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via email: CONNECTIVE.CA

Dear Ms. Sandha:

RE: Connective Contract for Services at 405 Alexander Street

This letter is in reply to your March 23, 2026 letter to Premier Dixon.

As discussed in January, and with department officials in March 2026, we remain committed to our mandate including our intention to review the Whitehorse Emergency Shelter and change its operating model. To conduct a review, we have committed to work with Yukon First Nations through the 405 Alexander Advisory Committee as a forum to seek advice and input on potential opportunities, and to advise on changes to the operating model. The co-chair leads are working to convene the group in April 2026 to consider the existing reviews and reports and recommendations, as well as to find common shared objectives and Yukon First Nation perspectives.

We encourage your team to provide your ideas, operational insights, and other considerations to the Yukon government co-chair ADM, Stephen Doyle, and his team lead Anne Aram. In particular, officials will be interested in your team's perspective for improvement, higher-barrier models, and ideas for decentralization to aim to improve community safety and wellbeing. Anne Aram, Director, Homelessness and Housing Services, Department of Health and Social Services can be reached at 867-332-0496 or anne.aram@yukon.ca.

Sincerely,

Hon. Brad Cathers
Minister of Health and Social Services

cc: Premier Currie Dixon
Matt King, Deputy Minister, Health and Social Services
Stephen Doyle, Assistant Deputy Minister, Social Services Division