

October 7, 2021

File No. 0400-20

Honourable John Horgan
Province of British Columbia

via Email: Premier@gov.bc.ca

Premier Horgan:

Re: Financial Assistance for COVID-19 Related Budget Shortfalls

Township of Langley Council, at its Regular Meeting held October 4, 2021 passed the following resolution:

Whereas revenues from user fees at municipal recreation facilities have been severely reduced due to Public Health Order COVID-19 restrictions resulting in considerable budget shortfalls and financial challenges for local governments in BC;

Whereas the COVID-19 Delta variant and other unforeseen circumstances has prevented the Province to move into 'step 4' of the BC Restart Plan which would have restored attendance at these facilities; and

Whereas these recreational facilities and services provided by local governments are vital to the health and welfare of our citizens;

Therefore be it resolved that Council send a letter to Premier Horgan requesting further financial assistance from the Province of British Columbia to Local Governments to aid in keeping recreation facilities open as the COVID-19 pandemic continues; and

That the letter be copied to the Township of Langley's Members of the Legislative Assembly, all Local Governments in British Columbia, the Union of British Columbia Municipalities, and the Lower Mainland Local Government Association.

Thank you for your consideration.

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Yours truly,

Wendy Bauer, CRM Township Clerk

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 Lower Mainland Local Government Association
 All BC Municipalities