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From: Kenney, Greg
Sent: May 9, 2019 2:50 PM
To: Nussbaum, Tobi
Cc: de Passillé, Véronique; Marcotte, Art
Subject:
Attachments: RE: Above and beyond the call of duty

Hi Tobi, (FYI I have attached a recent note of thanks [redacted] at the OSGG.)

The likely reason for today's call with [redacted] is to discuss funding for the Ballroom Audio/Visual (AV) Project. At the first meeting of the development team this week, [redacted] seemed surprised/unaware that OSGG would be funding this work.

Here is a list of other possible topics coming from several recent discussions with [redacted]

- Contacts for NCC/OSGG for regular meetings –

- Although we shared our deck outlining all funded and approved projects, OSGG is demanding a 5-year Capital Plan from the NCC. We are expected to include the following OSGG identified priorities in any planned spending:
 - o Rehabilitation of the external fence
 - o Repatriation of the Chancellery to Rideau Hall
 - o HVAC installation in the Minto wing
 - o Implement requirements for a secure Monk wing (main floor)
 - o Long term plan for the residence including state rooms and 2nd floor Minto wing.

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- Installation of a Privacy Screen for the patio at [redacted]
- Requirements for NCC staff to have accommodations (offices/garage) on the Rideau Hall site

Given the events of the past week I suggest the following key messages:

- The NCC is an independent, Crown Corporation at arm's length from Government. This is to ensure the objective selection and implementation of projects based on operational requirements, thereby avoiding even the perception of influence by residents.
- The *Financial Administration Act* and the Treasury Board Policy on Financial Management seek to ensure "Public resources are used prudently and in an economical manner". As a result we require sound rationale to appropriately justify the use of tax dollars.
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If you have a few minutes I am happy to discuss.

Greg