

k^wik^wə́łəm məłstéyax^w Engagement Questionnaire
səmiq^wəʔelə / Riverview Lands

June 2021

WELCOME!

Purpose

In 2015 Kwikwetlem First Nation provided position papers to be included in the Visioning document produced by BC Housing regarding the visioning of redevelopment or reimagining of Riverview.

The following seven principles and objectives were developed by the k^wik^wə́łəm məłstéyax^w in response to the visioning process on the redevelopment of the səmiq^wəʔelə / Riverview Lands. They summarize the high-level interests of the Kwikwetlem Community at that time.

We'd like your feedback to see if these objectives reflect how the Community feels today versus in 2015 and to capture any missing information or new thoughts.

Goal

To ensure that səmiq^wəʔelə / Riverview today and into the future is shaped by a full and clear recognition of Kwikwetlem history, interests and values.

Instructions

1. Fill in the information below;
2. On the following pages you'll find each seven Principles & Objectives, along with the backgrounder information to form these interests. Kindly complete the survey and return to your Family Head representative by **Sunday, June 27, 2021**.

THANK YOU!

First Name: _____ **Last Name:** _____

Date Completed: _____

Name of Family Head Representative: _____

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1. The Kwikwetlem People assert and maintain their aboriginal rights and title to the Riverview Lands inclusively.

Backgrounder

The matter of the use and title of the Riverview Lands has been an issue for the Kwikwetlem People since before its inception as a mental health facility at the turn of the last century. The Kwikwetlem relationship to the Riverview Lands is multi- faceted:

- We claim aboriginal rights and title to Riverview;
- We have a long traditional record of use and occupation of the hillside and riverfront associated with Riverview, and,
- We've had a front row seat to the loss of our traditional lands, the cultural and environmental degradation of the site, as well as the legacy of brutality and mismanagement of "care" conducted there.

Although it has not been recognized by the Province, Kwikwetlem First Nation (KFN) is an owner of the Riverview Lands through the aboriginal title and rights of the Kwikwetlem People. KFN is proceeding with its legal claim of title to Riverview. KFN estimates that this claim process will track through the courts with a final court decision within the next four to five years. As the owner of the Riverview Lands and as a partner with BC Housing in the redevelopment of Riverview, the KFN have a range of interests the Nation wish to protect and/or promote.

To what extent do you support the above statement? (Select the most appropriate answer)

**1.Strongly
oppose**

**2.Somewhat
oppose**

**3.Neither oppose
nor support**

**4.Somewhat
support**

**5.Strongly
support**

Please tell us why in a brief description.

Do you have any new thoughts or reflections based on this statement? (Brief description)

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2. KFN expects accommodation for the use of Kwikwetlem title lands and although this accommodation may take forms other than financial compensation, accommodation should be commensurate to the value of the title lands and scale of the proposed development.

Backgrounder

Accommodation: The accommodation of KFN interests will likely take many forms, including the opportunity to benefit from joint development of the Lands. However, KFN expects significant financial accommodation for redevelopment that is not in-step with KFN principles, objectives, and interests for the site.

Land Transfer: Distinct from the claim of aboriginal title and rights, KFN is interested in acquiring lands for Kwikwetlem sole use and benefit immediately. Although KFN is certainly interested in land that may be preserved or protected for cultural, archaeological, or environmental use, the Nation wants land that can be developed for commercial and economic purpose.

To what extent do you support the above statement? (Select the most appropriate answer)

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3. The Kwikwetlem People have a deep connection to the Riverview Lands that has evolved from the distant past to the present.

Backgrounder

Cultural Recognition: Despite the historic infamy of the Riverview Lands as a mental health facility, the Riverview hillside and riverfront encapsulates the traditions and lifestyle of the Kwikwetlem People since time immemorial. There exists a rich and positive tapestry of Kwikwetlem heritage that must be conveyed through the redevelopment of Riverview.

Kwikwetlem stories, traditional use, language, culture, and the evolution from past to present to the future, must all be recognized and expressed through the development.

To what extent do you support the above statement? (Select the most appropriate answer)

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4. KFN is committed to the protection and recording of archaeological, traditional use and aboriginal cultural values contained within the Riverview Lands

Backgrounder

Traditional Heritage and Archaeology: Riverview Lands lie at the heart of Kwikwetlem territory. Our elders recount generational stories of a time when these lands were used to hunt, gather, take refuge at times of flood or warfare, bury our ancestors , engage in spirit quests, travel, and host our neighboring communities. Finding, documenting, and protecting traces of our ancestral heritage addresses our rights and title interests at Riverview and conveys respect to past and future generations. For this reason, archaeological overview and impact studies must play a key role in all land use planning decisions and processes at Riverview. KFN expects a high standard of cultural resource management applied to all land decisions. Given that the Province is responsible for the history of land use modifications at Riverview, the Nation expects no part in paying for or subsidizing the cultural resource management measures necessary.

To what extent do you support the above statement? (Select the most appropriate answer)

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5. The Kwikwetlem are environmental stewards of their traditional territory and KFN expects the highest environmental standards to be achieved in the development of the Riverview Lands and expect that standard to be achieved at the sole expense of the Province.

Backgrounder

Environment: KFN expect the Riverview Lands to be returned to their pristine environmental state in regards the ground and subsurface contamination of the site. Although KFN recognizes that risk management may be applied to the extensive contamination of the site, KFN expects that a high standard for clean-up, remediation, disposal and mitigation measures be applied. The Province has not recognized KFN title and is responsible for the entire scope of the contamination, and therefore KFN expects no part in paying for or subsidizing the environmental measures necessary.

To what extent do you support the above statement? (Select the most appropriate answer)

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6. KFN aspires to achieve self-sufficiency but have long been excluded from economic activity on their territory. In order to overcome years of economic isolation, the Nation has pursued an intensive and successful policy of business development and beneficial partnerships for opportunities on public projects throughout the region .
- a. As title holders for the Riverview Lands, which will be managed as a large public sector project, KFN expect a significant and preferably legacy economic benefit to Kwikwetlem.
 - b. KFN is particularly interested in economic benefits that lead to training, employment and partnerships such as:
 - i. Priority involvement (direct award, set-aside, preferential bid) in civil contracting, construction, excavation, disposal and project management; and,
 - ii. Ownership of all contracting related to archaeology, traditional use, environmental remediation and mitigation (including project management, abatement, habitat management and compensation, environmental testing, etc) and landscaping (including management of trees and stream setbacks).

Backgrounder

Contracting: KFN has proven capacities related to construction and environmental remediation. KFN is currently in a partnership with the environmental engineering and remediation contractors for a limited scope of contamination, demolition and abatement being addressed at Riverview.

KFN expects to be sole sourced for all environmental works, demolition and remediation related works at Riverview until those works are completed. Through in-house and partnered capacity, KFN is able to participate competitively in excavation, civil construction, utilities relocation, road building and building construction, as well as associated works. As with any other owner/developer, KFN wishes to self-perform wherever efficient and cost-effective to do so.

Large Scale Development Partnership: KFN anticipates that a time may come when part or all of the construction of the redevelopment will be given to large development firms in whatever form (management agreement, contract, 3P, or other). KFN expects to be an owner and participant, and benefit as such, of any development firms brought on to achieve the redevelopment of Riverview.

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7. KFN expect the Riverview Lands to be developed to a highest and best use standard. The KFN objective for highest and best use would be predicated on the maximization of a sustainable economic return to the Nation into the long-term future. KFN would expect to see significant market development at Riverview, including market housing . As such KFN objects to the following regarding the Riverview Lands:
- a. The continued use or expansion of health services and or facilities, including mental health, addictions or treatment facilities, without the express prior consent of the KFN;
 - b. Provincial retention of any part of the Riverview Lands post-development except as a lease tenant resulting from redevelopment.
 - c. Limiting highest and best use by restricting development to the existing footprint.

Backgrounder

Commercial Development: Both, within lands transferred to the Nation and lands co-developed with BC Housing, KFN is very interested in economic and business development at the Riverview Lands . As the planning for Riverview redevelopment uncovers business opportunities, KFN will want to own some or all of those businesses.

Co-Development Partnership: KFN is excited at the opportunity to partner with BC Housing for redevelopment of Riverview. However, KFN needs to maximize the legacy of benefits for the Nation into the future .

Residential Units: KFN believes that the transfer of residential units for KFN sale or use may be an instrument for direct benefit to the Kwikwetlem People.

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