

Golden Aquatic Centre – Local advisory committee

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Dear Karen and CSRD Board & Staff,

We're writing to request support and direction from the CSRD Board & Staff in keeping the *Golden and Area Aquatic Centre Loan Authorization Bylaw No. 5849, 2022* active for as long as legally possible to allow time to explore all opportunities to see the Aquatic Centre become a reality for our community.

The people of Golden and rural Area A spoke loud and clear in the referendum vote with a 72% positive vote to move this project forward creating a year-round Aquatic facility where residents of all ages and abilities can reap the benefits of healthy activity and socialization through aquatics. Our summers are changing and often the wildfire situation creates poor air quality. At other times of the year, the air quality can also be poor due to many reasons, in addition to the barriers for many residents to stay active in winter. It is in these times that an inclusive place to gather and recreate safely indoors is important for the community.

Despite challenges with funding, it is our belief that the residents overwhelmingly are still supporting this project and we need to continue to work as a team to find a way forward. The old saying "it takes a village" is certainly apt for a project of this magnitude.

Can you provide support to keep this bylaw active as we pursue new opportunities?

We feel that the aquatic centre and our community deserve every opportunity to continue forward with this process. We hope that you as members of the CSRD Board will allow our community the option to continue.

Sincerely

Kat Coatesworth, Spencer Lainchbury & Justin Telfer
Golden On Deck – Local Advisory Committee