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Operator Selected for New leləm' Community Centre

The UEL administration is pleased to announce that YMCA BC has been selected as the operator for the new leləm' YMCA community centre.

Located at 5490 Shortcut Rd, the 15,000-square-foot leləm' YMCA community centre will offer residents a new public space for recreation, fitness and community programming. The centre will provide access to a weight room, gymnasium and a range of health and wellness programs.

Following a competitive process, the UEL administration has contracted YMCA BC to operate the centre and deliver programs for residents, drawing on the organization's experience operating community recreation centres and providing people across B.C. with welcoming spaces where they can connect with others, while accessing life-enhancing programs that benefit their health and wellbeing.

A Community Centre Advisory Board (CCAB), made up of leləm' property owners and representatives from Musqueam Indian Band and the UEL, will advise the UEL Manager on the facility's operations and work with YMCA BC to help deliver the best services for residents. The UEL administration is committed to funding the facility on behalf of property owners, and ensuring all residents have access to programming.

The leləm' community centre was delivered as a community amenity through the development of Musqueam Indian Band-owned lands in the UEL, with Musqueam Indian Band funding and constructing the facility under the terms of the agreement. The building is now owned by the Province (UEL), while the land is leased from the Musqueam Indian Band. YMCA BC is now responsible for programming, operations and maintenance of the new centre.

The centre is expected to open this summer.

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