



December 10, 2020

Honourable Tracy Allard
Minister of Municipal Affairs
132 Legislature Building
10800 – 97 Avenue
Edmonton, AB T5K 2B6

Dear Minister Allard;

The Towns of Black Diamond and Turner Valley have received your letter of November 5, 2020, responding to our Notice of Proposed Amalgamation and the questions contained within. Your letter provided the Towns with three (3) possible scenarios for the Municipal Election Nomination Period. At the November 19, 2020 meeting of the Joint Friendship Agreement Committee, it was decided that the Towns would like to proceed as presented in Scenario 3 of your letter:

“Scenario 3

- Your municipalities choose to continue with your currently proposed timeline, culminating in amalgamation, if it occurs, in January 2023.
- As I am not prepared to defer elections for such a significant time period, the current dates for local elections, include a January 1, 2021 start of the nomination period and an election date of October 18, 2021, will remain in effect.”

The council members thank you for your offered options but have determined that Scenario 3 allows them the time they need to undertake the critical work of amalgamation to the best of their ability.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "B Crane".

His Worship Barry Crane
Mayor
Town of Turner Valley

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Ruth Goodwin".

Her Worship Ruth Goodwin
Mayor
Town of Black Diamond

cc: Linda Reynolds, Municipal Viability Advisor