



Disposition of Resolutions Considered at the 2000 UBCM Convention

THE FOLLOWING IS A SUMMARY OF THE RESOLUTIONS AND POSITIONS ADOPTED AT THE 2000 CONVENTION. THE FULL AND EXACT WORDING OF ANY AMENDMENTS WILL APPEAR IN THE CONVENTION MINUTES.

Section A

FINANCE

A1 FEDERAL REVIEW OF UI (EI) BENEFITS

Endorsed and referred to FCM

JUSTICE AND PROTECTIVE SERVICES

A2 REGULATIONS FOR RATING VIDEO GAMES

Endorsed

HEALTH

A3 HOME SUPPORT SERVICES

Endorsed

A4 RECRUITMENT OF FOREIGN DOCTORS

Endorsed

ELECTIONS

A5 ANONYMOUS ELECTION ADVERTISING

Endorsed

A6 ELECTION CAMPAIGN ACCOUNTS

Endorsed as amended:

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that UBCM request that the Local Government Act be amended so that a candidate need not open a campaign account if the candidate declares that he or she will not be accepting campaign contributions, and where there is no campaign account, to remove the requirement to pay all campaign expenses from such an account.

A7 CAMPAIGN FINANCE - BANK ACCOUNTS AND DISCLOSURE

Withdrawn

LEGISLATIVE

A8 IMPROVING THE REGULATION OF PAWNBROKERS AND SECOND HAND GOODS DEALERS

Endorsed as amended:

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Ministry of Municipal Affairs be requested to amend the Local Government Act to enable local governments to set the holding period for pawned and second hand goods:

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Ministry of Attorney General, in consultation with the Ministry of Municipal Affairs, be requested to amend the existing provincial legislation pertaining to pawnbrokers to modernize the legislation and to include second hand dealers and permanent auction houses and also to assist in developing an online central reporting system for pawned and second hand inventory for use by police and dealers across the Province.

A9 EXTENDING COLLECTION PERIOD FOR LATECOMER CHARGES

Endorsed

A10 SCHOOL SITE ACQUISITION CHARGES

Endorsed

A11 SCHOOL SITE ACQUISITION CHARGES

Not Endorsed

A12 SCHOOL SITE ACQUISITION CHARGE LEGISLATION

Not Endorsed

A13 PROCLAMATIONS

Endorsed

SELECTED ISSUES

A14 WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION - AGREEMENT ON TRADE IN SERVICES (GATS) AND AGREEMENT ON GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT (AGP)

Endorsed as amended and referred to FCM

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the UBCM:

1. urge the Federal Government to consult with all Canadians, and especially local government jurisdictions, much more widely and comprehensively than it has in the past, and to do so much earlier in the process prior to contemplating any Canadian negotiating positions with respect to international trade agreements of all kinds;

2. while recognizing that trade can have beneficial impacts on local economies, recommends strongly to the Federal Government that it bring forward a proposal to the WTO to exclude "local governments and authorities" from the definition of a "measure" under Article I of the GATS agreement, and further that Canada work actively to seek support for this amendment from the other WTO members;

3. request the Federal Government to not include sub-national governments in Canada under the requirements of the Agreement on Government Procurement;

4. urge the Federation of Canadian Municipalities to continue to dedicate staff to closely monitoring WTO discussions and the activities of the Federal Government in this regard, and also to alert Canadian local governments of any potential encroachments on their jurisdiction and authority resulting from trade agreements.

A15 B.C. AND YUKON CAUCUS OF THE FEDERATION OF CANADIAN MUNICIPALITIES

Not Endorsed

A16 National Marine Policy Divestiture Process
Endorsed and Referred to FCM

NOTE: Resolutions not considered have been referred to UBCM Executive for consideration

A motion, duly moved and seconded was introduced at the beginning of A resolutions requesting that B103 be considered as part of the A resolutions. That motion was endorsed and B103 was renumbered A17.

A17 FREE TRADE IN LUMBER (PREVIOUSLY B103)

Endorsed as amended:

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that UBCM:

1. support free trade in softwood lumber with the US;

2. urge the Governments of Canada and British Columbia to include municipalities in consultation on decision regarding the future of the SLA; and

3. urge the Governments of Canada and British Columbia to work to restore free trade in softwood lumber with the US.

(B5 and B24 were pulled from the block for individual debate, their disposition is included in the information below)

LEGISLATIVE

B1 CONDOMINIUM CONSTRUCTION STANDARDS

Endorsed

B2 QUALITY OF CONDOMINIUM CONSTRUCTION

Endorsed

B3 ASSESSING THE IMPACT OF LEGISLATIVE CHANGE ON FIVE YEAR FINANCIAL PLANS

Endorsed

JUSTICE AND PROTECTIVE SERVICES

B4 ADEQUATE STAFFING FOR RCMP DETACHMENTS

Endorsed

B5 AUXILIARY POLICE PROGRAMS

Endorsed

B6 FIRE DEPARTMENT ACT

Endorsed

B7 RESTORATIVE JUSTICE PROGRAMS

Endorsed

B8 PROCEEDS OF FORFEITED PROPERTY

Endorsed

TRANSPORTATION

B9 SCHOOL BUS WALK LIMITS

Endorsed

B10 SCHOOL ZONE SIGNAGE

Endorsed

B11 IMPROVED HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE STANDARDS

Endorsed

TAXATION

B12 MUNICIPAL INFRASTRUCTURE FUNDING

Endorsed

ELECTIONS

B13 INTERNET VOTING

Endorsed

HEALTH

B14 EQUALITY OF AMBULANCE SERVICES IN BC

Endorsed

FINANCE

B15 RESCUE SERVICES ON RURAL HIGHWAYS

Endorsed

B16 REIMBURSEMENT BY ICBC FOR MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENT RESPONSE

Endorsed

B17 COLLECTION OF MTI FINES - PROPERTY BYLAW INFRACTIONS

Endorsed

B18 COLLECTION OF MTI FINES - MOTOR VEHICLE RELATED INFRACTIONS

Endorsed

B19 PROVINCIAL FISCAL POLICY

Endorsed

ENVIRONMENT

B20 REDUCTION OF PACKAGING MATERIAL

Endorsed

B21 DRAINAGE DITCHES - WATER REGULATION

Endorsed

B22 GROUNDWATER PROTECTION LEGISLATION

Endorsed

B23 REGIONAL HEALTH AUTHORITY SEWAGE DISPOSAL APPLICATIONS

Endorsed

B24 FLOOD PROTECTION AND GRAVEL EXTRACTION

Endorsed as amended:

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Provincial Government be asked to commit sufficient funding and resources to reduce flooding and erosion risks by identifying the opportunities to mitigate damage through flood protection works.

LAND USE

B25 SOIL AND GRAVEL REMOVAL AND DEPOSIT

Endorsed

SELECTED ISSUES

B26 SIGNAGE TO HELP PREVENT FETAL ALCOHOL SYNDROME

Endorsed

B27 UNIVERSAL ACCESS TO LIBRARY SERVICES

Endorsed

B28 FUNDING OF PUBLIC LIBRARIES

Endorsed

B29 HIGHWAY SIGNAGE

Endorsed

B30 SHELTER COMPONENT POLICY

Endorsed

B31 RENTAL SUBSIDIES AND SAFE AND AFFORDABLE HOUSING

Endorsed

LEGISLATIVE

B32 LICENSING FEES FOR DOGS

Endorsed as amended:

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Minister of Municipal Affairs be requested to amend the *Local Government Act* to provide local governments with the authority to include the

terms and conditions that may be imposed on any license, the nature of these terms and conditions and who may impose them to be open to definition by the municipality.

B33 LICENSING OF CELLULAR TELEPHONE COMMUNICATION NETWORK

Endorsed

B34 MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT PUBLIC ACCOUNTABILITY

Not Endorsed

B35 PUBLIC ATTENDANCE AT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Not Endorsed

B36 ADVISORY PLANNING COMMISSION OPEN MEETINGS

Not Endorsed

B37 ADVISORY PLANNING COMMISSION AND BOARD OF VARIANCE DELIBERATIONS

Not Endorsed

B38 BOARD OF VARIANCE AUTHORITY

Endorsed

B39 APPOINTMENT OF APC MEMBER AS ALTERNATE DIRECTOR

Referred to Regional District Day at the 2001 UBCM Convention

B40 TWO-THIRDS MAJORITY VOTE OF COUNCIL MEMBERS

Endorsed

B41 RECOVERY OF COSTS INCURRED IN ENFORCING REGULATORY BYLAWS

Withdrawn

B42 LOCAL ADMINISTRATION OF PUBLIC LANDS

Endorsed

B43 PREMATURE BUILDING ENVELOPE FAILURE

Endorsed

B44 MOTOR VEHICLE ACT AMENDMENT FOR DRUNK DRIVING

Endorsed

FINANCE

B45 MUNICIPAL FINANCING AUTHORITY

Not Endorsed

B46 NATURAL GAS PRICE INCREASE

Endorsed as amended:

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that UBCM express to the Provincial Government and the BC Utilities Commission, local governments

strong concerns about the increase in gas prices for both residential and commercial users.

ELECTIONS

B47 CAMPAIGN FUNDS TAX EXEMPTION

Not Endorsed

B48 QUALIFICATION AS PROPERTY OWNER FOR ELECTIONS

Endorsed

B49 NON-RESIDENT CORPORATE VOTE

Not Endorsed

B50 VOTER IDENTIFICATION

Not Endorsed

B51 ELECTORS PROOF OF CITIZENSHIP

Endorsed

B52 TIME OFF TO VOTE

Not Endorsed

JUSTICE AND PROTECTIVE SERVICES

B53 INCREASE COURT SERVICES FOR SMALLER COMMUNITIES

Endorsed

B54 USE OF RCMP RESOURCES

Endorsed

B55 EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

Endorsed as amended:

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Provincial Government be requested to amend the Provincial Emergency Preparedness Act to allow the delegation of the power to declare an emergency to an electoral area director in their electoral area if that area has the Emergency Planning function.

B56 PROTECTION OF YOUTH INVOLVED IN PROSTITUTION

Referred to UBCM Executive

B57 CRIMINAL RECORD CHECKS FOR VOLUNTEERS WORKING WITH CHILDREN

Endorsed as amended:

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Attorney General and Solicitor General (as minister responsible for the RCMP) institute a system for free criminal record searched through their appropriate agencies for volunteers working with children.

B58 FOOD SERVICE TO MINORS IN PUBS

Not Endorsed

B59 IMPOUNDMENT OF IMPAIRED DRIVERS VEHICLES

Endorsed as amended:

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that UBCM lobby the Attorney General's office to change legislation to ensure that people being charged with impaired driving will have their vehicle impounded for 48 hours after arrest.

B60 MANDATORY TREATMENT PROGRAM FOR DRIVING WHILE IMPAIRED (DWI) OFFENDERS

Endorsed

B61 DETOXIFICATION AND REHABILITATION PROGRAM FOR DRUG USERS

Endorsed

TRANSPORTATION

B62 BC CLASS 5 LICENCES

Not Endorsed

B63 UPGRADING OF HIGHWAYS

Endorsed

B64 ARTERIAL HIGHWAYS

Not Endorsed

B65 IMPACT OF HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENTS IN MUNICIPALITIES

Endorsed

B66 FUNDING OF ROAD CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE

Endorsed as amended:

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the UBCM be requested to lobby the Province of British Columbia to fund road construction and maintenance projects where it can be demonstrated that such works will enhance long term resource community stability, provide opportunities to diversify local economies and create conditions that support permanent jobs within communities.

B67 STANDARDS FOR SMALL ENGINE VEHICLES

Not Endorsed

B68 COVERED GRAVEL TRUCKS

Endorsed

B69 DOUBLE THE FINE IN SCHOOL/ PLAYGROUND ZONES

Endorsed

B70 LOW FLYING AIRPLANES

Endorsed and referred to FCM

**B71 CANADIAN AVIATION REGULATIONS
AIRCRAFT EMERGENCY RESPONSE
STANDARDS**

Endorsed

SPECIAL RESOLUTION

**SR1 SPECIAL RESOLUTION ON POLICE
COSTS**

Endorsed

**RESOLUTIONS REFERRED TO
POLICY SESSIONS**

**REFERRED TO STREAMSIDE PROTECTION
WORKSHOP**

**C1 STREAMSIDE PROTECTION
LEGISLATION**

Endorsed

REFERRED TO HEALTH SESSION

**C2 ELECTIONS FOR REGIONAL HEALTH
BOARD DIRECTORS**

**C3 APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO
HEALTH BOARDS AND COUNCILS**

Delegates attending the Monday health workshop did not support C2 and C3 and proposed a new resolution for member consideration:

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Ministry of Health be encouraged to revert to the original concept of 1/3 provincial appointments, 1/3 elected representation and 1/3 directly elected from the public for members of Regional Health Boards and Community Health Councils.

Endorsed

RESOLUTIONS OFF THE FLOOR

**SENIOR GOVERNMENT SUPPORT FOR
PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION**

WHEREAS it is clearly demonstrated that public transportation plays a key role in meeting the social, economic, environmental, health, regional growth strategy and transportation objectives of senior governments;

AND WHEREAS new investment in public transportation infrastructure and increased travel options are required to obtain these objectives:

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that:

1. The UBCM endorse the three goals for senior government support:

- Continued provincial support for public transportation to keep pace with growth;

- Federal tax exemption for employer provided transit benefits; and

• Redirection of the equivalent of 3 cents a litre of fuel excise tax to public transportation nationally;

2. The UBCM establish a task force to coordinate local government efforts to achieve the three goals for senior government support for public transportation; and

3. The UBCM encourage all local government elected officials to immediately contact their existing MP's and MLA's, and those who would seek office in the upcoming elections, on the need for new federal support and continued provincial support for public transportation.

Endorsed

**Report on Resolutions
Received After the
Deadline**

The Report on Resolutions Received After the Deadline was considered by membership and one amendment was made to include consideration of LR7. Consequently 7 resolutions were recommended for debate. The following resolutions were admitted Friday morning as part of the Report on Resolutions received After the Deadline. (As noted below, LR6 was addressed on Thursday morning).

EMERGENCY RESOLUTIONS

LR 1 DEFERMENT OF USER FEES

Not Endorsed

**LR2 WATER QUALITY STANDARDS FOR
WATER CONTAMINATED BY PETROLEUM
PRODUCTS**

Endorsed

**LR3 DEPORTATION/DESTRUCTION OF
WATER BUFFALO**

Endorsed

**LR4 RCMP CONTRACT POLICING
RESOURCE COSTS**

Endorsed

LR5 MILL BAY-BRENTWOOD BAY FERRY

Endorsed

**LR6 ADJACENCY AND ACCESS TO
RESOURCES**

Endorsed

(This resolution was admitted for debate on Thursday morning and was carried.)

**LR7 SUMAS ENERGY 2 IMPACT ON
BRITISH COLUMBIA**

Endorsed

Other Policy Matters

THE DELEGATES ALSO ENDORSED THE FOLLOWING POLICY PAPERS

- 2000 Environment Action Plan
- Municipal Pension Plan Joint Trusteeship and Proposed Joint Management Agreement
- Land Use Coordination, Servicing and Dispute Resolution: Toward Certainty for Local Government
- UBCM Response to Bill 30: Gaming Control Act
- Report on Streamside Protection Directive
- Evaluating the Stability of BC's Assessment Rolls

This report was received for information and referred to the UBCM Executive for follow up action.

- Report on CFCI Task Force

The following recommendations were put forward for member consideration:

1. That the UBCM membership support participation by the UBCM Communities and Resources Committee in the development of strategies deemed by the Executive to support the promotion of BC wood and wood products.

2. That the provincial government:

- immediately commence LRMPs in those regions of the province not yet underway and complete the Central Coast LRMP by March 31, 2001 as announced by the Minister;

- publicly state that where legitimate, provincially sanctioned land use plans are in place, those land use decisions will be respected and not reopened for discussion; and

- restate its commitment to open door negotiations over public resources and advise that all parties interested in land use decision making need to participate at the LRMP or similar table(s).

3. That the forest industry jointly with local, provincial and federal governments work together to establish an internationally recognized and acceptable certification system.

4. That the forest industry, provincial and federal governments provide adequate funding for the establishment of domestic and international campaigns to promote BC wood/wood products; and sustainable BC forest practices; and where possible;

That all three parties work together in conjunction with other affected groups such as UBCM, IWA, First Nations and others to coordinate and dovetail initiatives to avoid duplication and maximize the resources available.

5. That the UBCM membership reaffirm its support for the public land use process.

The following is the disposition of those recommendations:

- Recommendation #1 was endorsed with an amendment to add the words "and the UBCM Environment Committee" after the words "Communities and Resources Committee".
- Recommendation #2 was endorsed.
- Recommendation #3 was referred to the UBCM Executive.
- Recommendation #4 was referred to the UBCM Executive.
- Recommendation #5 was endorsed.

RESOLUTIONS REFERRED TO UBCM EXECUTIVE

The following resolutions were not debated during the Convention, but in accordance with UBCM policies, they will be referred to the UBCM Executive for consideration at their November 23-24 meeting.

TRANSPORTATION

B72 UBCM AIRPORT COMMON FRONT REGIONAL AIRPORTS

TAXATION

B73 PROVINCIAL SALES TAX
 B74 TAXATION OF FOREIGN-BASED ACTORS/FOREIGN FILM TAX CREDIT PROGRAM
 B75 BUSINESS CLASS TAX EXEMPTION
 B76 REDEMPTION OF PROPERTY SOLD
 B77 DEVELOPMENT COST CHARGE FOR REPLACEMENT HOUSING
 B78 PROVINCIAL INFRASTRUCTURE GRANTS
 B79 DEVELOPMENT COST CHARGES FOR SOLID WASTE FACILITIES
 B80 FUEL PRICES
 B81 AVIATION FUEL TAX EXEMPTIONS
 B82 7% TAX ON VESSELS AND RVS LEFT FOR STORAGE IN BC

ENVIRONMENT

B83 DISPOSAL OF USED ANTIFREEZE
 B84 PRODUCT LABELING AT THE GASOLINE PUMP
 B85 PEST MANAGEMENT POLICY
 B86 PRIVATE SEWAGE SYSTEMS
 B87 STREAMSIDE DIRECTIVES
 B88 BC LAND COMMISSION STRATEGIC PLAN
 B89 FUNDING LEVELS FOR FOREST SERVICE RECREATION
 B90 CRANBERRY OPERATIONS
 B91 COMMERCIAL HARVEST OF SEALS AND SEA LIONS
 B92 ENDANGERED SPECIES - COMPENSATION
 B93 STAND-BY PAY FOR AMBULANCE ATTENDANTS
 B94 LOSS OF PAY PROVISIONS FOR AMBULANCE ATTENDANTS WHILE ON TRAINING SEMINARS
 B95 FUNDING OF INTERMEDIATE CARE FACILITIES
 B96 SUPPORT FOR UNBC HEALTH RESEARCH INSTITUTE
 B97 DOBBIN REPORT
 B98 PUBLIC PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS FOR MULTILEVEL CARE FACILITIES
 B99 PROPOSED CHILD SERVICES EQUALITY ACT
 B100 PREVENTATIVE HEALTH CARE SERVICE

COMMUNITIES AND RESOURCES

B101 SUPPORT FOR CANADIAN FARMERS
 B102 IMPACT OF TRANSFERS OF TIMBER HARVESTING RIGHTS

LAND USE

B104 PROTECTION OF STREAMSIDE HABITATS VIA DEVELOPMENT PERMIT APPLICATIONS

REGIONAL DISTRICTS

B105 REGIONAL SERVICES

ASSESSMENT

B106 BC ASSESSMENT APPEAL PROCESS

SELECTED ISSUES

B107 DISTRIBUTION OF GOVERNMENT INFORMATION
 B108 ARTS AND CULTURAL SERVICES
 B109 PUBLIC SCHOOLS IN RURAL COMMUNITIES
 B110 LIBRARY SERVICES TO FIRST NATIONS
 B111 COMMUNITY YOUTH ASSET DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVES
 B112 CIVIC YOUTH COUNCILS
 B113 DISABLED HOMEOWNER GRANT
 B114 HIGHER GLASS IN ARENAS
 B115 SNOWMOBILE/TOURISM INDUSTRY
 B116 PROVINCIAL ELECTORAL REFORM
 B117 WORKER'S COMPENSATION BOARD DISCUSSION PAPER - CLAIMS AVOIDANCE

Those members sponsoring resolutions that have been referred to the UBCM Executive (B72-B117) please review the comments and recommendations of the Resolutions Committee as you may wish to provide additional information in those instances where no recommendation has been offered.