

2022 UBCM Annual Convention – Resolutions Disposition Thursday, September 21, 2023

The following is a summary of the resolutions debate on Thursday, September 21 at the 2023 UBCM Annual Convention. Official results will appear in the Convention Minutes.

No Recommendation (NR) Resolutions

A motion to vary the agenda to adjust the order in which the No Recommendation resolutions will be considered, to immediately consider NR75, was successful.

A motion to vary the agenda to adjust the order in which the No Recommendation resolutions will be considered, to immediately consider NR93, was unsuccessful.

NR1	\$10/Day Child Care Coordination and Funding	Endorsed
NR2	Maintenance, Repair and Replacement Support for Municipally Owned Child Care Facilities	Endorsed
NR3	Accessibility Plan Funding	Endorsed
NR4	Review of Benefits for People with Disabilities	Endorsed
NR5	Removing the Financial Barrier to Home Support for BC Seniors	Endorsed
NR6	Transitional Housing with Supports	Endorsed
NR7	Tackling BC's Toxic Drug Health Emergency	Endorsed as
		Amended

Therefore be it resolved that UBCM urge the BC Government to work with medical researchers, experts, local service providers, other key stakeholders and people who use drugs to determine a comprehensive, integrated, economically and geographically accessible, and evidence-based province-wide plan to better tackle BC's toxic drug health emergency, including:

- Increasing safety by:
- o Rapidly delivering access province-wide to resources and services that will improve users' and public safety, including drug testing, supervised consumption spaces and overdose prevention sites;
- o Quickly amending the *Tobacco and Vapour Products Control Act* to enable supervised consumption and other harm reduction facilities to allow inhalation or smoking of drugs where operations can otherwise be demonstrated as WorkSafe compliant; and
- o Preparing for a review of the current 3-year (January 31, 2023 to January 31, 2026) Provincial decriminalization pilot program and the 4-year (2020-2024) Federal Safer Supply Pilot Project to determine how drug policies and programs can be refined to better support people who use drugs in accessing throughout BC a safer and tested drug supply therefore reducing their exposure to the often fatal dangers of the illicit market.
- Increasing economically accessible treatment by supporting the BC Nurses' Union 2023 convention resolution to "develop a system of mental and addiction treatment and recovery services that are regulated, evidence-based, economically and geographically accessible, and are available when people are looking for it"; and
- Increasing prevention by investing in mental health treatment and life-enhancing youth, family and community well-being programs, including early childhood detection, intervention and ongoing supports for learning differences.

NR8	Exception to the Controlled Drugs and Substances Act Exemption to Address Illicit Drug Use in Spaces	Withdrawn
	for Children and	
NR9	Increasing Rural Health Center Autonomy	Endorsed

NR10	Review of Health Authorities Structure	Endorsed as Amended
	Therefore be it resolved that UBCM lobby the provincial government to require a review of the structure/management of Health Authorities with multi-stakeholder engagement, including but not limited to local and Indigenous governments, community organizations, people with lived and living experience, and health staff as identified by the relevant union authorities with the goal of maximizing the impacts on physical, mental, social and environmental health of the public, including acute and primary care, emergency department needs and surge capacity needs.	
NR11	Regional Hospital District Capital Cost- Sharing Ratios	Endorsed
NR12	Locally Offered Training and Support for Public Health Officers in Northern BC	Endorsed
NR13	Vaccine Mandate for Healthcare Workers	Not Endorsed
NR14	Provincial Funding for Municipal Medic Trucks Therefore be it resolved that UBCM request the Province to consider funding the capital and operating costs of medic trucks in municipalities local governments to ensure that an adequate level of fire protection is maintained in the community and the cost of providing purely medical services, a provincial responsibility, are not unfairly burdening municipalities local governments.	Endorsed as Amended
NR15	Expanding Development Permit Powers to Allow for Pre-Zoning	Endorsed
NR16	Supporting Non-Profit Ownership of Non-Market Housing in Air Space Parcels	Endorsed
NR17	1.0 Hectare Policy/Guidelines	Not Endorsed
NR18	Review of the Homeowner Protection Act	Endorsed
NR19	Large Infrastructure Project Impacts on Housing Crisis	Endorsed
NR20	Provincial Matching of Local Government Land Investments in Affordable Housing	Not Endorsed
NR21	Increasing Affordable Rental Housing Supply	Endorsed
NR22	Rights of Tenants Facing Displacement Through Redevelopment	Not Endorsed
NR23	Advocacy for Pet Friendly Housing	Endorsed
NR24	Alternatives to Rent Control for Small Landlords	Not Endorsed
NR25	Encampment Management	Endorsed
NR26	"The Village" Model of Supportive Housing	Endorsed
NR27	Policy and Funding to Increase Resiliency in Schools	Endorsed
NR28	Temporary Warming Shelter	Endorsed
NR29	Updating the Strata Property Act to Include Allowances for Heat Pumps and Other Mechanical Cooling Systems	Endorsed
NR30	Cannabis Control and Licensing Act	Not Endorsed
NR31	Provincial Cannabis Tax Sharing with Local Governments	Endorsed
NR32	Long-Term Borrowing for Fire Apparatus Acquisition Therefore be it resolved that UBCM ask the Province of British Columbia to enact legislation that permits municipalities local governments to utilize long-term borrowing from the Municipal Finance Authority over a 20-year period, without the requirement to go to referendum or AAP (Alternative Approval Process);	Endorsed as Amended
	And be it further resolved that the Province of British Columbia work with insurance underwriters and change legislation to allow the use of older fire apparatus that pass an annual inspection without an affect to the insurance grading of the community.	
NR33	BC Wildfire Service Firefighting Equipment	Endorsed
NR34	Implementing a Graduated Tier System for RCMP Cost-Sharing Agreements	Endorsed
NR35	Addressing Municipal RCMP Detachment Vacancies	Endorsed
NR75	Increasing the Existing Tax Exemption for Volunteer Firefighters and Search and Rescue Volunteers	Endorsed

Resolutions debate will continue during the policy session on Friday, September 22 beginning at 8:00am. The session will begin with the consideration of Policy Book 1 and the Report on Resolutions Received After the Deadline contained therein. Following that, the consideration of the No Recommendation resolutions with resume with NR36.