



MEMBER RELEASE

October 5, 2010

TO: Mayor & Council; Chair & Board; Senior Staff
 FROM: Union of BC Municipalities
 RE: **2010 Resolutions Disposition & Executive List**

The following is a preliminary summary of the resolutions and positions adopted at the 2010 Convention, as well as policy discussion outcomes. The full and exact wording of all resolutions, amendments and policy papers will appear in the Convention Minutes.

EXTRAORDINARY RESOLUTIONS

- ER1 Extraordinary Resolution to Amend the Union’s Bylaws Respecting Rules of Procedure & the Handling of Resolutions
Endorsed
- ER2 Extraordinary Resolution to Amend the Union’s Bylaws Respecting Addition of Two Vancouver Metro Area Representatives to the Executive
Endorsed

SPECIAL RESOLUTIONS

- SR1 RCMP Police Costs & Accountability
Endorsed

SECTION A

- A1 Harmonized Federal & Provincial Environmental Assessment Process
Not Endorsed
- A2 Four Year Local Government Term
Not Endorsed
- A3 Local Government Elections Date
Endorsed as Amended

*THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the UBCM recommend to the Province that the date for local government elections be moved to the third Saturday of October **and that those elected take***

office on November 1.

- A4 Verification of Compliance with Medical Marihuana Access Regulations
Referred to UBCM Executive

SECTION B – PART I

In keeping with UBCM resolutions procedures, Section B – Part 1 resolutions were passed as a block by the 2010 Convention on Thursday, September 30 with the exception of B7, B14, B18 and B25, which were pulled for individual debate. Consideration of these four resolutions followed passage of the block.

The disposition of the resolutions in the Section B – Part 1 block was as follows:

- B1 Community Charter Conflict of Interest
Endorsed
- B2 Support for the Community Justice Program
Endorsed
- B3 Provincial Regulation of Fireworks
Endorsed
- B4 Transforming the Fire/Rescue Service Report Recommendations
Endorsed
- B5 Fire Rescue Service
Endorsed
- B6 Funding of Road-side Rescue Services
Endorsed

B8	Long-term BC Coastal Community Flood Protection <i>Endorsed</i>				
B9	First Responder Supplies <i>Endorsed</i>				<i>THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Union of British Columbia Municipalities lobby the Ministry of Environment for the addition of milk containers to the Recycling Regulation.</i>
B10	Financial Equipment & Personnel Support for RCMP Rural Detachments <i>Endorsed</i>	B28	Ban Pesticides & Other Chemicals <i>Endorsed with Amendment as Proposed</i>		
B11	Additional Policing <i>Endorsed</i>				<i>THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Province of British Columbia enact provincial legislation that will ban the sale and use of cosmetic pesticides province-wide.</i>
B12	Victim Services <i>Endorsed</i>	B29	Invasive Species <i>Endorsed</i>		
B13	Support for Youth Outreach/Street Workers <i>Endorsed</i>	B30	Derelict & Abandoned Vessels, Barges & Docks <i>Endorsed</i>		
B15	Greener Transportation <i>Endorsed</i>	B31	Carbon Offsets <i>Endorsed</i>		
B16	Increased Shoulder Width of Highways <i>Endorsed</i>	B32	Expanding the Scope of Carbon Offsets <i>Endorsed</i>		
B17	BC Cycling Development Program <i>Endorsed</i>	B33	Product Stewardship Programs Cost Recoveries for Communities <i>Endorsed</i>		
B19	Rural Roads Access & Maintenance Standards <i>Endorsed</i>	B34	Funding of Local Government Recycling Programs <i>Endorsed</i>		
B20	BC Ferry Services Performance <i>Endorsed</i>	B35	Development of a Species & Ecosystem Protection Act for BC <i>Endorsed</i>		
B21	Local Contributions to BC Transit <i>Endorsed</i>	B36	Parkland Dedication <i>Endorsed</i>		
B22	Park Land <i>Endorsed</i>	B37	Treaty Settlement Costs <i>Endorsed</i>		
B23	Development Cost Charges & Synthetic Turf Fields <i>Endorsed</i>	B38	ALR Review <i>Endorsed</i>		
B24	Provincial Motor Tax Fuel <i>Endorsed</i>	B39	Meat Regulations <i>Endorsed</i>		
B26	Riparian Area Protection on Private Forest Lands <i>Endorsed</i>	B40	Utilization of BC Pine Beetle Infested Forest <i>Endorsed</i>		
B27	BC Recycling Regulation <i>Endorsed with Amendment as Proposed</i>				

- B41 Increased Funding for Local Recreation Sites
Endorsed
- B42 Support for Persons with Mental Illness
Endorsed
- B43 Rural Health Care
Endorsed
- B44 Addiction Treatment Services
Endorsed
- B45 BC Ambulance Services Response Time
Endorsed
- B46 Restore & Maintain Funding for BC Libraries
Endorsed
- B47 Greenhouses
Endorsed
- B48 Arts & Culture Funding
Endorsed
- B49 School District Funding
Endorsed
- B50 Cellular Phone Coverage in Rural Communities
Endorsed
- B51 Poverty Reduction Plan
Endorsed
- B52 Changes to Local Government Legislation Regarding Accessible Residential Building Standards
Endorsed
- B53 Accessible Building Code Standards
Endorsed
- B54 Canada Post Policy on Unaddressed Admail
Endorsed
- B55 Local Government Studies – Grades 8 to 12
Endorsed
- B56 Funding for Early Childhood Development
Endorsed

- B57 Legal Aid for BC
Endorsed

The following resolutions, removed from the Section B – Part 1 block, were then considered individually:

- B7 Mandatory Helmets for Small-wheel Vehicles
Not Endorsed
- B14 Alcohol Reduction Strategy
Endorsed
- B18 Trails Along Railway Rights of Way
Endorsed
- B25 Support for Ministry of Environment in Dealing with Urban Wildlife
Endorsed as Amended

*THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Union of BC Municipalities request the Province of British Columbia to put more resources into wildlife management areas in which **both rural and** urban wildlife is a significant problem.*

SECTION B – PART II-a

In keeping with the amended procedures for handling resolutions that were brought into effect as a result of the endorsement of 2010 resolution ER1, Section B – Part 2-a resolutions were passed as a block by the 2010 Convention on Thursday, September 30 with the exception of B76, B77, B85, B93 and B94, which were pulled for individual debate. Consideration of these five resolutions followed passage of the block.

The disposition of the resolutions in the Section B – Part 2 block was as follows:

- B58 Requirement for Geotechnical Reports for Non-habitable Structures
Endorsed with Amendment as Proposed

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the UBCM request financial assistance from the Province to undertake secondary geotechnical studies in order to reduce the need for individual site specific studies.

B59	Fire Smart Canada Community Program <i>Endorsed with Amendment as Proposed</i>		<i>THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the UBCM request the Province to continue to provide funding of the Strategic Wildfire Prevention Program.</i>
	<i>THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Union of BC Municipalities request that the Province initiate a Fire Smart Canada Community Program similar to the FireWise program in the United States and the Partners in Protection Fire Smart Canada proposal.</i>	B69	Travel Authorization Permit Exemptions for Emergency Response Vehicles <i>Endorsed</i>
B60	New Manufactured Homes – Protection of Consumers <i>Endorsed</i>	B70	Access to Transportation for Individuals with Disabilities <i>Endorsed and Referred to FCM</i>
B61	Restoration of Emergency Management Training Funding <i>Endorsed with Amendment as Proposed</i>	B71	Community Works Fund <i>Endorsed</i>
	<i>THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that UBCM lobby the provincial government to restore core funding for emergency management, emergency social services, and first responder training to at least the 2008/2009 levels and to continue working with the BC Association of Emergency Managers, the Emergency Social Services Association and other stakeholders to improve emergency program training for every community in BC.</i>	B72	Exemption from Assistance to Business Requirements – Broadband <i>Endorsed</i>
B62	Community Gaming Grant Funding for Emergency Training <i>Endorsed</i>	B73	Property Tax Deferment <i>Endorsed</i>
B63	RCMP Costs <i>Endorsed</i>	B74	Expansion of Infrastructure Grant Programs to Include Major Local Government Facilities <i>Endorsed and Referred to FCM</i>
B64	Restricting the Importation of Precursor Products <i>Endorsed and Referred to FCM</i>	B75	Local Government Revenue <i>Endorsed and Referred to FCM</i>
B65	PRIME-BC Funding <i>Endorsed</i>	B78	Location of Assessment Appeal Hearings <i>Endorsed</i>
B66	Security of Canada Post Super Mail Boxes <i>Endorsed and Referred to FCM</i>	B79	Southern Strait of Georgia National Marine Conservation Area Reserve <i>Endorsed</i>
B67	Reservoir Flood Buffer <i>Endorsed</i>	B80	Federal Environmental Assessment Requirement for Co-generation Power Plants Burning Toxic Fuels <i>Endorsed</i>
B68	Community Wildfire Protection Planning <i>Endorsed with Amendment as Proposed</i>	B81	Mapping of British Columbia’s Aquifers <i>Endorsed</i>
		B82	Proposed Wastewater Systems Effluent Regulations <i>Endorsed</i>
		B83	ICBC Aggregate Data <i>Endorsed</i>
		B84	Community Energy & Emissions Inventory <i>Endorsed</i>

B86	Maximizing Reduction in Greenhouse Gas Emissions <i>Endorsed</i>		<i>governments, community colleges, the Province and local investors to establish funding agreements which could provide the basis for stimulating and building enduring economies in British Columbian communities, through attracting and supporting green industries and providing the training for the newly-skilled workers they would require.</i>
B87	Hazardous Spill Response <i>Endorsed</i>		
B88	Security of Water Supply <i>Endorsed</i>		
B89	Education for Use of Full Cut-off Light Fixtures <i>Endorsed</i>	B102	Clean Energy Act Exemptions from Oversight <i>Endorsed</i>
B90	Extended Producer Responsibility – Construction Waste <i>Endorsed</i>	B103	Elimination of Provincial Fuel Tax on International Passenger Flights <i>Endorsed</i>
B91	Interface Forests <i>Endorsed</i>	B104	Community Forest Program Expansion <i>Endorsed</i>
B92	Highway Corridors <i>Endorsed</i>	B105	Community Forest Land Base <i>Endorsed</i>
B95	Business Improvement Areas <i>Endorsed</i>	B106	Provincial Support for Airport Marketing Programs <i>Endorsed</i>
B96	Community Farm Markets <i>Endorsed</i>	B107	Long Term Economic Viability of Short-line Railways <i>Endorsed and Referred to FCM</i>
B97	Regional Fishing Economy <i>Endorsed</i>		
B98	Timber Supply Constraints <i>Endorsed</i>	B108	Trade Agreement European Union <i>Endorsed with Amendment as Proposed and Referred to FCM</i>
B99	Alternative Energy Industry Growth <i>Endorsed</i>		<i>THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the UBCM request:</i>
B100	Buy Local BC Fruit Programs <i>Endorsed with Amendment as Proposed</i> <i>THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Province of British Columbia endorse and implement a “Buy Local” program to promote the sale of local, sustainably produced foods in support of the British Columbia tree fruit industry.</i>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>a briefing from the Province of BC on the scope and content of trade negotiations with the European Union;</i> • <i>the Federation of Canadian Municipalities to provide sector-by-sector analysis of the potential impacts on local government functions and powers of the procurement regime that the European Union is seeking;</i> • <i>the Federation of Canadian Municipalities to urge the government of Canada not to provide the European Union with access to sub national government procurement; and</i>
B101	Creating Green Jobs in Green Communities <i>Endorsed with Amendment as Proposed</i> <i>THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the UBCM support and encourage the development of partnerships of local</i>		

- **that the provincial government negotiate a clear, permanent exemption for local governments from CETA.**

- B109 Marijuana Grow-ops
Endorsed
- B110 BC Ferries Subsidy
Endorsed
- B111 Capital Cost of Health Care
Endorsed
- B112 Improved Training for Rural General Practitioners
Endorsed
- B113 Palliative Care Fees
Endorsed
- B114 Development of a Livable-inclusive Communities Strategy
Endorsed
- B115 Re-instatement of Gaming Grants
Endorsed
- B116 6-Storey Wood Frame Residential Buildings
Endorsed
- B117 Mandatory Training Requirements for Building Contractors
Endorsed
- B118 Social Assistance Benefits
Endorsed
- B119 Food Security for BC
Endorsed
- B120 Motor Vehicle Accidents – Insurance Coverage & Liability
Endorsed

The following resolutions, removed from the Section B – Part 2-a block, were then considered individually:

- B76 Local Government Share of Provincial Carbon Tax Revenues
Endorsed

- B77 Allocating a Larger Proportion of Federal Gas Tax Revenue to Local Governments
Endorsed as Amended

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the UBCM lobby the provincial government to work with the federal government to revise the agreement to expand the eligibility criteria and allocate to local governments a greater portion of federal gas tax revenues in a manner that allows for sustainable financial planning.

- B85 Stop Permits on Schedule 2 Lakes & Rivers
Endorsed

- B93 Road Access Maintenance Standards for Selling of Share, Co-op & Bare Land Strata Conversions
Endorsed

- B94 Forestry Plans & Public Consultation Processes
Endorsed as Amended

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that UBCM request that the provincial government provide direction to forest licensees through regulation under the FRPA or other means to achieve smaller, more targeted forest development units in forest stewardship plans;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that UBCM request that the provincial government improve public consultation processes associated with forest stewardship plans, including extending the period for public consultation for a reasonable period of time before the stewardship plans are approved.

SECTION B – PART II-b RESOLUTIONS

- B121 Mandatory Snow Tires
Not Endorsed
- B122 Mandatory Winter Tires
Not Endorsed
- B123 Bylaw Enforcement Notice Appeals
Not Endorsed
- B124 PRIME-BC
No Action Required

B125 Segway – Alternative Mobility Device for People with Disabilities
Not Endorsed

B126 U-Pass Pricing Throughout BC
No Action Required

B127 Interim Tax Relief for Resort Owners
Not Endorsed

B128 Towns for Tomorrow Program Changes
Endorsed

B129 Grant Funding for Small Communities
Not Endorsed

B130 Expanded Timeframes for Infrastructure Construction Spending
Endorsed

B131 Infrastructure Stimulus Fund
Withdrawn

B132 Greenhouse Gas Reduction Targets in Official Community Plans
Endorsed

B133 Single Transferable License Plate
Endorsed

B134 Prohibition of the Sale of Rabbits in Pet Stores
Not Endorsed

B135 Legislated Mandatory Recycling at Landfills & Transfer Stations
Not Endorsed

B136 Provincial Standards for Recycling at Landfills & Transfer Stations
Not Endorsed

B137 Greywater Discharge Sites
Endorsed

B138 Offshore Oil & Gas Exploration & Development
Endorsed as Amended

*THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Province of BC **implement a legislated ban** on off-shore oil and gas exploration and development;*

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that UBCM lobby the federal government to

***implement a legislated ban** on west coast offshore exploration and programs.*

B139 Bulk Crude Oil Tanker Traffic
Endorsed as Amended

*THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the UBCM be opposed to any expansion of bulk crude oil tanker traffic **in Dixon Entrance, Hecate Strait and Queen Charlotte Sound** in British Columbia;*

*AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the UBCM petition the federal government to establish a **legislated ban** on bulk crude oil **tanker** traffic through **Dixon Entrance, Hecate Strait and Queen Charlotte Sound** in British Columbia.*

B140 Tar Sands Oil
Endorsed

B141 Redundant Covenants on Property
Endorsed

B142 Land Use Contract Discharge/Amendment
Endorsed

B143 Youth Treatment Program Options – Substance Abuse
Endorsed

B144 Tobacco Use on Public Lands
Endorsed

B145 Base Level Harm Reduction
Endorsed

B146 Medical Cannabis
Endorsed

B147 School District Buildings & Property
Referred to UBCM Executive

B148 School District Property Exchange
Referred to UBCM Executive

B149 Accessibility Designation
Endorsed

B150 Prohibition of Fighting Events Unless Regulated by an Athletic Commission
Endorsed

B151 Amendment to *Community Care & Assisted Living Act* (Child Care Licensing Regulations)
Endorsed

SECTION C

C10 RCMP Contract Cost Downloading
Endorsed

SECTION B – PART III-a RESOLUTIONS

B152 Liquor Distribution Branch Changes to Support Industry Choice
Endorsed

RESOLUTIONS RECEIVED AFTER THE DEADLINE

Late resolutions LR3, LR4 and LR5 were not admitted for debate and, in keeping with UBCM procedures, will be forwarded to the appropriate Area Associations for consideration in the 2011 resolutions cycle, pending approval of the sponsor.

SECTION B – PART III-b RESOLUTIONS

B153 Employment Insurance Boundaries
Endorsed

LR1 West Nile Virus Larviciding Program Funding
Endorsed

B154 Financing the Delivery of Employment Services
Endorsed

LR2 Local Government Autonomy in Apportioning Property Tax Burden Among Assessment Classes
Referred to UBCM Executive

B155 For-profit Clinics
Not Endorsed

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