



# LOWER MAINLAND

## LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

### MINUTES

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#### EXECUTIVE MEETING

Via Zoom

October 21, 2021

#### In attendance:

Councillor Laura Dupont, President, Chair  
Councillor Patrick Johnstone, First Vice-President  
Councillor Patricia Ross, Second Vice-President  
Councillor Paul Albrecht, Third Vice-President  
Councillor Michie Vidal, Director at Large  
Director Jen McCutcheon, Director at Large  
Mayor Karen Elliott, SLRD rep  
Councillor Chris Kloot, FVRD rep  
Mayor Rob Vagramov, Metro Vancouver rep  
Rob Fisher, Program Manager, BC Social Procurement Initiative  
Esther Moreno, Capacity Building Specialist, United Way BC  
Barbara McMillan, Provincial Coordinator, Community Engagement,  
United Way BC  
Shannon Story, Executive Director

#### Unable to attend:

Mayor Jack Crompton, Past President  
Councillor Kiersten Duncan, Director at Large

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L. Dupont called the meeting to order at 2:01 p.m.

#### 1. TERRITORY ACKNOWLEDGMENT

The Executive recognized the traditional territories that they are located on.

## **2. AGENDA**

**A motion was ADOPTED:**

That the agenda for the October 21, 2021, meeting be adopted.

## **3. MINUTES**

**A motion was ADOPTED:**

That the minutes from the September 23, 2021, Executive Meeting be approved as amended to correct the titles of Patricia Ross and Paul Albrecht.

## **4. PRESENTATION ON THE BC SOCIAL PROCUREMENT INITIATIVE**

M. Vidal and R. Fisher entered the meeting at 2:06 pm.

A presentation was given by Rob Fisher, Program Manager and Karen Elliott, Co-Chair of the BC Social Procurement Initiative.

For follow up questions, please contacted Rob at [rfisher@scalecollaborative.ca](mailto:rfisher@scalecollaborative.ca)

R. Fisher left the meeting at 2:43 pm and E. Moreno and B. McMillan entered the meeting.

## **5. PRESENTATION ON THE UNITED WAY BC RISING TO THE CHALLENGE REPORT**

A presentation was given by Esther Moreno, Capacity Building Specialist and Barbara McMillan, Provincial Coordinator, Community Engagement, United Way BC on the United Way BC Rising to the Challenge Report.

Go to <https://bc.healthyagingcore.ca/> to see municipal examples.

E. Moreno and B. McMillan left the meeting at 3:10 pm

## **6. CIVX**

- CivX will be held over three days from November 15, 16 and 17<sup>th</sup> from noon to 2:30 each day
- There will be 2 sessions each day with a 15 break in between.
- Thus far we have 48 registrations
- An email blast has gone out to our members, and it was promoted in our member newsletter
- The four other area associations have also sent it out to their members and CivicInfoBC has sent out to their contact list.
- We have secured 6 sponsors for a total of \$12,000. They are Telus, Young Anderson, Fortis BC, Lidstone and Company, Canada Post and Shaw.

- S. Story reviewed the conference program.
- L. Dupont and T. Pugh will act as MC's.

**ACTION: S. Story has asked the executive to review the sessions and let her know if they can moderate any of the sessions. S. Story will send follow up email.**

## **7. METRO VANCOUVER MUNICIPAL APPOINTMENT PROCESS**

A discussion was held on the Metro Vancouver Municipal Appointment Process. Metro Vancouver is considering seeking a statutory amendment to the provisions of the *Local Government Act* to require appointments of the mayor or designate as the municipal director on the regional district board.

## **8. OLD GROWTH RESOLUTIONS**

R. Vagramov presented his concerns re: the Old Growth Resolutions from UBCM members that went forward to the UBCM Convention vs the Executive Resolution from UBCM on the same subject and a discussion was held.

K. Elliott brought up like resolutions that appear separately in the UBCM Resolutions Booklet and that these municipalities could be asked to partner in bringing forward one resolution.

**ACTION: S. Story will come back with a proposal on how to express these issues to UBCM.**

## **9. CORRESPONDENCE**

**A motion was ADOPTED:**

**That** the letter dated September 21, 2021, from UBCM regarding provincial responses to the 2020 resolutions be received.

**A motion was ADOPTED:**

**That** the letter dated September 23, 2021, from UBCM regarding the 2021 Section C3 resolutions be received.

## **10. EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS REPORT**

S. Story reported that the following has happened since the last meeting:

### **General**

- Attended July 27<sup>th</sup> Engagement Session on Modernizing Forest Policy with the Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development.
- Held Strategic Planning Session for Executive with Facilitator Shannon Gordon on September 24<sup>th</sup> in New Westminster

### **Advocacy**

- Met with three Provincial Ministers to advocate on six topics brought forward by our membership through the resolution's session.
- Attended the UBCM Virtual Conference.

### **Member Communications**

- Distributed Fall Member Newsletter reporting on our advocacy efforts and promoting CivX
- Updated website with CivX information and booking link
- Updated website with 2022 Conference & AGM Information

### **Civ X**

- CivX Subcommittee met on September 8, 2021
- All 6 speaker spots for CivX have now been booked
- Entered into another partnership with Telus to provide virtual platform
- We have secured 6 sponsors for CivX for \$12,000(not including Telus in kind)

### **Financials**

- All Members have paid annual dues

## **11. OTHER BUSINESS**

P. Ross states that she spoke to Mark Holder who is an expert on happiness, and he would be interested in speaking at our next conference.

## **12. NEXT MEETING**

Our next meeting will be held on November 18, 2021

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 4:05 p.m.



Chair Laura Dupont  
President



Shannon Story, Executive Director