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Sent: April-18-13 10:53 AM
Subject: Request for Proclamation

Request for Proclamation of Ahmadiyya Day in British Columbia

Event: Opening ceremony and inauguration of Ahmadiyya Largest Mosque in British Columbia

Opening performed by His Holiness Hadhrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad Worldwide Head of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Jama`at.

We the local British Columbia Ahmadiyya community would like to request a Proclamation to declare **May 18th as Ahmadiyya Day** in recognition of the opening of Vancouver Mosque – Baitur Rahman (House of the Gracious God).

The Ahmadiyya Muslim Jama`at, British Columbia branch has been organizing yearly interfaith events promoting Interfaith Harmony in the local community. The events have invited local religious leaders from the Jewish, Sikh, Hindu, Buddhist, Christian faith as well as, Councilor's from various townships to participate in an effort to share the common heritage of major world religions.

The Ahmadiyya community moto is **Love for All Hatred for None.** This slogan is practiced by millions of the members of the community in their daily lives and interaction with fellow beings under all situations and scenarios.

Ahmadiyya Muslim Jama`at is the foremost Islamic organization with a central spiritual leader. It's fifth and current spiritual head, Mirza Masroor Ahmad, resides in the United Kingdom. Under the leadership of its spiritual successors, the Ahmadiyya Muslim Jama`at has over 15,000 mosques, over 500 schools, and over 30 hospitals serving humanity. It has translated the Holy Qur'an into over 70 languages. It propagates the true teachings of Islam and the message of peace and tolerance through a twenty-four hour satellite television channel (MTA), the internet (alislam.org) and publications (Islam International Publications). The Ahmadiyya community has also been at the forefront of worldwide disaster relief through an independent charitable organization, Humanity First.

A number of members from British Columbia will be travelling to Vancouver to attend the opening ceremony and will be representing the British Columbia Branch at the inauguration.

We the members of British Columbia Branch and residents of British Columbia hereby request the Council of Town of British Columbia to declare May 18 as Ahmadiyya Day to commemorate the occasion and mark with the auspicious visit of His Holiness to Canada.

Peace & Blessings,
www.vancouvermosque.com
Members of Local Branch of Ahamdiyya Muslim Jama`at British Columbia

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April 2, 2013

Dear Mayor and Councillors,

I am writing this letter on behalf of Chase and District Victim Services. We have been operational in Chase for 14years. This service is available to anyone 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. We typically help victims of various crimes deal with the aftermath of what has happened to them. We are also able to help support parents or children through Family Court now as well. We have the ability to support a client from the initial contact right through the whole court process. Sometimes this support can go on for over a year. We also offer support to people dealing with a sudden death in the family and go with the RCMP to a Notification of Next of Kin. We are also branching into the schools and community to help with bullying and mental health awareness.

Continual training is essential to myself and the three volunteers that the program has. There is an annual Police Victim Services Training Symposium and this year it is being held in Kelowna on May 2-4 2013 at the Kelowna Delta Grand Hotel. This symposium offers a wide range of workshops for us to attend each day. These workshops vary from personal safety on the job to drug-facilitated sexual assault. This diverse training is crucial for the continuing growth and development of my volunteers. It allows us to gain or improve our skill base as well as connect with the other Victim Services programs in the province. Going to this training is also a way for us to grow and get stronger as a team.

The cost of the training is outside of our budget. An estimated cost for the four of us to attend is $2234.80. I am asking for your assistance and possible donation of $2000.00 to help cover the cost of the training. This money is used for the registration fees, hotel rooms, gas mileage and meals. We would be supplementing any other costs from money that we have raised through various fundraising opportunities. I have included a rough estimate of costs associated with this training.

Once again, this training is so important for each of us to have in Victim Services. We are better able to serve the needs of our clients in this community with up to date training. I would be more than happy to address Council at anytime to discuss this further.

I look forward to hearing from you. Thank you for considering the needs of the Chase and District Victim Services program.

Sincerely,

Brandi Nakazawa
Program Manager

Estimated Expenses to attend Annual Training Symposium

Registration per person: $230.00 x 4 = $920.00

2 Hotel rooms per night: $216.20 x 2rooms= $432.40 x 2nights = $864.80

1 vehicle for gas: $50.00

Food for 3 days for 4 people: $400.00

Total estimated expenses: $2234.80

Chase CORNSTOCK

Village of Chase
Attn: Mayor & Councilors
Box 440
Chase, BC - V0E 1M0

April 10th, 2013

Dear Mayor Anderson, Councilors Lepsoe, Berrigan, Scott, and Crowe.

RE: Chase CornStock

Chase CornStock is an annual community event held at Chase Memorial Beach and features a farmers market, children's activities, performances by local musicians, and of course, Chase's world famous corn. Last year's event attracted approximately 1,000 guest to the park and we are hoping to exceed that number this year.

As per past events, we request that Council grants our organizing committee permission to host the event at Chase Memorial Beach and use the on-site facilities (washrooms, electrical connections, sound-equipment, the Joyce Dunn Theatre etc.) on Saturday, August 10th, 2013.

We are planning to host a Beer Garden once again and we would appreciate the Village's permission to do so. As in previous years, a member of our committee will ensure that all the proper documentation (ie. Insurance, Liquor License, RCMP notification etc.) is in order and we will submit/verify these documents with a staff member from the Village prior to the event.

The Interior Savings Little Kernels Zone, which features a variety of crafts and games for children, has been a popular feature to our festival over the past years and staff members of the Chase Summer Recreation Program have assisted in delivering some of the activities. We would greatly appreciate it if the Summer Recreation Program would be involved in the planning and delivery of activities again this year.

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In addition to the request above, we would also greatly appreciate a grant-in-aid of from the Village to cover the costs for hiring a sound technician to operate the sound equipment during the event. As a token of appreciation for this grant, we will recognize the Village as a platinum sponsor of the event and as the title sponsor of the CornStock Stage and will include the Village's logo on our posters, flyers, website, and throughout the park on the day of the event.

If you have any questions regarding any of our requests or would like a member of our organizing committee to attend a meeting to address any concerns, please feel free to contact me at any of the addresses below.

We appreciate the Village's previous support of this event and thank you in advance for your consideration to our request.

Thanks,

Brock Endean
CornStock Chair
778.371.1577
info@chasecornstock.com

BRITISH COLUMBIA

Ref: 97492

Dear Mayor and Councillors:

As Co-Chairs of the B.C. Small Business Roundtable (Roundtable), we are pleased to invite your government to compete for the 2013 Open for Business Award.

Small business plays a vital role in developing both the economic and social fabric of our province, and their owners are the heart and soul of our communities. These awards recognize communities that are undertaking initiatives and partnerships to reduce the cost and complexity of doing business in British Columbia. As an incentive, the Province is providing awards of $10,000 each to communities best demonstrating planned initiatives that are within the spirit of the B.C. Small Business Accord. A maximum of 20 awards are available.

An award application is included with this email, and is also available on the Small Business Roundtable website at www.smallbusinessroundtable.ca. Please note that the deadline for submitting an application is **June 21, 2013**. Finalists will be selected in August, and the winners announced in September during the week of the Union of British Columbia Municipalities Annual Convention in Vancouver.

Your community's participation will help the Roundtable capture and share best practices that reduce regulatory overlap, and leverage partnerships to improve government interactions with small business.

The Roundtable Secretariat is available to support the preparation of your application and can be contacted by telephone at (250) 387-9083 or by email to RoundtableSecretariat@gov.bc.ca.

We look forward to receiving your submission.

Sincerely,

Naomi Yamamoto
Minister of State for Small Business

Kevin Krueger, MLA
Kamloops-South Thompson

Minister of State for Small Business

Office of the Minister

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BRITISH COLUMBIA'S

Small Business Roundtable

OPEN FOR BUSINESS AWARD
Application

About the Award

The B.C. Small Business Roundtable (Roundtable) invites local governments to compete for the "Open for Business" Award. Small business plays a vital role in developing both the economic and social fabric of our province and their owners are the heart and soul of our communities.

As an incentive, the Province is providing awards of $10,000 each for up to 20 communities who best demonstrate they have planned initiatives within the spirit of the B.C. Small Business Accord (Accord) principles.

Submissions are due June 21st. Finalists will be announced by the Roundtable in August 2013. Winners will be announced at an award ceremony to be held during the Union of British Columbia Municipalities Annual Convention in September 2013.

About the Small Business Accord

The B.C. Government embarked on creating the Accord to ensure that government is doing all it can to support small business; a commitment to improve interactions with small business and ensure government initiatives and services consider the needs of small business.

When the Accord principles were released on March 19, 2013, the province encouraged local governments to work with the province to address small business barriers and to operate within the spirit of the principles of the Accord which can be viewed at www.gov.bc.ca/smallbusinessaccord.

Submission Instructions

Please complete both application steps as they relate to your community's support for small business. To be considered for this award, your submission must be received in our office by **June 21, 2013**. Your completed application, with any applicable attachments, may be sent by mail, email or faxed to the following addresses:

Mail: Small Business Roundtable Secretariat
Ministry of Jobs, Tourism and Skills Training
Small Business Branch
PO BOX 9822 SNT PROV GOVT
Victoria, BC V8W 9N3

Email: RoundtableSecretariat@gov.bc.ca

Fax: (250) 952-0113

If you have questions, please contact:
Small Business Roundtable Secretariat | (250) 387-4699 | RoundtableSecretariat@gov.bc.ca

BRITISH COLUMBIA'S

Small Business Roundtable

STEP 1: Contact Information

Please provide contact information for the person submitting/managing this application. The committee may need to follow up with this individual for more information.

Name:
Title:
Name of Municipality/Community/District:
Email:
Phone:
Mailing address:

STEP 2: Questionnaire

For each question, please limit response to 250 words. If you wish to submit additional information for a particular question, please limit background material to a maximum of two pages.

Open for Business Awards:

1) What **small business friendly initiatives** has your community adopted to improve competitiveness? *List up to 10 initiatives* ***(10 Points)*** *and indicate how processing times and costs related to permits and applications have improved.* ***(5 points)***

2) What is your community's competitive advantage that **attracts/retains** small businesses? **(10 points)** *Please list how many business licenses were issued for 2011 and 2012.* ***(5 points)***

3) How does your community **cooperate and collaborate** with partners to promote an "open for business" culture? **(10 points)**

4) What **small business resources** does your community offer? **(10 points)** *Please include details on how your government ensures that this is effectively communicated to small businesses.* ***(5 points)***

5) How does your community **engage and recognize** local small businesses? **(10 points)** *Please also provide details of a small business that has been recognized for their contributions to your community.* ***(5 points)***

6) What has your community done to improve **customer service** to better assist small business? *Please describe the* ***customer service training*** *your front-line staff have received to assist small businesses navigate local government regulatory requirements (BizPaL, Mobile Business License, bylaws, zoning).* ***(10 points)***

7) What **policy or service** improvements, within the spirit of the Accord principles, would your community implement if it was the recipient of the $10,000 award? *Provide details of proposed small business friendly initiatives that could be at least partially funded by the $10,000 award.* ***(20 points)***

Chase & District Recreation Society
PO Box 1239
Chase, BC
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April 18, 2013

Mayor and Council
Village of Chase
826 Okanagan Avenue
Chase, BC

Dear Mayor and Council:

Re: <u>2013 Mortgage Amount for Arena – Request for Grant of Residual Amount</u>

The Chase and District Recreation Society respectfully requests that Village consider granting to the Society, for use as operating expenditures, the funds that make up the difference between the annual grant of up to $132,000 that is used to repay the principal and interest of the mortgage on the building, and the actual mortgage amount payable in 2013. We understand that this difference in 2013 is approximately $16,000.

Thank you in advance for your consideration of our request.

Sincerely,

Terry Echlin, Treasurer
Chase & District Recreation Society

Cc: Secretary, Chase & District Recreation Society by email

Village Of Chase
Administrative Report

TO: **Mayor and Council**

FROM: **Director of Financial Services**

DATE: **11 April 2013**

RE: **Reorganization of Reserves**

ISSUE/PURPOSE

As I have discussed with council during the budget process, we have established a series of operating reserves for various specific purposes (primarily several equipment acquisition reserves). The problem encountered with these reserves is that they are too specific, as an example Public Works Pickup Replacement Reserve. You can only acquire a pickup truck for Public Works. I strongly recommend that we combine all of these equipment replacement reserves into a single general equipment replacement reserve.

HISTORY/BACKGROUND

In the past each individual reserve was established probably when there was a pressing need for a particular item. The reserves all allow the accumulation of funds as permitted under the act, but the act only permits it and does not specify any requirement to allocate funds. Therefore Council will in the future need to review the guidelines for each reserve and determine the amounts to be targeted for the purpose of the reserve.

We also have a budget situation under which funds are assigned for a project in the budget and for some reason are not utilized for the appropriated purpose. In the past these funds become part of the surplus for the year and sometimes are budgeted again in the following year. In another municipality I have seen a constant pattern of such budgeting which then creates a large surplus. To overcome this situation I would suggest the utilization of a "Committed Funds Reserve" to temporarily hold such excess budgets until council determines the project is not required. Then it can be designated for another purpose. Then when it is being utilized in a future period, revenue does not need to be raised through taxes.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The combining of all of the equipment reserves has no financial implications, but is significantly easier to manage.

The Committed Funds Reserve has a financial impact in that the village will not be creating a surplus through the excess revenues generated through taxes but not expended.

RECOMMENDATION

That a single reserve be called "Equipment Replacement Reserve" be used for the purpose of accumulating funds into a revolving pool to assist in funding replacement of equipment for municipal purposes as needed, and that the following reserves be collapsed into the new reserve:
Fire Truck Reserve

Fire Department Radio Replacement Reserve
Garbage Truck Replacement Reserve
Public Works Pickup Replacement Reserve
Transportation F450 Replacement
Transportation Loader Replacement
Transportation Tractor Replacement

That a new reserve be created for the purpose of holding excess funds designated for specific purposes until the funds are utilized in the future. The reserve will be called the Committed Fund Reserve.

Respectfully submitted,

Leif Pedersen, LGA
Director of Financial Services