

December 14, 2015

Mayor Lisa Helps
City Of Victoria
1 Centennial Square
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Dear Mayor Helps:

The intent of this letter is to thank you for your Expression of Interest to be considered as host to a gaming facility in your community and to share next steps for BCLC's potential plans for Greater Victoria.

BCLC will review and evaluate the five potential hosts that submitted an Expression of Interest, including Township of Esquimalt, District of Saanich, City of Victoria, the Esquimalt First Nation and the Songhees First Nation.

The District of Oak Bay has declined.

Responses will be assessed based on a number of factors, including population trends, existing community policies, plans or zoning that permit or restrict gaming in a community, and estimated revenue potential in a region.

BCLC will take the necessary time to complete this assessment, and expect to have this completed sometime in the new year. Once a decision to proceed has been made, the next phase will be to determine the service provider and public consultation process. We will communicate the final result to you directly once the decision has been reached.

Any facility proposals put forward by BCLC will require the local government to seek and consider adequate community input and all other consultation requirements.

Mayor Helps, this letter is for information only and no action is required on your behalf. It is intended to be transparent about the gaming marketplace in Greater Victoria and BCLC's plans to manage it.

Thank you for the time and effort put into your submission. We may reach out should we have further questions or need any clarification.

If you have any questions or require further information, please contact me directly at (604) 225-6408.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Desmarais', is written over a circular stamp or seal.

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