



LETTER OF INTENT

Made Between

CONFEDERACY OF TREATY SIX FIRST NATIONS & **CITY OF EDMONTON**

Whereas, the City of Edmonton recognizes that it is on the traditional land of Treaty 6 Territory.

Whereas, the Confederacy of Treaty Six First Nations knows Indigenous experiences of houselessness and housing need are linked to historical trauma, oppression, racism and discrimination as well as government practices and policies, including colonialism, residential schools and the Sixties Scoop which continue to impact Indigenous wellness and well-being in urban settings.

Whereas, the Confederacy of Treaty Six First Nations and the City of Edmonton acknowledge the disproportionate representation of Indigenous Peoples among those experiencing houselessness and housing insecurity in the Edmonton region, as well as those impacted by the drug poisoning crisis.

And Whereas, the City of Edmonton is committed to working towards greater Indigenous-led housing, which includes the Confederacy of Treaty Six First Nations being directly involved in decision-making and activities related to housing for its members in an urban setting.

Now therefore, the parties affirm:

- That the Confederacy of Treaty Six First Nations and the City of Edmonton will continue their positive working relationship to address the immediate and long-term housing needs as well as supportive services to meet the needs of Indigenous Peoples in the Edmonton region.
- That the Confederacy of Treaty Six First Nations and the City of Edmonton agree to revisit, review and revise this letter on an as-needed basis.
- That the commitments in this letter do not legally bind either the Confederacy of Treaty Six First Nations or the City of Edmonton, and the parties may enter into subsequent agreements in the future to further formalize government-to-government relationship to address houselessness, housing and other services.

And commit to the following:

- Both parties agree to meetings between the Chiefs of the Confederacy of Treaty Six First Nations and the Mayor to discuss housing challenges, opportunities and desired outcomes to address houselessness and housing insecurity in the Edmonton region.
- Both parties will undertake joint advocacy as well as housing proposal(s), that are inclusive of wraparound supportive service approaches, and submit them to the provincial and federal government.
- Both parties agree to share and provide updates on efforts to secure provincial and federal government funding for Indigenous housing and related wellness programs and operational funding in order to reduce housing needs of Indigenous Peoples living in the city.

For the the Confederacy of Treaty Six First Nations

For the City of Edmonton

Grand Chief Cody Thomas

Mayor Amarieet Sohi

SIGNED IN THE CITY OF EDMONTON, PROVINCE OF ALBERTA ON MON