

City of Maple Ridge News Release

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June 5 Update: City of Maple Ridge Injunction Application

Maple Ridge, BC: On Monday, June 5 the City of Maple Ridge appeared before the BC Supreme Court in Vancouver seeking an injunction to end the illegal occupation of the St. Anne property that commenced on May 2, 2017.

The injunction application has been adjourned to provide time for people occupying the St. Anne site to obtain legal counsel and prepare their defense. The injunction application hearing is scheduled to resume on Tuesday, June 20, 2017 at BC Supreme Court in Vancouver.

The City will continue to support BC Housing and Fraser Health teams that are already deployed in the community to ensure that people occupying the St. Anne property are connected with housing and health care services.

The City of Maple Ridge recognizes the need for long term solutions to address issues around shelter, addiction and mental health. The City continues to support the BC Housing offer to invest \$15 million in our community and is ready to move forward with a formal application at any time.

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