



January 9, 2023

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Dear MLA Kent:

RE: Transfer of Title Process

Thank you for your letter of December 14th regarding the process to transfer title. The Land Management Branch is always looking for opportunities to enhance processes for land sales and lotteries and we appreciate your interest.

In 2020, the assessment of building commitments to support titling of Yukon government lots within the City of Whitehorse was transferred to Energy, Mines and Resources from Yukon Housing Corporation. Until a proper inspection process was established, we accepted, as an interim measure, photos of residences showing the clad to weather requirement had been met. As part of our goal of continual improvement and to ensure transparency and consistency, the branch moved away from using photographs to determine building commitments had been fulfilled and shifted to the receipt of building occupancy permits to make this determination. This change aligns with the well-established city inspection process. The building commitment does not require final occupancy, but rather occupancy approval.

This process change was established through discussions with the City of Whitehorse and was communicated in subsequent lottery packages that were available to all applicants to review. This process is also outlined in the terms and conditions of each Agreement for Sale.

Thank you again for your inquiry. Please let me know if you have any further questions.

Sincerely,

John Streicker
Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources