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Dear Mayor Hall and City Councillors

We are very concerned about the state of the Prince George Playhouse. We understand that there is extensive damage to the building , and wonder what the plans are for repairs.

The Playhouse building was built originally by volunteers from Prince George Theatre Workshop at no cost to the City. We personally contributed much time to this project, helping to build and run the theatre. The theatre was run by Theatre Workshop for many years at very little cost to the City until the City took over responsibility for the building.

When this building is repaired it will be a bargain for the city. The repairs can't possibly cost as much as a new theatre, and Prince George needs theatre space now to accommodate local and visiting theatre and music groups. Having the building sitting unrepaired and unusable and continuing to deteriorate is a complete waste of money.

We are surprised that the City is not more concerned about the lack of facilities for the arts in Prince George. Other cities of comparable size, and many that are smaller, do much better in supporting the Arts. To attract conventions and business to the City it is crucial to build a city that is rich in cultural experiences.

We hope that you have plans for repairing the Playhouse as soon as possible. Prince George needs to have this facility, especially as COVID19 restrictions are lifting and interest in theatre and the arts in general will require this space.

Thank you.

Dave and Margaret Dunlop