TO: Mayor & Council | Chair & Board | Senior Staff
FROM: Union of BC Municipalities Secretariat
RE: 2011 Resolutions Disposition & 2011-2012 UBCM Executive List

The following is a preliminary summary of the resolutions and positions adopted at the 2011 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 RESOLUTION

ER1 Electronic Voting at UBCM Convention
   Endorsed

SPECIAL RESOLUTIONS

SR1 Medical Marihuana
   Referred to UBCM Executive

SR2 Emergency Resolution on RCMP Contract Negotiations
   Endorsed

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that UBCM request that the Government of Canada, in the spirit of partnership and collaboration, return to the table with the Government of British Columbia and the remaining provinces and territories to negotiate the settlement of a new RCMP contract that addresses the outstanding issues of a new partnership, cost containment and accountability.

MUNICIPAL AUDITOR GENERAL POLICY PAPER

Endorsed as Amended

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that UBCM, while disagreeing on the necessity to create an office of the Municipal Auditor General, due to the fact that requirements of such an office are already met under existing local government legislation and regulations, endorse in principle the policy paper and instruct the UBCM Executive to continue negotiations with the provincial government.

SECTION A

A1 RCMP Integrated Teams
   Endorsed

A2 Local Government Elections – Online Voting
   Endorsed

A3 BC Ferries Rate Increases
   Endorsed as Amended

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that UBCM lobby the provincial government to recognize our coastal ferry services as essential extensions of our provincial public highway system and provide the independent BC Ferry Commission with a mandate to provide comprehensive recommendations aimed at creating equity between our terrestrial and marine highways and keeping jobs in coastal BC;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that UBCM lobby the provincial government to ensure that the BC ferry fares are reduced and current service levels are maintained at current levels until such time as the provincial government implements legislation that recognizes our coastal ferry services as essential extensions of our provincial public highway system and creates equity between BC’s terrestrial and marine highway systems.

A4 Enhanced Seniors’ Care Outreach & Preventative Health Programs
   Endorsed
In keeping with UBCM resolutions procedures, Section B – Part 1 resolutions were considered as a block by the 2011 Convention on Wednesday, September 28. The exception was resolution B16, which was removed for individual debate and was considered following passage of the block.

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

B1 Duty of Elected Officials to Respect Confidentiality
Endorsed

B2 First Line Fire Truck Replacement Guidelines
Endorsed

B3 Fire & Police Services Collective Bargaining Act
Endorsed

B4 Emergency Management BC & Road Rescue Services
Endorsed

B5 Local Government Emergency Response Costs
Endorsed

B6 First Responder Training Funding
Endorsed

B7 Scrap Metal Licensing & Regulating
Endorsed with Amendment as Proposed

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that UBCM lobby the provincial government to implement a system to licence and regulate the scrap metal economy in British Columbia and in the process consider different methods of implementing the regulation, such as the use of a model bylaw to allow local government to assist in enforcing the regulation or mandating the Product Stewardship Program with responsibility to implement and monitor these regulations.

B8 Keep of Prisoners Cost
Endorsed

B9 Provincial Court of BC – Judicial Resources
Endorsed

B10 Responding to the Threat of Tsunamis
Endorsed

B11 Flood Mitigation Programs
Endorsed

B12 Diking Districts
Endorsed

B13 911 Call Levy
Endorsed

B14 Provision & Funding of Victim Services
Endorsed

B15 Crime Prevention Programs
Endorsed

B17 Determining Election Results Where a Tie Vote Exists After a Judicial Recount
Endorsed

B18 Regulation of Installation of Signs, Speed & Pedestrian Crossings Within Municipal Boundaries
Endorsed

B19 Bike Lane Sweeping
Endorsed

B20 Off Road Vehicle (ORV) Licensing & Safety
Endorsed

B21 Railcar Service
Endorsed

B22 Allocating Carbon Tax for Transit Funding
Endorsed
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that UBCM request that the provincial government restore funding for BC libraries and reading centres to the levels that were achieved as part of the strategic plan prior to 2009.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the BC Assessment Authority ensure any site with an operating business have its assessment values consistent with other similar properties regardless of actual or perceived contamination.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the provincial government be requested to develop a program that would provide additional financial and capacity building resources to communities by returning a fair share of the revenue created by resource industry activity in their respective regions.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the BC Assessment Authority ensure any site with an operating business have its assessment values consistent with other similar properties regardless of actual or perceived contamination.
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that UBCM petition the provincial government to provide appropriate budgets and staff to fully support the continued and sustained operation of provincial parks and related facilities and services, **year-round where appropriate**, thereby supporting the tourism industry and the quality of life of all British Columbians;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the provincial government be asked to recognize provincial parks and related facilities and services as the sole responsibility of the Province and cease all direct and indirect attempts to download these services, or any aspects of these services, to local government.

B49 Provincial Parks
Endorsed with Amendment as Proposed

B50 Forestry Practices on Private Managed Forest Lands
Endorsed

B51 Funding for Visitor Centres
Endorsed

B52 Agricultural Funding
Endorsed

B53 Agriculture Policy
Endorsed

B54 Clean Renewable Energy Projects
Endorsed

B55 Barriers to Small Scale Food Production & Distribution
Endorsed

B56 Support of the BC Grown & Processed Food Sector
Endorsed

B57 Forest Tenure Review
Endorsed

B58 Insufficient Funding of Health Authorities
Endorsed

B59 Restore Funding to Hospitals
Endorsed

B60 Rural Health Care
Endorsed

B61 Mental Health Illness Impacts
Endorsed

B62 Autism Programs & Funding
Endorsed

B63 Community-based Seniors’ Care
Endorsed

B64 Introduction of Uniform Provincial Smoking Standards
Endorsed

B65 Provincial Childcare Funding
Endorsed

B66 Provincial & Federal Investment in Early Care & Learning
Endorsed

B67 Provincial Housing Trust Funds
Endorsed

B68 Utility Rate Review
Endorsed

B69 Return to Heritage Funding
Endorsed

B70 Restore Gaming Grants
Endorsed

B71 Amendment to the Library Act to Allow for Remuneration of Board Members
Endorsed

B72 High Speed Internet/Cell Phone Coverage
Endorsed

B73 Education Curriculum on Local Government
Endorsed

B74 Restore Funding to Women’s Centres
Endorsed

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

B16 Online Voting in Local Government Elections
Removed from Consideration
Section B – Part 2-a

In keeping with the procedures for handling resolutions, Section B – Part 2-a resolutions were considered as a block by the 2011 Convention on Thursday, September 29.

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

- **B75** Homicide Investigation Costs
  - Endorsed

- **B76** Reduction of Sheriffs’ Escort for Prisoners
  - Endorsed

- **B77** Provincial Legislation Regarding Metal Theft
  - Endorsed

- **B78** National Public Safety Broadband Network
  - Endorsed & Referred to FCM

- **B79** Funding for Coastal Flood Protection
  - Endorsed

- **B80** Wildland Interface Hazards on Crown Land
  - Endorsed

- **B81** Winter Tires Mandatory for Rental Vehicles
  - Endorsed

- **B82** Rail Crossing Upgrade Costs
  - Endorsed

- **B83** Highways – Liability
  - Endorsed with Amendment as Proposed

  **THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that UBCM petition the Province on behalf of BC local governments to amend the **Negligence Act** so that municipalities cannot be enjoined as third parties for legal claims on provincial highways.

- **B84** Intersection Safety Cameras Along Highways
  - Endorsed

- **B85** Northern Living Deduction
  - Endorsed & Referred to FCM

- **B86** Outstanding Taxes on Defaulted Crown Leases
  - Endorsed

- **B87** HST & Pension Plans
  - Endorsed

- **B88** School Site Acquisition Charge
  - Endorsed

- **B89** Illegal Dumping
  - Endorsed

- **B90** Natural Area Tax Exemption Program
  - Endorsed with Amendment as Proposed

  **THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Ministry of Community, Sport & Cultural Development be requested to grant local governments the authority to implement natural area protection tax exemption programs.

- **B91** Development of a Nature & Climate Conservation Strategy
  - Endorsed

- **B92** Authority to Control Weeds
  - Endorsed

- **B93** Balancing Agriculture & Aquatic Species at Risk Conservation
  - Endorsed & Referred to FCM

- **B94** Maintenance of Engineered Ditches
  - Endorsed

- **B95** Amend the BC Mines Act
  - Endorsed

- **B96** BC Water Act Modernization
  - Endorsed

- **B97** Protection of Lakes & Rivers
  - Endorsed with Amendment as Proposed

  **THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Province of British Columbia restore funding and resources to provincial ministries to ensure the adequate protection of BC lakes and rivers, or provide the enabling regulatory authority and financial means to local governments to properly protect and manage lakes and rivers at the local level, should they so wish.
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that UBCM encourage local governments within the province of British Columbia to undertake an inventory of public land (inclusive of parks, boulevards, rights-of-way) including identification of current zoning and applicable bylaws and/or covenants, with the intention of creating local government agricultural land banks for all forms of urban agriculture activities in support of local food security initiatives that may include, but are not limited to: urban farms, community gardens, or edible boulevards;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that UBCM encourage local governments to review procurement and business licensing policies to enhance the viability of urban agriculture.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that UBCM lobby the Province to implement a provincial adaptation to curricula that will encourage:

1) inclusive physical activities in all grades, particularly in physical education;
2) adaptation of wording in provincial curricula that will reflect seamless inclusion for all students; and
3) promotion of input and awareness in the development of resources and services (or programs) that will enhance inclusive physical activity;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that UBCM encourage BC post-secondary institutions to adapt and enhance their curricula where relevant to teach and reflect inclusive physical activity through sport and recreation, healthy living, education and other related programs.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that UBCM urge the provincial government to provide funding opportunities that reflect the true cost of the upgrades to aging infrastructure particularly in the rural areas of the province of British Columbia.
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B142  Travel Expense for Participating in UBCM Committee Meetings
   Endorsed

B143  Blue Community
   Endorsed

B144  Animal Abuse
   Endorsed

B145  Animal Welfare in BC Communities
   Endorsed

B146  UBCM Resolutions Session Participation
   Endorsed

B147  UBCM Name Change
   Endorsed

B148  School District Board Transparency
   Referred to UBCM Executive

SECTION B – PART 3-a RESOLUTIONS

In keeping with UBCM resolutions procedures, Section B – Part 3-a resolutions were considered as a block by the 2011 Convention on Friday, September 30. The exception was resolution B149, which was removed for individual debate and was considered following passage of the block.

The disposition of the resolutions in the Section B – Part 3-a block was as follows:

B150  Seniors’ Testing Under DriveABLE Program
   Endorsed

B151  Bee Importation
   Endorsed

B152  Trading Water Rights
   Endorsed

B153  Marine Conservation Strategy – Vancouver Island Shelf
   Endorsed

B154  Funding for Regional Area Geologists
   Endorsed

B155  HST Exemption
   Endorsed

B156  Casino Development
   Endorsed

The following resolution, removed from the Section B – Part 3-a block, was then considered individually:

B149  Transportation of Hazardous Materials
   Endorsed as Amended

   THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that UBCM request that the federal and provincial governments conduct a review to determine whether the emergency response capabilities are appropriate for the quantities and class of hazardous materials now being transported along the new Asia Pacific Gateway corridor.

SECTION B – PART 3-b RESOLUTIONS

B157  Age Restrictions on Indoor Tanning
   Endorsed

B158  Elimination of MSP Premiums for Seniors
   Removed from Consideration

B159  For-profit Clinics
   Not Endorsed

B160  Food Safety at Community Events
   Endorsed as Amended

   THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that UBCM request that all health authorities develop reasonable policies that will allow the sale and provision of foods prepared in non-commercial kitchens and which are not cost prohibitive or otherwise prohibitively onerous to the average citizen.

B161  Alaska Hwy 97 North – Four-laning
   Not Endorsed

B162  Highway 16 Three-laning
   Not Endorsed

B163  Volunteer Dues Income Tax Credit
   Not Endorsed

B164  Canada First Shipping & Transportation Policy
   Endorsed
Due to time constraints, in keeping with UBCM resolutions procedures the recommendations for remaining Section B – Part 3 resolutions were adopted as a block, except resolution B174, which was removed for individual debate and considered following passage of the block. Resolutions with no recommendation were referred automatically to the UBCM Executive.

The disposition of the remaining Section B – Part 3 resolutions was as follows:

- **B166** Allocation of Pacific Halibut to Sport Fishing Sector
  Referred Automatically to UBCM Executive

- **B167** Public Commission on Forests
  Referred Automatically to UBCM Executive

- **B168** Federal & Provincial Environmental Assessment Processes
  Not Endorsed

- **B169** Incandescent Light Bulb Ban
  Referred Automatically to UBCM Executive

- **B170** Compact Fluorescent Light Bulbs
  Referred Automatically to UBCM Executive

- **B171** Trapping Regulations
  Referred Automatically to UBCM Executive

- **B172** Carbon Taxing of the Coal Industry
  Referred Automatically to UBCM Executive

- **B173** Tuition Fees
  Referred Automatically to UBCM Executive

- **B175** Provincial Income Assistance Rates
  Referred Automatically to UBCM Executive

- **B176** Cuts to Family Reunification Program
  Referred Automatically to UBCM Executive

The following resolution, removed from the remaining Section B – Part 3 block, was then considered individually:

- **B174** BC Hydro Wireless Smart Meters
  Endorsed

### RESOLUTIONS RECEIVED AFTER THE DEADLINE

One late resolution, LR6, was deemed to be emergency in nature and was admitted for debate. No other late resolutions were admitted for debate. In keeping with UBCM procedures, the late resolutions will be forwarded to the appropriate Area Associations for consideration in the 2012 resolutions cycle, pending sponsor approval.

- **LR6** Oil Pipelines & Tanker Traffic in BC
  Endorsed

  **THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that UBCM request that the National Energy Board, Port Metro Vancouver, and all appropriate federal ministers ensure that any applications to expand the amount of oil transported by pipeline or tanker in British Columbia undergo:

  a. the highest degree of environmental assessment; and

  b. meaningful public consultation, including direct engagement with affected municipalities, regional authorities and British Columbia First Nations.

### RESOLUTION OFF THE FLOOR

- **OF1** Health Care Costs Recovery Act
  Endorsed

  **THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Province be requested to withdraw all current claims under the Health Care Costs Recovery Act against local governments and provide a commitment to review their practice of pursuing claims against local governments except in cases of gross negligence.
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** The two Vancouver Metro Area Representative positions are filled by elected officials from either or both the council of a GVRD member municipality; or the GVRD Board. Similarly, those same elected officials are eligible to vote for the position.