

TOWARD PARITY

FCM-UBCM Webinar Consultation

Mayor Maja Tait, UBCM 1st VP



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Mayor Maja Tait, UBCM First Vice President
Mayor, District of Sooke

- Elected in 2008 & 2011 as a Councillor
- Elected in 2014 as Mayor
- Re-elected in 2018 as Mayor

UBCM's Rep to FCM's Toward Parity Initiative

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Welcome to Participants

Thanks to our co-hosts – FCM

Presenters:

- Stephanie Hoey, Project Manager, Toward Parity
- Rebecca Bateman, Women Transforming Cities and the Canadian Research Institute for the Advancement of Women

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Webinar Process:

- Agenda – “handout”
- Participants are muted
- Interactive Format – we want to get your opinions and perspectives

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How does BC measure up?

2018 Local Government Elections - **Candidates**

- Men 1,486 (66.8%)
- Women 738 (33.2%)

Source - ClvicinfoBC

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How does BC measure up?

2018 Local Government Elections - **Elected**

- Men 749 (63.3%)
- Women 434 (36.7%)

Source - ClvicinfoBC

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BC – Summary from 2018 Local Elections

- BC exceeds the 30% minimum (UN recommendation)
- 41 BC mayors are female
- Municipalities have more women than RDs
- % of elected women is almost always higher than % women candidates – voters vote for women when there are fewer of them on the ballot

Source - ClvicinfoBC

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Purpose of today's webinar?

How can we support women in leadership roles
– as candidates and as they continue to serve in
elected office?

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Please welcome:

Stephanie Hoey, Project Manager, FCM