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Remember when we said “normal” without the “new” preamble? And who would have thought that we would yearn for those simple times? We all agree that the playbook is gone. But here’s the good news—we’ve got this. Even before 2020 picked up the world and shook it, local governments were adaptive and nimble. We are a responsive order of government, capable of pivoting to face a future filled with unique obstacles and unmatched opportunities.

These attributes will serve us well in this next phase, as we juggle economic recovery and reopening with the ongoing work of local government. And of course, the pressing issues that ran parallel to this pandemic—climate, infrastructure, housing— remain priorities. The work ahead is multi-faceted and will require considerable balance. Luckily, we’ve become masters of balance. Grocery orders between Zoom calls, reviewing reports and homeschool assignments, connecting with our communities *and* managing spotty wi-fi. We have built our multi-task toolkit and are ready for the work ahead.

Like all things, Convention will look different this year. But the work and intent of Convention remains unchanged. We will generate dialogue about the hurdles we face. We will reconnect to pursue priorities and build policy. We will hear from leaders and innovators. All of the learnings, none of the buffet line-ups.

Join us as we build momentum to overcome obstacles and uncover the opportunities ahead.

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Convention updates will be made available through The Compass newsletter. Daily issues of The Compass are sent by email to registered Convention delegates Tuesday through Friday.

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Navigate to the Virtual Lounge in the left menu bar of the Convention Lobby. While the Lounge may be virtual, the connections you make here are real! This is one of the most important areas on the platform as this is where you can find profiles for everyone participating in this year’s Convention. Any Delegate (or speaker, sponsor, staff and exhibitor) that have chosen to make their profiles visible will be found under the PEOPLE tab.

As soon as you receive your credentials for the UBCM Virtual Portal, you can begin networking with old colleagues and friends with a private one-on-one chat message or by live video call. Now with a simple click you can start reaching out to create new local government contacts, forge new business relationships and make key industry connections.

From the GROUPS tab, you can click to jump into a group discussion on a topic that interests you. You’ll be joining a special live video chat with up to twenty-five of your fellow Delegates. Why not plan to host your own group conversation and invite colleagues, both old and new, to meet-up under the GROUP tab “in the Delegates’ Lounge”? Encourage them to ask others to connect, communicate, share info and help spark the conversation. And here’s a Virtual Lounge Pro Networking Tip: any time you see a green halo around a Delegate’s face or avatar, that means they are participating live somewhere on the convention platform, reach out and connect right now!

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UBCM Virtual Tradeshow

Take a digital stroll through our virtual Tradeshow. Connect with exhibitors specializing in the local government sector to learn about new solutions, services and effective practices, or discover new contacts and explore potential partnerships to enhance your community. From the Convention Lobby, click on Tradeshow in the left hand menu.

As soon as registered Delegates receive their credentials, they can access the Tradeshow and begin browsing booths in the 3D floor plan, or use the search function to find exhibitors to preview their organization’s bios, watch pre-recorded content, and download any handouts in their virtual library.

The Tradeshow will be open and available for the duration of the UBCM Convention, with the daily show schedule set up to coincide with core Convention programming. We have also set aside dedicated agenda breaks offering ‘non-conflict’ time between sessions where exhibitors will be standing by online, ready and eager to answer Delegate questions.

Starting Tuesday morning, September 14th through Friday morning, September 17th check the Program for these special time blocks called Delegate Break - Join Exhibitors LIVE in the Tradeshow. Step into any exhibitor’s booth and join their global chat stream or click to connect with any of the named booth managers directly. While inside the virtual booth, Delegates can engage in a private text exchange or click the ‘Join Live’ button to launch a 1:1 video chat where you can even share screens and include multiple colleagues on the video call.

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UBCM CONVENTION PROGRAM

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PRE-CONVENTION: Monday, September 13

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| 1:30 PM – 2:30 PM | Municipal Finance Authority Semi – Annual Meeting |
| 3:30 PM – 4:30 PM | Municipal Insurance Association AGM |
| 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM | UBCM Kick-Off Networking Night |

Tuesday, September 14

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| 8:30 AM – 4:00 PM | Virtual UBCM Tradeshow |
| 8:30 AM – 4:00 PM | Virtual Delegates' Lounge Live |
| 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM | Pre-Recorded Candidate Speeches Available |
| 9:00 AM – 9:30 AM | Convention Opening Session Welcome from local First Nations Welcome from Host Municipality Address by Lieutenant Governor of British Columbia President's Address: Interview with Councillor Brian Frenkel |
| 9:30 AM – 9:50 AM | Annual Meeting Adoption of Conference Rules and Procedures Adoption of Minutes of 2020 Convention Annual Report Question-and-Answer Period Adoption of Financial Statements Appointment of Auditors |
| 9:50 AM – 10:00 AM | Report of the Nominating Committee |
| 10:00 AM – 10:30 AM | Delegate Break – Join Exhibitors LIVE in the Tradeshow |
| 10:30 AM | Election for Executive Positions Opens |
| 10:30 AM – 11:00 AM | Address by the Minister of Municipal Affairs |
| 11:00 AM – 11:15 AM | Address by the FCM President |
| 11:15 AM – 11:50 AM | Community Excellence Awards |
| 11:50 AM – 12:00 PM | Bhangra Dance Break: Featuring Gurdeep Pandher |
| 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM | Delegate Lunch Break – Join Exhibitors LIVE in the Tradeshow |
| 1:00 PM – 2:30 PM | Plenary Session Pathways to Truth and Reconciliation |
| 2:30 PM – 2:45 PM | Delegate Break – Join Exhibitors LIVE in the Tradeshow |
| 2:45 PM – 4:00 PM | Concurrent Workshops Primer on Climate Action and Municipal Pension Plan Ensuring Local Government Financial Resiliency |



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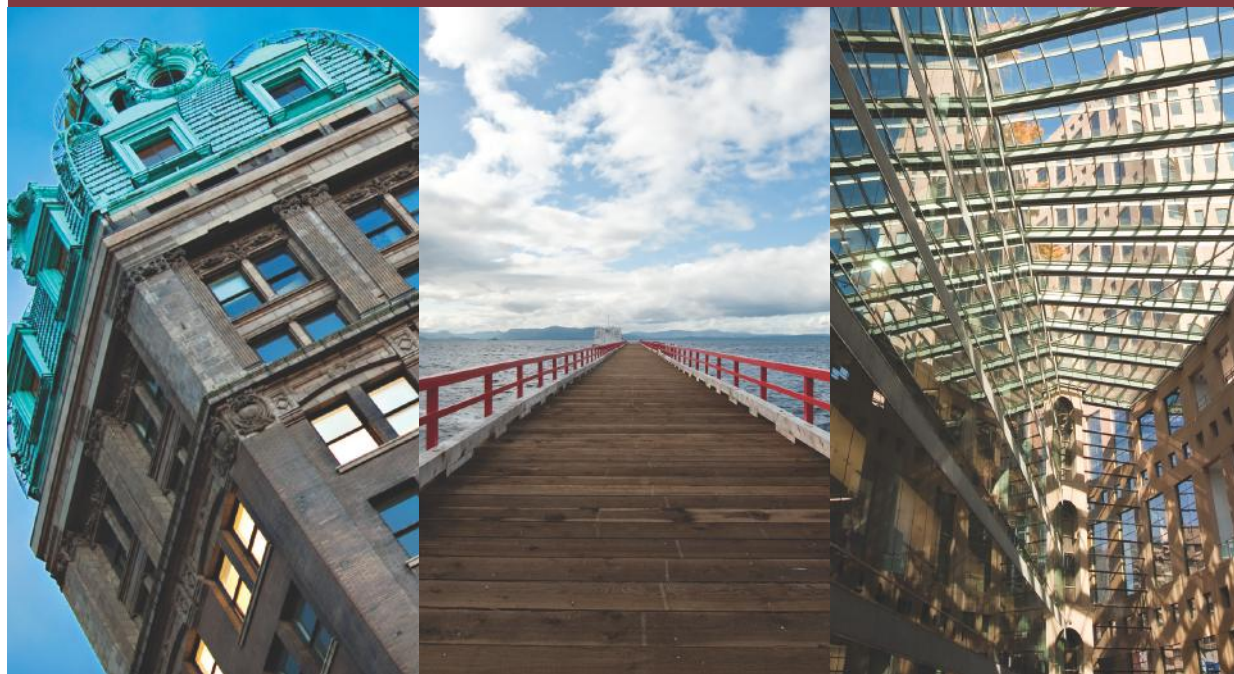
Wednesday, September 15

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| 8:30 AM – 4:15 PM | Virtual UBCM Tradeshow |
| 8:30 AM – 4:15 PM | Virtual Delegates' Lounge Live |
| 8:30 AM – 12:00 PM | Pre-Recorded Candidate Speeches Available |
| 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM | Principal Policy Session: Resolutions |
| 12:00 PM | Election for Executive Positions Closes |
| 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM | Delegate Lunch Break – Join Exhibitors LIVE in the Tradeshow |
| 1:00 PM – 1:20 PM | Address by the Leader of the Opposition |
| 1:20 PM – 2:35 PM | Concurrent Workshops Housing Prospects, Trends & Key Issues Meeting the Need: Shared RD Services |
| 2:35 PM – 3:00 PM | Delegate Break – Join Exhibitors LIVE in the Tradeshow |
| 3:00 PM – 4:15 PM | Concurrent Workshops Tourism Recovery Through Collaboration Global Warning: Lessons from the 2021 Heat Wave |

Thursday, September 16

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| 8:30 AM – 4:00 PM | Virtual UBCM Tradeshow |
| 8:30 AM – 4:00 PM | Virtual Delegates' Lounge Live |
| 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM | Principal Policy Session: Resolutions |
| 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM | Delegate Lunch Break – Join Exhibitors LIVE in the Tradeshow |
| 1:00 PM – 2:00 PM | Keynote Address: Rick Mercer in Conversation with Jody Vance |
| 2:00 PM – 2:30 PM | Delegate Break – Join Exhibitors LIVE in the Tradeshow |
| 2:30 PM – 2:45 PM | Address by the Leader of the Green Party |
| 2:45 PM – 4:00 PM | Concurrent Workshops Modernizing Forest Policy in BC Is Your Local Government Safe From a Cybersecurity Attack? |

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Friday, September 17

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| 8:30 AM – 12:15 PM | Virtual UBCM Tradeshow |
| 8:30 AM – 12:15 PM | Virtual Delegates' Lounge Live |
| 9:30 AM – 10:45 AM | Concurrent Cabinet Town Halls Planning and Building for Growth A Stronger BC for Everyone Supporting Resilient Communities |
| 10:45 AM – 11:00 AM | Delegate Break – Join Exhibitors LIVE in the Tradeshow |
| 11:00 AM – 11:10 AM | Installation of President Elect |
| 11:10 AM – 11:15 AM | Port of Vancouver Prize Draw* |
| 11:15 AM – 12:15 PM | Address by the Premier |
| 12:15 PM | Adjourn |

**Only UBCM voting delegates are eligible to enter the draw for the Port of Vancouver Prize. All registered voting members will be entered. Members must be logged into the Convention platform to win.*

GOVERNMENT APPOINTMENTS

Premier and Cabinet Minister Meetings

Meetings with the Premier and Cabinet Ministers, including the Minister of Municipal Affairs (MUNI), will take place by conference call during the following dates:

**Tuesday, September 7, 2021 to Monday, September 13 AND
Tuesday, September 14, 2021 to Friday, September 17, 2021**

For questions and assistance please contact Marlene Behrens, Premier's UBCM Meeting Request Coordinator at (250) 213-3856 or by email at UBCM.Meetings@gov.bc.ca (regarding Premier meetings or meetings with Cabinet Ministers other than the Minister of Municipal Affairs) or Katie Carrothers, MUNI Minister's Meeting Coordinator at (236) 478-0537 or by email at MUNI.UBCM.MeetingRequests@gov.bc.ca (for meetings with the MUNI Minister).

Provincial Government Staff Meetings

Meetings with Provincial Ministries, Agencies, Commissions and Corporations (MACC) staff will take place by conference call during the following dates:

Tuesday, September 7, 2021 to Thursday, September 9, 2021

Due to the challenges of scheduling multiple conference lines, all meetings including provincial staff meetings, will be scheduled before **September 1, 2021**. There will be no opportunity to schedule additional MACC staff meetings during the meeting week or the week of Convention by the Provincial Appointment Desk staff; however, staff will be available for assistance as required. If you have any questions, please contact Eri Moriya, MACC Staff Meeting Coordinator by telephone at: (778) 698-1686 or Sarah Staszkiel at (778) 405-1784 or by email at MUNI.UBCM.MeetingRequests@gov.bc.ca.

MONDAY PRE-CONVENTION

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Municipal Finance Authority Semi-Annual Meeting

1:30 PM – 2:30 PM

Municipal Insurance Association AGM

3:30 PM – 4:30 PM

UBCM's Kick-Off Networking Night

6:00 PM – 8:00 PM

Presenters:

Jennifer Moss, Post Traumatic Growth

Sheryl Burns & Sharon Gregson, The Future of Child Care

Kendal Netmaker, The Ultimate Resiliency Formula

Amber Mac, Relentless Adaptation

UBCM is excited to feature our first-ever UBCM Kick-Off Networking Night, hosted online. This will truly be a special virtual adventure not to be missed! All registered Delegates will be given exclusive and seamless access to the Spatial Chat environment, directly through the Pheedloop virtual Convention platform.

Given the Convention's overarching theme of Obstacles to Opportunities, we've assembled a diverse group of thought-provoking speakers to challenge, inspire and push the limits of your thinking. They hail from varying backgrounds with deep passions ranging from Technology and Leadership to Child Care Advocacy, Pandemic Burnout and Resiliency. Join this incredible group of creators, connectors and leaders to learn how as individuals we may grow, and explore how we might all live and work together better with the ultimate goal of impacting and uplifting our communities.

There will be ample time to mix and mingle virtually with your fellow delegates and enjoy informal conversation and idea sharing.

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TUESDAY SESSIONS

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9:00 AM – 10:00 AM

Convention Opening Session

9:00 AM – 9:30 AM

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Welcome from Local First Nations

Welcome from the Host Community

Address by the Honourable Janet Austin, OBC, Lieutenant Governor of British Columbia

President's Address: Interview with Councillor Brian Frenkel

Annual Meeting

9:30 AM – 9:50 AM

Adoption of Conference Rules and Procedures

Adoption of Minutes of 2020 Convention

Annual Report

Question-and-Answer Period

Adoption of Financial Statements

Appointment of Auditors

Report of the Nominating Committee

9:50 AM – 10:00 AM

10:00 AM – 10:30 AM DELEGATE BREAK – JOIN EXHIBITORS LIVE IN THE TRADESHOW

10:30 AM – 12:00 PM

Election for Executive Positions Open

10:30 AM

Visit the "Election" tab in the left hand menu of the Convention platform.

Address by the Minister of Municipal Affairs

10:30 AM – 11:00 AM

Honourable Josie Osborne

Address by FCM

11:00 AM – 11:15 AM

Mayor Joanne Vanderheyden

Community Excellence Awards

11:15 AM – 11:50 PM

Details: The Community Excellence Awards recognize and celebrate UBCM members that have implemented projects and programs that demonstrate excellence in meeting the purposes of local government in BC. The awards are designed to profile promising practices and to create successful pathways and incentives for others to follow. The categories are:

- Excellence in Governance
- Excellence in Service Delivery
- Excellence in Asset Management
- Excellence in Sustainability

TUESDAY SESSIONS (CONTINUED)

Bhangra Dance Break

11:50 AM – 12:00 PM

Featuring **Gurdeep Pandher**

Details: You will learn and even experience Bhangra! What's Bhangra? Canadian internet sensation, Gurdeep Pandher, who uses art and culture to promote positivity, inclusivity and diversity will explain it all. Gurdeep's danced his way into the homes and hearts of millions of viewers across the world, and now he'll be teaching a private lesson to UBCM Delegates. His boundless energy and infectious personality is guaranteed to have you standing up, stretching and shaking off any mid-morning chair-slouching. After hearing Pandher's inspiring message of why it's important to spread joy and happiness throughout our communities, as well as learning a few Bhangra dance moves—you're guaranteed to be alert and energized for Tuesday afternoon's plenary and workshops.

12:00 PM – 1:00 PM DELEGATE BREAK – JOIN EXHIBITORS LIVE IN THE TRADESHOW

1:00 PM – 2:30 PM PLENARY

Pathways to Truth and Reconciliation

Presenters:

Honourable Murray Sinclair, Former Chief Commissioner, Truth and Reconciliation Commission

Honourable Murray Rankin, Minister of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation

Andrea Reimer, Founder & Principal, Tawâw Strategies

John Jack, Councillor, Huu-ay-aht First Nations and Chair, Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District

Details: This session will address the urgent question of how Indigenous and non-Indigenous communities might walk further along the path towards truth and reconciliation, through a panel featuring the Honourable Murray Sinclair, Former Chief Commissioner of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission (TRC). His Honour will be joined by the Minister of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation and by local government panelists who will reflect on opportunities for communities interested in taking meaningful and effective steps towards addressing the TRC Calls to Action.

The session will conclude with the renewal of UBCM's MOU with the Province on Engagement on First Nations Negotiations and other Indigenous Initiatives.

Brian Frenkel, President, Union of BC Municipalities

Trish Mandewo, Chair, UBCM Indigenous Relations Committee

Honourable Murray Rankin, Minister of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation

Honourable Josie Osborne, Minister of Municipal Affairs

2:30 PM – 2:45 PM – DEEGATE BREAK – JOIN EXHIBITORS LIVE IN THE TRADESHOW

2:45 PM – 4:00 PM CONCURRENT WORKSHOPS

Primer on Climate Action and Municipal Pension Plan

Presenters:

Gary MacIsaac, Executive Director, UBCM

Trevor Davies, Secretary-Treasurer, CUPE BC

Judy Payne, Executive Director, Municipal Pension Plan

David Morhart, Executive Vice-President, BC Investment Management Corporation

Details: A 2020 resolution called on UBCM to update the 2016 Primer on Fossil Fuel Divestment- Municipal Pension Plan. The 2021 Primer was distributed to all UBCM members on August 12th. The UBCM Executive is recommending the membership endorse the Primer. It will be considered during the second resolutions session at 9:00 am on September 16th.

This workshop is an opportunity to learn more about the Municipal Pension Plan, document actions taken over the past 5 years to respond to climate change, and an up to date assessment of current fossil fuel holdings by asset class. The workshop will also highlight where improvements have been made and future recommended actions by UBCM. There will be ample time for questions.



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TUESDAY SESSIONS (CONTINUED)

Ensuring Local Government Financial Resiliency

Presenters:

Maja Tait, UBCM Past President / Member, UBCM Select Committee on Local Government Finance
Lyn Hall, Mayor, City of Prince George / Co-Chair, UBCM Select Committee on Local Government Finance
Mike Buda, Executive Director, Mayors' Council on Regional Transportation / Member, UBCM Select Committee on Local Government Finance
Al Richmond, Director, Cariboo Regional District / Co-Chair, UBCM Select Committee on Local Government Finance

Details: The 2021 UBCM policy paper builds upon a 2013 UBCM paper, Strong Fiscal Futures, by focusing on cost drivers – one of the priority action items identified in the earlier policy paper. The report identifies three objectives: addressing local government cost drivers in housing, community safety and climate change; addressing the impacts the 'New Economy' will have on the local government financial system; and establishing an effective partnership with the Province to improve the local government financial system.

The session will provide an overview on the UBCM Select Committee on Local Government Finance's approach, process and deliverables, with a Q & A session for delegates. This policy paper (Policy Paper #1) will be brought forward for endorsement during the Wednesday Resolutions session.

WEDNESDAY SESSIONS

All times listed are in Pacific Standard Time (PST)

9:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Principal Policy Session: Resolutions

9:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Election for Executive Positions Closes

12:00 PM

12:00 PM – 1:00 PM DELEGATE BREAK

– JOIN EXHIBITORS LIVE IN THE TRADESHOW

1:00 PM – 1:20 PM

Address by the Leader of the Opposition

1:00 PM – 1:20 PM

Shirley Bond

1:20 PM – 2:35 PM CONCURRENT WORKSHOPS

Housing Prospects, Trends & Key Issues

Presenters:

Jill Atkey, CEO, BC Non-Profit Housing Association
Dr. Penny Gurstein, Professor, University of British Columbia
Dr. Alina Turner, Co-President & Co-Founder, HelpSeeker Technologies

Details: Responses to the pandemic over the past year prompted an increased demand for homeownership, a flight from urban cores to suburbs and rural areas, and significant investments towards tackling homelessness. As we emerge from the pandemic, all orders of government are faced with a complex and shifting housing landscape. This session will bring together a diverse panel to explore some of the major trends and key issues impacting housing and affordability in British Columbia in coming years.

Meeting the Need: Shared RD Services

Presenters:

Meriko Kubota, Regional Social Planner, City of Powell River
Kai Okazaki, Social Planner, City of Burnaby
Steve Botham, Manager of Information Technology, Fraser-Fort George Regional District
Russell Dyson, Chief Administrative Officer, Comox Valley Regional District
Shawn Tomlin, Chief Administrative Officer, Regional District of East Kootenay
Pamela Shaw, Planning Consultant, K'omoks First Nation

Details: Regional Districts are finding unique ways to offer services in their regions to save on costs, improve access to expertise, provide consistency, and increase collaboration among partners. This session will highlight best practices from around the province, to guide and inspire Regional District members.

2:35 PM – 3:00 PM DELEGATE BREAK

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3:00 PM – 4:15 PM CONCURRENT WORKSHOPS

Tourism Recovery Through Collaboration

Presenters:

Honourable Melanie Mark, Minister of Tourism, Arts, Culture and Sport
Ingrid Bron, Director of Community Economic Development, City of Revelstoke
Allison Colthorp, Executive Director, Tourism Chilliwack
Krista Vandersteen, Regional Development Officer, Northern Rockies Regional Municipality

Details: British Columbia’s tourism industry is one of the economic sectors hardest hit by the COVID-19 pandemic. It is going to take several years to fully recover and depends on effective cooperation between local governments, the tourism industry, and the provincial government. In this session, delegates will hear from the provincial government on the outlook for recovery as well as policies, development funding, and marketing levers that are supporting community tourism in the short and long term. Delegates will have the opportunity to hear from other local governments about best practices for strengthening community support for tourism, leveraging investments in destination development to support recovery, and opportunities for tourism to be a sustainable community economic generator and community resilience builder.

Global Warning: Lessons from the 2021 Heat Wave

Presenters:

Honourable Adrian Dix, Minister of Health, Province of BC
Patrick Johnstone, Councillor, City of New Westminster
Barbara Roden, Mayor, Village of Ashcroft
Dr. Sarah Henderson, Scientific Director, Environmental Health, BC Centre for Disease Control
Dr. Bonnie Henry, Provincial Health Officer, Province of BC
Johanna Wagstaffe, Meteorologist / Science Reporter, CBC News Vancouver

Details: Earlier this year, the province experienced an extreme heat wave, leading to unprecedented temperatures and more than 570 heat-related fatalities. All orders of government were left scrambling to address the immediate impacts, including subsequent wildfires, while long-standing systemic vulnerabilities (e.g. emergency response, communication) and a lack of preparedness became even more evident. In addition to examining lessons learned, this session will discuss what can be done to adequately prepare for future extreme weather events in the face of worsening climate change and global warming.

THURSDAY SESSIONS

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9:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Principal Policy Session: Resolutions

12:00 PM – 1:00 PM DELEGATE BREAK

– JOIN EXHIBITORS LIVE IN THE TRADESHOW

1:00 PM – 2:00 PM

Keynote Address: Rick Mercer in Conversation with Jody Vance



1:00 PM – 2:00 PM

Presenters:

Rick Mercer, Political Satirist, Canadian Comedian, Author
Jody Vance, Freelance Journalist / Columnist

UBCM is very pleased to welcome Canadian comedian, political satirist and author, Rick Mercer as the 2021 Keynote Speaker. Mercer will be interviewed by Jody Vance.

Rick Mercer’s top-rated, award-winning CBC show, The Rick Mercer Report, routinely trampled even its American competitors in the ratings. The show featured Mercer’s trademark rants, satirical newscasts, commercial parodies, and comic encounters with famous Canadians, talking about Canada. More than any other comedian (or journalist for that matter), he talks to Canadian newsmakers with a refreshing candour, and is uniquely able to spin topical hilarity from the people and the things deeply embedded in the national consciousness.

Mercer, who hails from St. John’s Newfoundland, is best known for his work on the CBC Television comedy shows This Hour Has 22 Minutes, Made In Canada and The Rick Mercer Report. He is the author of four books all of which have been national best sellers. Mercer has received nearly 30 Gemini Awards and Canadian Screen awards for his work on television. He is also a recipient of the Governor General’s Performing Arts Award for lifetime achievement, and in 2014 was appointed an Officer of the Order of Canada.

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2:00 PM – 2:30 PM DELEGATE BREAK

– JOIN EXHIBITORS LIVE IN THE TRADESHOW

2:30 PM – 2:45 PM

Address by the Leader of the Green Party

2:30 PM – 2:45 PM

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THURSDAY SESSIONS (CONTINUED)

2:45 PM – 4:00 PM CONCURRENT WORKSHOP

Modernizing Forest Policy in BC

Presenters:

Mike Pedersen, Executive Director, Modernizing Forest Policy Engagement, Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development

Rachael Pollard, Director, Resource Practices Branch, Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development

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Details: The Modernizing Forest Policy in BC session will be a chance for Provincial government staff to speak about, and hear from local government leaders on, changes to forest policy. This will be an interactive workshop focused on three key areas of modernizing forest policy:

1. Planned policy changes outlined in the Modernizing Forest Policy Intentions Paper with a focus on an improved program to provide fibre to higher value wood product manufacturers, starting a phase out of slash burning, and revising pricing policy for area based tenures like Community Forest Agreements, among other topics.
2. The latest work to improve the Forest and Range Practices Act (FRPA), including efforts to align with the Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples Act and the introduction and transition towards a new forest landscape planning regime that will enable the opportunity for shared decision-making and enhanced engagement of communities and stakeholders.
3. The identified process (to mid-2023) to develop a new Old Growth Strategy for B.C. This new strategy will be developed by addressing the recommendations in the Old Growth Strategic Review Report (A New Future for Old Forests), prioritizing recommendations, and operational issues. Discussions of how local government and UBCM can contribute to this process are now beginning.

Is Your Local Government Safe From a Cybersecurity Attack?

Presenters:

Maryam Z. Sherkat, Chief Risk Officer & Legal Counsel, MIABC

Gareth Lewis, Vice-President, Claims, Healthcare Insurance Reciprocal of Canada

Todd Pugh, Executive Director, CivicInfo BC

Danny Francisco, Information Services Manager, Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen

Details: Local governments are storing unprecedented amounts of data on computers, servers, and other devices. At the same time, the frequency and sophistication of cyberattacks is growing. Is your local government's digital infrastructure safe from an attack? As an elected official, are you asking the right questions of your staff and dedicating an appropriate level of resources to this evolving threat?

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FRIDAY SESSIONS

All times listed are in Pacific Standard Time (PST)

9:30 AM – 10:45 AM CONCURRENT CABINET TOWN HALLS

Planning and Building for Growth

Presenters:

Minister Rob Fleming, Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure

Minister Jennifer Whiteside, Minister of Education

Minister David Eby, Attorney General and Minister responsible for Housing

Minister Adrian Dix, Minister of Health

Details: Over the next year, Government will take steps to protect people's health through the pandemic, while making investments to support a strong recovery and a better future for everyone. Together with the direction of local governments, the plan is to support regional growth planning by building more livable communities with affordable housing options, green transportation infrastructure that saves people time, health care buildings that support locals and an educational system that give our youth a good start in life. The conversations of local government leaders with Provincial Ministers and the work we do together will be a critical part in growing local economies and supporting British Columbians.

A Stronger BC for Everyone

Presenters:

Minister Ravi Kahlon, Minister of Jobs, Economic Recovery

Minister George Heyman, Minister of Environment and Climate Change Strategy

Minister Katrina Chen, Minister of State for Child Care

Parliamentary Secretary Andrew Mercier, Parliamentary Secretary for Skills Training, Ministry of Advanced Education

Details: The pandemic has challenged B.C. in ways we never imagined and shone a light on the work needed to build a better future for everyone. The ministers and parliamentary secretary participating in this session will highlight the Government's efforts to build a long-term economic plan that will steer the province through the post-pandemic era. The panel will discuss efforts that are underway to improve the economic and social fabric of B.C. - such as expanding a skilled workforce; and creating jobs by reducing climate pollution through CleanBC. The panelists will also outline the province's efforts to provide inclusive, affordable universal childcare. This session provides delegates with an opportunity to share perspectives on what will help your communities thrive in a post-COVID world and to inquire about B.C.'s economic recovery pathway.

Supporting Resilient Communities

Presenters:

Minister Josie Osborne, Minister of Municipal Affairs

Minister Katrine Conroy, Minister of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development

Minister Mike Farnworth, Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General

Minister Lisa Beare, Minister of Citizens' Services

Details: As leaders in your communities, the work you do every day is critical to supporting resilient communities in an ever-changing world. The ministers participating in this session will speak to resiliency from their ministry's perspective – be it planning for emergencies by becoming a FireSmart community; improving connectivity to broaden educational and economic opportunities; or evolving forestry management practices and learning how to adapt to climate change. The Province wants hear from delegates on what is needed to deepen community resiliency.

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11:10 AM – 11:15 AM

Presenter:

Peter Xotta, Vice President, Planning and Operations, Port of Vancouver

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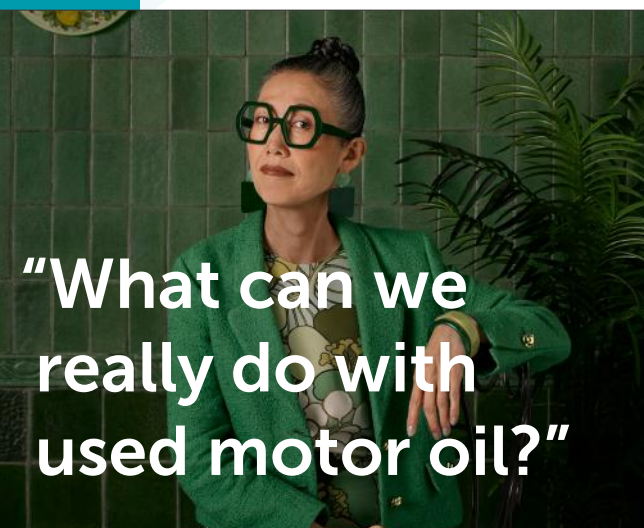
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