

## Mackenzie Community Arts Council

86 Centennial Dr. Mackenze, BC

Dear Mayor and Council,

On behalf of Mackenzie Community Arts Council, we would like to request the Council consider giving an extension on the August 1, 2024 notice of eviction.

MCAC has taken some big steps towards relocation, however, the building we are moving to requires extensive renovations, upgrades, and repairs. We want to ensure that our new home is safe, accessible, and modern, so that it will sufficiently meet the needs of our community for generations to come. This will require time to properly plan, coordinate and execute our vision.

While MCAC aims to have our new facility up to code and safe for occupancy by August 1, 2024 – it will only be in a limited capacity such as offices and storage until we complete upgrades and renovations. We have applied for grants, but we will not find out if we got those grants until spring of 2024, which does not leave us much time. Realistically, we do not anticipate being able to fully transition to our new home until the summer of 2025.

The Museum has an even greater need for this extension if they are to survive this transition. I know that the Council and Mayor want EBCC tenants to succeed. This community is on the precipice of great change and whether that change will include these vital amenities depends directly on your support!

Please give us a fighting chance.

Sincerely,

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I acknowledge that I live, work and create within the traditional territory of the Tse'khene People of the McLeod Lake Indian Band.