



Mayor and Council  
Resort Municipality of Whistler  
4325 Blackcomb Way  
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November 24, 2021

Dear Mayor and Council,

On behalf of True Patriot Love Foundation, it is my pleasure to write and formally request your support with our bid for Canada to host the first ever Winter edition of the Invictus Games.

As you may be aware, led by The Duke of Sussex (Prince Harry) the Invictus Games is the foremost sporting event for ill and injured members of the Armed Forces and Veterans, and since 2014 has grown to become a life changing experience for competitors and their families from countries around the world. There have been four Games to-date and two more are planned for Holland in 2022 and Germany in 2023, all summer events.

Our vision is to stage the first winter version in Vancouver and Whistler in 2025. In doing so we believe we will be able to deliver not only lasting benefit to those taking part, but also to the communities hosting the event through inspirational sport for people with disabilities, inward investment and employment opportunities, profile for the region as a global winter sport destination and meaningful community engagement throughout. For information, the process is competitive and two other cities are also submitting bids – New York and Seattle, both for summer games. A decision on the chosen host city will be made by the Invictus Games Foundation in early 2022.

The Games would involve nine sports including both traditional Invictus sports that can be played indoors in the winter, and four new winter specific sports. We hope to stage three of these events in the Whistler facilities – Para Skeleton at Whistler Sliding Centre, Para Nordic Cross Country/Biathlon at Whistler Olympic Park and Para Alpine at Whistler/Blackcomb (Olympic Station). We have been working closely with Whistler Sport Legacies and Whistler Adaptive and have been delighted to receive their full support.

A key element of our vision is to highlight the proven effectiveness of outdoor adaptive sports on the recovery of those who may be ill or injured and to promote adaptive winter sport programming globally through the profile that the Games and Prince Harry would bring. We hope that the participation of Whistler as a world-renowned winter venue would add to this success as well as being mutually beneficial to the municipality.

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We are in close touch with the Province of British Columbia, the Federal Government, the four First Nations in the region, the RCMP, all relevant adaptive sports organizations, the Canadian Olympic and Paralympic Committees and a range of other business and community leaders.

Finally, you may wish to note that the team from the Invictus Games Foundation will make a site visit on January 27-29, including to Whistler. If calendars and scheduling allow, we would hope to be able to invite you or a representative to meet and welcome them to Whistler.

I would be pleased to speak to members of the Council or your officials to brief you more fully.

With thanks for your consideration.

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Nick Booth'.

Nick Booth MVO  
Chief Executive Officer  
True Patriot Love Foundation