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November 25, 2022

Mr. Mark Wihak



Dear Mr. Wihak,

RE: Delegation Submission of September 20, 2022

Thank you for the submission you provided to the RPL Board of Directors for their meeting on September 27, 2022.

We appreciate the concerns you demonstrate about the environment and the effects a new build will have.

You had a question in your submission that I want to answer:

“In light of the very damaging environmental impact of demolition, I wonder how the demolition of the Central Library aligns with the City of Regina’s commitment to becoming a renewable, net-zero community?”

The environmental impacts of the current building are considerable and every year it remains standing is another year of harmful impact.

For example, the walls aren’t properly insulated, meaning that heat escapes in the winter and cold air escapes in the summer. The roof is set on top of the walls with no insulation, and moisture seeps in and is destroying the walls.

A new build will allow us to amend these issues, so we don’t have as much impact in the years to come.

Environmental assessment is a part of future phases of the renewal project, and it will very much inform how best to approach the long-term future of the Central Library.

Mr. Wihak, I hope this answers the question you raised in your submission. If you have more questions, let me know.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Jeff Barber', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Jeff Barber,
Library Director & CEO, Regina Public Library