



# LOWER MAINLAND

## LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

### MINUTES

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#### EXECUTIVE MEETING

Via Zoom

February 20, 2025

**In attendance:**

Councillor Paul Albrecht, President/Chair  
Councillor Michie Vidal, First Vice President  
Director Jen McCutcheon, Second Vice President  
Councillor Chris Pettingill, Third Vice President  
Councillor Patricia Ross, Past President  
Councillor Ruby Campbell, Director at Large  
Jessica McIlroy, Director at Large  
Jeff Murl, Director at Large  
Councillor Nicole Read, FVRD rep  
Mayor Armand Hurford, SLRD rep  
Mayor Nathan Pachal, Metro Vancouver Rep

**Absent:**

Shannon Story, Executive Director

P. Albrecht called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

#### 1. TERRITORY ACKNOWLEDGMENT

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

#### 2. AGENDA

**A motion was ADOPTED:**

**That** the agenda for the February 20, 2025, Executive Meeting be adopted as amended with the addition of an item on 'Shannon Story Well Being and Assistance.

CARRIED.

### **3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

**A motion was ADOPTED:**

**That** the minutes from the January 16, 2025, executive meeting be adopted.

CARRIED.

### **4. 2025 CONFERENCE**

**Program:**

The executive reviewed the draft conference program. Executive Roles were assigned as follows:

Armand Hurford – Power of Leadership in Crisis Panel  
Jessica McIlroy– Communicating Effectively with Residents  
Jeff Murl – Making the Money you Spend Matter  
Jeff Murl – Local Government Act Reform (Intro)  
Michie Vidal – Community to Community

**Conference Sponsors:**

**A motion was ADOPTED:**

**That** the sponsorship applications from the following organizations be approved:

- United Way of BC
- FortisBC
- Council of Forest Industries
- Pattison Outdoor Advertising LP
- BC Nurses' Union

Opposed: C. Pettingill

CARRIED.

**Not for Profit Tradeshow Booths:**

**A motion was ADOPTED:**

**That** the sponsorship applications from the following not for profit organizations be approved:

- Metro Vancouver Regional Parks Foundation
- SFU Renewable Cities/Morris J. Wosk Centre for Dialogue
- Gambling Support BC
- Canadian Parks and Wilderness Society/West Coast Environmental Law
- Lower Fraser Floodplains Coalition

CARRIED.

**Conference Charity:**

**A motion was ADOPTED:**

**That** the Squamish Lil'wat Cultural Centre be selected as the 2025 conference charity.

CARRIED.

**5. MUNICIPAL PENSION PLAN APPLICATION-Deferred to future meeting.**

**6. DRAFT YEAR END FINANCIALS-Deferred to future meeting.**

**7. BUDGET PRIORITIES FOR 2025**

The group discussed that the 2025 budget will focus on advocacy and that no CivX event will be held.

**8. CODE OF CONDUCT AND CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY- Deferred to future meeting.**

**9. CORRESPONDENCE**

**A motion was ADOPTED:**

**That** the letter from the Fraser Valley Regional District dated January 27, 2025, informing the Lower Mainland LGA that Director Nicole Read has been appointed to the Lower Mainland LGA Executive until May 31, 2025, and afterwards Director Patricia Driessen be received.

CARRIED.

**A motion was ADOPTED:**

**That** the letter from the Metro Vancouver Regional District dated February 3rd informing the Lower Mainland LGA that Mayor Pachal has been appointed as the Metro Vancouver rep be received.

CARRIED.

**10. SHANNON STORY WELL BEING & ASSISTANCE**

**A motion was ADOPTED:**

**THAT** the board authorize the president and vice president to ensure our Executive Director, Shannon Story is supported financially at her current rate for the next 90 days at least, the timeframe to be re-evaluated at the end of that time, and that we immediately find qualified assistance to help.

CARRIED.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 3:15 p.m.

  
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Chair Councillor Paul Albrecht, President

  
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Shannon Story, Executive Director