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File No.: 0550-06

Callie Simpson

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Dear Ms. Simpson:

I wish to acknowledge your delegation request of May 25, 2020 to be scheduled to present to the Regional Board.

The Chief Administrative Officer and I have reviewed your request and, more specifically given the Ministry's last formal response (Tara Faganello, Assistant Deputy Minister, March 2, 2018 attached) wish to advise the request does not meet the delegation policy set forth by the Regional Board, including:

- 4.5 Individuals speaking on behalf of an organization ie: community group, resident's association, not-for-profit organization, etc. must identify their authority to speak on behalf of the organization and provide the name(s) of the person(s) who have provided the authority. ***No authority for you to speak on behalf of the organization(s) has been presented.***
- 4.7 Delegations that have previously appeared before the Regional Board or Board Committee on a subject matter will not be allowed to present again unless new information is provided relating to the matter. ***No new information has been presented. Further to my letter of December 2, 2019, at which time you mentioned the Governance Committee had received new information from the Ministry which we requested you share. To date, no new information has been received from the Association, the governance committee, nor the Ministry.***

As such, we are unable to approve your delegation request at this time.

Further, we wish to confirm the Chief Administrative Officer's report dated January 15, 2018 was presented to the Regional Board at its January 22, 2018 meeting, and that following discussion the Board received the report for information only. Specifically, no further direction was provided on the items presented in the report.

Should the North Westside Community Association or the governance committee, wish to discuss steps outlined in the Board's report, in particular the funding of an independent consultant, those discussions should occur directly with the elected representative for the area, Director Carson. As the elected representative for Central Okanagan West Electoral Area, the Director may request the Board consider further 'next steps' and the financial impact to the electoral area budget which can be considered in a future budget review.

Your request and this response has been shared with Regional Board, which includes Director Carson.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Gail Given". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letter of each word being significantly larger and more stylized.

Gail Given
Chair

cc: Regional Board

Attachment: March 2, 2018 response from Assistant Deputy Minister, Tara Faganello

Mary Jane Drouin

From: Gail Given <ggiven@kelowna.ca>
Sent: Wednesday, November 13, 2019 2:43 PM
To: Gail Given
Cc: Brian Reardon; Mary Jane Drouin
Subject: FW: Central Okanagan Regional District - North Westside Review - Ref 233877 - Mr. Wayne Carson

From: Kubisheski, Carlee MAH:EX <Carlee.Kubisheski@gov.bc.ca>
Sent: Friday, March 02, 2018 2:58 PM
To: 'wayne.carson@cord.bc.ca' <wayne.carson@cord.bc.ca>
Cc: Gail Given <ggiven@kelowna.ca>; Faganello, Tara MAH:EX <Tara.Faganello@gov.bc.ca>
Subject: Central Okanagan Regional District - North Westside Review - Ref 233877 - Mr. Wayne Carson

This is being sent to you on behalf of Tara Faganello, Assistant Deputy Minister of the Local Government Division

March 2, 2018

Ref: 233877

Mr. Wayne Carson
Director, Central Okanagan West
Regional District of Central Okanagan

Dear Director Carson:

I am writing to follow-up on our brief discussion on January 30, 2018, regarding the outcome of the North Westside Service and Community Issues Review, and respecting your request to speak with the Honourable Selina Robinson, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, about your concerns with the Regional District of Central Okanagan and regarding roads in your area.

Local roads in your area are the responsibility of the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure, and I am pleased to refer you to Mr. Erik Lachmuth, Area Manager of that Ministry's Vernon Office, to discuss concerns or issues related to roads in your electoral area. Mr. Lachmuth can be reached at erik.lachmuth@gov.bc.ca or 250-503-3608.

The North Westside area is comprised of small and isolated rural communities stretched along a significant stretch of Westside Road. The vision of residents, as expressed in the Official Community Plan, is to remain a predominantly rural area with major residential development directed to other areas of the region, where urban services and infrastructure are available, and to limit further commercial and resort development beyond that which is already zoned or approved.

In light of the low-growth vision, relatively small population, narrow tax base, and the concerns you have expressed regarding sensitivity to service costs, it would not be appropriate to recommend a municipal incorporation process to the Minister.

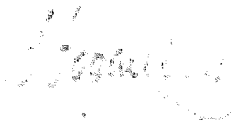
Based on this assessment, the ministry supported the North Westside Services and Community Issues Review to assist you, the Regional District of Central Okanagan, and the community to begin the work of more fully identifying the nature of the problems and beginning to identify solutions, other than incorporation, that could be implemented within the

existing legal framework. That study identified some avenues the Director and Board could explore to clarify and address community concerns.

The Province wants to encourage the efforts of the local government to reach out and address specific points of concern with the community. The Electoral Area Director has an important role in finding a way to collaborate with the Board for the greater benefit of the community.

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Sincerely,



Tara Faganello
Assistant Deputy Minister

pc: Chair Gail Given, RDCO

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