

*UBCM Bylaws showing the proposed amendments from both Extraordinary Resolution ER1 and Extraordinary Resolution ER2. New or additional text is shown in bold and underlined, and the consequent deletions are lined out.*

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**UNION OF  
BRITISH COLUMBIA MUNICIPALITIES  
BYLAWS**

(Made pursuant to the "Union of British Columbia Municipalities Incorporation Act", being Chap. 106 of the Statutes of British Columbia, 1959).

**1. MEMBERSHIP:**

- (a) The membership of the Union shall consist of all cities, districts, townships, towns, villages, regional districts and other local governments within the Province of British Columbia that meet criteria established by the Executive and that make application to join the Union and pay the annual fees.
- (b) Life membership may be granted by the Executive to persons who have made a significant contribution to local government in British Columbia. All Past Presidents shall be life members. Life members who are not member delegates shall have the privilege of the floor, but with the exception of the immediate Past President shall not be entitled to vote.

**2. OFFICERS:**

The Officers of the Union shall be: President, First Vice-President, Second Vice-President, and Third Vice-President.

**3. EXECUTIVE:**

- (a) There shall be an Executive which shall be composed of:
  - the Officers of the Union;
  - the Immediate Past President, who shall be the last president to have completed the term of office as President;
  - a Vancouver Representative, who shall be a member of the Vancouver City Council;
  - a Small Community Representative, who shall be a member of a Council of a Village or a municipality with a population not greater than 2,500;
  - an Electoral Area Representative, who shall be an Electoral Area Director of a Regional Board;
  - a GVRD Representative who must be a member of the GVRD Board;
  - five Directors representing the five Area Associations as defined in Section 21; and
  - five Directors at Large; **and**
  - **two representatives ("Vancouver Metro Area Representatives") who must be elected members of either or both a council of a member municipality of the GVRD or of the GVRD Board.** [Effective January 1, 2011]

The members of the Executive shall be the Directors of the Union.

~~(b) The Officers, the Directors at Large, the Small Community Representative and the Electoral Area Representative, shall be elected annually at the Annual Convention, and except as herein otherwise provided shall hold office until their successors are elected at the next Annual convention. The Vancouver Representative shall be appointed by the Vancouver City Council and the five Directors shall be appointed by the appropriate Area Association as defined in Section 21. The GVRD Representative shall be elected by the GVRD Board of Directors.~~

**(b) The Officers, the Directors at Large, the Small Community Representative, the Electoral Area Representative and the Vancouver Metro Area Representatives, shall be elected annually at the Annual Convention, and except as herein otherwise provided, shall hold office until their successors are elected at the next Annual Convention. The Vancouver Representative shall be appointed annually by the Vancouver City Council, the GVRD Representative shall be elected annually by the Board of the GVRD, and the five Area Association Directors shall each be appointed by their respective Area Associations as identified in Section 21. All such appointments shall be communicated to the Nominating Committee by the appointing body pursuant to Section 4(b).**  
*[Effective January 1, 2011]*

- (c) Except for the Immediate Past President, all members of the Executive, including Officers of the Union, shall hold office only so long as they remain elected representatives of a member of the Union. If a person holding the office of Immediate Past President ceases to be an elected representative of a member of the Union while holding the office such person shall only hold the office for the remainder of the then current term.
- (d) No person shall hold a position as Officer of the Union unless elected as an Officer by the membership of the Union and no person shall be elected more than twice, whether consecutively or otherwise, as President of the Union.

In the event of a vacancy occurring amongst the Officers, the next ranking Officer willing to serve shall fill the vacancy, provided that if the office of President cannot for any reason be filled as aforesaid, the Executive shall call a special election for the office of President and such election may be held by a mail ballot pursuant to the rules and procedures established and determined by the Executive.

In the event of a vacancy:

- amongst the Officers, other than President, the Executive may appoint, from amongst persons qualified to be elected to the Executive, Acting Directors at Large equal to the number of vacancies;
  - amongst the Directors at Large, ~~or~~ the Small Community Representative, ~~or~~ the Electoral Area Representative, **or the Vancouver Metro Area Representatives**, the Executive may appoint a person qualified to hold the office to fill the position for the term remaining; *[Effective January 1, 2011]*
  - in the position of Vancouver Representative, GVRD Representative or amongst the five Directors appointed by the Area Associations such vacancies shall be filled in the manner of the original appointment.
- (e) The Union shall pay the expenses of the Executive incurred on authorized business of the Union, except for attendance at the annual Convention. For

attendance at the Executive meeting immediately preceding the annual Convention such expenses shall be limited to the per diem rates and extra hotel accommodation costs incurred for the period of that Executive meeting only. No travelling expenses nor any part of other expenses ordinarily incurred by Executive members in attending the annual Convention will be borne by the Union. In the event that the Immediate Past President no longer holds municipal office, while still remaining a member of the Executive, his or her expenses incurred in attending the annual Convention and the Executive meeting immediately prior to it shall be paid by the Union.

#### 4. NOMINATIONS FOR ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND EXECUTIVE:

- (a) There is constituted a committee of the Executive to be known as the Nominating Committee consisting of the Immediate Past President (if any) and the five appointed Area Association Directors provided that where any of the five appointed Area Association Directors declares an interest in seeking election to the Executive of the Union, the Area Association that appointed such Area Association Director may name another elected official of a member of the Union to serve on the Nominating Committee.
- (b) The Nominating Committee shall elect a Chair from amongst the members of the Committee and shall prior to the Annual Convention:
- issue a call for nominations for each of the positions of Officer of the Union and for the positions of Small Community Representative, Electoral Area Representative, ~~and~~ the five Directors at Large, **and the Vancouver Metro Area Representatives**; [Effective January 1, 2011]
  - encourage potential nominees to come forward as candidates for office and as requested provide information to such person relating to duties, responsibilities and roles pertaining to the various offices;
  - review the credentials of nominees to ensure that each nominee is qualified to hold office pursuant to Section 4(j);
  - accept qualified nominees nominated by two elected officials of members of the Union;
  - obtain the name of a qualified person who has been appointed by the City of Vancouver to assume office as the Vancouver Representative, the name of the GRVD Representative and the names of the five Area Association Directors who have each been appointed to assume the office of Area Association Director by the respective Area Association;
  - at least 30 days prior to the Annual Convention, prepare and provide to all members of the Union a report on nominations accepted for each office that have been received by the close of business on the last business day of July and on the persons appointed by the City of Vancouver, by the GVRD and the five Area Associations. Such report shall be neutral and the Nominating Committee shall not recommend any nominee or group of nominees.
- (c) In making its report the Nominating Committee, taking into consideration the names of appointees submitted by the City of Vancouver, the GVRD and the five Area Associations, shall ensure they are balanced and representative nominations including:
- that sufficient nominations are received;

- that each general area of the Province is represented on the Executive nominated or appointed.

The Nominating Committee shall not recommend any nominee or group of nominees.

- (d) The Chair of the Nominating Committee, during the morning session of the first day of the Annual Convention, shall present the nominations for the positions of Officers on the UBCM Executive, i.e. President, First Vice-President, Second Vice-President, and Third Vice-President. After the Chair's report on these positions has been read, the Chair shall call for nominations from the floor for each of the positions of Officers, in addition to the names presented by the Nominating Committee.
- (e) If, at the close of nominations, only one candidate for each position of Officer stands validly nominated, the Chair of the Nominating Committee shall forthwith proclaim the candidate elected.
- (f) If, at the close of nominations, more than one candidate stands validly nominated for any of the positions of Officers, the Chair of the Nominating Committee shall cause an election to be held.
- (g) On the second day of the Annual Convention at the time after the results of the election of Officers has been announced, the Chair of the Nominating Committee shall present the nominations for the positions of:
- Small Community Representative;
  - Electoral Area Representative; ~~and~~
  - for the five positions of ~~Executive~~ Directors at Large; ~~and~~
  - **the two Vancouver Metro Area Representatives.** [Effective January 1, 2011]

After the Chair's report on these positions has been read, the Chair shall call for nominations from the floor for each of the positions of Small Community Representative, Electoral Area Representative, ~~and~~ for the five positions of ~~Executive~~ Directors at Large, **and the two Vancouver Metro Area Representatives.** [Effective January 1, 2011]

- ~~(h) If, at the close of nominations, only one person stands validly nominated for the positions Small Community Representative, Electoral Area Representative, or in the case of the five positions of Executive Directors at large, only five persons stand validly nominated, the Chair of the Nominating Committee shall forthwith declare the candidates elected.~~
- (h) If, at the close of nominations: only one person stands validly nominated for the position of Small Community Representative, or only one person stands validly nominated for the position of Electoral Area Representative, or in the case of the five positions of Directors at Large, only five persons stand validly nominated; or in the case of the two Vancouver Metro Area Representatives, only two persons stand validly nominated, the Chair of the Nominating Committee shall forthwith declare the only candidates in each of the categories to be elected.** [Effective January 1, 2011]
- (i) If, at the close of nominations, more than one person stands validly nominated for the positions of Small Communities Representative, Electoral Area Representative, or in the case of the five positions of ~~Executive~~ Directors at Large,

more than five persons stand validly nominated, **or in the case of the two Vancouver Metro Area Representatives more than two persons stand validly nominated**, the Chair shall cause an election to be held. *[Effective January 1, 2011]*

- (j) Where a nomination is made from the floor, the nominators must advise the Chair that the nominee is qualified pursuant to Section 3 to hold the office and that he or she has consented to be nominated. The Chair shall forthwith ask the nominee to confirm such consent from the floor and if the nominee is not present on the floor at the time of nomination, the nominators may either withdraw the nomination or immediately provide the Chair with the written and signed consent of the nominee.
- (k) Nominations shall require two nominators. The nomination shall state only the candidate's name, elected office, municipality, regional district or other membership affiliation, and Area Association, and that the consent of the person nominated has been received.

## 5. ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND EXECUTIVE:

- ~~(a) If, at the close of nominations, more than one candidate stands validly nominated for each position of the Officers, and the positions of Small Community Representative, Electoral Area Representative, or in the case of the five positions of Executive Directors at large, more than five such candidates stand, the Chair of the Nominating committee shall cause elections to be held as may be required.~~
- (a) If, at the close of nominations, more than one candidate stands validly nominated for each position of the Officers, and for the position of Small Community Representative, and for the position of Electoral Area Representative, or in the case of the five positions of Directors at Large, more than five such candidates stand, or in the case of the two Vancouver Metro Area Representatives, more than two candidates stand, the Chair of the Nominating committee shall cause elections to be held as may be required.**  
*[Effective January 1, 2011]*
- (b) The election of Officers shall be held on the afternoon of the first day and the morning of the second day of the Annual Convention.
- ~~(c) The election of Small Community Representative, Electoral Area Representative and the five positions of Executive Directors at large shall be held on the afternoon of the second day and the morning of the third day of the Annual Convention.~~
- (c) The election of Small Community Representative, Electoral Area Representative, the five positions of Directors at Large, and the two positions of Vancouver Metro Area Representatives shall be held on the afternoon of the second day and the morning of the third day of the Annual Convention.**  
*[Effective January 1, 2011]*
- ~~(d) If any election is to be held, ballot papers shall be prepared and distributed. In the case of an election for Officer positions, one ballot shall be used. In the case of elections for Small Community Representative and Electoral Area Representative and the five positions of Executive Directors at large, individual ballots shall be~~

~~used. The names of the candidates shall be printed alphabetically in order of surnames on the ballots, and shall show only the candidate's names, official positions, municipality, regional district or other member affiliation and Area Association. Before any ballot is taken, any person nominated may decline or withdraw his or her name by giving two hours' notice thereof following the time of the candidates' speeches.~~

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- ~~(e) Scrutineers shall be appointed by the President and it shall be among the duties of such Scrutineers to count the votes on such ballots and declare the result of such elections to the Chair of the Nominating Committee who shall report the results of the elections to the Convention. In the case of a ballot vote being held for the five positions of Executive members at large, all ballots marked for more than the number to be elected shall be counted as spoiled ballots.~~
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- ~~(f) All elected representatives from members who are present at the convention shall be entitled to vote for Directors at Large. Only representatives from Small Communities members who are present at the Convention shall vote for the Small Community Representative and only representatives from Electoral Areas who are present at the Convention shall vote for the Electoral Area Representative. No vote by proxy shall be recognized or allowed.~~
- (f) All elected representatives from members who are present at the Convention shall be entitled to vote for Directors at Large. Only representatives from Small Communities members who are present at the Convention shall vote for the Small Community Representative, only representatives from Electoral Areas who are present at the Convention shall vote for the Electoral Area Representative, and only representatives of the GVRD and the delegates from its member Municipalities may vote for Vancouver Metro Area Representatives. No vote by proxy shall be recognized or allowed. [Effective January 1, 2011]**

- (g) In the event that the result of election for the position of any Officer of the Union, Small Community Representative or Electoral Area Representative cannot be declared because of an equality of votes between two or more persons receiving the greatest number of votes, then the Chair shall hold a run-off election amongst those persons who received equal votes.

**In the case of an election for the position of Vancouver Metro Area Representative, the Chair shall declare elected the two candidates who receive the highest number of votes. If a candidate cannot be elected because of an equality of votes between two or more candidates, the Chair shall hold a run-off election for the positions remaining undeclared in which the only candidates shall be the unsuccessful candidates in the original election who do not withdraw. [Effective January 1, 2011]**

In the case of an election for office as Director at Large, the Chair shall declare elected the five candidates who received the highest number of votes, provided that if a candidate cannot be declared elected because of an equality of votes between two or more candidates, the Chair shall hold a run-off election for the positions remaining undeclared in which the only candidates shall be the unsuccessful candidates in the original election who do not withdraw.

## 6. FINANCIAL AUDIT

It shall be the responsibility of the Executive to cause the accounts of the Union to be audited annually at the close of each fiscal year and to report thereon at the Annual Convention.

## 7. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR:

The Union may employ an Executive Director to carry out such duties on behalf of the Union as the Executive may direct. The Executive Director shall be appointed and the remuneration fixed by the Executive.

## 8. SOLICITOR:

The Union may retain a Solicitor whose appointment shall be made and remuneration fixed by the Executive. The Solicitor shall render such legal services as are required by the Executive.

## 9. AUDITORS:

Auditors shall be appointed annually at the Annual Convention and shall hold office until the next Annual Convention.

## 10. DUTIES AND POWERS OF EXECUTIVE:

- (a) The Executive shall have the power and it shall be their duty to put into effect the will of the Union as expressed by resolution at any of its meetings. Between meetings they shall manage the affairs of the Union and shall report all the transactions of the year to the Annual Convention.
- (b) The President, or in the President's absence the senior Vice-President in attendance, shall preside at all meetings.
- (c) The Executive may appoint sub-committees, and may delegate to such sub-committees such powers as may be necessary for the proper carrying out of the duties delegated to the Executive by the Union.

- (d) The Executive may confer and vote by correspondence or teleconference.
- (e) The Executive shall establish the annual budget and shall fix the fees of the members.
- (f) A quorum of the Executive shall be six members thereof.
- (g) The Executive shall meet immediately prior to each Convention and shall be responsible for preparing the programme.
- (h) The Executive shall have power to make such reasonable expenditures as may become necessary for the carrying out of the business of the Union.
- (i) The Executive may enter into contracts on behalf of the Union, acquire or lease real and personal property and generally carry on the business of the Union within the limits of the fiscal arrangements of the Union.

**11. REPRESENTATION AT CONVENTIONS:**

All elected officials of members attending the Annual or any Special Convention of the Union shall be delegates entitled to participate in debates and to vote on any matter before the Convention. Other delegates shall not be entitled to the privilege of the floor unless authorized by the Convention.

**12. CONVENTIONS:**

- (a) One general meeting shall be held every year which shall be known as the Annual Convention.
- (b) The time and place for Conventions shall be decided by the Executive. The Executive shall give ninety days' notice in writing thereof to all member municipalities and regional districts of the current year's Annual Convention.
- (c) The Annual Convention shall be called for three (3) days.
- (d) Other general meetings may be called at any time by a three-fourths majority vote of the Executive and shall be known as Special Conventions.
- (e) Special Conventions shall meet at such time and place as the Executive shall determine and as much notice thereof as possible shall be given to all members.
- (f) The President, or in the President's absence, the senior Vice-President in attendance, shall preside at all Conventions but the Chair may be delegated to a member of the Executive for particular business.
- (g) At all Conventions there shall be a registration fee. The amount of the registration fee shall be determined by the Executive and may be altered from time to time.
- (h) At all Convention sessions fifty (50) voting delegates shall constitute a quorum.



**13. VOTING AT CONVENTIONS:**

- (a) Voting on ordinary resolutions normally shall be by a show of voting cards and the Chair's decision as to whether a motion is won or lost is final, unless immediately upon the decision of the Chair being declared, ten or more voting delegates then present, by standing, demand a standing vote, whereupon the Chair shall again put the same question to the Convention to be decided by a count of those standing in favour of and against the motion. In the event that the result of the standing vote is questioned by fifty or more voting delegates then present, or at any time in the discretion of the Chair, the Chair shall order that the matter before the Convention be determined by ballot, and the result of such ballot shall be final.
- (b) Where voting is by ballot, the scrutineers appointed under section 5(e) will distribute the ballot, collect the same, and will count and report the vote.
- (c) In all cases, where the votes of the delegates then present, including the vote of the Chair, are equal for and against a question, the question shall be negatived, and it shall be the duty of the Chair to so declare.
- (d) No vote by proxy shall be recognized or allowed.

**14. SUBJECTS FOR DISCUSSION AT CONVENTIONS:**

- (a) All resolutions for discussion at the Annual Convention (**the "Annual Resolutions"**) shall be forwarded to the Executive Director not later than June 30 and the Executive Director shall arrange for the printing of the same and forward a copy of all resolutions to be dealt with to the members at least thirty (30) days before the date of the Annual Convention. Resolutions shall only be accepted from members and Area Associations. Subjects not printed shall be considered only if dealt with as in Clause (c) of this Section. *[Effective on adoption]*
- (b) Matters to be discussed at a Special Convention will be such matters as are contained in the notice given of such Special Convention, and a Special Convention, provided that majority of the members are represented, shall have the power to entertain matters not contained in the notice if duly admitted for discussion under the provisions of Clause (c) hereof.
- (c) It shall be competent for any delegate at an Annual Convention, or at a Special Convention if a majority of the members are represented, to put forward any motion, which, if duly seconded shall be dealt with as follows: The Chair shall put the question "Shall the motion before the meeting be admitted for discussion?" and it shall require a three-fifths majority vote before the motion can be put. At the discretion of the Chair any such motion shall be submitted in writing and copies may be required to be provided to all delegates present before consideration thereof.
- (d) Notwithstanding the foregoing the Executive may submit any matters not requiring Extraordinary Resolution to any Convention for consideration or action at any time.
- (e) Guest speakers may be permitted at the discretion of the Executive.

**15. COMMITTEES (Other than Nominating Committee):**

- (a) It shall be the duty of the President to appoint and to define the powers and duties of every Committee except the Nominating Committee and the Resolutions Committee.
- (b) There shall be a Resolutions Committee composed of the members of the Executive.
- (c) The Resolutions Committee ~~shall~~:
  - **shall** examine all **Annual Resolutions** ~~resolutions~~ regularly submitted to the Convention; *[Effective on adoption]*
  - **shall** recommend in favour of or against the **Annual Resolutions** ~~resolutions~~ respectively; and
  - may correlate **Annual Resolutions** ~~resolutions~~; and
  - may recommend amendments.

Any **Annual Resolution** ~~resolution~~ may be referred by the Convention to the Resolutions Committee either alone or with ~~new other resolution or~~ resolutions for study and report to the Convention. *[Effective on adoption]*

**16. ANNUAL FEES AND ASSESSMENTS:**

- (a) Annual Fees. The Executive shall have the power to establish and levy annual fees upon members in such amounts as the Executive may deem requisite to meet the financial requirements of the Union.
- (b) Special Assessments. The Executive shall have power to establish and levy, by consent of each member affected, special assessments upon said members in such amounts as the Executive may deem requisite. The Executive shall have the power to levy special assessments on members in addition to the annual levy of fees.
- (c) Special assessments for legal assistance. The Executive shall have the power to establish and levy special assessments from all members for the purpose of providing financial assistance to members in legal appeals where such assistance has been approved by the Executive.

**17. BORROWING POWERS:**

- (a) The Executive shall have the power to borrow on the credit of the Union in anticipation of the receipt of annual fees or special assessments an amount not in excess of a sum or sums then levied or assessed but not yet collected.
- (b) All borrowing by the Union in excess of a sum equal to the amount of the annual fees collected in the fiscal year preceding the incurring of the indebtedness shall be authorized only by resolution of the Union.

**18. SEAL:**

The Seal of the Union shall be kept in the custody of the Executive Director, and shall not be affixed to any instrument except by authority of a resolution of the Executive, and in the

presence of the President and the Executive Director, or any two officers of the Union named in such resolution, and they shall sign every instrument to which the Seal of the Union is so affixed in their presence.

**19. AMENDMENTS TO CONSTITUTION:**

Any request of the Union to the Government of the Province of British Columbia for an amendment to the Act of the Legislature incorporating the Union, and any amendments to these bylaws, may only be made pursuant to Extraordinary Resolution duly adopted by the Union.

**20. EXTRAORDINARY RESOLUTIONS:**

Notice of Extraordinary Resolutions intended to be submitted for consideration shall be given in writing to the Executive Director not later than seventy-five (75) days prior to the date fixed for the Annual Convention, and shall be included in the printed material sent to members by the Executive Director at least thirty (30) days prior to the Convention. A favourable three-fifths majority vote at an Annual Convention of the delegates then present shall be necessary to adopt an Extraordinary Resolution.

**21. GENERAL:**

- (a) It shall be the duty of all members to notify the Executive Director of any action they propose to take which may in any way affect local government legislation.
- (b) The fiscal year-end of the Union shall be June 30.
- (c) For greater certainty, it is hereby confirmed that:
  - (i) The Union shall not be operated for the purpose of making a profit but shall instead be operated exclusively to pursue the objects set out in section 4 of its Act of Incorporation;
  - (ii) any revenue generated by the operation of the Union shall be applied solely to defray the expenses of carrying out its objects or to establish such reserves as may, in the opinion of the directors, be reasonably necessary to ensure that the Union will be able to carry out its objects in the future;
  - (iii) no part of the income of the Union shall be payable to, or otherwise available for, the personal benefit of any member of the Union; and
  - (iv) paragraph (iii) shall not prohibit the payment of fair market value consideration for the provision of goods, property or services by any member of the Union or restrict the Union from the normal and proper pursuit of its objects, even though the pursuit of those objects is beneficial to its members.
- (d) Should the Union liquidate its assets or cease operations, its assets will be applied first to satisfy all creditors and any surplus remaining thereafter shall be distributed in a manner determined by the directors as most likely to further the objects of the Union without making any of the assets available for personal benefit of its members.

- (e) The Area Associations referred to in these bylaws are the:
- The Association of Vancouver Island Municipalities.
  - The Lower Mainland Local Government Association.
  - The Southern Interior Local Government Association.
  - The North Central Municipal Association.
  - The Association of Kootenay and Boundary Municipalities.

## 22. RULES OF PROCEDURE:

- (a) Robert's Rules of Order shall govern the proceedings of the Union, its Executive and Committees, so far as they may be applicable without coming in conflict with the Act of Incorporation, bylaws, or rules adopted by the convention.
- (b) The Presiding Officer shall enforce order and strict observance of these bylaws. Subject to an appeal to the meeting sustained by a majority vote of delegates present, the Presiding Officer shall have the right to decide all questions of order and the Officer's rulings in this regard shall be final.
- (c) A delegate wishing to move, second or speak to a motion **other than in respect of an Annual Resolution** shall arise and address the chair and shall wait until he or she is recognized before speaking. Delegates must announce their name, local government office and membership or other qualifications each time they rise to speak. *[Effective on adoption]*
- (d) Delegates must confine their remarks to a maximum speaking period of two minutes. The introducer of a motion is permitted three minutes.
- (e) No delegate may speak more than once on any one question unless and until all other delegates desiring to speak have been heard.

## 23. HANDLING OF RESOLUTIONS:

- ~~(a) The Chair will cause the resolution as printed in the resolutions booklet to be read.~~
- ~~(b) Such resolution will after reading be properly before the convention and will not require a mover or a seconder.~~
- ~~(c) A spokesperson for the Resolutions Committee will then give the views of the Resolutions Committee, together with any suggestions and the reasons therefore.~~
- ~~(d) The Chair will then call for discussion from the floor.~~
- ~~(e) Any amendment and any motion~~
- ~~• to withdraw any resolution from consideration of the meeting or;~~
  - ~~• to refer the same to the Resolutions Committee or;~~
  - ~~• to any other committee, and any other motion affecting the resolution;~~
- ~~must be moved and seconded from the Convention floor.~~

- ~~(f) Should discussion continue on any resolution for an undue length of time without reasonable agreement being reached, the resolution may be cleared from the floor by a favourable vote to refer the resolution to the Resolutions Committee for further consideration and report.~~
- (a) Unless the Convention has by ordinary resolution resolved to group the Annual Resolutions pursuant to a recommendation of the Executive and has concurrently resolved to block vote on some or all of the grouped Annual Resolutions in a process recommended by the Executive, the Chair shall cause each Annual Resolution as printed in the Resolutions Booklet to be separately read one at a time, and such Resolution as read will not require a mover or seconder and will, once read, be properly before the Convention; [Effective on adoption]
- (b) After the reading of each Annual Resolution and before the reading of the next Annual Resolution:
- (i) a spokesperson for the Resolutions Committee will concisely give the recommendation of the Resolutions Committee;
  - (ii) the Chair will then call for the sponsor of the Annual Resolution as read to speak, and if the sponsor does rise to speak, the sponsor may speak for three minutes;
  - (iii) the Chair will then call for any person opposed to the adoption of or proposing an amend to the Annual Resolution as read to speak;
  - (iv) if no person opposed or proposing an amendment rises to speak, the Chair must call the question;
  - (v) if a delegate does rise to speak in opposition or propose an amendment, such delegate may speak for two minutes, and thereafter the Chair shall recognize subsequent speakers until no further delegate rises to speak;
  - (vi) upon there being no further speakers to an Annual Resolution, the Chair must call the question;
- [Effective on adoption]*
- (c) In the event of the Convention passing an ordinary resolution to group the Annual Resolutions as recommended by the Executive and to block vote as contemplated by S. 23(a), then the Chair need not cause such of the Annual Resolutions as are to be subject to block voting to be read one at a time, and S. 23(b) shall not apply. The Chair must introduce a motion to move each block of Annual Resolutions separately, and subject to S. 23(d), the Chair shall call for the question; [Effective on adoption]
- (d) Each time the Chair moves a motion to adopt a group of Annual Resolutions as a block, any delegate may forthwith move an amendment to have one or more of the Annual Resolutions in the group removed from the block vote and considered and debated separately. A delegate may only move such a motion if he or she wishes to speak in opposition or propose an amendment to an Annual Resolution. Such motion must be seconded and must receive a three-

**fifths majority vote to pass. If the motion passes the Annual Resolution or Resolutions subject of the motion, shall be considered immediately following a vote on the block as amended. Section 23(a) and (b), as they apply to the consideration of individual Annual Resolutions shall apply to such separately considered Annual Resolutions; [Effective on adoption]**

**(e) Should debate continue on any Annual Resolution for an undue length of time, then in the absolute discretion of the Chair, the Resolution may be cleared from the floor by the Chair deciding to refer the Annual Resolution to the Resolutions Committee for further consideration and subsequent report. Any delegate may forthwith move without seconder a motion "shall the Chair's decision be upheld?" which motion must be forthwith put to the vote without debate. If such motion is successful, debate on the Annual Resolution shall continue until the question on the Annual Resolution is called. [Effective on adoption]**

PASSED AS AMENDED by the Union of British Columbia Municipalities in Annual Convention assembled at Victoria, British Columbia, on the eighteenth day of September, 1991.

*Mayor Joyce Harder*  
President

*Richard Taylor*  
Executive Director

CERTIFIED CORRECT with Bylaw Amendments to the following sections authorized on the noted dates having been incorporated in the above bylaw consolidation:

Section	4(f)	- September 23, 1992
	4(i)	- September 23, 1992
	5(b)	- September 23, 1992
	5(c)	- September 23, 1992
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- 5(g) - September 23, 1998
- 5(f) September 29, 1999

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