



LOWER MAINLAND

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

2022 Conference Program *Resilient Communities/Stronger Region*

The Westin Whistler Resort & Spa
4090 Whistler Way, Whistler, BC

Wednesday, May 4

Time	Item	Location
1:30-7:00 p.m.	Registration Opens <i>Registration & Delegate Kit Sponsored by: BC Hydro</i> <i>Lanyards Sponsored by: BCLC</i> <i>Conference App Sponsored by: ICBC</i>	Emerald Foyer
2:00-3:00 p.m.	Pre-Conference Tours Tour of Squamish Lil'wat Cultural Centre Experience the Centre's signature tour, "What We Treasure", delivered by Cultural Ambassadors who share their own stories and first-hand cultural experiences. Throughout this tour your group will view artifacts and hear stories that give an overview of the past and present way of life of the Squamish and Lil'wat peoples. This tour includes a welcome song, fifteen-minute film, and exhibit tour.	Meet shuttle in front of Westin at 1:40 pm
3:30– 5:30 p.m.	Whistler Employee Housing Tour with Mayor Jack Crompton and the Whistler Housing Authority Join us on a bus tour of Whistler's neighbourhoods to learn how over the last 20 years Whistler has contributed to housing a stable resident workforce through an inventory of price and occupancy restricted homes, in both rental and ownership programs. Learn how Whistler's unique and renowned employee housing model has resulted in an affordable legacy for the community.	Meet bus in front of Westin at 3:20 pm
7:00 p.m.	Official Opening Welcome – Councillor Laura Dupont, Lower Mainland LGA President National Anthem –Whistler Singers First Nations Welcome Host Community Welcome – Mayor Jack Crompton	Emerald A/B

	<p>Opening Keynote: Charles Montgomery Stronger Together: Developing Resilience in a Post-Pandemic Age</p> <p>The coronavirus pandemic has been disorienting for city dwellers and city-makers. As ‘social distancing’ became a part of everyday life, we experienced the pain of isolation, but also the transcendent, life-giving power of kindness between neighbors and total strangers. Some have argued that the pandemic has taught us that we need to make distance the driving feature of our cities and our working lives. Freed by technology and video conferencing, we should hunker down in our domestic nests, and live even farther apart. But this is the wrong lesson to take from this experience.</p> <p>The post-pandemic city needs to be even more connected, and more social. The ache every one of us feels when we are lonely is a message from our souls, but it is also an evolutionary adaptation. Highly cooperative social groups are more successful than selfish ones. Human societies are at their best when people are connected in networks of trust and mutual support. Indeed, communities that develop strong, face-to-face networks of support during good times are the ones that fare best in times of crisis.</p> <p>Bearing this in mind, how should our communities evolve in the post-pandemic age? In this talk, Charles Montgomery offers lessons from neuroscience, anthropology, and cities that have survived—and thrived—after disasters, to help us address what needs to be urgently repaired. Eye-opening and vital, this talk will help us rethink our streets, our parks, our homes, and our institutions. But most importantly, it reveals that the foundation of our resilient future lies in the way we think about each other.</p> <p><i>Sponsored by: Canadian Union of Public Employees-BC</i></p>	
To Follow	<p>Welcome Reception & Networking Event</p> <p><i>Sponsored by: Vancouver Fraser Port Authority</i></p>	Emerald C

Thursday, May 5

Time	Item	Location
7:30-8:30 a.m.	<p>Breakfast</p> <p><i>Sponsored by: E-Comm 9-1-1</i></p>	Emerald C
8:30-8:35 a.m.	<p>Start of Day Announcements</p> <p><i>Morning Sponsored by: Pattison Outdoor Advertising</i></p>	Emerald AB
8:35-9:45 a.m.	<p>Morning Moderated Panel Resiliency in Action During Natural Disasters: Communities Coming Together</p> <p>Description: British Columbia was hit hard in 2021 with the heat dome event, with wildfires, and the unprecedented flooding and infrastructure impacts of the fall “atmospheric river” event. While BC is still a long way from recovering from the impact of the disasters, there have been many lessons learned and examples of communities coming together. This panel will focus on those</p>	Emerald AB

	<p>lessons learned and the best of humanity that shined through during this challenging time.</p> <p>Presenters:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Jason Lum, Councillor at the City of Chilliwack and Chair of the Fraser Valley Regional District - Chris Kloot, Councillor at the City of Chilliwack - Ron Mattiussi, Recovery Director with the Village of Lytton - Isobel Mackenzie, Seniors Advocate for the Province of British Columbia 	
9:45-10:05 a.m.	<p>Coffee Break</p> <p><i>Sponsored by: Canadian Union of Public Employees - BC</i></p>	Emerald Foyer
10:05-11:45 a.m.	<p>Session: Game Changers in the Decade of Climate Action</p> <p>Description: We are in the ‘decade of climate action’ and with recent local climate disasters, the need for urgent and visionary local climate leadership has never been clearer. Local Governments are tackling ‘Big Moves’: the priority strategies to drive down emissions, but they’re also looking ahead to the game-changing emerging strategies needed for communities to meet their ambitious emissions reduction targets, build resilient communities, and address priorities such as equity, health and affordability.</p> <p>This interactive session will explore the important and growing role of regional collaboration in the decade of climate action and will feature short presentations, a panel discussion, and small group reflections. The panel will highlight a collaborative game-changing project on embodied emissions driven by Whistler, Squamish, Squamish Nation, and the Community Energy Association, and will explore how we can work together to test, deploy and scale emerging game-changing climate action strategies.</p> <p>Hosts: BC Municipal Climate Leadership Council Members</p> <p>Presenters:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Maya Chorbik, Director of Climate Leadership, Community Energy Association - Elisabeth Baudinaud, Sr. Community Energy Manager, Community Energy Association - Jack Crompton, Mayor of Whistler - Luisa Burhenne, Climate Action Coordinator, Resort Municipality of Whistler - Renata Rovelo and Julia Stafford, Project Managers, Climate Action Strategy, Squamish Nation 	Emerald AB
11:45-12:30 p.m.	<p>Session: First Nations and Local Governments: The Future of Collaborative Governance</p> <p>Description: This session will discuss the role of local governments in reconciliation with First Nations in light of the provincial <i>Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples</i> (“DRIPA”) legislation. This session will provide an overview of the legal framework of Aboriginal rights and the Crown’s duty to consult; examine recent developments to BC’s DRIPA legislation and its impacts on local governments; outline the Truth and Reconciliation (“TRC”) calls to action that refer to local governments; and discuss recent collaborative</p>	Emerald AB

	<p>initiatives between local governments and First Nations in B.C. that embrace the aims of DRIPA and the TRC calls to action. We hope this session will encourage local governments to continue being proactive in finding opportunities for reconciliation and meaningful collaboration with First Nations groups.</p> <p>Presenters:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Kathleen Higgins, Partner, Young Anderson Barristers & Solicitors - Julia Tikhonova, Associate Lawyer, Young Anderson Barristers & Solicitors 	
12:30-1:30 p.m.	<p>Delegates Lunch</p> <p><i>Sponsored by: Shaw Communications Inc.</i></p>	Emerald C
1:30 p.m.	<p>Annual General Meeting</p> <p><i>Sponsored by: Canadian Association of Petroleum Producers</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -President's Report -Minutes of the 2021 AGM -Committee Reports: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nominating Report -2021 Financial Statements -2022 Budget 	Emerald AB
To follow until 4:00 pm	<p>Resolutions Session</p>	Emerald AB
2:00-4:00 p.m.	<p>Afternoon Coffee Station</p>	Emerald Foyer
4:00-5:00 p.m.	<p>Elections (if necessary)</p>	Emerald Foyer
6:30-7:30 p.m.	<p>Pre-Banquet Reception</p> <p><i>Sponsored by: TELUS</i></p>	Emerald C and Foyer
7:30-8:45 p.m.	<p>Annual Banquet</p> <p><i>Sponsored by: Fortis BC</i></p> <p><i>Wine Co-Sponsored by: Municipal Insurance Association of BC and Young Anderson</i></p>	Emerald AB
8:45-10:30 p.m.	<p>Entertainment: Blame the Weekend Band</p> <p>Blame the Weekend is a 5-piece cover band based out of Whistler that was founded with one main principle: packing the dance floor! With a repertoire spanning from the Beatles to Bruno Mars and Fleetwood Mac...this is a band that truly has something for everyone to enjoy!</p> <p><i>Sponsored by: GovernmentFrameworks.com Inc</i></p>	Emerald AB

Friday, May 6

Time	Item	Location
7:30-8:30 a.m.	<p>Breakfast</p> <p>UBCM Review of Resolutions Process</p> <p>Presenters:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Councillor Laurey-Anne Roodenburg, UBCM President - Gary MacIsaac, UBCM Executive Director <p>UBCM is conducting a review of the resolutions process. An important part of the review is engaging with our member to hear what you have to say. We invite you to bring your ideas and join us for a discussion on how the resolutions process can be improved.</p>	Emerald AB
8:30-8:40 a.m.	<p>Start of Day Announcements</p> <p><i>Friday Morning Sessions sponsored by the Municipal Finance Authority</i></p>	Emerald AB
8:40-8:55 a.m.	<p>Leader of the Official Opposition Address</p> <p>Kevin Falcon</p>	Emerald AB
8:55-9:10 a.m.	<p>BC Green Party Address</p> <p>Sonia Furstenu</p>	Emerald AB
9:10-9:30 a.m.	<p>Minister of Municipal Affairs</p> <p>Honourable Nathan Cullen</p>	Emerald AB
9:30-9:45 a.m.	<p>UBCM Address</p> <p>Laurey-Anne Roodenburg, UBCM President</p>	Emerald AB
9:45-10:00 a.m.	<p>Morning Coffee Station</p>	Emerald AB
10:00-10:45 a.m.	<p>Plenary Session</p> <p>Title: Lessons Learned in Municipal Politics: Stories from the Arena</p> <p>Description: This has been an amazing few years to serve as a Council Member in B.C. Theodore Roosavelt said:</p> <p>“It is not the critic who counts, not the man who points out how the strong man stumbles, or where the doer of deeds could have done them better. The credit belongs to the man who is actually in the arena, whose face is marred with dust and sweat and blood; who strives valiantly; who errs, who comes short again and again, because there is no effort without error and shortcoming; but who does actually strive to do the deeds; who knows great enthusiasms, the great devotions; who spends himself in a worthy cause; who at the best knows in the end the triumph of high achievement, and who at the worst, if he fails, at least fails while daring greatly, so that his place shall never be with those cold and timid souls who neither know victory nor defeat.”</p> <p>Host: Jack Crompton, Mayor of the Resort Municipality of Whistler and Past President of the Lower Mainland LGA</p>	Emerald AB

	Presenters: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mayor Lisa Helps, City of Victoria - Councillor Megan Curren, District of North Vancouver - Mayor Henry Braun, City of Abbotsford - Mayor Jonathan Cote, City of New Westminster 	
10:45-11:15 a.m.	Honourable Rob Fleming, Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure The Future of Transportation in BC Minister Fleming will share information about the strategic vision of the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure and its role in building climate-resilient transportation infrastructure and supporting local governments to create better- connected communities. The ministry is collaborating across all levels of government to plan major transportation projects, support new development and deliver projects that create solutions to the challenges we face today.	Emerald AB
11:15 -12:15 p.m.	Closing Keynote – Andrea Reimer Pandemic, climate change, over-heated housing markets, toxic drugs, inflation, war: overlapping crises over the past few years have driven home the need for resilience, especially at the local level. Local governments don't make these problems, but they bear big impacts from them. However, resilience isn't a policy you can cut and paste. At a basic level resilience is the ability to effectively adapt to change and that requires new frameworks for the local government toolkit. Former three-term Vancouver City Councillor and 2019 Loeb Fellow at Harvard's Graduate School of Design Andrea Reimer walks us through the Adaptive Cycle, a tool for developing resilient government in challenging times. <i>Sponsored by: Lidstone & Company</i>	Emerald AB
12:15-12:30 p.m.	Wrap Up & Door Prizes Announced	Emerald AB

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