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Court Approves Consent Order to Address Life Safety Issues at St. Anne Camp

Maple Ridge, BC: On Monday, November 27 the City of Maple Ridge and lawyers representing the occupants of the St. Anne Camp appeared before the BC Supreme Court with an agreement to address the life safety issues at the site, along with a request to make the agreement legally binding. Addressing these life safety issues was at the core of the City's decision to resume the injunction process last month.

The BC Supreme Court issued the Consent Order. As part of the agreement, the City has adjourned the portion of the injunction requesting the removal of the camp. This will provide the Province time to develop a plan to offer housing solutions for the occupants.

The City has urged the Province to engage in a public dialogue around possible solutions and that this should be done before site selection. This would allow citizens the opportunity to ask questions they have around housing and health care supports, and neighbourhood impacts.

The City will continue to monitor the site to ensure that conditions of the Consent Order are met and ensure the safety and security of citizens in and around the camp location.

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