



To: Mayor and Council
From: Jane Fernyhough
Manager of Heritage and Cultural Services
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Re: Execution of Department of Canadian Heritage Contribution Agreement - BC Packers On-Line Project

An application was submitted by Museum & Heritage Services to the Department of Canadian Heritage (PCH) Partnership Fund for funding to create and launch an on-line exhibit: "In Their Words: The Story of BC Packers" that would document the story of British Columbia Packers Ltd. (BC Packers), and its impact on the growth and development of the cultural communities along the Pacific Coast and the Fraser River.

Through the 'voices' of its workers, the project will explore both the operational side of the fishing/canning industry, as well as the social and cultural elements of life with BC Packers. The City's collection includes more than 800 artefacts (industrial equipment, packaging equipment, fishing and canning implements as well as personal effects that once belonged to BC Packers workers) from BC Packers Imperial Plant, maps, charts and correspondence from 1905 to World War I that chronicle the beginnings and development of the BC Packers Association.

The project is a partnership between the Richmond Museum, City of Richmond Archives, Gulf of Georgia Cannery, City of Richmond IT Department, School District No. 38, Zero One Design and the City of Richmond Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services.

The application requested funding of \$106,853 from PCH. The application has been successful and requires the City entering into a Contribution Agreement.

A resolution of Council is required to authorize the Mayor and the Director, City Clerk's Office to sign the Contribution Agreement and any subsequent reports required on behalf of the City.

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Resolution:

That the Mayor and the Director, City Clerk's Office be authorized to sign the Contribution Agreement and any subsequent reports regarding the on-line exhibit: "In Their Words: The Story of BC Packers".