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Subject: RE: BCSPi - Letter to Minister Kang

From: Vickey Brown <mayor.brown@cumberland.ca>

Sent: October 11, 2023 5:24 PM

To: Wells, Bob; Cole-Hamilton, Will; Morin, Wendy; Wells, Bob; McCollum, Melanie; Jolicoeur, Evan

Subject: FW: BCSPi - Letter to Minister Kang

Hello Courtenay Council

I'm writing with hope that you can help get a signature on the attached letter to Minister Kang for support for the BC Social Procurement Initiative. We have a lot of momentum right now with new members joining and great new initiatives like your Indigenous Procurement Policy but without further investment the program will have to wind down next year. See attachments for more info.

The email below was sent to Councillor Frisch, without response so I thought I'd reach out to see if I can get it moving through your process so that we can get the City of Courtenay on as a signatory.

Thanks so much,

Vickey

Vickey Brown (she/her)

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I am grateful for the privilege to live, work and play on the unceded traditional territory of the K'omoks First Nation and the Sahtlout, Saseetla, leeksun and Puntledge peoples.

Gila 'kasla...Hay ch q' a'

From: Rob Fisher <rfisher@scalecollaborative.ca>

Sent: Wednesday, October 11, 2023 3:32 PM

To: Vickey Brown <mayor.brown@cumberland.ca>

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From: **Rob Fisher** <rfisher@scalecollaborative.ca>

Date: Tue, Sep 12, 2023 at 9:07 AM

Subject: BCSPi - Letter to Minister Kang

To: <dfrisch@courtenay.ca>

Good morning Councillor Frisch,

I'm reaching out on behalf of BCSPi Co-Chairs Mayor Brown and Councillor Stoner who would like to request your support in signing their latest letter to the BC Government requesting funding support to continue the delivery of the British Columbia Social Procurement Initiative (BCSPi) for the next 3-5 years.

I have attached copies of correspondence to-date as follows:

- Initial letter to Minister Kang - February 2023
- Response from ADM Faganello - June 2022
- **Response to Minister Kang and associated funding proposal - Current**

If you are happy to sign on to the current letter, I'd be grateful if you would send me your e-signature.

The Co-Chairs are also leading BCSPi advocacy at the upcoming UBCM Conference in Vancouver and, if you are attending, would appreciate your kind consideration of endorsing BCSPi to elected officials and senior government staff from other communities across the province. This is of course completely optional but I have attached some key messaging in case you would like to let others know about the value of BCSPi.

Thank you for your time and consideration of supporting this valuable initiative. Please let me know if you have any questions about any of the above.

Best,

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Rob Fisher

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