

Village of Hines Creek Council Request for Decision (RFD)

Meeting:	Regular Council Meeting
Meeting Date:	March 25, 2025
Originated By:	Leanne Walmsley, Chief Administrative Officer
Title:	Item for Information – Letter from Adriana LaGrange Minister of Health
File:	1225

BACKGROUND/PROPOSAL:

Attached is a response letter from Minister of Health Adriana LaGrange on the Maskwa Medical Center.

COSTS/SOURCE OF FUNDING (if applicable)

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS COUNCIL STRATEGIC PLAN

- ☒ Make the Village of Hines Creek an attractive and desirable place to live.
- ☒ Create an environment where residents and business feel valued and comfortable airing their concerns, and where their problems, ideas, and inputs are valued.
- ☐ Being progressive and open to innovative ideas.
- ☐ Financially sound management that utilizes public funds efficiently and effectively.
- ☐ Not Applicable

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Resolution by.... to receive the response letter from Adriana LaGrange Minister of Health.

Initials show support- Reviewed by:	Manager:	C.A.O. <i>Lu</i>
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Her Worship Hazel Reintjes
Mayor, Village of Hines Creek
PO Box 421
Hines Creek AB T0H 2A0

Sent via email: executiveassistant@hinescreek.com

Dear Mayor Reintjes:

Thank you for your letter to the Honourable Danielle Smith, Premier of Alberta, expressing support for the development of the Maskwa Medical Center (MMC). As Minister of Health, I appreciate the opportunity to respond on behalf of the Government of Alberta, and I apologize for the delay in my reply.

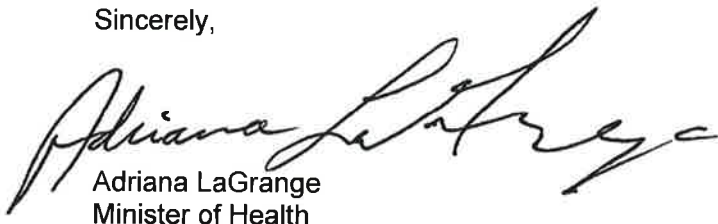
Alberta's government appreciates MMC representatives' significant efforts to deliver a state-of-the-art health facility that will improve accessibility and provide high-quality health care in the region. Rest assured that Alberta Health is working with the MMC on a Clinical Alternative Relationship Plan (ARP) to fund physician services at the facility once it is established. Clinical ARPs provide an alternative compensation model to the traditional fee-for-service model.

Alberta Health is evaluating the MMC's proposal to identify funding opportunities. MMC representatives may also explore funding opportunities with the federal government or through private partnerships.

You may also be interested to know that Alberta Health recently entered into a grant agreement with the Northern Alberta Primary Care Academic Clinic to provide clinical teaching in Grande Prairie. This three-year grant will provide operational support for the clinic, which will train primary care physicians, nurse practitioners, and other allied health professionals. This will enhance primary care services for rural communities.

Thank you again for writing and for your dedication to supporting the health and well-being of your community.

Sincerely,



Adriana LaGrange
Minister of Health