



August 10, 2017

Seattle Community Coalition
c/o Mr. Gerald Hankerson
715 23 Avenue
Seattle, WA 98144

Mr. Hankerson and Coalition Members:

This letter reaffirms our commitment to enter into a Community Benefit Agreement (CBA) with the Seattle Community Coalition once the City Council authorizes the conditional vacation of the one block segment of Occidental Avenue South needed to construct the SoDo Arena.

This CBA will be developed in close cooperation with the Seattle Community Coalition and focus on fostering equity and social justice and providing meaningful benefits to the communities that will be impacted by the Arena.

We pledge to work with the Seattle Community Coalition to identify appropriate issues to be included, such as economic development, targeted local hiring and contracting, employment opportunities with living wages, job training and apprenticeships, community amenities and a mechanism for an ongoing dialog and partnership.

Our job and employment work will be done in collaboration with the local construction and trades workers union and other involved unions, with whom we have already pledged to enter into a Project Labor Agreement.

We will also commit in this CBA to establishing partnerships with various organizations throughout King County that serve youth and underserved communities, particularly in areas with health and education disparities. In partnership with the NBA franchise that will play in the SODO Arena, we will commit to establishing partnerships with the goals of contributing to the success and health of youth through such mechanisms as scholarship funds, afterschool programs and youth mentorship.

The CBA will also include a commitment to foster the establishment and growth of Minority and Women owned businesses and to create opportunities for the WMBEs to benefit in a meaningful way in the economic activity generated by the SoDo Arena project.

The SODO Arena CBA will also address the provision at the Arena of open space available for community programming, a public art program featuring the work of local artists and a green action plan, all of which are a part of the City's street vacation conditions.

We look forward to working with the Seattle Community Coalition and others to make the SoDo Arena a true community asset for many years to come.

Regards;

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Chris Hansen", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Chris Hansen