ATTACHMENT B



2021-FEB-26

Re: Temporary Emergency Accommodation Provider

Dear Housing Provider or Social Service Agency:

On 2021-FEB-01, Nanaimo City Council directed Staff to prepare a report as quickly as possible outlining options for implementing a temporary emergency accommodation program in Nanaimo, similar to the Cowichan Housing model. The report will include:

- The capital costs for 2-3 pilot locations and potential funding sources
- The estimated monthly operation costs, potential funding sources, and potential operators
- Any opportunities for community collaboration
- Comment from appropriate city departments, the RCMP and community agencies

Staff expect to bring forward the requested report to Council this spring.

If the City were to pursue a new temporary housing program as part of the City's consideration of a temporary emergency housing program, it would require an experienced operator to manage the site. As part of the City's research into implementing this or an alternative temporary emergency housing model, we are reaching out to potential site operators to determine their capacity and interest.

With respect to a potential emergency housing site, can you please advise us of the following:

- Is your organization interested in managing the facility?
 - o If so, will you require additional staffing?
 - o If not, is your organization interested in and have existing capacity to support another organization in managing the temporary housing site?
 - If so, in what capacity are you able to provide support?

Please respond to <u>socialplanning@nanaimo.ca</u> on or before Wednesday, 2021-MAR-10, to advise us of your interest in managing or supporting a potential emergency housing site. If you need more time to respond, please let us know.

Sincerely,

Dave Stewart, RPP Social Planner City of Nanaimo

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