

## **ROYAL GEORGE THEATRE – BY-LAW & REZONING UPDATE**

November 20, 2025

---

On November 18<sup>th</sup>, Town Council approved the staff recommendation report with an amendment directing Town staff to update the applicable Zoning By-laws to reflect the proposed changes and return with the Official Plan Amendment and revised by-law to the next possible Council meeting.

The Shaw has committed to:

- Work with Town staff to create an operating agreement between the Shaw Festival and the Town to provide public access to the 13 main-floor washrooms (three accessible, ten universal).
- Pay the cash-in-lieu of parking requirement for one parking spot, a parking fee staff recommended waiving in the original report.
- Integrate five accessible-designated onsite parking spots within the current site plan. This will ensure Rick Hansen Gold certification for accessibility “inside and out”.

We respect the Town’s commitment to a thorough process regarding the future of our Royal George Theatre project and Council’s decision allows us to move ahead.

With the approval of the staff report, and plan amendment, we now look forward to working with Town staff on the next steps including continued planning for landscaping and heritage conservation. Considering the timing of the approvals process, we are revisiting the preliminary construction timelines we provided in the summer and will share new timelines as soon as they are confirmed.

We are excited to move forward with our plans to build a new Royal George our community, staff and audiences will be proud of for generations to come.