



**NEWS RELEASE –TERRACE & DISTRICT AQUATIC CENTRE UPDATE**

***Terrace, BC***

The City of Terrace would like to provide the following update on the Terrace and District Aquatic Centre Project to the community:

We informed the public on August 17, 2018 that a deficiency in the tile works around the edge of the Main Pool had been identified during project construction. Since that time, the City’s project team has continued to work with our prime contractor, Viking Construction, to rectify the issue, and the City is exercising its rights under the contract to ensure the deficiency is corrected to the City’s satisfaction as quickly as possible and without any further cost to the City. We are pleased to report that correction of the deficiency is now underway.

Mayor Carol Leclerc: “We recognize that the long duration of this project has been difficult on many community residents and we sincerely apologize for the inconvenience the closure of the pool has caused. We knew going into it that it would be a complex project as a reconstruction of an old facility but we were thrilled to be given the opportunity to do the \$8.8 million renewal with the support of the \$4.325 million grant from UBCM’s Gas Tax Strategic Priorities Fund. The project continues to be the most cost effective option to provide an upgraded aquatic facility to our community. The project has been a challenge but the City’s project staff are doing everything they can to ensure that the end product is what the Terrace and District Area tax payers are paying for and is a fully renewed facility we can take pride in. We thank you for your continued patience as we bring the project to completion.”

We hope to be announcing very soon that the project is complete and the facility has been handed back over to the City of Terrace. An official opening date will be declared as soon as our prime contractor confirms a project completion date.

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