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Convention Finance & Sponsorship Review Backgrounder

Report on Resolutions Received After the Deadline

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Members of the Union of British Columbia Municipalities

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of the Union of British Columbia Municipalities (the "Entity"), which comprise:

- the statement of financial position as at May 31, 2019
- the statement of operations for the year then ended
- the statement of changes in net assets for the year then ended
- the statement of cash flows for the year then ended
- and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies

(Hereinafter referred to as the "financial statements").

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Entity as at May 31, 2019, and its results of operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the "***Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements***" section of our auditors' report.

We are independent of the Entity in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in Canada and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Entity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Entity or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Entity's financial reporting process.

Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinion.

Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists.

Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of the financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.

We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.

- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Entity's internal control.



- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on Entity's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditors' report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditors' report. However, future events or conditions may cause Entity to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.
- Communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

KPMG LLP

Chartered Professional Accountants

Vancouver, Canada
July 12, 2019

UBCM GENERAL FUND

Revenue and Expenditures for the year ended May 31, 2019 And Budget for the Fiscal Year June 1, 2019 to May 31, 2020

	Actuals Year Ending May 31, 2019	Budget 2019/2020
REVENUE		
Annual Dues	\$1,236,241	\$1,240,000
Investment Income General	26,824	25,000
Investment Income - Reserves		140,000
CVL Administrative Fee	16,000	16,000
Group Benefits Plan	580,403	575,000
Member Services	51,457	47,500
GTMS & LGPS Admin Fees	168,826	228,000
TOTAL REVENUE	2,079,751	2,271,500
EXPENSES		
Executive	264,308	265,000
Staff Salaries and Benefits	2,618,663	3,124,432
Staff Salary Recovery		
GTMS, LGPS, AVICC	(1,005,763)	(1,168,603)
Convention	(326,400)	(343,375)
	1,286,500	1,612,454
Staff Travel	49,921	50,000
Office Administration - Richmond	256,371	248,000
Group Benefits	60,975	45,000
Member Services	39,259	15,500
Contingency	56,859	100,000
Office Administration – Victoria (LGH)	351,583	350,000
Operations Recovery	(278,276)	(278,000)
	536,692	530,500
TOTAL EXPENSES	2,208,750	2,407,954
TOTAL REVENUE LESS EXPENSES	(7,749)	(136,454)
Fund Transfers/Investment Income	741,415	136,454
FINAL SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	\$733,665	\$0



Convention Finance and Sponsorship Review Backgrounder

*This resource provides background for a survey of voting delegates to be held during the
Convention Finance & Sponsorship Review session
Wednesday September 25, 2019, 10:25 am at the UBCM Convention.*

Union of BC Municipalities
September 2019

Convention Finance & Sponsorship Review

The Executive of the Union of BC Municipalities (UBCM) has appointed an independent panel to undertake a review of the finance and sponsorship policies for the annual Convention. The Review Panel has been asked to evaluate the various sources of revenue, including sponsorship revenue, currently in use for funding UBCM’s Convention. As part of its work, the Review Panel will survey delegates at the 2019 Convention.

The Review Panel will make recommendations on policies and practices that uphold sound governance, transparency, affordability and accountability for the annual convention for consideration by UBCM’s Executive. Recommendations endorsed by the Executive will be implemented at the next Convention in 2020.

Current Policies and Objectives

The overarching policy objective of UBCM’s approach to financing the annual Convention is to minimize registration costs for its members. UBCM’s membership is comprised of 189 local governments and eight First Nations. The annual Convention is the primary means by which the membership meets to identify and discuss issues and debate policy. Ensuring the broadest possible participation of the membership in the policy formulation process is essential for the credibility and broad applicability of the positions endorsed by delegates.

In order to minimize the financial barrier of registration fees, UBCM delivers the Convention on an “at cost” basis and relies on two additional revenue sources: a tradeshow and sponsorships.

A comparison of 2019 member registration fees with provincial or national local government associations (Table One) demonstrates the degree to which UBCM has realized the policy objective of low barrier member registration fees.

Table One: Comparison of Local Government Association Registration Fees

	UBCM	Federation of Canadian Municipalities	Alberta Urban Municipalities Association	Association of Ontario Municipalities
Member Registration	\$475	\$950	\$575	\$785
Convention Length (days)	5	4	3	4

Tradeshow Revenue

Due to the size of the UBCM Convention, the communities able to host are limited to three: Vancouver, Whistler and Victoria. Of the three, Vancouver alone has the capacity to host the tradeshow, which means that tradeshow revenue is available (typically) only in alternating

years. The primary purpose of tradeshow revenues is to offset the higher cost of holding the Convention in Vancouver.

Tradeshow exhibitors are limited to the space available in the venue. Given the diversity amongst UBCM’s membership, UBCM’s tradeshow policy is to permit businesses, associations or governmental organizations that wish to build relations with or engage the membership on matters of local government interest to register as exhibitors.

Sponsorship Revenue

The sponsorship program is utilized annually and provides a steady offset to the costs of hosting Convention in all three locales. On average, the sponsorship program contributes approximately 20% of the revenues necessary to deliver the Convention (Table Three) by contributing to a range of services provided to delegates (for example: wi-fi service, food and beverage, and the business centre).

The number of sponsors each year is limited to the range of services provided at each convention. Given the diversity amongst UBCM’s membership, UBCM’s sponsorship policy is to permit businesses, associations or governmental organizations that wish to build relations with or engage the membership on matters of local government interest to sponsor elements of the Convention.

Convention Revenue: Five-year Comparison

The following tables provide a five-year comparison of revenue sources in actual amounts and as a percentage of total revenue.

Table Two: Five-Year Revenue (Actual Amounts)

	Whistler 2014	Vancouver 2015	Victoria 2016	Vancouver 2017	Whistler 2018
Registration	913,816	1,037,386	1,026,597	1,099,277	994,255
Sponsorship	284,500	280,600	304,500	344,250	250,800
Interest Income	13,480	9,190	14,630	21,686	39,949
Tradeshow	0	263,566	34,110	291,430	0
Other	2,567	14,446	4,439	16,307	5,810
Total	\$1,214,364	1,605,188	1,384,275	1,772,950	1,290,814

Table Three: Five-year Revenue (as a Percentage of Total Revenue)

	Whistler 2014	Vancouver 2015	Victoria 2016	Vancouver 2017	Whistler 2018
Registration	75%	65%	74%	62%	77%
Sponsorship	24%	17%	22%	19.5%	19.5%
Interest Income	1%	1%	1%	1%	3%
Tradeshow	0%	16%	2.5%	16.5%	0%
Other	0%	1%	0.5%	1%	0.5%

Policy Considerations

The Review Panel notes that policy changes that would limit or eliminate revenues from any one of the three primary revenue sources (registration fees; tradeshow; or sponsorships) would likely require increasing the revenue from the other two or finding additional revenue sources (such as a levy on memberships).

With regard to limiting trade show exhibitors or sponsorships, the Review Panel notes that clear criteria would be required to support effective implementation. Policies that restrict participation need to take into account the diversity amongst UBCM’s membership, and the need for broad agreement to restrict specific sectors or groups.

Review Panel Questions

In order to provide guidance to its deliberations and forthcoming recommendations, the Review Panel is seeking input from delegates to the 2019 Convention with regard to the following questions:

Response options:

A) Strongly agree b) Agree c) Neutral / Uncertain d) Disagree e) Strongly Disagree

1. Convention registration fees for UBCM members should be kept as low as possible to facilitate member participation.
2. UBCM should utilize other sources of funding, in addition to registration fees, to reduce or offset the costs of the annual Convention.
3. Sponsorships should be one of the other revenue sources used to offset some of the costs of the annual Convention.
4. Convention policy should allow the use of sponsorships to fund evening receptions.
5. Convention policy should allow sponsorship by foreign governments.

6. Convention policy should allow sponsorships by corporations and unions.
7. UBCM membership dues should not be increased to subsidize the annual convention.

These questions will be posed to delegates at the 2019 UBCM Convention on Wednesday September 25th at 10:25 am as part of the presentation by the Review Panel on UBCM Convention Finance and Sponsorship. Members of the Review Panel encourage the membership to review this backgrounder and attend the Wednesday September 25th clinic at 7:30 am in Room 11 of VCC East. The clinic will provide delegates with an opportunity to learn more, ask questions and share their feedback.

Contact the Review Panel

If you have comments to share with the Review Panel, please contact the Review Panel Chair, Frank Leonard, at: reviewpanel@ubcm.ca

Members of the Review Panel¹

The members of the Review Panel are as follows:

- **Frank Leonard** (Chair), Consultant; formerly the Mayor of Saanich and UBCM President
- **Wendy Booth**, Consultant; formerly Area F Director with Regional District of East Kootenay and UBCM President
- **Chair Sav Dhaliwal**, Chair of Metro Vancouver; Councillor, City of Burnaby; and formerly UBCM President
- **Chair Rhona Martin**, Chair of Columbia Shuswap Regional District and formerly UBCM President

¹ In September Greg Moore was appointed interim President and CEO of BC Lottery Corporation (BCLC) while the current President is on medical leave. BCLC is a sponsor of UBCM's Convention, and Mr. Moore resigned from the Review Panel following his appointment.

Resolution Omitted Due to Administrative Error

The following resolution was received endorsed at and received from an Area Association, however, due to an administrative error, the resolution was omitted from the Resolutions Book.

The Resolutions Committee would propose that this resolution be added to Section B2-b for individual consideration, following resolution B193.

B193.1 Request for First Nations Participation on Commissions Pemberton

Whereas the Village of Pemberton, in partnership with the regional district, other local governments, and First Nations in the Sea to Sky area are working collaboratively to develop a regional transit commission to establish a regional transit system to connect Mt. Currie to Metro Vancouver;

And whereas the current provincial transit commission model does not allow for representation from First Nations which does not allow for an equal representation or an equitable decision making platform process:

Therefore be it resolved that the Province of British Columbia amend the legislation respecting the representation on commissions to include First Nations.

ENDORSED BY THE LOWER MAINLAND LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

**Add to Section B2-b
and
No Recommendation**

UBCM RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE COMMENTS:

The Resolutions Committee advises that the UBCM membership has not previously considered a resolution calling on the Province to amend legislation to include First Nations representation on commissions.

The sponsor has advised the Resolutions Committee that the intent of their resolution is to focus on First Nations participation on transit commissions only, not all government commissions, regardless of their focus.

The Committee notes that the membership has endorsed other resolutions that call on the Province to help ensure First Nations representation/consultation on a variety of issues. For example resolution 2018-B150 calls on the Province to include First Nations in the management of transfer payments to address a problematic public service delivery regime that poorly finances on and off reserve local government service delivery.

2019 Report on Resolutions Received after the Deadline

Five resolutions were received by UBCM after the regular June 30 resolutions deadline and prior to the 12:00pm, September 20 submission deadline for late resolutions. These resolutions are late, and the Resolutions Committee has applied the policies for dealing with resolutions received after the June 30 deadline.

The Resolutions Committee reviewed each resolution in accordance with the Conference Rules and Procedures:

34. Resolutions received after the deadline, are classified as “Emergency” and therefore appropriate for Plenary discussion only if the topic is such that it has arisen since the regular deadline date for submission of resolutions. Resolutions received after the deadline are appropriate to be referred to the Executive if the topic is such that it has arisen since the regular submission of resolutions and, in the opinion of the Resolutions Committee, the topic is non-controversial and in keeping with UBCM policy.

Resolutions received after the deadline are not appropriate for Plenary discussion or referral if they concern a topic that had arisen or was known prior to the regular deadline for resolutions.

Any resolutions with the recommendation “not admit for debate” relate to issues that could have been submitted for consideration prior to the regular June 30 resolutions deadline. In keeping with procedures, these resolutions would be forwarded to the appropriate Area Associations for consideration in the 2020 resolutions cycle, pending approval of the sponsor.

The Resolutions Committee recommends that the late resolutions be dealt with in the following manner:

A. EMERGENCY RESOLUTIONS: ADMIT FOR PLENARY DEBATE FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 27 AS ISSUES EMERGING SINCE THE DEADLINE

LR1	Enabling Viable and Competitive Transportation Network Services in Small Rural and Remote Communities	Enderby
LR2	Ride-Hailing Companies’ Licenses, Terms and Conditions	White Rock

B. REFER TO UBCM EXECUTIVE

LR3	Foreign Government Financial Sponsorship	Port Coquitlam
LR4	Implementation of Recommendations from the National Inquiry into Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls	Vancouver

C. LATE RESOLUTIONS: NOT APPROPRIATE FOR DEBATE *(Issues known before the June 30 deadline for resolutions)*

LR5	Access to Emergency Health Services	Port Coquitlam
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A. EMERGENCY RESOLUTIONS: ADMIT FOR PLENARY DEBATE FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 27 AS ISSUES EMERGING SINCE THE DEADLINE

LR1 Enabling Viable and Competitive Transportation Network Services in Small Rural and Remote Communities Enderby

Whereas the Province of BC has created a regulatory framework permitting transportation network services to operate in BC, which provides a passenger transportation option to address the significant public need for vehicles-for-hire and, in turn, reduce impaired driving, improve the ability of seniors and persons with barriers to access needed resources, and stimulate economic development;

And whereas the Province's regulatory framework is so onerous that it effectively prohibits the establishment of transportation network services outside of the Lower Mainland, and particularly in small, rural, and remote communities where it has the greatest potential to address areas underserved by traditional public transportation options:

Therefore be it resolved that UBCM asks the Province of BC to amend the *Passenger Transportation Act* to establish an area-based, tiered, regulatory solution that will enable viable and competitive transportation network services in small rural and remote communities as well as other communities outside of the Lower Mainland.

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

Admit for Debate

UBCM RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE COMMENTS:

The Resolutions Committee advises that the UBCM membership has not previously considered a resolution calling on the Province to amend the Passenger Transportation Act to help small and rural communities to access ride-sharing services. However, the Committee notes that UBCM members endorsed resolution 2017-B57 that asked the Province "to implement a viable, flexible, ride-sharing service regulation in BC with attention given to regulatory solutions that will help solve those passenger transportation challenges that are unique to small, rural, and remote communities."

Prior to the 2017 resolution members also endorsed resolution 2012-B115, which called on the provincial government to develop a transportation strategy that would "critically assess and determine solutions towards ... passenger directed vehicle operations including both public transit and taxis in rural communities." Members also endorsed resolution 2015-B9, asking the Province to fund "local and inter-community transportation in rural communities."

The sponsor has advised that while the issue of transportation network services (TNS) is not new (as shown by the previous policy adopted by the membership) the details related to TNS were announced on July 8, 2019 when the regulations in support of Bill 55, the Passenger Transportation Act Amendment, were deposited. The sponsor noted that it was only after the regulations were deposited, and further information bulletins were released by the Passenger Transportation Board, that the impacts for communities and industry could be assessed.

The sponsor has advised that it wishes to bring the matter forward as it is concerned that the regulatory framework for TNS will not enable the establishment of new viable transportation services for small, rural and remote communities that currently have a void in service.

The Committee therefore recommends that the resolution be admitted for debate.

See also LR2.

LR2 Ride-Hailing Companies' Licenses, Terms and Conditions

White Rock

Whereas British Columbia's Passenger Transportation Board's "Operational Policy: 'Introduction of Transportation Network Services, 2019'" allows ride-hailing companies to unfairly compete against British Columbia's taxi companies for passengers, and without having to comply with the same onerous rules, restrictions and requirements that the Board places on taxi companies;

And whereas the Passenger Transportation Board's Operational Policy allows individual ride-hailing companies to operate unlimited numbers of vehicles, and not operate any "accessible" vehicles that are capable of accommodating wheelchairs and other needs of persons with mobility impairments, while at the same time the Board severely restricts the numbers of vehicles that individual taxi companies may operate, and requires taxi companies to operate "accessible" vehicles that are capable of accommodating wheelchairs and other needs of persons with mobility impairments:

Therefore be it resolved that UBCM opposes the British Columbia Passenger Transportation Board's Operational Policy for licensing ride-hailing companies;

And be it further resolved that UBCM will expeditiously write to the Public Transportation Board requesting that its Operational Policy for licensing ride-hailing companies be immediately withdrawn;

And be it further resolved that UBCM will, in writing, request that the Public Transportation Board facilitates a comprehensive, fulsome public consultation process wherein BC's cities, municipalities, regional districts, public transit agencies, disabled persons' advocacy organizations, and the general public are invited and enabled to provide their views as to the terms, restrictions and requirements that should be included in the operating licenses that are issued to ride-hailing firms by the Public Transportation Board.

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

Admit for Debate

UBCM RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE COMMENTS:

The Resolutions Committee advises that the UBCM membership has not previously considered a resolution opposing, and seeking the withdrawal of, the BC Transportation Board's Operational Policy for licensing ride-hailing companies until a fulsome consultation can happen with local governments and other agencies and organizations on the Operational Policy.

However, the Committee notes that UBCM members endorsed resolution 2017-B57 that asked the Province "to implement a viable, flexible, ride-sharing service regulation in BC with attention given to regulatory solutions that will help solve those passenger transportation challenges that are unique to small, rural, and remote communities."

Prior to the 2017 resolution members also endorsed resolution 2012-B115, which called on the provincial government to develop a transportation strategy that would "critically assess and determine solutions towards ... passenger directed vehicle operations including both public transit and taxis in rural communities."

While the issue of transportation network services (TNS) is not new (as shown by the previous policy adopted by the membership) the sponsor has advised that the details related to Passenger Transportation Board's Operational Policy were not known until August 19, 2019.

The sponsor has advised that it wishes to bring the matter forward as it is concerned that the present operational policy sets out an unlevel playing field between taxis and ride-hailing companies. The details of the policy were not known by the June 30th resolutions deadline.

The Committee therefore recommends that the resolution be admitted for debate

See also LR1.

B. REFER TO UBCM EXECUTIVE

LR3 Foreign Government Financial Sponsorship

Port Coquitlam

Whereas the Union of BC Municipalities (UBCM) was founded in 1905 to serve as the voice of local government in British Columbia;

And whereas the UBCM must retain public confidence that it is acting in the best interests of the residents of British Columbia;

And whereas the UBCM currently accepts financial sponsorship and facilitates a reception for UBCM convention delegates from a foreign government;

And whereas this financial sponsorship and reception may create the perception of influence from a foreign government:

Therefore be it resolved that UBCM end its practice of accepting financial sponsorship and facilitating receptions from foreign governments.

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: *Refer to UBCM Executive*

UBCM RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE COMMENTS:

The Resolutions Committee advises that the UBCM membership has not previously considered a resolution calling on UBCM to stop accepting financial sponsorship and facilitating receptions from foreign governments.

The Resolutions Committee notes that this is an issue that was known prior to the June 30th deadline, so it does not meet the UBCM's emergency criteria to be admitted for debate.

The Resolutions Committee's rationale for referring this resolution to the UBCM Executive is due to the fact that UBCM has struck a Review Panel to look at how the UBCM's Convention is financed and sponsored with a mandate to report back to the Executive by January 2020 with their recommendations. Since the request presented in LR2 speaks to one element within the scope of the Review Panel's terms of reference, it is prudent to refer the resolution to the Executive so the resolution can inform the work of the Review Panel; and be considered as part of its overall deliberations within its fulsome review of UBCM Convention financing and sponsorship.

The Review Panel has issued a background discussion document that has been shared with delegates as part of Policy Book 1, to provide delegates with information about how the Convention is financed; the impact of sponsorships on registration fees; and potential impacts if the existing Convention financing model was amended.

The Review Panel will hold a Convention clinic on Wednesday morning to provide an overview of the background discussion document, take questions and hear your feedback. Members of the Review Panel will also be seeking feedback from the membership on Wednesday morning (10:25-10:45am) by posing a series of questions related to various funding and sponsorship scenarios to gauge member comfort around options available.

The recommendation by the Resolutions Committee is consistent with previous practice whereby matters raised that are already under review/consideration by the Executive or a Review Panel have been referred to the Executive.

LR4 Implementation of Recommendations from the National Inquiry into Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls Vancouver

Whereas there is a responsibility by all to redress the systemic racism and to eliminate the gendered colonial violence perpetrated against Indigenous women, girls, and two-spirit, lesbian, gay, bisexual, trans, queer, questioning, intersex and asexual (2SLGBTQQA) people within Canada;

And whereas the June 3, 2019 final report of the National Inquiry into Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls (the National Inquiry) found that Indigenous women are twelve times more likely to be murdered or to go missing than members of any other demographic group in Canada, and included 231 Calls for Justice, which “represent important ways to end the genocide and to transform systemic and societal values that have worked to maintain colonial violence.”:

Therefore be it resolved that UBCM call on all the municipalities to bring the recommendations (Calls for Justice) from the National Inquiry into Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls back to their respective councils for review and consideration of endorsement;

And be it further resolved that UBCM support the call upon federal, provincial, regional, municipal, and Indigenous governments in partnership with Indigenous Peoples to endorse the Calls for Justice, and to develop and implement a National Action Plan to address violence against Indigenous women, girls, and 2SLGBTQQA people.

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Refer to UBCM Executive

UBCM RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE COMMENTS:

The Resolutions Committee advises that the UBCM membership has not previously considered a resolution calling for responses to the recommendations contained in the final report of the National Inquiry into Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls.

The Resolutions Committee notes that this is an issue that was known prior to the June 30th deadline, so it does not meet the UBCM’s emergency criteria to be admitted for debate.

The Resolutions Committee’s rationale for referring this resolution to the UBCM Executive is due to the longstanding work of UBCM via the Indigenous Relations Committee on this issue. UBCM participated in the 2015 pre-inquiry process and has since been actively monitoring the work of the National Inquiry.

The recommendation by the Resolutions Committee is consistent with previous practice whereby matters raised that are already under review/consideration by the Executive have been referred to the Executive.

C. LATE RESOLUTIONS: NOT APPROPRIATE FOR DEBATE

LR5 Access to Emergency Health Services

Port Coquitlam

Whereas the February 2019 Auditor-General's Report "Access to Emergency Health Services" recommended that "the Ministry of Health work with local governments and British Columbia Emergency Health Services (BCEHS) to ensure that BCEHS can implement a co-ordinated approach to pre-hospital care that results in:

- medical oversight, to the extent appropriate, across agencies to ensure that patient care meets acceptable medical standards
- data-sharing between agencies to better understand whether patients are getting the right medical interventions at the right time
- signed agreements outlining the roles and responsibilities of fire departments, including the level of care provided
- confirmation that first responders are being notified of events where they can best contribute to patient care."

And whereas urban fire departments continue to receive fewer calls to attend to provide emergency medical assistance and the public must wait for BCEHS, unnecessarily, despite the ability of fire departments to provide faster medical assistance;

And whereas local governments and BCEHS have been meeting for several years and have failed to enter into agreements for the fire service personnel to provide emergency medical assistance to the level of their training;

And whereas some local governments want the ability to respond to more calls and provide a wider range of emergency medical assistance;

And whereas despite the fact that fire services personnel may provide ancillary health services pursuant to the *Health Emergency Services Act* without an agreement with the BCEHS, the BCEHS controls all calls, through the Critical Response Model, and does not dispatch such calls:

Therefore be it resolved that, at their discretion, local governments maintain complete authority over the level of emergency medical assistant training their respective fire departments and personnel will attain, consistent with the level of service each deems appropriate to their communities;

And be it further resolved that, at their discretion, local governments have the authority to determine the appropriate response level, of their fire departments, including call type based on the needs of their respective community.

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

Not Admit for Debate

UBCM RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE COMMENTS:

The Resolutions Committee notes that this issue will be addressed at the 2019 Convention as part of resolution SR3.

This resolution addresses a matter that arose before the June 30 deadline and therefore does not meet the criteria for admission as an Emergency resolution.