



November 8, 2016

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Gail Given
Chair
Regional District of Central Okanagan
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Dear Chair Given:

Thank you for your letter of October 26, 2016, clarifying the Regional District of Central Okanagan's support for the contemplated governance study in the North Westside Road area. Now that I understand the District is considering a study of the full North Westside Fire Protection Service Area, I want to confirm with you my willingness to consider this initiative. Consideration of this broader geography comes with the same caveats as I articulated for a study focused on Killiney Beach, that an examination of the issues within the electoral area structure and framework are most appropriate.

Ministry of Community, Sport and Cultural Development staff will continue to support the communities in that area, and the Regional District of Central Okanagan, in developing a collaborative process to explore these questions and make informed decisions about governance. For example, I understand that Marijke Edmondson, Director, Governance and Structure Branch, will be attending your Board meeting on November 28, 2016, and will subsequently work with Regional District staff to develop a viable terms of reference for the Board to propose for funding.

Thank you again for writing.

Sincerely,

Peter Fassbender
Minister

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October 26, 2016

Honourable Peter Fassbender
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Dear Minister Fassbender:

RE: Governance and Service Issues Letter – Request for Clarification

Thank you for your letter dated October 13, 2016 regarding governance and service issues in our region. The Regional Board appreciates both the time you took to meet with us at UBCM to discuss governance matters and the explanation provided in your October 13th, 2016 follow-up letter.

When your letter was submitted to the RDCO Board at our October 24th meeting, a subsequent discussion ensued. The Board, in response to a query from Director Carson and by resolution, wishes to clarify that the area interested in a governance study is greater than that of Killiney Beach and would include all residents in the North Westside Fire Protection Service Area. It is hoped that you are receptive to this clarification.

We appreciate the continuing support from the Ministry of Community, Sport and Cultural Development and look forward to a future presentation to our Board by Marijke Edmondson, Director, Governance and Structure Branch.

Yours sincerely,

Gail Given
Chair

Pc: Brian Reardon, Chief Administrative Officer
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