



Mayor's Office

September 23, 2020

Honourable Adriana LaGrange Minister of Education Office of the Minister 228 Legislature Building 10800 – 97 Avenue Edmonton, Alberta T5K 2B6

## Dear Minister LaGrange:

The City of St. Albert and Sturgeon County have been approached by Landrex to support a proposal to provide lands within Sturgeon County (outside of current St. Albert municipal boundaries) to the St. Albert Public School District for a new high school site, in lieu of modernization of Bellerose High School within St. Albert. The proposed site is subject to current annexation negotiations between the City of St. Albert and Sturgeon County. Both municipalities are hopeful that annexation negotiations will be concluded by the end of 2020 and for an Annexation Order to be effective for these lands on January 1, 2022.

With that information as background, the City and County are both supportive of exploring new methods to make school sites available. We look forward to learning more from Landrex about the details of their proposal, including but not limited to:

- Whether the full fee simple title for the land will be transferred to the St. Albert Public School District or if an alternative land ownership arrangement is contemplated and if so the details of said arrangement.
- Timing of the transfer of the school site.
- Whether Landrex intends to dedicate the site as municipal reserve.
- How and when servicing is anticipated to be provided to the site.
- How and when transportation access will be provided to the site.
- The extent of support for the site from the Sturgeon Public School District, within which the lands are located.

• What contingencies may be in place should the annexation be delayed in any way from the anticipated 2022 date.

If you have any comments or questions, please contact Kevin Scoble, Chief Administrative Officer with the City of St. Albert at 780-459-1502 or <a href="mailto:kscoble@stalbert.ca">kscoble@stalbert.ca</a>.

Yours sincerely,

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