April 14, 2016

Her Worship Barbara Desjardins Mayor Township of Esquimalt 1229 Esquimalt Road Esquimalt, B.C. V9A 3P1

Dear Mayor Desjardins:



Thank you for your interest in hosting a gaming facility in Greater Victoria. BCLC appreciates that local governments in the Greater Victoria area have enthusiastically participated in the Expression of Interest (EOI) process.

The first phase of BCLC's EOI process consisted of reviewing and assessing each potential host local government's submission based on criteria related to community support, geographic, economic and demographic considerations. The rigorous review process was overseen by an independent third party to ensure fairness and consistent application of standards in the assessment of each response.

Based on this evaluation, BCLC determined that we will not pursue a potential gaming facility with the Township of Esquimalt at this time. In addition, opportunities with the Esquimalt Nation and the Songhees Nation will not be pursued.

A second phase of our EOI process will be to seek additional information from the City of Victoria and the District of Saanich. Once a final decision to proceed with a municipality has been made, BCLC will determine the service provider and begin the public consultation process as mandated by the *Gaming Control Act*.

Thank you for the time and effort put into your submission. Should you require further information on the process or our decision we would be pleased to meet with you. Please contact:

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Sincerely,

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