

LEASE AND SITE LICENCE

THIS AGREEMENT DATED FOR REFERENCE THIS _____ DAY of December 2018.

BETWEEN:

REGIONAL DISTRICT OF NANAIMO

6300 Hammond Bay Road
Nanaimo, B.C.
VOR 2H0

(the "**Regional District**")

OF THE FIRST PART

AND:

CEDAR SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT SOCIETY

(Inc. No. S-37396)

1644 MacMillan Rd.
Nanaimo, B.C.
V9X 1L9

(the "**Tenant**")

OF THE SECOND PART

WHEREAS:

- A. By Agreement dated the 3rd day of October 2000, made between The Board of School Trustees of School District 68 (Nanaimo-Ladysmith), referred to as the Board and the Regional District of Nanaimo referred to as the Regional District, the Board owns the Lands and Premises described as that part of Lot A, Section 16, Range 8, Cranberry District and of Section 16, Range 1, Cedar District, Plan 48768, shown as "Lease Area" on Plan VIP 71705 (the "**Land**"), and the Regional District owns the Building and Improvements on the Land, formerly known as the North Cedar Elementary School (the "**Building**"), the Land and the Building both being situated at 1644 MacMillan Road, Nanaimo, British Columbia;
- B. The Regional District is the owner of a building on the Land known as the Cedar Heritage Centre (the "**Building**") that was transferred to the Regional District from the Board and that is maintained at the cost of the taxpayers within a service area of the Regional District established for such purpose under Electoral Area 'A' Bylaw No 1467, 2005;
- C. The Tenant wishes to be granted and the Regional District has agreed to grant a Lease and Site License to use the Building and the Land, (the "**Premises**");

NOW THEREFORE THIS AGREEMENT WITNESSES that in consideration of the rents and agreements to be paid and performed by the Tenant, the parties hereto covenant and agree with each other as follows:

1.0 PREMISES

- 1.1. The Regional District leases to the Tenant the Building on the terms and conditions as set out in this Lease; and
- 1.2. The Regional District grants to the Tenant the right and Licence to Occupy the Land, including the parking spaces and playground on the Land during the term of this Lease;

2.0 TERM

- 2.1. The Term of this Lease and the Term of the Licence to Occupy granted under section 1 shall commence on the 1st day of January 2019, and ending on the 31st day of March, 2020.

3.0 USE

- 3.1. The Tenant shall use the Premises solely for a community centre, which for the purposes of the Lease and Licence includes community uses such as but not limited to, special events, programs/activities, meetings, rentals, community gatherings for all ages, community internet and preschool/daycare uses.

4.0 RENT

- 4.1. The Tenant shall pay to the Regional District an annual rental of ten (\$10.00) Dollars due and payable in advance at the commencement of the Term for the Lease and Licence to Occupy granted under this Agreement.

5.0 COVENANTS OF THE TENANT

The Tenant covenants with the Regional District:

5.1. Rent

- (a) to pay rent;

5.2. Rates and Utilities

- (a) to pay as they become due all water, sewer, garbage and other rates in respect of the Premises and charges for all gas, oil, telephone and electric power used on the Premises;

5.3. Taxes

- (a) to pay all taxes, rates, duties and assessments whatsoever, whether municipal, provincial, federal, or otherwise, charged upon the Tenant or the Regional District as a result of the Tenant's occupation of or use of the Premises unless exempted by municipal bylaw;

5.4. **Construction**

- (a) that it will not construct nor alter any buildings or structures on the Premises unless, prior to any construction, it has obtained:
 - (i) the Regional District's approval in writing to the site plan, working drawings, plans, specifications, and elevations, and
 - (ii) a building permit if required from the Regional District authorizing the construction of the buildings and structures set out in the permit and the plans and specifications attached to it, and
 - (iii) all required inspections,and all work shall be carried out at the cost of the Tenant;
- (b) that it will not make any alterations in the structure, plan or partitioning of the Premises nor install any plumbing, piping, wiring or heating apparatus without the prior written consent of the Regional District;

5.5. **Builders' Liens**

- (a) that it will indemnify the Regional District from and against all claims for liens for wages or materials or for damage to persons or property caused during the making of or in connection with any excavation, construction, repairs, alterations, installations and additions which the Tenant may make or cause to be made on, in or to the Premises; and will allow the Regional District to post and will keep posted on the premises any notice that the Regional District may desire to post under the provisions of the Builders' Lien Act;

5.6. **Repair**

- (a) that it will repair, reasonable wear and tear excepted, at the cost and expense of the Tenant, all portions of the Premises which may at any time be damaged by the Tenant;
- (b) that it will keep and leave whole and in good repair all water, gas, and electrical fixtures, glass, pipes, faucets, locks, fastenings, hinges, heating and cooling apparatus, in, on, or attached to the Premises;
- (c) that the Tenant shall leave the Premises in good repair, reasonable wear and tear excepted;
- (d) that the Regional District may enter and view the state of repair and the Tenant shall repair according to any notice given by the Regional District and if the Tenant fails to so repair, the Regional District may, at its option, repair such damage or injury in which case the Tenant shall reimburse the Regional District for all costs and expenses of repair and an additional amount for administration and overhead forthwith upon receipt by the Tenant of invoices therefore;

5.7 **Maintenance**

- (a) to maintain the Premises, at all times to an excellent standard of maintenance;

5.8 **Regional District's Right of Entry**

- (a) that the Regional District, its employees, servants, or agents shall at all times and for all purposes have full and free access to any and every part of the Premises and of any building erected thereon in the presence of the Tenant;
- (b) that the Regional District, its employees, agents, other licensees, contractors, sub-contractors and any other bodies or organizations the Regional District may allow for purposes associated with:
 - (i) Electoral Area 'A' Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission (Area A PRC) regular or special meetings, and Area A PRC community meetings or workshops for the purposes of carrying out the work of the Commission, at no charge.
 - (ii) Electoral Area 'A' meetings or workshops for RDN purposes of three per year at no charge. Any additional Electoral Area 'A' meetings for the Regional District will be charged a rental rate of \$10 per hour up to \$50 per day.
 - (iii) The RDN shall pay the Tenant regular rental charges for any meeting or workshop not contemplated in 5.8.(b)(i) or (ii).
 - (iv) All RDN and Commission bookings will be booked according to CHC procedures and based on availability.

5.9 **Assign or Sublet**

- (a) that it will not assign nor sublet without leave of the Regional District and School Board;
- (b) that the Regional District's consent to assignment or subletting shall not release or relieve the Tenant from its obligations to perform all the terms, covenants and conditions that this Agreement requires the Tenant to perform, and the Tenant shall pay the Regional District's reasonable costs incurred in connection with the Tenant's request for consent;

5.10 **Regulations**

- (a) that it will comply promptly at its own expense with the legal requirements of all authorities and all notices issued under them that are served upon the Regional District or the Tenant, and

5.11 Insurance

- (a) That the Tenant will take out and maintain during the term of policy of general public liability insurance in the amount of not less than Three Million (\$3,000,000) per single occurrence covering the Tenant's indemnity in clause (5.12(a)) and naming the Regional District as an insured party to it and in a form satisfactory to the Regional District, and the Tenant shall provide the Regional District with a certified copy of the policy;
- (b) If alcohol is to be consumed at the facility, the Tenant is responsible to ensure the appropriate licences are acquired, and that the Regional District is named as an additional insured.
- (c) that all policies of insurance taken out by the Tenant shall contain a waiver of subrogation clause in favour of the Regional District and shall also contain a clause requiring the insurer not to cancel or change the insurance without giving the Regional District thirty (30) days prior written notice;
- (d) that if the Tenant does not provide, maintain or enforce the insurance required by this Agreement, the Regional District may take out the necessary insurance and pay the premium for periods of one year at a time and the Tenant shall pay to the Regional District as additional rent, the amount of the premium immediately on demand;
- (e) The Tenant shall take out and keep in full force and effect insurance upon property of every description and kind owned by the Tenant or for which the Tenant is legally liable and which is located on the Premises in an amount of not less than ninety percent (90%) of the full replacement value thereof and with coverage against at least the perils of fire, flood, lightning, earthquake and standard extended coverage.
- (f) If both the Regional District and the Tenant have claims to be indemnified under any insurance required by this Agreement, the indemnity must be applied first to the settlement of the claim of the Regional District and the balance, if any, to the settlement of the claim of the Tenant.
- (g) The deductible on the policy of insurance must be not more than five thousand dollars (\$5,000).

5.12 Indemnification

- (a) that it will indemnify the Regional District from and against all law suits, damages, losses, costs or expenses which the Regional District may incur by reason of the use of the Premises by the Tenant or the carrying on upon the Premises of any activity in relation to the Tenant's use of the Premises and in respect of any loss, damage or injury sustained by any person while on the Premises for the purpose of doing business with the Tenant or otherwise dealing with the Tenant, and this indemnity shall survive the expiry or sooner determination of this Lease and License.

5.13 Possession

- (a) that at the expiration or sooner determination of this Lease peaceably surrender and give up possession of the Premises without notice from the Regional District, any right to notice to quit or vacate being hereby expressly waived by the Tenant despite any law or custom to the contrary;

6.0 REGIONAL DISTRICT'S COVENANTS

- (a) The Regional District covenants with the Tenant for quiet enjoyment provided however that nothing in this clause will limit the rights of access reserved by the Regional District under sections 5.6. (d) and 5.8.(a) of this Agreement, the right of inspection and repair under section 5.7.(a) of this agreement.
- (b) The Regional District will take out and maintain during the term of this Lease and Licence to Occupy a policy of insurance insuring the Building against the risk of loss or damage caused by or resulting from fire or any additional peril against which the Regional District normally insures regional property;
- (c) If the Building is destroyed by fire or any other means, the Regional District has the sole discretion to decide whether to rebuild it, and before making that decision, will consult with the Tenant, and will take into consideration whether
 - (i) the Board, as owner of the Land and the Regional District's Landlord under the Agreement referred to in recital A of this Lease and Site Licence, will permit the Building to be rebuilt of the Lands;
 - (ii) there are sufficient proceeds from the insurance policy referred to in paragraph (b) of this section 6, together with any funds held or raised by the Tenant, to pay all costs of rebuilding;
 - (iii) there is sufficient time remaining in the Terms of both the Agreement referred to in clause (ii) and this Lease and Site Licence to justify rebuilding on the Lands; and
 - (iv) there is another site available to the Regional District of the Tenant where a replacement for the Building may be constructed; and
- (d) if the considerations in (c)(i) or (iii) and (iv) are not favourable or if they are favourable but there are insufficient funds acquired or raised under (c)(ii) within 180 days of the destruction of the Building, then the Regional District may elect not to rebuild and in that case, this Lease and Site Licence will terminate.

6.1 Management Fee

- (a) The Regional District shall pay a management fee to the Tenant to assist the Tenant with maintaining and repairing the premises, and therefore to assist the Tenant in providing community centre services to members of the public. The management fee will be paid in two installments of \$4,000 on or before January 31 and July 31 of each calendar year, for a total of \$8,000 annually.

6.2 Improvements and Capital Projects

- (a) Notwithstanding the Tenant's covenants to repair the Premises stated in sections 5.6. (a), (b), and (c) of this Agreement, the Regional District agrees to provide capital facility improvements associated with the Premises when the cost is above \$2,000 per capital project. When possible, the Regional District will schedule capital work to minimize its effect on scheduled facility use.
- (b) Decisions regarding whether an improvement is a capital facility improvement shall be made by the Regional District in its sole discretion and will be made in accordance with the Regional District Policy A2.5 *Capital/Operating Expenditures Policy*.
- (c) The Regional District agrees to work with the Tenant and meet annually prior to the annual budget preparation to consider discuss capital improvements requested.
- (d) The Tenant will not make any alterations or improvements, nor construct any structures on the Premises, unless it has obtained Regional District approval in writing to make such alterations, improvements or construction.

7.0 MANAGEMENT COVENANTS

7.1. The Tenant covenants and agrees with the Regional District:

- (a) That the Tenant will not carry on or do or allow to be carried on or done on the Premises anything that:
 - (i) May be or become a nuisance to the Landlord or the public,
 - (ii) Increases the hazard of fire or liability of any kind,
 - (iii) Increases the premium rate of insurance against loss by fire or liability upon the Premises or
 - (iv) Invalidates any policy of insurance for the Premises; or
 - (v) Directly or indirectly causes damage to the Premises.
- (b) to spend any grant money that may be received from the Regional District on the Building and Land only and not on other Tenant's projects or purposes;
- (c) to use revenue from the Tenant's rental of all or part of the Building to pay for the maintenance and operation of the Building;
- (d) to provide an annual report to the Regional District of the Tenant's fund raising activities for the building and the operation by the Tenant of the Premises;

8.0 MISCELLANEOUS COVENANTS

It is hereby mutually agreed:

8.1. Re-entry

- (a) that the Regional District may re-enter the Premises on non-payment of rent or additional rent, or non-performance of covenants;

8.2. Effect of Waiver

- (a) that the Regional District by waiving or neglecting to enforce the right to forfeiture of this Lease or the right of re-entry upon breach of any covenants, condition or agreement in it does not waive its rights upon any subsequent breach of same or any other covenant or condition of this Agreement;

8.3. Distress

- (a) that if the Regional District is entitled to levy distress against the goods and chattels of the Tenant, the Regional District may use enough force necessary for the purpose and for gaining admittance to the Premises and the Tenant releases the Regional District from liability for any loss or damage sustained by the Tenant as a result;

8.4. Termination

- (a) the Regional District may at any time terminate this Lease by giving to the Tenant forty five (45) days' notice in writing and the Tenant thereupon and also in the event of the termination of the Lease in any other manner if required by the Regional District shall forthwith remove from the Premises all structures, machinery, supplies, articles, materials, effects and things at any time brought or placed thereon or therein by the Tenant and shall also, to the satisfaction of the Regional District, repair any damage and injury occasioned to the Premises by reason of such removal and the Tenant shall not be entitled for any compensation for such removal. It is further agreed that unless required by the Regional District, the Tenant shall not remove any goods, chattels, materials, effects or things from the Premises until all rent or additional rent due or to become due under the Lease is fully paid; and
- (b) the Tenant may at any time terminate this Lease by giving to the Regional District ninety (90) days' notice in writing to the Regional District;

8.5. Insolvency

- (a) that if
 - (i) the Term or any of the goods or chattels on the Premises are at any time seized or taken in execution or attachment by any creditor of the Tenant, or
 - (ii) if a writ of execution issues against the goods or chattels of the Tenant, or

- (iii) if the Tenant makes any assignment for the benefit of creditors, or
- (iv) if the Tenant becomes insolvent or bankrupt, or
- (v) if the premises or any part of them becomes vacant and unoccupied for a period of thirty (30) days or is used by any other person or persons for any purpose other than permitted in this Lease without the written consent of the Regional District (Ryan used 'Landlord'), or
- (vi) being an incorporated company or society if proceedings are begun to wind up the company or society, the Term shall, at the option of the Regional District, immediately become forfeited and the then current month's rent for the three months next following shall immediately become due and payable as liquidated damages to the Regional District, and the Regional District may re-enter and repossess the Premises despite any other provision of this Lease.

8.6. Amendments

- (a) The parties hereto may consent from time to time to amend the terms of the Agreement. Notice of a proposed change shall be made in writing to the other party (thirty) 30 days before the date upon which such amendment is to take effect, unless the notice period is waived by consent of both parties. The parties agree that no amendment shall take effect until approved in writing by the Board.

8.7. Removal of Goods

- (a) if the Tenant removes its goods and chattels from the Premises, the Regional District may follow them for thirty (30) days;

8.8. Notices

- (a) that any notice required to be given under this Lease shall be deemed to be sufficiently given:
 - (i) if delivered, at the time of delivery, and
 - (ii) if mailed from any government post office in the Province of British Columbia by prepaid, registered mail and addressed as follows:

if to the Regional District:

6300 Hammond Bay Road
Nanaimo, BC
V9T 6N2

if to the Tenant:

1644 MacMillan Road
Nanaimo, BC
V9X 1L9

or at the address a party may from time to time designate, then the notice shall be deemed to have been received 48 hours after the time and date of mailing. If, at the time of mailing of the notice, the delivery of mail in the Province of British Columbia has been interrupted in whole or in part by reason of a strike, slow down, lock-out or other labour dispute, then the notice may only be given by actual delivery of it;

8.9. Fitness of Premises

- (a) that the Regional District has made no representations or warranties as to the condition, fitness or nature of the Premises and by executing this Agreement, the Tenant releases the Regional District from any and all claims which the Tenant now has or may in future have in that respect;
- (b) that the Tenant admits that it has inspected the Premises in their present state and that they are suitable for the Tenant's purposes;

8.10. Fixtures

- (a) that, unless the Tenant, upon notice from the Regional District, removes them, all buildings, structures or improvements constructed on the Premises by the Tenant, save and except for moveable business fixtures of the Tenant, shall, at the determination of the Lease, become the sole property of the Regional District at no cost to the Regional District.

8.11. Payments by the Regional District

- (a) that if the Regional District incurs any damage, loss or expense or makes any payment for which the Tenant is liable under this Agreement, then the Regional District may add the cost or amount of the damage, loss, expense or payment to the rent and may recover it as if it were rent or additional rent in arrears;

8.12. Holding Over

- (a) that if the Tenant holds over following the term and the Regional District accepts rent, this Agreement becomes a tenancy-at-will subject to those conditions in this Agreement applicable to a tenancy-at-will, and in the event the termination of the tenancy-at-will, any rent prepaid shall be adjusted for the period of actual occupation, it being expressly agreed that the acceptance of rent, or any implied condition or any implication of law shall in no way renew this lease or create any tenancy other than a tenancy-at-will;

8.13. Lease

- (a) the parties hereto acknowledge that the Licence to Occupy granted by this Agreement requires, as a condition precedent, that the consent of the head Landlord under the Regional District's lease of the Land, must be obtained and upon such consent the Tenant covenants and agrees with the Regional District to perform all covenants, conditions and provisos to be performed by the Regional District under the lease between the Regional District and its Landlord as amended to the intent and for the purpose that no default shall arise from the tenancy created by this Agreement.

8.14. Net Lease

- (a) that this Lease shall be a complete carefree net lease to the Regional District as applicable to the Premises and the Regional District shall not be responsible during the Term for any cost, charges, expenses or outlays of any nature whatsoever in respect of the Premises or its contents except those mentioned in this Lease.

8.15. Annual Meeting

- (a) that either the Regional District or the Tenant may request a meeting, once each year of the Term of the Agreement, to be attended by the Manager of Recreation Services, of the Regional District and the Tenant's Chairperson for the purpose of discussing any matter or issues relating to the Buildings or Land;

8.16. Interpretation

- (a) that when the singular or neuter are used in this Agreement they include the plural or the feminine or the masculine or the body politic or corporate where the context or the parties require;
- (b) that the headings to the clauses in this Agreement have been inserted as a matter of convenience and for reference only and in no way define, limit or enlarge the scope or meaning of this Agreement or any provision of it;

8.17. Binding Effect

- (a) this Agreement shall endure to the benefit of and be binding upon the parties hereto and their respective successors, administrators and permitted assignees;

8.18. Law Applicable

- (a) that this Agreement shall be construed in accordance with and governed by the laws applicable in the Province of British Columbia.

9.0 TREE CUTTINGS, EXCAVATIONS AND HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE

- 9.1. (a) The Licensee must not carry on or do or allow to be carried on or done on the land any cutting, clearing or removal of trees, bushes or other vegetation or growth or any excavation or disturbance of the surface of the Land and must not bring on or deposit any soil or fill on the Land except with the written consent of the Regional District.
- (b) The Licensee must not bring on, deposit, store, spray or apply nor cause or permit to be brought on, deposited, stored, sprayed or applied on or to the Land or any trees, bush or vegetation on the Land any chemical fertilizer, herbicide, pesticide, chemical product, petroleum product or any other substance which is capable of contaminating the Land or any water on the Land.

10.0 ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS

- 10.1. For the purposes of paragraph 10.2 below:

- (a) **“Contaminants”** means any pollutants, contaminants, deleterious substances, underground or above-ground tanks, asbestos materials, hazardous, corrosive, or toxic substances, special waste or waste of any kind, or any other substance which is now or hereafter prohibited, controlled, or regulated under Environmental Laws; and
- (b) **“Environmental Laws”** means any statutes, laws, regulations, orders, bylaws, standards, guidelines, permits, and other lawful requirements of any governmental authority having jurisdiction over the Premises now or hereafter in force relating in any way to the environment, environmental assessment, health, occupational health and safety, or transportation of dangerous goods, including the principles of common law and equity.

10.2. The Licensee covenants and agrees as follows:

- (a) not to use or permit to be used all or any part of the Premises for the sale, storage, manufacture, handling, disposal, use, or any other dealing with any Contaminants, without the prior written consent of the Regional District, which consent may be unreasonably withheld;
- (b) to strictly comply, and cause any person for whom it is in law responsible to comply, with all Environmental Laws regarding the use and occupancy of the Premises;
- (c) to promptly provide to the Regional District a copy of any environmental site assessment, audit, report, or test results relating to the Premises conducted by or for the Licensee at any time;
- (d) to maintain all environmental site assessments, audits, reports, and test results relating to the Premises in strict confidence and not to disclose their terms or existence to any third party (including without limitation any governmental authority) except as required by law, to the Licensee’s professional advisers and lenders on a need-to-know basis, or with the prior written consent of the Regional District, which consent may be unreasonably withheld;
- (e) to promptly notify the Regional District in writing of any release of a Contaminant or any other occurrence or condition at the Premises or any adjacent property which could contaminate the License Area or subject the Regional District or the Licensee to any fines, penalties, orders, investigations, or proceedings under Environmental Laws;
- (f) on the expiry or earlier termination of this License, or at any time if requested by the Regional District or required by any governmental authority under Environmental Laws, to remove from the Premises all Contaminants, and to remediate by removal any contamination of the Premises or any adjacent property resulting from Contaminants, in either case brought onto, used at, or released from the Premises by the Licensee or any person for whom it is in law responsible. The Licensee shall perform these obligations promptly at its own cost and in accordance with Environmental Laws. All such Contaminants shall remain the property of the Licensee, notwithstanding any rule of law or other provision of this License to the contrary and notwithstanding the degree of their affixation to the Premises; and
- (g) to indemnify the Regional District and its directors, appointed officers, employees, agents, successors, and assigns from any and all liabilities, actions, damages, claims,

remediation cost recovery claims, losses, costs, orders, fines, penalties, and expenses whatsoever (including all legal and consultants' fees and expenses and the cost of remediation of the Premises and any adjacent property) arising from or in connection with:

- (i) any breach of or non-compliance with the provisions of this paragraph 10.2 by the Licensee; or
- (ii) any release or alleged release of any Contaminants at or from the Premises related to or as a result of the use and occupation of the Premises or any act or omission of the Licensee or any person for whom it is in law responsible.

10.3. The obligations of the Licensee under paragraph 10.2 above shall survive the expiry or earlier termination of this License.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the parties hereto have set their hands and seals as of the day and year first above written.

For the REGIONAL DISTRICT OF NANAIMO

For the CEDAR SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT SOCIETY

Authorized Signatory

Authorized Signatory