

December 14, 2009

Mr. Joe Kuchta
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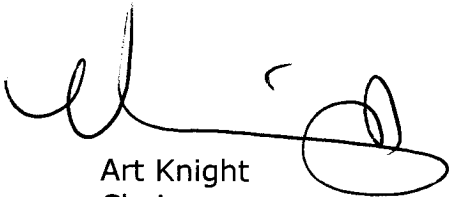
Dear Mr. Kuchta:

This is to acknowledge your letter of December 6, 2009.

I can advise that the Mendel Art Gallery provided City Council with all the information it wished.

Furthermore, I wish to inform you that I will not enter into further correspondence with you in this matter.

Yours truly,



Art Knight
Chair
Board of Trustees
Mendel Art Gallery

December 6, 2009

Dr. Art Knight, Chairperson
Mendel Art Gallery Board of Trustees
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Dear Dr. Knight:

I am writing regarding the Mendel Art Gallery and comments that were attributed to you in the *StarPhoenix* and *CBC News*. I have some questions I was hoping you could respond to.

In the December 1, 2009, *StarPhoenix* article 'Council approves art gallery move' you were quoted as saying that the gallery's expansion and renovation plan "wasn't going to work at the current location."

"We had some stinging advice . . . that (the renovation) wasn't going to fly."

Could you please tell me the name of the person (or persons) that gave the Mendel this advice and the date on which it was given?

In the December 1, 2009, *CBC News* article 'Mendel Art Gallery on the Move,' Sheri Ebert reported you as saying 'there were time constraints that forced [the Mendel] to make the decision to make use of the federal money.'

Could you please tell me what were the time constraints and who imposed them?

Lastly, I would like to inquire about the four-page brochure titled 'A New Time. A New Place. A New Destination' that was distributed at the April 3, 2009, press conference in which you were a participant.

Could you please tell me the exact date of the brochure and who wrote the content?

Page one of the brochure states: "We've fully explored the implications of expanding our old home. With our partners in the City, Provincial and Federal governments, we have come to the conclusion a new building is the best fit for Saskatoon's expanding future and our city's amazing new urban riverfront."

Could you please tell me the date "the conclusion" was reached and the name (or names) of the federal government officials that were involved in reaching it?

Thank you very much for your time. I look forward to your reply.

Sincerely,



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