



## UNION OF BC MUNICIPALITIES NAMES 2020-2021 EXECUTIVE AS 117<sup>TH</sup> CONVENTION ENDS

## Vanderhoof Councillor Brian Frenkel acclaimed as new UBCM president

**VICTORIA, B.C. (September 24, 2020):** The Union of British Columbia Municipalities (UBCM) membership has selected its Table Officers for the 2020-2021 Executive Board at the close of its annual convention.

**Councillor Brian Frenkel of the District of Vanderhoof** has been acclaimed UBCM president and was officially installed this afternoon after serving the past year as first vice-president.

**Councillor Laurey-Anne Roodenburg of the City of Quesnel** has been acclaimed first vice president, after serving as second vice-president for the past year.

**Councillor Jen Ford of the Resort Municipality of Whistler** has been acclaimed second vice president after serving as third vice president for the past year.

**Mayor Ange Qualizza of the City of Fernie** has been elected third vice president. The original vote for this position during the convention was a tie and a run-off vote that concluded this morning was required.

"Despite the ongoing pressures we're all experiencing from COVID-19, our new UBCM executive is ready to move forward right away with working on behalf of our local government and First Nations members," said president Frenkel. "The resolutions and policy discussions from this special virtual convention have given us the direction we need to address the issues facing municipalities today from local governance issues and economic recovery, to transit, addressing climate change and more."

Images of the new UBCM Executive Board may be downloaded from Flickr for media publication. Photo credit: UBCM. Information from the now-concluded UBCM 2020 Convention is available in our online Media Room.

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## **ABOUT UBCM**

Formed in 1905 to provide a common voice for local government, the UBCM continues to follow that mandate today. Through its resolution sessions, the annual convention provides a platform for local government leaders to establish policy directions for UBCM's engagement with the provincial and federal governments. More information at <a href="mailto:ubcm.ca">ubcm.ca</a>.

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