



MST-CLC Joint Venture

Call for Expressions of Interest:

Cultural Liaison

Heather Street Lands and Jericho Lands Projects

Submission Deadline: 31 May 2019

Introduction:

In 2014, the Musqueam Indian Band, Squamish Nation, and Tsleil-Waututh Nation (collectively the MST Partnership) and Canada Lands Company (CLC) came together to form a unique joint venture partnership (JV Partnership) to acquire and develop sites in the Vancouver region, including the Heather Street Lands and the Jericho Lands. The Musqueam Indian Band, Squamish Nation, and Tsleil-Waututh Nation have a strong cultural connection to these lands. In developing them and owning them in perpetuity, they will provide opportunities to their members.

The JV Partnership seeks to ensure the culture, tradition and values of the Musqueam Indian Band, Squamish Nation, and Tsleil-Waututh Nation are well represented in the Heather Street Lands and Jericho Lands projects – including but not limited to the planning, design, public art and interpretive installations and cultural programming that will come in the neighbourhoods.

In May 2018 the Heather Street Lands Policy Statement was approved, setting out the development vision for a new neighbourhood including parks and open space, residential, commercial and community uses, a daycare and an MST Nations Cultural Centre. The JV Partnership is now embarking on the 2-3-year process to rezone the lands which requires the development of more detail around inclusion of the Nations culture, tradition and values within the plan and in development guidelines for the future.

In February and March 2019, the JV Partnership, working with the City of Vancouver, launched the planning process to prepare a policy statement for the Jericho Lands. The policy statement for Jericho will guide the redevelopment of both the 52 acres co-owned by CLC-MST and the 38 acres owned by MST into a significant new neighbourhood. The Musqueam Indian Band, Squamish Nation, and Tsleil-Waututh Nation have a unique relationship with Jericho, and the MST-CLC Joint Venture Management Committee seeks to include input of the MST culture, traditions and values from the outset of the process to create a new vision for the lands. The planning and development of the full 90 acres will take place over a multi-year, multi-phase timeline. The Policy Statement preparation is expected to be done over 2-3 years, followed by rezoning of another 2-3 years.

Cultural Liaison Consulting Role:

It is a key priority for the JV Partnership to integrate Musqueam, Squamish and Tsleil-Waututh perspectives, knowledge, traditions, and culture into the planning and design of the Heather Street Lands and the Jericho Lands projects. The MST-CLC Joint Venture Management Committee is therefore seeking one individual from each Nation to act as a Cultural Liaison, in a consulting role to inform the planning and development of these two properties.

The Cultural Liaison will work with the MST DC - CLC management and technical teams, and their design teams to:

- Inform site planning efforts from a cultural perspective.
- Support content development and communications for engagement events.
- Provide input to background studies related to culture and heritage.
- Participate in project meetings to inform discussions and take away information to share in your community.
- Advise on culturally appropriate engagement and communication activities.

Responsibilities:

- Respect the unique and unprecedented collaboration of the Musqueam, Squamish and Tsleil-Waututh in the MST Partnership and seek ways to reflect the shared values, traditions and culture of the Nations. Seek to generate harmony and explore differences positively.
- Respect the unique collaboration of the MST Partnership with CLC and seek ways to support the management team to guide a successful project for all involved.
- Respect the timelines of the real estate project, which is driven by the City of Vancouver process and community engagement demands, and other factors not always within management's direct control.
- Act as an advisor in transmitting indigenous ways of knowing and expressing culture and traditions into the projects.
- Serve as a link between members of the communities and the project managers to aid in gathering input from the community to share with the project team and convey project information back to the community.
- Support content development for public and Nations members' engagement events and communications to reflect Musqueam, Squamish and Tsleil-Waututh approaches.
- Work cooperatively with MST DC – CLC management and the Joint Venture Management Committee.
- Help support the success of the Heather Street Lands and Jericho Lands projects as a proud legacy for the Musqueam, Squamish and Tsleil-Waututh communities.

Nature of Tasks:

- Work with MST DC - CLC management to understand the project needs and provide input that will support the success of each unique task or opportunity.
- Meet with members of your community to seek input and convey stories, culture, traditions back into the planning of the projects which may require setting up small or large group meetings;
- Support the MST DC - CLC project management and technical teams, which may include:
 - Participate in the City of Vancouver's Jericho Working Group to provide your Nations' cultural perspective to the discussions;
 - Participate in project coordination meetings with the project managers, design team and/or City of Vancouver to inform the discussions and take away information to share in your community;
 - Attend Joint Venture Management Committee Communications Team meetings.
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Eligibility:

This Call for Expressions of Interest is open to Musqueam Indian Band, Squamish Nation and Tsleil-Waututh Nation members who demonstrate knowledge of culture, stories, traditions, and who can liaise with their respective community's leadership, elders and members to seek input and share project information.

The position requires a commitment to attend an estimated 3-6 meetings per month on an as needed basis, as well as undertaking occasional project work for 24 months, starting in June 2019.

Remuneration:

- Position will be a contracted hourly role remunerated based on hours worked per week.
- Position will be paid by Canada Lands Company on behalf of MST DC – CLC project management. Invoicing to be provided by the Cultural Liaison consultant monthly.
- Remuneration rate will be commensurate with rates paid by Musqueam Indian Band, Squamish Nation and Tsleil-Waututh Nation for similar positions.

Selection Process:

- Expressions of Interest will be submitted to MST DC – CLC project management for receipt and sorting.
- Musqueam Indian Band, Squamish Nation, and Tsleil-Waututh Nation will each confirm the selection of the Cultural Liaison in an independent process.
- Joint Venture Management Committee representatives for MST are:
 - o Councillor Allyson Fraser, Musqueam Indian Band,
 - o Councillor Chris Lewis, Squamish Nation,
 - o Matt Thomas, Tsleil-Waututh Nation.

Submission Requirements:

- i) A Letter of Interest identifying
 - a. your interpretation of the opportunity
 - b. previous experience that demonstrates your ability to carry out this role
 - c. why you think you are suited to the role
 - d. your name and contact information

- ii) Two references (include name, contact info, position or title and/or your relationship to the person, with phone number and email address) from people who are familiar with your experience and ability to carry out the role.

Contacts:

Should you have questions please don't hesitate to contact:

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PLEASE SUBMIT EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST BY 4:00 PM on MAY 31, 2019 TO:

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Expressions of Interest can be emailed to ecampbell@clc.ca or delivered to CLC office at Suite 200-4949 Heather Street, Vancouver, V5Z 3L7.

Thank you very much for your interest in the Cultural Liaison role!