM:EX; Smart, Stephen PREM:EX; Kay, Maclean PREM:EX; Dolan, Chelsea PREM:EX
Cc: McPhee, Jordan PREM:EX
Subject: RE: Nov 22: Surrey Announcement
Attachments: 4720DC_Taking Action on Housing Affordability_PS_01.pdf

Draft attached. Let me know if its ok to send to print.

Anish

From: Merrifield, Katy PREM:EX
Sent: Friday, November 18, 2016 2:24 PM
To: Dwivedi, Anish GCPE:EX; Smart, Stephen PREM:EX; Kay, Maclean PREM:EX; Dolan, Chelsea PREM:EX
Cc: McPhee, Jordan PREM:EX
Subject: RE: Nov 22: Surrey Announcement

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Subject: Nov 22: Surrey Announcement

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More affordable housing options for British Columbians

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To: McPhee, Jordan PREM:EX; Kay, Maclean PREM:EX; Dolan, Chelsea PREM:EX
Cc: Merrifield, Katy PREM:EX
Subject: Housing Invitation
Attachments: Invitation-Nov 22, 2016.docx; ATT00001.txt

For approval.

McPhee, Jordan PREM:EX

From: Dwivedi, Anish GCPE:EX
Sent: Friday, November 18, 2016 9:56 AM
To: McPhee, Jordan PREM:EX
Subject: Nov 22 - Invite List
Attachments: BC Housing & Societies_Invitation List_Nov 22.xls; ATT00001.txt

Proposed invite list. This list includes names submitted from BC Housing, YWCA and the society.

Regards
Anish

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SPECIAL EVENTS CALL

Chairperson: Stephen Smart
Name of Call: Government of BC Conference Call – Media Availability

Contact Person: Anish Dwivedi, Director, Events Services
Contact Number: 778-875-9129
Contact E-mail Address: anish.dwivedi@gov.bc.ca

Teleconference Date: Tuesday, November 22, 2016

Time: 10:45-11:45 PST (pre-test at 10:15 PST)

Lines Reserved: 50 (plus auto extend)

Confirmation Number: s.15,s.17

Dial In Numbers: s.15,s.17
Vancouver
from Canada and USA

Participant Pass Code: s.15,s.17

Speakers Pass Code:

Technician Telephone Number: Darrell Simpson, Pro Show (xxx-xxx-xxxx)

Technician Telephone Number: s.17

The speaker's feed/line must call s.15,s.17 or , and enter the speaker's code s.15,s.17

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- SW Audio Visual (our AV company) will make contact with you approximately 60 minutes prior to the start of the call. They will stay connected to you from that point on so everyone is ready to go at 1:00PM.
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- There will be a communication via **separate** Telus line with the technician.
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A list of participants will be e-mailed to (anish.dwivedi@gov.bc.ca) following the conference call.

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Introduction:

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Question and Answer:

NOT NEEDED

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Recording:

NOT NEEDED.

Playback on Demand:

NOT NEEDED.

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Taking Action on Housing Affordability



McPhee, Jordan PREM:EX

From: McPhee, Jordan PREM:EX
Sent: Monday, November 7, 2016 3:10 PM
To: Dwivedi, Anish GCPE:EX
Subject: RE: BC Housing/Premier's Announcement

Apologies, I meant to say the 22nd. Still tbd though

From: McPhee, Jordan PREM:EX
Sent: Monday, November 7, 2016 3:03 PM
To: Dwivedi, Anish GCPE:EX
Subject: RE: BC Housing/Premier's Announcement

We are tracking for the 28th of Nov.

From: Dwivedi, Anish GCPE:EX
Sent: Monday, November 7, 2016 9:30 AM
To: McPhee, Jordan PREM:EX
Subject: Fw: BC Housing/Premier's Announcement

Let me if this gets a green light. I am hoping to keep the venue same

From: Jennifer Robbins <jrobbins@the-centre.org>
Sent: Monday, November 7, 2016 9:25 AM
To: Dwivedi, Anish GCPE:EX; Susan Hancock
Subject: BC Housing/Premier's Announcement

Good morning!

Hope you are well. I am just checking in as when the Nov. 3 announcement/event was cancelled, it was mentioned that if it were to be rescheduled, that it would be taking place mid-November possibly the week after the Remembrance Day Holiday. Just checking in to see if there has been any further word on a reschedule, or when we may expect to hear.

I understand there is much going on, so thank you for your time!

Jennifer Robbins
Desk (604) 587-4274 | Cell (778) 388-0711
Executive Assistant to the CEO | Corporate Secretary
The Centre for Child Development | the-centre.org

McPhee, Jordan PREM:EX

From: McPhee, Jordan PREM:EX
Sent: Tuesday, November 15, 2016 10:15 AM
To: Dwivedi, Anish GCPE:EX
Subject: RE: Housing date

Yes

From: Dwivedi, Anish GCPE:EX
Sent: Tuesday, November 15, 2016 10:12 AM
To: McPhee, Jordan PREM:EX
Subject: Re: Housing date

Thank you! Surrey still ok for venue? I will get the wheels in motion if so.

On Nov 15, 2016, at 9:28 AM, McPhee, Jordan PREM:EX <Jordan.McPhee@gov.bc.ca> wrote:

It is the 22nd.

Looking for an approximate 10am start.

From: Dwivedi, Anish GCPE:EX
Sent: Tuesday, November 15, 2016 9:27 AM
To: McPhee, Jordan PREM:EX
Subject: Fwd: Housing date

Have we confirmed timing for this event?

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Woolley, Paul GCPE:EX" <Paul.Woolley@gov.bc.ca>
Date: November 15, 2016 at 8:41:32 AM PST
To: "Dwivedi, Anish GCPE:EX" <Anish.Dwivedi@gov.bc.ca>
Subject: Housing date

Hi Anish,

Hope you are well. Just curious if the time and date now set for the housing announcement in Surrey for next week. BC Housing thinks we are planning toward Nov. 22, while my Minister has it in his calendar for the 21st. Can you clarify?

Cheers,
Paul

McPhee, Jordan PREM:EX

From: McPhee, Jordan PREM:EX
Sent: Wednesday, November 16, 2016 3:29 PM
To: Dwivedi, Anish GCPE:EX
Subject: RE: Update: Nov 22nd Announcement

- 1) No questions prepared for the roundtable. This is just an opportunity to hear their story, learn about the challenges they face and also find what they have found to be helpful. It should be incredibly informal so they shouldn't feel obligated to prepare. As mentioned, photo release would be great but they won't be speaking in front of media or anything. This is just a chance for PCC to hear their stories first hand.
- 2) Any way they can share the information without using PCC's name? Not the end of the world either way but you know that sometimes things pop up.
- 3) Will leave AV question with you.

From: Dwivedi, Anish GCPE:EX
Sent: Wednesday, November 16, 2016 3:19 PM
To: McPhee, Jordan PREM:EX
Subject: Fwd: Update: Nov 22nd Announcement

URGENT

Begin forwarded message:

From: Susan Hancock <shancock@bchousing.org>
Date: November 16, 2016 at 1:35:15 PM PST
To: "'Dwivedi, Anish GCPE:EX'" <Anish.Dwivedi@gov.bc.ca>
Cc: Rhonda Morris <rmorris@bchousing.org>, Rob Viccars <rviccars@bchousing.org>
Subject: Update: Nov 22nd Announcement

Hi Anish,

I connected with CCD and YWCA and they are able to accommodate all PO's requests.

Attached is the draft event agenda which identifies a board room upstairs in Sophie's Place that would accommodate PCC as her pre-brief room(s) and then as the room for the roundtable with single mothers.

To help with planning, could you please respond to the following questions:

- Would you be able to share themes (examples: affordable housing/supports for single mothers) or a list of questions for the roundtable? We would like to provide the mothers with some guidance prior to the event.
- CCD would like to let parents of preschool children know that PCC is attending. Can we simply add reference to Premier in the release form? Tomorrow will be the last day CCD staff will be able to connect with parents face-to-face and would like to share information about the event and have release forms signed.
- Would you like BCH to arrange for audio setup for the event?

You should be aware that there is preschool at CCD between 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. To avoid disruptions to the event, the CCD will ask parents to pick up their children at 11:00 a.m.

You may remember during the site visit that there is a pool adjacent the gym. Clients will be using the pool during our event. We would suggest that this area is avoided by media.

Susan

Susan Hancock
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Woodward's Official Opening - May 28, 2010

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Minister Rich Coleman	Minister of Natural Gas Development and Minister Responsible for Housing and Deputy Premier	B.C. Government	rich.coleman.MLA@leg.bc.ca
Minister Peter Fassbender	Minister of Community, Sport and Cultural Development & Translink	B.C. Government	peter.fassbender.MLA@leg.bc.ca
MLA Martin Hunt	MLA for Surrey-Panorama	B.C. Government	marvin.hunt.MLA@leg.bc.ca
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Joe Hall	Board Chair, Centre for Child Development	Centre for Child Development	s.22
Tony Miles	Board Chair, Child Development Foundation of BC	Centre for Child Development	s.22
Sarah MacDonald	Vice Chair, Centre for Child Development Board	Centre for Child Development	
Dylan Van Rooyen	Vice Chair, Child Development Foundation of BC Board	Centre for Child Development	s.22
Steven Buchanan	Treasurer, Centre for Child Development Board	Centre for Child Development	s.22
Rajan Dhaliwal	Board Director, Child Development Foundation of BC	Centre for Child Development	Rajan Dhaliwal s.22
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Patrick Fung		Po Yeun Taoist Centre Society	s.22
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Mayor Linda Hepner	Mayor, City of Surrey	City of Surrey	s.22
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Dougal Shewan	Director	Shewan Family Foundation	s.22
Lori Shewan	Director	Shewan Family Foundation	s.22
Rick Diamond	Director	Rick and Sue Diamond Foundation	s.22
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Geoff Barker	VP, Properties and Development	Bartrac Holdings	s.22
Eric Woodward			
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Sabrina Pawa	Owner	Mobital Design Group Inc.	s.22
Daniella Fischer	Individual, spouse to s.22 of Lark Group		
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Roberta Beiser	Director	Edith Lando Charitable Foundation	s.22
Toon Lim	Senior Development Officer, Citizen Services and Program Delivery Branch	Service Canada/Government of Canada	toon.lim@servicecanada.gc.ca

Subject: Re: Nov 22: Surrey Announcement

Date: Friday, November 18, 2016 at 3:23:16 PM Pacific Standard Time

From: Smart, Stephen PREM:EX

To: Dwivedi, Anish GCPE:EX, Merrifield, Katy PREM:EX, Kay, Maclean PREM:EX, Dolan, Chelsea PREM:EX

CC: McPhee, Jordan PREM:EX

Good by me.

Stephen Smart

Press Secretary

Office of the Premier of British Columbia

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Email: stephen.smart@gov.bc.ca

From: Anish Dwivedi <Anish.Dwivedi@gov.bc.ca>

Date: Friday, November 18, 2016 at 3:20 PM

To: Katy Merrifield <Katy.Merrifield@gov.bc.ca>, Stephen Smart <stephen.smart@gov.bc.ca>, Maclean Kay <Maclean.Kay@gov.bc.ca>, Chelsea Dolan <Chelsea.Dolan@gov.bc.ca>

Cc: Jordan McPhee <Jordan.McPhee@gov.bc.ca>

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Anish

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Cc: McPhee, Jordan PREM:EX

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Cc: McPhee, Jordan PREM:EX

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Anish

Subject: Re: For your final review and approval - Draft MA for 7am distribution tomorrow

Date: Monday, November 21, 2016 at 1:32:51 PM Pacific Standard Time

From: Smart, Stephen PREM:EX

To: Kerr, Grant GCPE:EX

CC: McPhee, Jordan PREM:EX, McPhee, Adam PREM:EX, Dwivedi, Anish GCPE:EX, Merrifield, Katy PREM:EX, Kay, Maclean PREM:EX, Dolan, Chelsea PREM:EX, Stagg, Linda R GCPE:EX, Chant, Jon GCPE:EX, Boudreau, Marc GCPE:EX, Carruthers, Dana GCPE:EX

Approved. Thanks Grant.

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On Nov 21, 2016, at 12:30 PM, Kerr, Grant GCPE:EX <Grant.Kerr@gov.bc.ca> wrote:

Ho Stephen,

On approval, we will queue this up for 7 a.m. tomorrow going to Surrey, majors, Lower Mainland, provincewide and all ethnic media.

Thanks,

Grant

Nov. 22, 2016

MEDIA ADVISORY - Office of the Premier, Ministry of Natural Gas Development and Responsible for Housing
SURREY - Media are invited to join Premier Christy Clark and Rich Coleman, Minister of Natural Gas Development and Minister Responsible for Housing, for an announcement about affordable housing projects that will benefit families and create jobs throughout British Columbia.

Event Date: Tuesday, Nov. 22, 2016

Time: 10:30 a.m.

Location:

The Centre for Family Development

9460 140 Street

Surrey

Special instructions:

A dial-in number is available for those unable to attend in person (listen only):

Dial In Numbers: s.15,s.17 - Vancouver

s.15,s.17 from Canada and USA

Participant Pass Code: s.15,s.1

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Contact:

Stephen Smart

Press Secretary

Office of the Premier

778 389-6202

<MA_PO_Surrey_Nov22_Draft.pdf>

<MA_PO_Surrey_Nov22_Draft.docx>

Subject: Re: housing materials

Date: Monday, November 21, 2016 at 4:24:20 PM Pacific Standard Time

From: Smart, Stephen PREM:EX

To: Merrifield, Katy PREM:EX; Wolford, Jessica GCPE:EX; Chin, Ben PREM:EX; Mills, Shane PREM:EX

Agreed. Looks good to me.

Stephen Smart

Press Secretary

Office of the Premier of British Columbia

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From: Katy Merrifield <Katy.Merrifield@gov.bc.ca>

Date: Monday, November 21, 2016 at 4:23 PM

To: Jessica Wolford <Jessica.Wolford@gov.bc.ca>, Ben Chin <ben.chin@gov.bc.ca>, Shane Mills <shane.mills@gov.bc.ca>, Stephen Smart <stephen.smart@gov.bc.ca>

Subject: RE: housing materials

Looks good to me — I think removing some of the numbers at the bottom as Housing did makes it easier to read/understand. If no-one else has concerns or edits, let's get this finalized.

From: Wolford, Jessica GCPE:EX

Sent: Monday, November 21, 2016 4:20 PM

To: Chin, Ben PREM:EX; Merrifield, Katy PREM:EX; Mills, Shane PREM:EX; Smart, Stephen PREM:EX

Subject: RE: housing materials

Revised NR attached

From: Chin, Ben PREM:EX

Sent: Monday, November 21, 2016 4:17 PM

To: Merrifield, Katy PREM:EX; Mills, Shane PREM:EX; Smart, Stephen PREM:EX

Cc: Wolford, Jessica GCPE:EX

Subject: Re: housing materials

Agree

Ben Chin

Executive Director

Communications and Issues Mgmt

Office of Premier Christy Clark

250.588.3113

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone on the Rogers network.

From: Merrifield, Katy PREM:EX
Sent: Monday, November 21, 2016 4:13 PM
To: Mills, Shane PREM:EX; Chin, Ben PREM:EX; Smart, Stephen PREM:EX
Cc: Woford, Jessica GCPE:EX
Subject: housing materials

Just received the revised products. Can everyone take a look (particularly the NR)

Based on our previous discussion I think we should add a few words to the opening sentence such as "BC's strong economy means British Columbian families in need of affordable housing will soon..."

Job #'s (person years of employment) have also been added.

Thoughts?

Katy Merrifield
Director of Communications
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Subject: Re: DRAFT Itinerary: November 22, 2016: Surrey: Housing
Date: Monday, November 21, 2016 at 5:24:27 PM Pacific Standard Time
From: Smart, Stephen PREM:EX
To: Dwivedi, Anish GCPE:EX

Of course!

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Date: Monday, November 21, 2016 at 5:20 PM
To: Stephen Smart <stephen.smart@gov.bc.ca>
Subject: RE: DRAFT Itinerary: November 22, 2016: Surrey: Housing

I have the boardroom for that. Did not want to include in wide circulation.

From: Smart, Stephen PREM:EX
Sent: Monday, November 21, 2016 5:17 PM
To: Dwivedi, Anish GCPE:EX
Subject: Re: DRAFT Itinerary: November 22, 2016: Surrey: Housing

Hey Anish,

Just a reminder that we do that have PTC interview right after the event. I told the reporter 11:30. You still have a room for that, correct?

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From: Anish Dwivedi <Anish.Dwivedi@gov.bc.ca>

Date: Monday, November 21, 2016 at 5:15 PM

To: Michele Cadario <Michele.Cadario@gov.bc.ca>, Ben Chin <ben.chin@gov.bc.ca>, Ina Gjoka <Ina.Gjoka@gov.bc.ca>, "McPhee, Adam PREM:EX" <Adam.McPhee@gov.bc.ca>, Maclean Kay <Maclean.Kay@gov.bc.ca>, Jordan McPhee <Jordan.McPhee@gov.bc.ca>, Stephen Smart <stephen.smart@gov.bc.ca>

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Please find attached a draft itinerary for tomorrow's Housing announcement in Surrey. PCC's arrival time is 10:00 AM. Please let me know if you have any questions. I will be on site.

Housing Announcement
The Centre of Child Development
9460 140 Street, Surrey, BC

Date:	Tuesday, November 21st, 2016	Arrival Time:	10:00 AM
Podium:	Yes	Dress:	Business - pants advisable

Event Summary:	Premier to meet with single mothers, tour the day care and deliver remarks
Action/Visual:	Premier touring the day care and delivering remarks
Venue Audience:	Centre users and guests
MLAs attending:	Hon. Rich Coleman, Minister of Natural Gas Development and Minister Respc Housing Regrets from Surrey MLAs
Additional VIP's:	Mayor Linder Hepner, Mayor of Surrey (TBC)
Media Relations:	Stephen Smart
Event Coordinator:	Anish Dwivedi – 778-875-9129
Media Dial In:	s.15,s.17 Participant Pass Code: s.15,s.17 Moderator Pass Code: s.15,s.17

Time	Event Itinerary
10:00 a.m.	Premier arrives and proceeds to s.15 for briefing. Gerard Bremault, the Centre to receive with Anish Premier will access via s.15 Pre-brief roundtable for PCC in s.15
10:05 a.m.	Picture with staff of the facility
10:10 a.m.	Premier roundtable with single mothers identified by YWCA (lunch room). Seated in a semi-circle with no tables. (CLOSED TO MEDIA) Note: 4 mothers confirmed. One of the mothers will be s.22 who is a volunteer. Please see bio below.
10:35 a.m.	Pre-brief for main announcement with Premier s.15 All speakers in attendance
10:40 a.m.	Premier visits 3-5 yrs-old daycare. 7 children with media release forms. s.22 s.22 Premier to sit on a small table with children who will be drawing or colouring.
10:46 a.m.	Premier exits day care to outdoor space to event area in gym via OT Gym Door (keyed – GI key)
10:50 a.m.	Minister Coleman shares opening remarks and introduces Premier
10:52 a.m.	Premier to deliver remarks and at the end of her remarks invite Gerard Bremault to the podium
10:57 a.m.	CEO for Centre for Child Development, Gerard Bremault delivers remarks and at the end of his remarks invites Jennifer Buckingham to deliver remarks
11:01 a.m.	Client Speaker, Jennifer Buckingham delivers remarks
11:04 a.m.	Stephien Smart via moderator mic opens up Q&A.
11:15 a.m.	Q&A concludes
11:20 a.m.	Premier departs

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Subject: Re: Funding commitments for Surrey affordable housing projects
Date: Tuesday, November 22, 2016 at 1:55:54 PM Pacific Standard Time
From: Smart, Stephen PREM:EX
To: Amy Reid, Woolley, Paul GCPE:EX

Thanks so much for the email Amy.

Paul, do you have the total \$ figure for the Surrey projects?

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From: Amy Reid <amy.reid@thenownewspaper.com>
Date: Tuesday, November 22, 2016 at 1:49 PM
To: Stephen Smart <stephen.smart@gov.bc.ca>
Subject: Funding commitments for Surrey affordable housing projects

Hello Stephen,

As per our phone conversation I am after the province's funding commitments to all five of the Surrey projects that fall within the \$516 million funding announcement.

It was stated in the release that \$4.7M is committed to the YWCA project, but I'm wondering about the others.

Thank you,

Amy Reid | Reporter, The Now
Office: 604.572-0064 | Cell: 604.726-6107



Subject: Re: Just in a meeting. What's up?

Date: Tuesday, November 22, 2016 at 12:12:08 PM Pacific Standard Time

From: Smart, Stephen PREM:EX

To: Liza Yuzda, Woolley, Paul GCPE:EX

Liza. I'm going to connect you with Paul Woolley from Coleman's ministry on those questions. He knows that info much better than I do.

On Nov 22, 2016, at 12:07 PM, Liza Yuzda <liza@cknw.com> wrote:

Thanks!

Trying to determine how many of these 68 projects were already in the works and would have been built anyway but are now getting a financial boost and how many are *because* of additional funding.

Also looking for a breakdown of what affordable means with each of these... for example: how many units are for welfare level income, how many for low income seniors, how many are for families, how many for working families with lower double incomes, etc? Looking for some kind of break down

Have called BC Housing but they don't seem to think they can get the info to me until tomorrow.

Liza Yuzda

Reporter, CKNW News Talk 980

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From: Smart, Stephen PREM:EX <Stephen.Smart@gov.bc.ca>

Sent: Tuesday, November 22, 2016 11:53 AM

To: Liza Yuzda

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Date: Tuesday, November 22, 2016 at 8:58:41 AM Pacific Standard Time
From: Smart, Stephen PREM:EX
To: Merrifield, Katy PREM:EX
CC: Woolley, Paul GCPE:EX

Sure. She reached out to me as well and I have already sent her most of this.

On Nov 22, 2016, at 8:54 AM, Merrifield, Katy PREM:EX <Katy.Merrifield@gov.bc.ca> wrote:

Good by me! Cc-ing Smarty so he's aware.

From: Woolley, Paul GCPE:EX
Sent: Tuesday, November 22, 2016 8:43 AM
To: Merrifield, Katy PREM:EX
Subject: FW: Media Request: CBC News Vancouver

Katy, we got this ask from CBC – let me know if this is OK to send. Jess, Matt and my MO are aware, just wanted to check on your end to be sure.

Reporter Farrah Merali
CBC News Vancouver
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Deadline ASAP

Request Reporter indicated Rob Shaw shared some of the details related to the housing projects being announced this morning. She is asking for the same information that was provided to Rob. OK to forward.

Recommended Response

- Anticipate later this morning the Premier and Minister responsible for Housing Rich Coleman will announced details of 68 affordable housing projects throughout B.C. totalling 2,897 units - represents a provincial funding commitment of \$516 million.
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Thanks!

We'll have this set to go "as it happens".

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Subject: FW: revised final copy - Province details half-a-billion dollars in affordable housing
Attachments: 2016PREM0145-002468.pdf

Hello,

Please find the revised final copy attached for approval.

Thanks!
Marc
778 677-4864

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Event Date: Tuesday, Nov. 22, 2016

Time: 10:30 a.m.

Location:
The Centre for Family Development
9460 140 Street
Surrey

Special instructions:

A dial-in number is available for those unable to attend in person (listen only):

Dial In Numbers:

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Today, we are moving forward with \$516 million of that investment to create 68 projects with 2,900 additional units.

We're able to do this because we have stuck to our plan – and have built Canada's leading economy.

- We're controlling government spending with four straight balanced budgets – with a fifth coming this Spring.
- We're on track to be free of any operating debt in just 4 years, for the first time since 1975.
- We have the lowest taxes for middle class families;
- For the first time since 1961, we are the province with the lowest unemployment.
- We're first in Canada in economic growth;
- Since the BC Jobs Plan was launched in 2011, we're first in creating jobs – over 183,800 jobs.
- Over 2.4 million British Columbians are working right now – the most ever. This investment will create thousands more.

And we are not done.

We're going to keep working, and making investments based on our six principles of housing affordability:

- Increase the housing supply
- Link communities together with smart transit investments
- Support first-time home buyers
- Protect consumers from shady practices
- Increase rental supply
- And most of all, keep the dream of home ownership within the reach of BC's middle class.

As home ownership and rental markets become more expensive, a lot people are feeling the pinch... Including low to middle income families, seniors, and First Nations.

We're standing on the site of a project that will become 40 units of affordable housing for low-to moderate-income single women who have children with special needs.

That's why we have done the hard work and made the tough decisions to build Canada's leading economy... Because it gives us the ability to make significant investments in affordable housing and help those in need.

None of this happened by accident. It took a lot of hard work and tough decisions.

Here, today, you can see it's worth it. Because we're putting British Columbians first.