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LOWER MAINLAND LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

2012 RESOLUTIONS DISPOSITION

RR01 LICENSES ISSUED UNDER MARIJUANA MEDICAL Surrey
ACCESS REGULATIONS

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Health Canada be requested to take immediate action to amend its legislation and regulations to require that any applicant for a license under the Marijuana Medical Access Regulations for the purpose of cultivation and/or processing of marijuana for medical purposes be required to obtain a municipal license or permit that demonstrates that the proposed location for the growing operation is in compliance with all local bylaws and all electrical, fire, health, building and safety regulations prior to issuance of a license by Health Canada for such a growing operation.

ON MOTION, was ENDORSED

RR02 MILK CONTAINERS Delta

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the provincial government remove the exemption for milk, milk substitutes, rice milk, soya milk, flavoured milk, infant formulas, meal replacements or dietary supplements beverage containers in the beverage container product category of the Recycling Regulation.

ON MOTION, was ENDORSED

RR03 COMMUNITY-BASED CARE FOR SENIORS Vancouver

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that UBCM urge the provincial government to significantly enhance BC's system of community-based seniors' care, in order to ensure timely access to the full range of public services that support seniors to age and die with dignity.

ON MOTION, was ENDORSED

RR04 FUNDING FOR ENHANCED SENIORS' OUTREACH & New Westminster
PREVENTATIVE HEALTH PROGRAMS

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the provincial government provide funding for enhanced seniors' outreach and health prevention programs (including information services, social networking, and age-appropriate exercise programs) and to support better coordination among existing services.

ON MOTION, was ENDORSED

RR05 MECHANICAL INSULATION

New Westminster

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that UBCM request that any future updates or amendments to the BC Building Code include specific, up-to-date requirements on mechanical insulation, including the reproduction of any specifications, such as thickness tables, that may be referenced from other sources, and also include reference to mechanical insulation best practice standards.

ON MOTION, was ENDORSED

**RR06 RENEWAL OF PROVINCIAL HERITAGE
PROGRAMS**

New Westminster

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that UBCM call on the provincial government to restore the Heritage Branch budget, and to implement Heritage BC's call for renewal of provincial heritage programs.

ON MOTION, was ENDORSED

**R01 PROVINCIAL REMEDIATION PROCESS
FOR INAPPROPRIATELY USED BUILDINGS**

City of Langley

THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED that the remediation processes for inappropriately used buildings shall be a centralized, consistent process for remediation and the Government of British Columbia shall play the controlling role, using existing BC provincial legislation as the foundation for this approach.

ON MOTION, was ENDORSED

R02 NATIONAL PUBLIC ALERTING SYSTEM

Corporation of Delta

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the provincial government be requested to expedite the consultation process with municipalities and communications providers and bring forward a framework for implementing the NAADS system for the benefit of all British Columbians.

ON MOTION, was NOT ENDORSED

**R03 AUTHORITY UNDER LIQUOR CONTROL ACT FOR
LAW ENFORCEMENT TO REMOVE GANG MEMBERS
FROM LICENSED ESTABLISHMENTS**

City of Pitt Meadows

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that UBCM request that the Province of British Columbia enhance the present *Liquor Control and Licensing Act* legislation to provide police with explicit authority to determine risk to the public from known gang members based on operational experience and situational factors and facilitate the removal of those individuals from licensed establishments.

ON MOTION, was ENDORSED

R04 9-1-1 POCKET CALLS

District of Maple Ridge

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that:

- the federal government require that the Canadian Wireless Telecommunications Association (CWTA) who represents cellular and satellite carriers and companies that produce cellular products/services impose better safeguards against inadvertent or unintended 9-1-1 calls;
- the federal government require that Telus, Rogers, Bell and any other cellular service providers take a more active role in public education around accidental 9-1-1 calls by messaging their clients with this information and the limitations mobile devices have in terms of location information provided to 9-1-1;
- the provincial government give consideration to establishing an awareness campaign providing the public information on how to prevent accidental calls to 9-1-1 as has been done in the Province of Ontario; and
- the Federation of Canadian Municipalities be requested to also lobby for these changes.

ON MOTION, was ENDORSED

R05 INDEPENDENT POWER PROJECTS

Squamish-Lillooet Regional District

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the British Columbia Ministry of Forests, Lands, and Natural Resource Operations shall require each IPP in British Columbia, as a condition of licensing and once operations have been established, to share real-time streamflow data with the British Columbia River Forecast Centre for the public safety benefit of local authorities in the province.

ON MOTION, was ENDORSED

R06 CAMPAIGN FINANCE REFORM

City of Vancouver

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Lower Mainland Local Government Association support a

resolution to the 2012 UBCM Annual Meeting requesting amendments to the *Local Government Act* and the *Vancouver Charter* to allow local governments to make rules for disclosure and regulation of election campaign finance and civic political party financing between elections that are appropriate for their circumstances;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that these amendments be made before the 2014 local government elections.

ON MOTION, was NOT ENDORSED

R07 TRAFFIC CONGESTION AT THE GEORGE MASSEY TUNNEL Corporation of Delta

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the provincial and federal governments be requested to work together to identify options to reduce traffic congestion through the George Massey Tunnel and to facilitate the efficient movement of people and goods between communities south of the Fraser River and Vancouver, Richmond and New Westminster, and in so doing achieve reductions in greenhouse gas emissions.

ON MOTION, was ENDORSED

R08 MOVE UP THE HST TO GST/PST TRANSITION DATE City of Burnaby

THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED that the City of Burnaby urge the Provincial Government to move up the HST to GST/PST transition date from March 31, 2013 to an earlier date.

ON MOTION, was ENDORSED

**R09 LOCAL GOVERNMENT INVOLVEMENT IN
REVIEW OF MUNICIPAL TAXATION City of Burnaby**

THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED that the Province of British Columbia provide a significant opportunity and role for the participation of the UBCM and BC local governments in the Local Government Revenue Sources Review and a Business Taxation Review, in the assessment of any arising results and recommendations, and in seeking local government consent for any future implementation of the finding of these review processes.

ON MOTION, was ENDORSED

R10 FEDERAL INFRASTRUCTURE FUNDING City of Burnaby

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the UBCM call upon the Government of Canada, through the Federation of Canadian Municipalities, to replace restrictive funding initiatives such as the

Public-Private Partnership Funds with funding criteria that supports municipal infrastructure project funding requests based on the merit of the proposal; empowering municipalities to choose the most cost effective and efficient funding method (P3 and other) for the construction and delivery of an infrastructure program in their community.

ON MOTION, was ENDORSED

R11 FEDERAL GOVERNMENT LIMITS ON INFRASTRUCTURE City of Pitt Meadows
FUNDING FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENTS

THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED that UBCM request that the federal government not limit its infrastructure funding for local governments to public-private partnerships and ask that, in all cases for infrastructure projects, that local governments be given a choice of funding arrangements that do not involve public-private partnerships.

ON MOTION, was ENDORSED

R12 FLOOD PROTECTION INFRASTRUCTURE District of Squamish

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that UBCM lobby the provincial government to amend the *Local Government Act*, Section 935 to include flood protection as a Development Cost Charge.

ON MOTION, was ENDORSED

R13 REGULATION OF ABANDONED BOATS & Corporation of Delta
DERELICT STRUCTURES ALONG PUBLIC WATERWAYS

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the provincial and federal governments be requested to implement regulatory changes that will provide municipal authority to enforce the removal of abandoned, derelict or hazardous structures along public waterways, and to enforce the eviction of illegal float home and house boat squatters.

ON MOTION, was ENDORSED

R14 REGULATING THE SALE OF UNSTERILIZED RABBITS Corporation of Delta

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the provincial government be requested to implement legislation to regulate the sale of unsterilized rabbits.

ON MOTION, was ENDORSED

R15 ENABLING FISH ACCESS TO HISTORICAL SPAWNING GROUNDS AT BC HYDRO DAMS

District of Maple Ridge

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Union of British Columbia Municipalities urge the provincial government to require that BC Hydro include some form of appropriate access of passage for fish to their historical spawning grounds including fish ladders or bypass canals, where possible, at existing dam sites.

ON MOTION, was ENDORSED

R16 AGRICULTURAL LAND COMMISSION FILL APPLICATION PROCEDURE

District of Maple Ridge

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Union of British Columbia Municipalities urge the provincial government to amend the legislation governing the Commission to require that, as part of the application process for placement of fill on lands, including access roads and berms, a full analysis of the impact of this fill on surrounding lands be provided and if any adverse impacts are identified require they be addressed to the satisfaction of the Commission in consultation with senior and local government prior to approval being authorized.

ON MOTION, was ENDORSED

R17 HOUSING FOR ADULTS WITH DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

City of Langley

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT UBCM urge the provincial government to end funding cuts, implement a moratorium on the closure of group homes and provide sufficient financial resources both to maintain this vital housing resource and address growing waitlists.

ON MOTION, was ENDORSED

R18 BC COMMUNITY LIVING ACTION GROUP REQUEST

City of North Vancouver

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the provincial government end funding cuts, implement a moratorium on the closure of group homes and provide sufficient financial resources both to maintain this vital housing resource and address growing waitlists.

ON MOTION, was ENDORSED

R19 CRISIS IN BC's COMMUNITY LIVING SECTOR FUNDING

City of Pitt Meadows

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the provincial government end funding cuts, implement a moratorium on the closure of group homes and provide sufficient financial resources both to maintain this vital housing resource and address growing waitlists.

ON MOTION, was ENDORSED

**R20 VOTING IN LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS &
REFERENDA BY RESIDENTS LIVING ON INDIAN RESERVE**

Village of Belcarra

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that UBCM request the Province to exclude Indian Reserves from municipal boundaries in recognition of the absence of municipal regulatory and taxing authority on Indian Reserves; and also request the Province to exclude Indian Reserves from regional district electoral boundaries unless the Indian Band joins and participates in the regional district on the same basis as their neighbouring local governments.

ON MOTION, was ENDORSED

**R21 LIQUOR SERVICE FOR EVENTS IN
UNLICENSED VENUES**

**Resort Municipality of Whistler
Village of Pemberton
District of Squamish
Squamish-Lillooet Regional District**

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Lower Mainland Local Government Association and the Union of BC Municipalities support changes to LCLB licensing provisions for the service of liquor in venues without a permanent liquor license, including:

- allow qualified commercial caterers to be eligible for a liquor license;
- allow qualified licensed establishments to be eligible for a catering endorsement to their liquor license;
- allow caterers, event planners and businesses involved with the planning and management of events to be eligible for a Special Occasion License; and
- allow, for certain Special Occasion Licensed events with local government council/board and police support, for people to walk around freely with an alcoholic beverage in areas where minors are present;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the issuing of liquor licenses to caterers not have negative impacts on existing licensed establishments and local communities.

ON MOTION, was ENDORSED

R22 FRASER GRAVEL MANAGEMENT

City of Chilliwack

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Union of BC Municipalities request that the Provincial Government develop a long term funding mechanism to ensure that the gravel removal program is adequately funded including the studies required to ensure the integrity of the program;

**R26 BC STEWARDSHIP REGULATION RELATING TO PACKAGING
AND PRINTED PAPER**

City of Richmond

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Province amend the Recycling Regulation so that the stewardship organization fully fund residential recycling programs through local governments; and;

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the foregoing be forwarded to the Lower Mainland Local Government Association and Metro Vancouver for information.

ON MOTION, was ENDORSED

**R27 AMENDMENTS TO THE RESIDENTIAL TENANCY ACT
DISPUTE RESOLUTION PROCESS**

City of Surrey

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Union of BC Municipalities urge the Province of British Columbia to increase the effectiveness and accessibility of the residential tenancy dispute resolution process by amending the RTA such that the RTB enforces their dispute resolution decisions or orders, and does so within a reasonable timeframe.

ON MOTION, was ENDORSED