

*Text of email sent by Susan Chapman, Co-President, DRA Board to Premier Gordon Campbell and Michael de Jong, Minister of Aboriginal Relations and Reconciliation.*

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Dear Premier Campbell,

I am writing on behalf of the Dunbar Residents' Association to request information about the negotiations underway between the Province of British Columbia and the Musqueam First Nation regarding the land currently occupied by the University Golf Club in Vancouver.

We understand that this negotiation stems from an order of BC Court of Appeal in its 2005 decision, *Musqueam Band v. British Columbia*, and that the Province is acting upon its duty to accommodate the interests of the Musqueam First Nation. We also understand that the Province is considering a transfer of the land occupied by the University Golf Club to the Musqueam First Nation. What is not clear to us is the nature of the transfer, whether an alternative parcel or parcels of land may be involved in the transfer, and when the transfer might occur.

As this issue is a growing concern in our community, we would appreciate your earliest reply to our inquiry. In particular we request your response to the following questions:

- What is the relationship of the current negotiation between the Province of British Columbia and the Musqueam First Nation to any overall land claim made by the Musqueam?
- Is the Province considering or is there a plan to transfer any other parcel of Crown land within Pacific Spirit Park to the Musqueam First Nation?
- Is there a proposed date for any such transfer of lands whether the University Golf Club land or some other parcel?

We do not intend our questions to be exhaustive of our interest in this matter and would appreciate any additional information you can provide that will assist in our informing our community of the facts.

Yours truly,

Susan Chapman