



TOWN OF VIEW ROYAL

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Attention: Cliff McNeil-Smith, Chair, CRD Board

Dear Chair McNeil-Smith:

Re: CRD Bylaw No. 2884 - Arts & Cultural Support Services Establishment Bylaw No. 1, 2001, Amendment Bylaw No. 4255

This letter is to confirm the Town of View Royal's position to request to become a participant in the CRD Arts Service, pursuant to CRD Bylaw No. 2884 - Arts & Cultural Support Services Establishment Bylaw No. 1, 2001 at a Tier 2 level.

View Royal Council has been a long-time supporter and participant in the CRD Arts Service, having increased its contribution to Tier 1 in 2008. In addition to participating in the CRD Arts Service, the Town has consistently provided significant annual funding to its local arts and cultural community, which provides sub-regional benefits that extend well beyond View Royal's boundaries.

While Council strongly supports the local arts and recognizes its important economic, social, and cultural benefits, the Town is not prepared to continue a higher Tier of funding within the CRD Arts Service. As such, View Royal wishes to transition from Tier 1 participation, and continue as a participant at the Tier 2 level.

We respectfully encourage members of the Board to consider supporting View Royal's request to participate in the CRD Arts Service at a Tier 2 level, and to consent to the adoption of an amendment to Bylaw No. 4255.

Yours truly,

Scott Sommerville
Chief Administrative Officer

cc. Township of Esquimalt
District of Highlands
District of Metchosin
District of Oak Bay
District of Saanich
City of Victoria
District of Sooke
Southern Gulf Island Electoral Area Director