#### VILLAGE OF PEMBERTON -REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA-

**Agenda** for the **Regular Meeting** of Council of the Village of Pemberton to be held Tuesday, May 29, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. in Council Chambers, 7400 Prospect Street. This is Meeting No. 1471.

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1.	СА	ALL TO ORDER	
		honour of the Lil'wat7ul, the Village of Pemberton acknowledges that we are meeting within e unceded territory of the Lil'wat Nation.	
2.	AP	PROVAL OF AGENDA	1
	Re	commendation: THAT the Agenda be approved as presented.	
3.	RIS	SE WITH REPORT FROM IN CAMERA (CLOSED)	
4.	AD	OOPTION OF MINUTES	
	a)	Regular Council Meeting No. 1469, Tuesday, May 8, 2018	4
		<b>Recommendation: THAT</b> the minutes of Regular Council Meeting No. 1469, held Tuesday, May 8, 2018, be adopted as circulated.	
	b)	Special Council Meeting No. 1470, Thursday, May 10, 2018	12
		<b>Recommendation: THAT</b> the minutes of Special Council Meeting No. 1470, held Thursday, May 10, 2018, be adopted as circulated.	
5.	BU	ISINESS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING	
6.	BU	ISINESS ARISING FROM THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE	
7.	СС	DMMITTEE MINUTES - FOR INFORMATION	
8.	DE	LEGATIONS	
9.	RE	PORTS	
	a)	Office of the Chief Administrative Officer	
		i. Verbal Report (Standing Item)	
	b)	Corporate & Legislative Services	
		i. 2018 Election Cost Sharing Agreement (Village of Pemberton and Sea to Sky School District No. 48)	14
		<b>Recommendation: THAT</b> Council approve the 2018 Election Cost Sharing Agreement.	

- c) Operations & Development Services
  - i. Development Variance Permit No. 121 7436 Frontier Street (Parking 24 Variance)

**Recommendation: THAT** Council approves the issuance of Development Variance Permit Application No. 121;

**AND THAT** Development Variance Permit No. 121 not be issued until the Village receives payment in lieu of parking for the number of spaces requested.

- d) Mayor's Report
- e) Councillor Reports

#### 10. BYLAWS

11.

a) First, Second and Third Readings

additional information.

	i.	Village of Pemberton General Local Government Election Procedures Bylaw No. 831, 2018	43
		<b>Recommendation: THAT</b> Village of Pemberton General Local Government Election Procedures Bylaw No. 831, 2018 receive first, second and third readings.	
со	RRE	ESPONDENCE	
a)	For	Action	
	i.	Alyssa Belter, dated May 23, 2018, expressing concerns regarding boundary extension.	49
		<b>Recommendation: THAT</b> the above correspondence be referred to Staff for inclusion in the Boundary Extension review;	
		AND THAT correspondence be sent advising of this direction.	
	ii.	Mark Mendonca, President, Tourism Pemberton, dated May 23, 2018, raising concerns regarding the Downtown Enhancement Plan.	51
		<b>Recommendation: THAT</b> the above correspondence be referred to Staff for consideration as part of the downtown enhancement project;	
		AND THAT correspondence be sent advising of this direction.	
b)	For	rInformation	
	i.	Krista Walden, Red Devils Alumni Association, dated May 3, 2018, thanking Mayor and Council for their support of the Day of the Devils fundraiser.	52
	ii.	Babs Stevens & Bernadette Demens, Psychology Vision, Sid Crosby, Hereditary Chief, Skidegate Gidins and Mike Demens, Business Owner, dated May 5, 2018, regarding the upcoming Reconciliation Conference to be held in Whistler from September 7 <sup>th</sup> to 11 <sup>th</sup> and enclosing brochures providing	53

- iii. Lorraine Copas, SPARC BC, received May 14, 2018, providing information on Access Awareness Day, Saturday, June 2, 2018, and enclosing posters and flyers developed to increase public awareness.
- iv. Dr. Mark Lysyshyn, Medical Health Officer, Vancouver Coastal Health, dated 59 May 16, 2018, enclosing the new report from My Health My Community called Social Connections and Health.
- v. Christina Brown, dated May 17, 2018, regarding Vancouver's new ban on single-use straws and expanded polystyrene foam containers and 70 suggesting Pemberton consider a similar ban as part of a zero waste strategy.
- vi. Jamee Justason, Executive Coordinator, LMLGA, dated May 17, 2018, 72 providing a copy of the 2018 Lower Mainland LGA Resolutions Disposition.
- vii. The Honourable Mobina S.B. Jaffer, Q.C., Senator for British Columbia, dated 95 May 3, 2018, providing an information package which describes various issues that Canadians may face as they cross the border into the United States after the legalization of recreational cannabis.
- viii. The Honourable Adrian Dix, Minister of Health, dated May 14, 2018, regarding 104 the British Columbia Farmers' Market Nutrition Coupon Program.

**Recommendation: THAT** the above correspondence be received for information.

#### **12. DECISION ON LATE BUSINESS**

#### **13. LATE BUSINESS**

#### **14. NOTICE OF MOTION**

#### **15. QUESTION PERIOD**

#### 16. IN CAMERA

**Recommendation: THAT** pursuant to Section 90 (1) (a) personnel and (g) litigation and (k) negotiations, of the *Community Charter*, the Council of the Village of Pemberton serve notice to hold an In-Camera Meeting on today's date for the purpose of dealing with matters for which the public shall be excluded from attending.

#### **17. ADJOURNMENT**

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# VILLAGE OF PEMBERTON -REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES-

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting** of Council of the Village of Pemberton held on Tuesday, May 8, 2018 at 5:30 p.m. in Council Chambers, 7400 Prospect Street. This is Meeting No. 1469.

IN ATTENDANCE:	Mayor Mike Richman Councillor Ted Craddock Councillor James Linklater Councillor Karen Ross
ABSENT:	Councillor Jennie Helmer
STAFF IN ATTENDANCE:	Nikki Gilmore, Chief Administrative Officer Sheena Fraser, Manager of Corporate & Legislative Services Tim Harris, Manager of Operations & Development Services Lisa Pedrini, Senior Planner Cameron Chalmers, Planning Consultant

## Public:

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# 1. CALL TO ORDER

At 5:32 p.m. Mayor Richman called the meeting to order.

# 2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved/Seconded THAT the Agenda be approved as amended to go In Camera after the Question Period.

CARRIED

# 3. RISE WITH REPORT FROM IN CAMERA (CLOSED)

At the In Camera Meeting No. 1469, held earlier today, Council Rose with Report on the following items:

## Friendship Trail Bridge:

At the In Camera meeting held earlier today Council reviewed the submissions for the construction of the Friendship Trail Bridge and awarded the contract to Surespan, in the amount of \$1,368,915.37 including GST. The award of the contract was supported by Council members in attendance with Councillor Craddock opposed.

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## **Soccer Field Development:**

At the In Camera meeting held earlier today, Council confirmed acceptance of an offer of Community Amenity Contributions from Sunstone Ridge Developments to go toward the sports field project at the recreation site.

# 4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

# a) Regular Council Meeting No. 1468, Tuesday, April 24, 2018

Moved/Seconded **THAT** the minutes of Regular Council Meeting No.1468 held Tuesday, April 24, 2018, be adopted as circulated.

### CARRIED

# 5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

There was no business arising.

# 6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING

There was no business arising.

# 7. COMMITTEE MINUTES – FOR INFORMATION

There are no minutes to be received.

## 8. DELEGATIONS

# a) Auditors via conference call – Darcy Haw, Partner, Assurance Services and Carolyn Gillis, Manager Assurance Services, MNP.

Darcy Haw and Carolyn Gillis presented the 2017 Audited Financial Statements.

Moved/Seconded **THAT** the Village of Pemberton 2017 Audited Financial Statements, presented May 8, 2018, be received for information. **CARRIED** 

# 9. REPORTS

# a) Office of the Chief Administrative Officer

# i. Boundary Extension Information Update – Urban Systems

Dan Huang, Urban Systems, attending by teleconference, presented an update to the Boundary Extension Report, including revised annual net revenues to the Village, information related to the potential impacts to the Squamish-Lillooet Regional District, an update to the potential property tax impacts to those properties in the extension area noting that the Village does have the ability to adjust its farm tax (Class 9) rate to help lessen the impact to farm taxation and a review of the feedback received at the Open House held on April 25, 2018.

Moved/Seconded

**THAT** the Boundary Extension Information Update be received for information. **CARRIED** 

## ii. Recreation Service Delivery - Verbal Update

Nikki Gilmore, CAO, provided an update on discussions that have been taking place at the Pemberton Valley Utilities and Services Committee respecting the transfer of the Recreation Service from the SLRD to the Village. Gilmore advised that Staff is working with SLRD Staff to prepare a draft Management Agreement for consideration by the Committee.

Moved/Seconded THAT the verbal report be received. CARRIED

## iii. Canadian Parks and Wilderness Society: International Biodiversity Commitment

Nikki Gilmore, CAO, presented correspondence from the Canadian Parks and Wilderness Society regarding International Biodiversity Targets Commitment.

#### Moved/Seconded

**WHEREAS** the Canadian Government has committed to meeting the International Biodiversity Targets of protecting 17% of our land and inland waters and 10% of our ocean by 2020 through networks of protected areas and other effective area-based conservation measures;

**AND WHEREAS** a strong provincial parks system provides economic benefits in the forms of good jobs in urban and rural communities, economic impacts through visitor spending, tourism revenue and diversifying the economy, and ecosystem services in the forms of clean air, water, providing critical habitat for species-at-risk, and climate change adaption; Village of Pemberton Regular Council Meeting No. 1469 Tuesday, May 8, 2018 Page **4** of **8** 

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the UBCM request the Government of BC set aside dedicated funding for purposes of system expansion, ecological monitoring and research, and management planning to meet the quantitative and qualitative measures set out in the 2020 Biodiversity Goals and Targets for Canada.

## CARRIED

### iv. Public Works Week Declaration

Moved/Seconded

THAT Council proclaim the week of May 21 to 27 to be Public Works Week. CARRIED

### b) Corporate & Legislative Services

# i. Appointment of Chief Election Officer and Deputy Chief Elections Officers.

#### Moved/Seconded

**THAT** pursuant to Section 41(1) and (2) of the Local Government Act Sheena Fraser be appointed Chief Election Officer for conducting the 2018 general local elections with power to appoint other election officials as required for the administration and conduct of the 2018 general local elections;

AND THAT Gwendolyn Kennedy and Melissa Sutherland be appointed Deputy Chief Election Officers for the 2018 general local elections. CARRIED

#### c) Operations & Development Services

## i. Regional Growth Strategy Update & Comments

#### Moved/Seconded

**THAT** the Squamish-Lillooet Regional District be informed that the Village of Pemberton is supportive of the proposed SLRD Squamish-Lillooet Regional District Growth Strategy Bylaw No. 1062, 2008, Amendment Bylaw No. 1562-2018.

## CARRIED

ii. Development Variance Permit No. 122 – Sunstone Ridge, Lot 4 -Variance Setback Requirements – Cameron Chalmers, Planning Consultant

Moved/Seconded

**THAT** Development Variance Permit (DVP) No. 122 be authorized for issuance, and the Mayor and Chief Administrative Officer be authorized to execute the Permit.

# CARRIED

## d) Mayor

Mayor Richman attended the following events/meetings:

- Rotary Club Meeting reporting that the Rotary Club is looking to support Village initiatives such as Agricultural Park and Soccer Field development.
- Pitch In Day April 25<sup>th</sup>
- Boundary Extension Open House April 25<sup>th</sup>
- Day of the Devils Pemberton Secondary School Alumni Association Fundraiser – April 28<sup>th</sup> – over \$22,000 was raised for school sports teams.
- Women's Institute Plant Sale May 5th

Mayor Richman also reported on the following:

- The Village will be hosting a pop-up Zoning & Sign Bylaw Session for Downtown Businesses on Thursday, May 10th at the Downtown Community Barn. Join Staff at the Barn to view storyboards, ask questions and complete the feedback survey. This feedback will help inform the final Zoning & Sign Bylaws.
- Downtown Community Barn Maintenance: Please be advised that staining will be taking place at the Downtown Community Barn starting today (May 8th) until May 20th. Please refrain from walking through the Barn while the staining equipment is being used to avoid stain residue.
- An Alternate Approval Process is Underway for Borrowing Funds to Construct a Solid Waste Transfer Station in the Pemberton Industrial Park. The Alternative Approval Process is open to eligible electors in the Service Area including Village of Pemberton and SLRD Area C. The deadline for elector responses in relation to this Alternative Approval Process is 4:30 p.m. on May 14, 2018. Visit the SLRD website for details.
- A follow up Boundary Extension Open House will be taking place on Tuesday, May 15<sup>th</sup> at Signal Hill Elementary from 6pm-8pm. Staff will be

presenting further Boundary Extension data and findings. A presentation from Urban Systems will also present new information for consideration.

- Pizza with the Mayor will be taking place next Thursday, May 17<sup>th</sup> at Brooklyn's Pizza (Grimms Deli), 4:30pm-6:30pm. Come have a slice and bring your questions, ideas and feedback on municipal matters.
- Squamish-Lillooet Regional District Board Meeting and Committee of the Whole May 24<sup>th</sup> and May 25<sup>th</sup> which will be held in Lillooet.

Mayor Richman welcomed Sarah Toews, who joined the Village this week and is filling the role of Emergency Program Coordinator.

Mayor Richman also recognized Staff for their hard work on the many Village projects currently underway and noted that Staff's commitment is much appreciated

## e) Councillors

# **Councillor Craddock**

Councillor Craddock reported on the following:

- Boundary Extension Open House
- Green River Clean Up
- Radius Building Opening
- Congratulated Joel Barde, Pique Reporter, on receiving the Gold Award for creative writing.

# Councillor Linklater

Councillor Linklater reported on the following:

- Pemberton Valley Utilities and Services Committee Meeting
- Day of the Devil Pemberton Secondary Alumni Fundraiser
- Advised that Pemberton Youth Soccer will be providing support to the children of the Refugee Family for soccer programming

# Councillor Ross

Councillor Ross reported on the following:

 Attended Dining for Duchennes advising that the event was well attended – over \$16,000 was raised. Village of Pemberton Regular Council Meeting No. 1469 Tuesday, May 8, 2018 Page **7** of **8** 

# 10.BYLAWS

## a) First, Second and Third Readings

i. Village of Pemberton 2018 Annual Tax Rates Bylaw No. 828, 2018

Moved/Seconded THAT Village of Pemberton 2018 Annual Tax Rates Bylaw No. 828, 2018, receive first, second and third readings. CARRIED

ii. Village of Pemberton 2018 Water Frontage Tax Amendment Bylaw No. 829, 2018

Moved/Seconded **THAT** Village of Pemberton 2018 Water Frontage Tax Amendment Bylaw No. 829, 2018, receive first, second and third readings. **CARRIED** 

iii. Village of Pemberton 2018 Sewer Frontage Tax Amendment Bylaw No. 830, 2018

Moved/Seconded THAT Village of Pemberton Sewer Frontage Tax Amendment Bylaw No. 830, 2018 receive first, second and third readings. CARRIED

## 11. CORRESPONDENCE

- a) For Action
  - i. John Beck, Mayor, City of Pitt Meadows, dated April 26, 2018, requesting support for LMLGA Resolution, Disqualification from Holding Elected Office.

Moved/Seconded

**THAT** the resolution regarding Disqualification from Holding Office be supported.

#### CARRIED

ii. Sophie Rivers, dated April 23, 2018, commenting on the proposed changes to parking in the Community Barn area as part of the Downtown Enhancement Plan.

Moved/Seconded THAT the correspondence be referred to Staff for review and response. CARRIED Village of Pemberton Regular Council Meeting No. 1469 Tuesday, May 8, 2018 Page **8** of **8** 

# **12. DECISION ON LATE BUSINESS**

There was no late business for consideration.

# **13.LATE BUSINESS**

There was no late business for consideration.

# **14.NOTICE OF MOTION**

There was no Notice of Motion for consideration.

# **15. QUESTION PERIOD**

There were no questions from the Gallery.

At 6:37 p.m. the Regular Council Meeting was recessed.

At 6:51 p.m. the Regular Council Meeting was reconvened.

# **16.IN CAMERA**

Moved/Seconded

**THAT** pursuant to Section 90 (1) (k) Negotiations of the *Community Charter*, the Council of the Village of Pemberton serves notice to hold an In-Camera Meeting on today's date for the purpose of dealing with matters for which the public shall be excluded from attending.

## CARRIED

At 6:51 p.m. Council moved In Camera.

At 6:59 p.m. Council Rose without Report.

# **17.AJOURNMENT**

Moved/Seconded THAT the Regular Council Meeting be adjourned. CARRIED

At 6:59 p.m. the Regular Council Meeting was adjourned.

Mike Richman Mayor Sheena Fraser Corporate Officer

# VILLAGE OF PEMBERTON -SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES-

**Minutes of the Special Meeting** of Council of the Village of Pemberton held on Thursday, May 10, 2018 at 8:30 a.m. in Council Chambers, 7400 Prospect Street. This is Meeting No. 1470.

IN ATTENDANCE:	Mayor Mike Richman Councillor Ted Craddock Councillor Karen Ross
BY CONFERENCE CALL:	Councillor Jennie Helmer Councillor James Linklater
STAFF IN ATTENDANCE:	Nikki Gilmore, Chief Administrative Officer Sheena Fraser, Manager of Corporate & Legislative Services Gwendolyn Kennedy, Legislative Assistant
Public:	0

# 1. CALL TO ORDER

At 8:28 a.m. Mayor Richman called the meeting to order.

# 2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved/Seconded THAT the Agenda be approved as presented. CARRIED

# 3. BYLAWS

## a) Fourth and Final Readings

## i. 2018 Five Year Financial Plan Bylaw No. 827, 2018

Moved/Seconded THAT Village of Pemberton 2018 Five Year Financial Plan Bylaw No. 827, 2018, receive fourth and final readings. CARRIED

## ii. 2018 Annual Tax Rates Bylaw No. 828, 2018

Moved/Seconded THAT Village of Pemberton 2018 Annual Tax Rates Bylaw No. 828, 2018, receive fourth and final readings. CARRIED

## iii. 2018 Water Frontage Tax Amendment Bylaw No. 829, 2018

Moved/Seconded THAT Village of Pemberton 2018 Water Frontage Tax Amendment Bylaw No. 829, 2018, receive fourth and final readings. CARRIED

## iv. 2018 Sewer Frontage Tax Amendment Bylaw No. 830, 2018

Moved/Seconded **THAT** Village of Pemberton 2018 Sewer Frontage Tax Amendment Bylaw No. 830, 2018 receive fourth and final readings. **CARRIED** 

At 8:30 a.m. Councillor Linklater joined the meeting by conference call.

# 4. AJOURNMENT

Moved/Seconded THAT the Regular meeting be adjourned. CARRIED

At 8:31 a.m. the Special Council Meeting was adjourned.

Mike Richman Mayor Sheena Fraser Corporate Officer



Date:	May 29, 2018
То:	Nikki Gilmore, Chief Administrative Officer
From:	Melissa Sutherland, Administrative Assistant/Deputy Chief Election Official
Subject:	Election Cost Sharing Agreement Village of Pemberton and Sea to Sky School District No. 48

#### **PURPOSE**

The purpose of this report is to present to Council for approval an Election Cost Sharing Agreement between the Village of Pemberton and Sea to Sky School District No. 48.

#### BACKGROUND

Since at least 2002 the Village of Pemberton has conducted the school board trustee elections for the position of school board trustee for the Village of Pemberton Electoral Area as established by Sea to Sky School District No. 48 (SD48) and in accordance with Section 37 (1) of the *School Act*.

Traditionally, the School District has sent correspondence requesting that the Village facilitate the trustee election process on their behalf and the Village has accommodated that request. The School District would then reimburse the Village for costs associated with the inclusion of this component of the election that includes a portion of the cost for advertising, printing, room rental, staffing and other items as may be required.

In 2014, as a result of discussions that took place at the Staff level with SD48, the Village initiated the establishment of an Election Cost Sharing Agreement between the Village and the School District in order to avoid disputes related to the costs associated with running the election due to misunderstandings over the cost sharing. The Agreement ensured that all costs, including those identified in the *School Act* such as room rental and staffing, as well as any additional costs, such as printing of ballots, would be reimbursed.

As the school board trustee was acclaimed in 2014 the shared costs were limited to the required advertising and some costs associated with the preparation and receipting of the nomination papers.

In correspondence from Shezhad Somji, former Secretary Treasurer, dated March 26, 2018, the Village was officially requested to facilitate the school board trustee election on behalf of SD48 again this year. (**APPENDIX A**)

**REPORT TO** 

COUNCIL

#### **DISCUSSION AND COMMENTS**

In preparation of the 2018 local government general elections and at the recommendation of the Local Government Management Association Election Task Force, Staff has prepared an Election Cost Sharing Agreement between the Village and Sea to Sky School District No. 48. (**APPENDIX B**)

The Agreement sets out that SD48 will be required to pay one third (1/3) of the costs associated with the preparation of the nomination packages, printing, training of election officials, election staffing, advertising, facility rentals and other costs associated with the election process as may be required. It also notes that should there be an acclamation the costs will be reduced and will include only pre-election activity such as preparation of nomination packages and the legislatively required advertising.

The Election Cost Sharing Agreement is attached for consideration by Council and it is Staff's recommendation that the Agreement be approved as presented. Upon Council approval the Agreement will be forwarded to the School District.

#### **COMMUNICATIONS**

There are no communications requirements for this initiative.

#### LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

The Election Cost Sharing Agreement received legal review in 2014 and meets with the intent of *Local Government Act, Community Charter, School Act* and *Elections Act*.

#### **IMPACT ON BUDGET & STAFFING**

The Agreement has been prepared in-house and therefore no costs other than Staff time have been incurred, which can be accommodated in the 2018 Election Budget.

#### **INTERDEPARTMENTAL IMPACT & APPROVAL**

There are no interdepartmental impacts or approvals required for this initiative.

#### **IMPACT ON THE REGION OR NEIGHBOURING JURISDICTIONS**

The Village has facilitated the school board trustee election on behalf of SD48 for many years as the SD is a partner jurisdiction within the Sea to Sky Corridor. The Squamish-Lillooet Regional District also facilitates the election for the Electoral Area C school board trustee. As well, the Resort Municipality of Whistler and District of Squamish facilitate the school board trustee elections for their electoral area representatives.

#### **ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS**

There are no alternative options for consideration.

## POTENTIAL GOVERNANCE CONSIDERATIONS

The approval of the Election Cost Sharing Agreement meets with Strategic Priority Two - Good Governance and the Village's goal to be committed to citizen engagement, being an open and accountable government and to being fiscally responsible.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

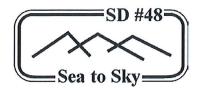
**THAT** the Election Cost Sharing Agreement between the Village of Pemberton and Sea to Sky School District No. 48 be approved as presented;

**AND THAT** the Mayor and Chief Administrative Officer be authorized to sign the Agreement upon confirmation of School District No. 48 approval.

#### Attachments:

Appendix A:	Letter from Shezhad Somji
Appendix B:	Election Cost Sharing Agreement

Prepared:	Melissa Sutherland, Deputy Chief Election Officer
Manager Approval:	Sheena Fraser, Chief Election Officer/Manager of Corporate & Legislative Services
CAO Approval by:	Nikki Gilmore, Chief Administrative Officer



# SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 48

♦ Squamish ♦ Whistler ♦ Pemberton

March 26, 2018

Ms. Sheena Fraser Manager, Corporate & Legislative Affairs Village of Pemberton P.O. Box 100 Pemberton, BC V0N 2L0

Via Email: sfraser@pemberton.ca

#### Dear Ms. Fraser

#### Re: General Election October 2018

This letter is to advise that School District No. 48 (Sea to Sky) wishes to have the Village of Pemberton conduct the 2018 trustee election on our behalf in accordance with section 37(1) of the *School Act*. One (1) trustee is to be elected from the Village of Pemberton Electoral Area.

Under Section 38(1) of the *School Act* the School Board is permitted to reimburse the Village of Pemberton for costs additional to the municipality's costs related to the election. Once the election is over, please forward a detailed invoice outlining the additional costs incurred on behalf of the School District.

Attached is a copy of the Board's current election bylaw. Please forward a copy of your election bylaw as soon as possible so that the Board of Education has an opportunity to make any changes that may be necessary prior to the deadline. Please provide the name and contact information for your Chief Elections Officer as well.

We appreciate the Village of Pemberton conducting the trustee election on our behalf. Please feel free to contact Anne MacDougall at 604.892.5228 ext. 103 if you need anything further.

Sincerely,

Shehzad Somji, CPA, CGA Secretary-Treasurer

SS/am

Enc: 201.1-2016 Trustee Elections Bylaw

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This bylaw will provide for the determination of various procedures for the conduct of general school elections and other trustee elections.

Under the *School Act*, the Board of Education may, by bylaw, determine various procedures and requirements to be applied in the conduct of trustee elections. This bylaw applies to both general elections and by-elections, except as otherwise indicated.

In School District No. 48 (Sea to Sky), trustee elections are held in the following trustee electoral areas and are the responsibility of the following authorities:

Trustee Electoral Area	Number of Trustees	Authority
Squamish	2	District of Squamish
Whistler	2	Resort Municipality of Whistler
Pemberton	1	Village of Pemberton
Electoral Area C	1	Squamish/Lillooet Regional District
Electoral Area D	1	Squamish/Lillooet Regional District

The Board of Education wishes to establish various procedures and requirements under the authority of the *School Act* for trustee elections.

The Board of Education, School District No. 48 (Sea to Sky), in an open meeting of the board, enacts as follows:

#### 1. Definitions

The terms used shall have the meaning assigned by the *School Act* and the *Local Government Act*, except as the context indicates otherwise.

**Board" or "school board"** means the Board of Education of School District No. 48 (Sea to Sky).

**"By-election"** means a trustee election to fill a vacancy on the school board.

"Election" means a trustee election.

"General Voting Day" means the date on which general voting for a trustee election is to take place, whether part of the general school elections or a byelection.

"Minister" means the Minister of Education.

#### 2. Order of Names on the Ballot

The order of names of candidates on the ballot will be alphabetical.

#### **3. Required Advance Voting Opportunities**

Unless the Board is exempted from the requirement by Order of the Minister of Education, an advance voting opportunity will be held on the tenth day before general voting day.

Unless the Board is exempted from the requirement for a second advance voting opportunity by Order of the Minister of Education, a second advance voting opportunity will be held:

- (i) the date specified for the second required advance voting opportunity in an applicable municipal bylaw or a local government bylaw that is adopted by the board in this bylaw to apply to the trustee election; or as specified in the respective municipal bylaw if different.
- (ii) if there is no such date, then on 3 days before general voting day.

#### 4. Nomination Deposit

No nomination deposit is required for nomination for the office of school trustee.

#### 5. Resolution of Tied Votes after Judicial Recount

In the event of a tie vote after a judicial recount, the tie vote will be resolved by lot in accordance with the *Local Government Act*.

#### 6. Application of Local Government Bylaws

- 6.1 In Squamish, the election bylaws of the District of Squamish apply to trustee elections conducted by the District of Squamish, except for bylaws determining the minimum number of nominators, the order of names on the ballot, the resolution of tie votes after judicial recount, requiring a nomination deposit, or any other matter on which the local government bylaws may not by law apply to a trustee election.
- 6.2 In Whistler, the election bylaws of the Resort Municipality of Whistler apply to trustee elections conducted by the Resort Municipality of Whistler, except for bylaws determining the minimum number of nominators, the order of names on the ballot, the resolution of tie votes after judicial recount, requiring a nomination deposit, or any other matter on which the local government bylaws may not by law apply to a trustee election.
- 6.3 In Pemberton, the election bylaws of the Village of Pemberton apply to trustee elections conducted by the Village of Pemberton, except for bylaws determining the minimum number of nominators, the order of names on the ballot, the resolution of tie votes after judicial recount, requiring a nomination deposit, or any other matter on which the local government bylaws may not by law apply to a trustee election.
- 6.4 In Electoral Areas C and D, for a trustee election held at the same time as the general local elections, the elections bylaws of the Squamish/Lillooet Regional District, as they may be amended from time to time, apply to that trustee election, except for any bylaws

determining the minimum number of nominators, the order of names on the ballot, the resolution of tie votes after judicial recount, requiring a nomination deposit, or any other matter on which the local government bylaws may not by law apply to a trustee election.

#### 7. Public Access to Election Documents

- 7.1 The Board authorizes posting of nomination documents of trustee candidates on the website of School District No. 48 (Sea to Sky) for public access until 30 days after declaration of the election results at www.sd48.bc.ca.
- 7.2 The Board authorizes but does not require the Chief Election Officer to post nomination documents of trustee candidates for public access, on the website of the respective municipal authority until such time as established by the bylaws of these local governments.

#### 8. Title

This bylaw may be cited as "School District No. 48 (Sea to Sky) Trustee Election Bylaw No. 201.1-2016".

#### 9. Repeal

School District No. 48 (Sea to Sky) Trustee Election Bylaw No. 201.1 is hereby repealed.

Read a First Time the 14th day of September, 2016. Read a Second Time the 14<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2016. Read a Third Time, Passed and Adopted the 12th day of October, 2016.

Board Chair

Secretary Treas

I HEREBY CERTIFY this to be a true and original School District No. 48 (Sea to Sky) Bylaw 201.1-2016 Trustee Elections adopted by the Board of Education the 12<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2016.

Secretary-Treasurer

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#### APPENDIX B

## ELECTION COST SHARING AGREEMENT 2018 School Trustee Election

THIS AGREEMENT MADE THE \_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_ 2018.

#### **BETWEEN**:

# THE VILLAGE OF PEMBERTON

P.O. Box 100 7400 Prospect Street, Pemberton, BC V0N 2L0

("the Village")

AND

SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 48 (SEA TO SKY) P.O. Box 250 37866 2nd Avenue Squamish, BC V8B 0A2

("the School Board")

### BACKGROUND:

- A. It is the intent of the parties to cooperate on the election proceedings for School Board Trustee within the Village of Pemberton in 2018 ("School Board Trustee Election");
- **B.** The School Board Trustee Electoral Area comprises the District of Squamish, Resort Municipality of Whistler, Electoral Areas C & D and the Village;
- C. Pursuant to School Board Bylaw No. 201.1, the Village is conducting the School Board Trustee election within the Village of Pemberton Trustee Electoral Area on behalf of the School Board;
- D. Under subsection 38(1) of the School Act, the School Board must reimburse the municipality for the costs necessarily incurred by the Village in conducting the School Board Trustee Election within the Village of Pemberton;

## NOW THEREFORE THE PARTIES AGREE AS FOLLOWS:

 The Village will conduct the nomination process and election for the School Board Trustee for the electors located within the Village of Pemberton only and the Village's General Local Government Election Procedures Bylaw as adopted and amended from time to time will apply to the conduct of the School Board Trustee Election within the Village of Pemberton;

- 2. The School Board agrees to pay to the Village the following costs incurred in conducting the School Board Trustee Election:
  - (a) One Third (1/3) of the following costs incurred by the Village for the conduct of the School Board Trustee Election which includes:
    - (i) preparation, printing and publication of School Board Trustee nomination packages;
    - (ii) preparation and printing of ballots;
    - (iii) training costs associated with election official training;
    - (iv) election staffing for two twelve-hour advanced voting days and one twelvehour general voting day including meals;
    - (v) reporting and publishing of results;
    - (vi) costs associated with any other election-related supplies.
  - (b) For receipt and handling, including verification of completeness of School Board Trustee nominations - \$35.00 per nomination filed;
  - (c) One Third (1/3) of the total cost of advertising the combined municipal general and School Board Trustee election as required by legislation in the local papers;
  - (d) One Third (1/3) of the Village's portion of the costs associated with renting facilities for advance voting and general election day;
- 3. In the event that the School Board Trustee Election is challenged, a recount ordered, or additional time required of Village staff to satisfy unforeseen circumstances specifically related to the School Board Trustee Election, the School District will pay one hundred percent (100%) of any such costs.
- 4. In the event of an acclamation, the School Board will only be required to pay for the costs set out in sections 2(a), (b), (c) and 5 of this Agreement.
- 5. The School Board agrees to pay all legal costs which can be specifically attributed to the School Board Trustee election.
- 6. The Village will supply the School Board with a breakdown of the costs for the items covered by this agreement by December 15, 2018, and the School Board will reimburse the Village for these costs by February 15, 2019.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF** the parties hereto have affixed their corporate seals in the presence of their officers duly authorized in that behalf, on the day and year first above written.

# VILLAGE OF PEMBERTON, by its authorized signatories

Mayor

Chief Administrative Officer

# SEA TO SKY SCHOOL DISTRICT No. 48, by its authorized signatories

**Board Chair** 

Secretary-Treasurer



Date:	May 29, 2018	
То:	Nikki Gilmore, Chief Administrative Officer	
From:	Lisa Pedrini, Senior Planner	
Subject:	Development Variance Permit Application No. 121 7439 Frontier Street	

#### PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to present to Council, for their consideration, an application for a Development Variance Permit to facilitate an amendment to the number of required off-street parking spaces required for a restaurant in the C-1 zone.

#### BACKGROUND

On April 4, 2018, the Village received an application for a minor Development Permit from Matthew Prescott, Agent for 1142415 BC Ltd., to facilitate exterior improvements to a downtown restaurant formerly operated as the Centennial Café. The minor Development Permit application included a request for a variance with respect to off-street parking requirements.

The proposal triggers a Minor Development Permit; approval of which is delegated to the Manager of Operations and Development Services as per *Development Procedures Bylaw 725, 2013*, Section 10. A Minor Development Permit shall include only the following types of changes:

- Exterior repainting of an entire building, or an entire part of a building whereby the colours differ from the approved Development Permit or the existing colour;
- Landscaping changes or new landscaping, including both installation or planting materials (but not seasonal planting) and installation of permanent planters, guardrails, rock stacking and other hard landscaping (i.e., a trellis);
- Changes to not more than two (2) exterior building or roofing materials;
- Exterior lighting alterations or installation of additional exterior lighting;
- Non-structural exterior building repairs that alter the exterior appearance of the building;
- New exterior windows or doors that alter the exterior appearance of the building;
- Additions to buildings or structures, where the total interior floor area is increased by 20 m<sup>2</sup> or less;
- New buildings or structures for storage or refuse or recycling facilities which conform to the Village requirements;
- New buildings or structures with a total interior floor area of 20 m<sup>2</sup> or less;
- Comprehensive sign plans and issuance of a Development Permit for the signs where a sign is consistent with the Village Sign Bylaw;
- Storage container approval and renewal; and
- Any other exterior changes to a property that the Manager deems to be minor in terms of its impact on the subject and adjacent properties.

**REPORT TO** 

COUNCIL

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The minor Development Permit was supported by the Advisory Design Review Commission (ADRC) at their meeting held May 10, 2018 and approved by the Manager of Operations and Development Services on May 15, 2018. Minutes from the May 19, 2018 ADRC meeting are attached as **Appendix A**. The approved minor Development Permit is attached as **Appendix B**.

### VARIANCE REQUEST

The following provides a summary of the development variance request:

- a) Location: The subject property is located at 7439
   Frontier Street and is legally described as East <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> of Lot 2, Block 2, District Lot 203 LLD, Plan 1624. The lot is located immediately north of Frontier Pharmacy and across the street from the Downtown Community Barn.
- b) **Development Request:** The request is to vary (relieve) the applicants from having to comply with the Village's off-street parking requirement for a restaurant of one (1) space per three (3) seats, and vary it to one (1) space per four (4) seats.
- c) **Site Plan:** The site plan shown below indicates the location of the building on the property. Currently there is insufficient space for any staff or customer off-street parking on the subject property.



d) **Parking Variance:** A variance is being requested from Section 508 (2) *Zoning Bylaw No. 466, 2001* – Off-Street Parking Requirements to vary the requirements of one (1) space per three (3) seats to one (1) space per four (4) seats.

The rationale for the variance request as provided by the Applicants and paraphrased by Staff below is based on inconsistencies with respect to parking within the current Zoning Bylaw and the hardship caused to run a viable business. In particular,

- The applicants noted that the current bylaw seems to contain a small discrepancy between its requirements for a stand-alone restaurant use versus a restaurant within a hotel/motel/tourist accommodation, and for similar uses such as a liquor primary lounge or club.
- Given the lack of any parking space on-site, the applicants feel the current ratio of
  off-street parking requirements creates a financial hardship with respect to the cost
  of providing additional parking through payment in lieu (approximately \$120,000).
  Without purchasing the additional parking spaces to allow the number of seats to
  increase, the restaurant would not be viable.
- In addition, the applicants feel the revised ratio of one stall per four seats appears to represent a closer alignment with the vision of the Downtown Core as being a walkable, pedestrian friendly environment. The applicants wish to encourage

customers that can to walk, cycle or car pool and use cars and parking spaces responsibly. The applicants believe traffic during the day will be mainly local walking traffic; demand for parking at night is alleviated by adjacent businesses closing earlier than a restaurant.

A Draft Development Variance Permit has been attached as **Appendix C**.

#### **DISCUSSION AND REFERRAL COMMENTS**

#### • Development Services

*Land Use* - The subject land is currently designated "Downtown" in the Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 654, 2011. Restaurant Use complies with the OCP designation of Downtown.

Zoning - The subject property is zoned C-1 (Town Centre Commercial).

The following is an assessment of the proposal in the context of the Zoning Bylaw requirements:

- a) Restaurant is a **permitted use** in the C-1 Zone.
- b) According to Section 508 (2) of Zoning Bylaw No. 466, 2001 the required parking provisions for a 'Restaurant' are one (1) space for every three (3) seats. However, the Zoning Bylaw also refers to the requirement for one (1) space for every four (4) seats for similar uses such as a Club/Lounge or a Theatre/Cinema. At the same time, one (1) space is required for every four (4) seats in a restaurant or lounge if it is associated with a Hotel/Motel or other Tourist Accommodation. Given the similarity of these land uses, and inconsistencies with the current regulations, Staff is supportive of the applicant's approach to seek a variance from one (1) space per three (3) seats to one (1) space per four (4) seats in a restaurant, and are proposing to formalize this as the new standard for restaurants in the C-1 Zone through the Draft Zoning Bylaw.

By comparison, in the table shown below are examples of the standards recently set by nearby municipalities:

Jurisdiction	Zoning Bylaw No.	Restaurant Parking Standard
District of Squamish	2200, 2011	1 space per 4 seats
Village of Lions Bay	520, 2017	1 space per 4 seats
District of Lillooet	400, 2011	1 space per 4 seats

In response to notification of the variance that was mailed out to all addresses within 100 metres of the subject property (65 in total), to date the Village did not receive any responses either in favour or opposed. If any responses are received between the end of the day Friday May 26, and up to 9:00am Tuesday May 29, they will be brought to the Council meeting.

The past owners fulfilled their off-street parking requirements by utilizing the provision for payment in lieu of parking, which legally permitted the owners of the Centennial Café to operate with a maximum of thirty-nine (39) seats.

The current owners have advised of their desire to begin operations with ninety-two (92) seats. As such, they wish to pay for ten (10) additional parking spaces at a cost of \$7,500 per space, as per the Village of Pemberton Bylaw No. 522, 2004.

If the variance is approved, the existing thirteen (13) parking spaces would allow fifty-two (52) seats instead of thirty-nine (39) seats, and the additional ten (10) spaces to be purchased would allow for the addition of forty (40) more seats, rather than thirty (30). If the variance is not approved, the applicants will be permitted to have sixty-nine (69) seats unless they are in a position to purchase more.

Current Number of Parking Spaces	Number of Permitted Seats under <i>BL 466, 2001</i>	Number of Seats if Variance is Approved
13 (previously purchased)	39	52
10 (to be purchased)	30	40
Total = 23	Total = 69	Total = 92

Staff has considered the proposed variance and can advise:

- That the restaurant is approved for an Occupancy Load of over one hundred (100+) by the BC Liquor Control and Distribution Office and the Fire Chief.
- The requested variance is consistent with regional standards for restaurant parking and the change in allocation has been incorporated into the Draft Zoning Bylaw as the Village's proposed new standard.
- The Village's Advisory Design Review Commission considered the request at their May 10, 2018 meeting at the same time they reviewed the project's Minor Development Permit.

For the reasons noted above, Staff is supportive of the variance request.

#### COMMUNICATIONS

A Development Variance Permit requires that the Village prepare public notification in the form of a letter mailed to adjacent property owners within a 100m radius of the subject property notifying them of Council's intention to consider a variance request, as per Section 7.5 of *Development Procedures Bylaw No. 725, 2013* and section 499 of the *Local Government Act.* 

Notification was sent out on Friday May 18, 2018 regarding the variance and informing adjacent residents of Council's intention to make a decision on the Variance at the Regular Council meeting scheduled for May 29<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

#### LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

Development Variance Permits are issued by resolution of Council as per Section 498 of the *Local Government Act RS2015 (LGA)*. The processing of a Development Variance Permit application is regulated by Sections 498 – 499 of the *LGA* and by the *Village's Development Procedures Bylaw 725, 2013*, as amended from time to time.

## **IMPACT ON BUDGET & STAFFING**

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All costs associated with the processing of this application, including Staff time, are recoverable from the applicant's fees as per the Village of Pemberton *Development Procedures Bylaw 725, 2013*, as amended from time to time.

#### **INTERDEPARTMENTAL IMPACT & APPROVAL**

There are no interdepartmental impacts or approvals required respecting the processing of this application as it is a function of the Operations and Development Services Department.

#### **IMPACT ON THE REGION OR NEIGHBOURING JURISDICTIONS**

There is no impact on the region and neighbouring jurisdictions.

#### **OPTIONS FOR CONSIDERATION**

- **Option One:** That Council approves the Development Variance Permit application, as recommended by Staff and supported by the Advisory Design Review Commission.
- **Option Two:** That Council does not approve the Development Variance Permit given the precedence that this would potentially set for other developments in the vicinity.

**Option Three:** That Council direct staff to take another option as determined by Council.

#### POTENTIAL GOVERNANCE CONSIDERATIONS

Review and consideration of the Development Variance Permit Application meets with Strategic Priority No. Three: Excellence in Service through the continuation of delivering quality municipal services by processing development applications efficiently.

#### RECOMMENDATION

**THAT** Council approves the issuance of Development Variance Permit Application No. 121 (7439 Frontier Street)

**AND THAT** DVP No. 121 not be issued until the Village receives payment in lieu of parking for the number of spaces requested.

#### Attachments:

- Appendix A: Minutes from the May 10, 2018 ADRC Meeting
- Appendix B: Approved Minor Development Permit No. 109
- Appendix C: Draft Development Variance Permit No. 121

Submitted by:	Lisa Pedrini, Village Senior Planner
CAO Approval by:	Nikki Gilmore, Chief Administrative Officer



# VILLAGE OF PEMBERTON ADVISORY DESIGN REVIEW COMMISSION MINUTES

**Minutes** for the Advisory Design Review Commission of the Village of Pemberton held Thursday, May 10, 2018 at 5:45pm at 7400 Prospect Street.

MEMBER IN ATTENDANCE:	Tracy Napier (Chair) Lisa Ames Woody Bishop (Chamber Representative) Saad Hassan Caroline McBain Annie Oja
STAFF IN ATTENDENCE:	Lisa Pedrini, Senior Planner Tim Harris, Manager of Operations & Development Services Sheena Fraser, Manager of Corporate & Legislative Services (minutes)

# PROJECT REPRESENTATIVES:

## **DPA011 - Mobile Home Park**

Peter Annable – Agent for the Proponent

## DPA013 – Elevate at Sunstone

Justin Bennet – Agent for the Proponent /Architect, Urban West Architecture Inc. Justin Taylor – Landscape Architect, Durante Kreuk Ltd. Cam McIvor – Sunstone Ridge Developments Warren Barrow – Elevate @ Sunstone representative Dave English - Elevate @ Sunstone representative

## DPM109 – Restaurant at 7436 Frontier Street

Matthew Prescott – Agent for the Proponents

## GENERAL PUBLIC:

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# 1) CALL TO ORDER

At 5:48 p.m. the meeting was called to order.

## 2) APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Moved/Seconded THAT the agenda be approved as presented. CARRIED Village of Pemberton Advisory Design Review Commission Thursday, May 10, 2018 Page **2** of **5** 

### 3) MINUTES

Moved/Seconded **THAT** the minutes of the Advisory Design Review Commission Meeting, held Monday, January 25, 2018, be approved. **CARRIED** 

# 4) MAJOR DEVELOPMENT PERMIT: DPA011 Mobile Home Park

7370 Highway 99

Lisa Pedrini, Senior Planner, provided background on the applications previously submitted by the proponents and advised that through this process the owners have developed a plan for the installation of more mobile home pads which has prompted the need for a Major Development Permit Application (DPA). As well, the landscape plan has been redesigned taking into consideration feedback from the ADRC.

Ms. Pedrini introduced Kristina Salin of KSalin Land Planning who is assisting the Village on the DPA application. Ms. Salin provided an overview of the application advising that the application includes the addition of thirteen (13) new mobile home pads and new landscape design for the entrance of the mobile home park.

Discussion took place respecting the following:

- Height of new mobile homes and Flood Construction Level requirements.
- What will it look like visually compared to the other pads.
- Does the landscape plan reflect screening of the higher mobile homes.
- New Tree configuration (Staff noted that the landscaping must meet with BCHydro regulations in some areas).
- Circulation on the property with the addition of the new pads, right of way and parking.
- Will there be allowance for residents to install stairs and decks.
- Irrigation requirements and the bond requirements.

Concern was raised with respect to the on-site parking in particular:

- Parking stall locations and allowance for visitor parking.
- Parking for the two units at the end of the road given there is none allocated to the pads and parking is only available in the overflow parking area or on a pad area across the road.
- Parking plan is confusing and it appears that some pads could become land locked

Staff noted that the Mobile Home Bylaw is not consistent with the Zoning Bylaw with respect to parking requirements but the Zoning Bylaw takes precedence.

### Moved/Seconded

**THAT** Advisory Design Review Commission recommends to Council to support the Major Development Permit: DPA011, Mobile Home Park, subject to the following conditions:

- That irrigation be provided;
- That the road access to the new pads be paved;
- That the parking plan meets the Village requirements to the satisfaction of staff;
- That vehicular access to the new pads be clarified. **CARRIED**

# 5) MAJOR DEVELOPMENT PERMIT: DPA013 Elevate @ Sunstone

Ms. Pedrini introduced Cameron Chalmers of Cameron Chalmers Consulting, who is assisting the Village on the DPA application. Cameron Chalmers provided an overview of the application and provided review comments based on the Village's current Zoning Bylaw regulations and requirements.

Discussion took place respecting the following:

- the variance for visitor parking and where visitors will park;
- playground requirements;
- ability for street parking;
- option to move the location of the accessible parking to provide for more visitor parking;
- Concern that the oversupply of parking are dedicated and there is nowhere for visitors to park;

The architect and landscape architect for the development proposal were invited to present the design and landscape concepts. Justin Bennett, Urban West Architecture, provided an overview of the design concept that is based on providing for a sense of community, while fitting into the topography of the landscape and protecting the natural environment.

Justin Taylor, Durante Kreuk Landscape Architect, provided an overview of the landscape plan which is aimed to provide residents a feeling of being in a natural environment and provide interest throughout the seasons.

Further discussion took place respecting the following:

- Need to ensure that supporting infrastructure in the development meets with high standard of the product (i.e.; parking)
- Size of driveways designed to facilitate parking of large trucks
- Constraints due to hillside location
- Need to ensure FireSmart restrictions are incorporated into landscaping plan
- Suggestion to narrow plantings down by 50%-70% and simplify the landscape plan so that it can be maintained economically
- Consider spacing and location of evergreens that will grow high to protect viewscapes and avoid needing to cut down trees in 10 years.
- Clarification with respect to snow shed locations and where snow dump areas will be located on site
- Consideration of installing a stretch of sidewalk from Road A along the Strata road to the first homes for ease of walking and safety
- Identification of traffic flow in/out of garbage and recycling building
- Construction elements (Passive House design principles)
- Location of fire hydrants and impacts to parking and snow dump areas
- Inadequacy of visitor parking and the variance request to reduce the required number from 13 to 3 and the parking configuration in general.

# Moved/Seconded

**THAT** the ADRC recommend to Council that Development Permit Application DPA-013, Elevate @ Sunstone, be supported as presented with a recommendation that the number of visitor parking stalls be reviewed.

## CARRIED

## Two members Opposed

# Moved/Seconded

**THAT** the ADRC further recommends that staff ensure that consideration is given to the potential addition of a sidewalk from Road A to the entry of the development and that attention is paid to FireSmart Principles with respect to landscaping.

# CARRIED

# 6) MINOR DEVELOPMENT PERMIT: DPm109 Downtown Restaurant 7439 Frontier Street

Lisa Pedrini introduced the Minor DP Application for the upgrades to the restaurant formerly called The Centennial Café located at 7439 Frontier Street. Ms. Pedrini noted that these upgrades are considered to be a Minor Development Permit and as such approval is delegated to the Manager of Operations & Development Services.

Discussion took place respecting the following:

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- clarification on the parking variance request (from 1 space for every 3 seats to 1 space for every 4 seats)
- required number of parking spaces
- payment in lieu of parking costs

Moved/Seconded

**THAT** the ADRC recommend to the Manager of Operations and Development Services that the Minor Development Permit DPm109 be supported.

### CARRIED

# 7) DRAFT SIGN BYLAW

Lisa Pedrini provided an overview of the proposed sign bylaw noting that it is an update to the existing Sign Bylaw which was adopted in 1995. Pedrini noted specific changes including the inclusion to permit Sandwich Board Signs and reviewed the proposed regulation changes, review of the font sizes especially in the Industrial and Airport Signs

Commission members requested more time to review the draft bylaw before providing input. It was agreed that a meeting to specifically discuss the proposed Sign Bylaw be held and the date of Monday, June 4<sup>th</sup> at 5:45 p.m. was selected.

## 8) NEXT MEETING

It was proposed that a regular meeting schedule be established and if there is no need to meet the Commission members would be advised the meeting is cancelled. This would help ensure a quorum and allow members to plan their time accordingly.

Next meeting Monday, June 4<sup>th</sup> at 5:45 p.m.

# 9) ADJOURNMENT

At 8:30 p.m. the meeting was adjourned.

Tracy Napier ADRC Chair



VILLAGE OF PEMBERTON Minor Development Permit # 109

File No: DPm109

Issued to: Matthew Prescott, Agent c/o 11424115 B.C. Ltd.

(Registered owner according to Land Title Office, hereinafter referred to as the Permittee)

Address: 38 – 1650 Vine Road Pemberton, BC V0N 2L1

- 1) This Minor Development Permit is issued subject to compliance with all of the Bylaws of the Village of Pemberton applicable thereto;
- 2) This Minor Development Permit applies to and only to those lands within the Village of Pemberton described below:

Parcel Identifier: 011-506-497

Legal Description: East ½ of Lot 2, Block 2, DL 203, LLD, Plan 1624

Civic Address: 7439 Frontier Street, Pemberton, BC, V0N 2L0

as shown on the attached **Schedule** 1, attached hereto and forming part of this permit, referred to hereafter as the "land".

3) Whereas the applicant has made application to undertake exterior improvements to the paint colour of the building façade, windows, doors and deck of the building, substantially in compliance to Drawings attached hereto, and forming a part of this Permit as Schedule 2;

And whereas the Village of Pemberton Council has delegated the authority to issue Minor Development Permits to the Manager of Development Services in accordance with Bylaw 725, 2013 – Pemberton Development Procedures Bylaw – Section 10.1;

The issuance of this Minor Development Permit hereby allows these improvements to proceed.

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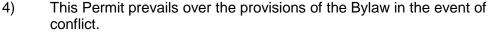




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- 5) Security Requirements: No
- 6) The land described herein shall be developed strictly in accordance with the terms and conditions and provisions of this Permit and any plans and specifications attached to this Permit shall form a part hereof.
- 7) This Permit is not a building permit.
- 8) Notice of this Permit shall be filed in the BC Land Title & Survey Office at New Westminster under Section 503 of the *Local Government Act [RSBC 2015]*, and upon such filing, the terms of this Permit or any amendment hereto shall be binding upon all persons who acquire an interest in the land affected by the Permit.

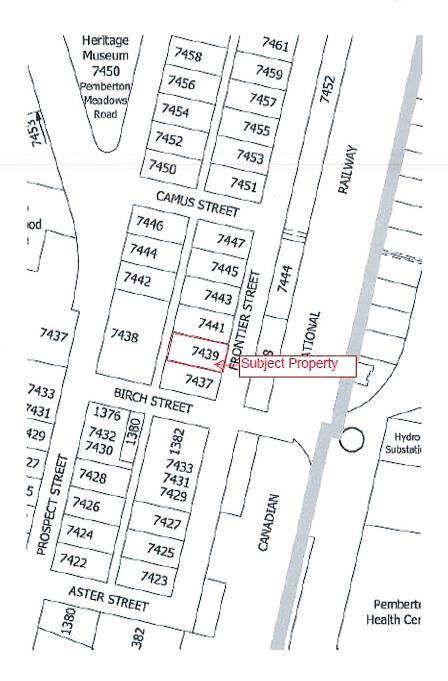
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15th DAY OF May, 2018.

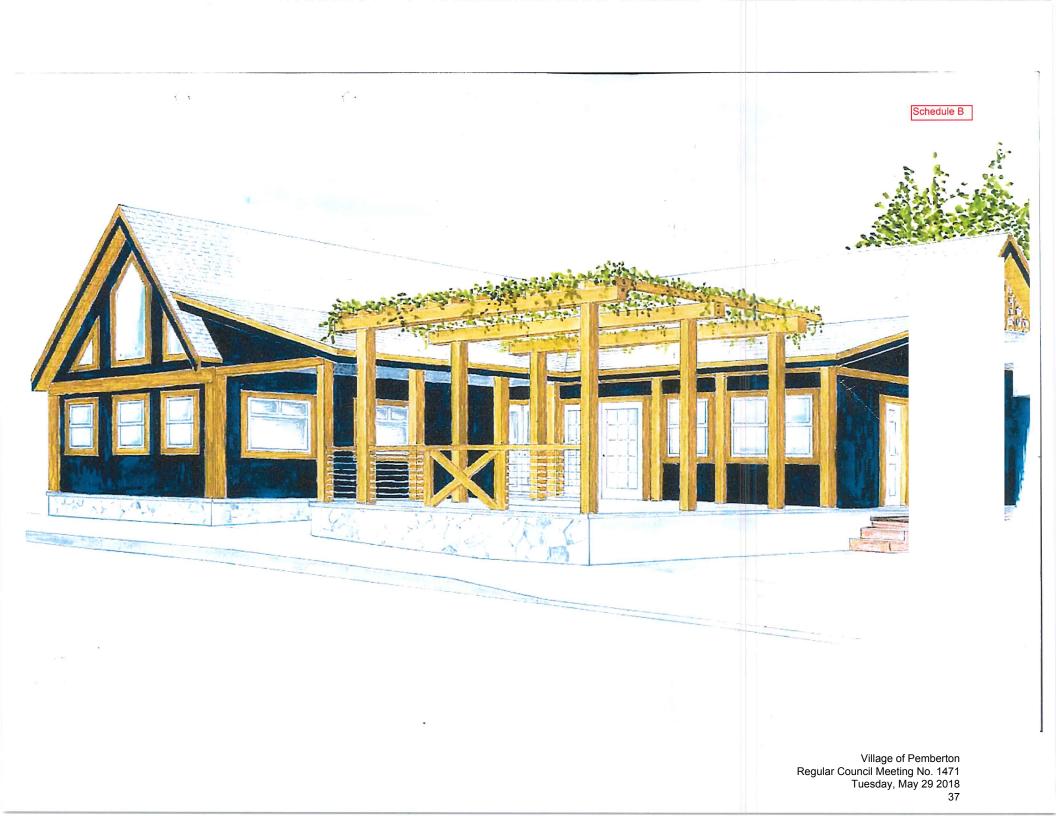
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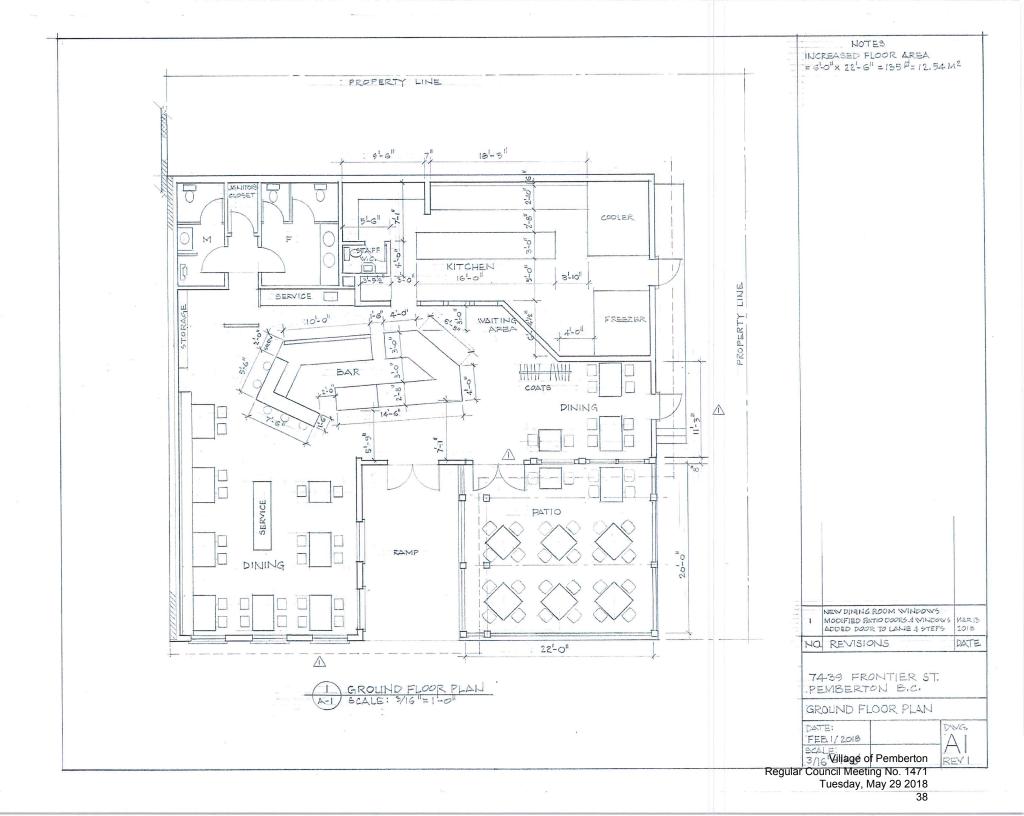
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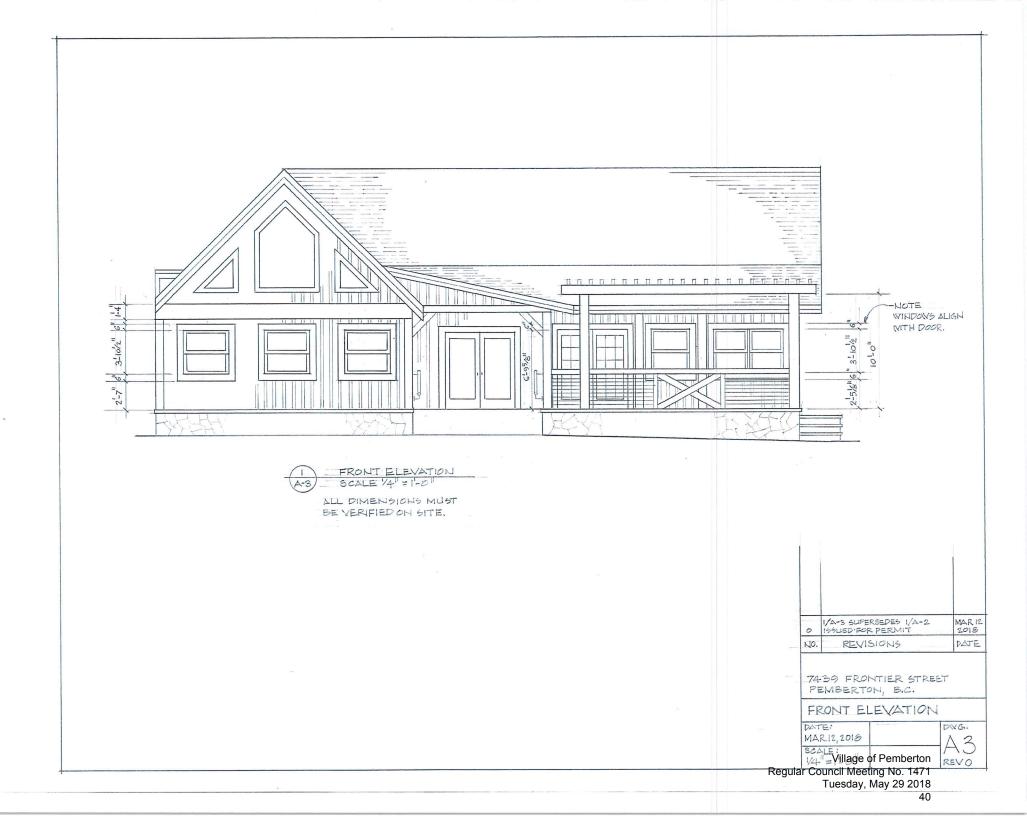


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### VILLAGE OF PEMBERTON Development Variance Permit # 121

File No.

### Issued to: Matt Prescott, Agent c/o 1142415 B.C. Ltd., INC. NO. BC1142415

DVP#121

(Registered owners according to Land Title Office, hereinafter referred to as the Permittee)

### Address: 205 1420 Alpha Lake Road Whistler, British Columbia V0N 1B1

- 1) This Development Variance Permit is issued subject to compliance with all Bylaws of the Village of Pemberton applicable thereto, except as specifically varied or supplemented by this permit.
- 2) This Development Variance Permit applies to and only to those lands within the Village of Pemberton described below:

Parcel Identifier: 011-506-407

Legal Description: The East 1/2 of Lot 2 Block 2 DL 203 LLD Plan 1624

Civic Address: 7439 Frontier Street, Pemberton BC, V0N 2L0

as shown on the attached **Schedule 1**, attached hereto and forming part of this permit, referred to hereafter as the "Land".

3) Whereas the applicant has made application for a Major Development Permit to expand the parking lot in conjunction with an office addition, substantially in compliance to that attached hereto, and forming a part of this Permit as **Schedule 2**;

Then the following Section of Village of Pemberton Zoning Bylaw No. 466, 2001 is hereby varied by excluding the following requirements:

Section 508 - Off-Street Parking Requirements which states:

(2) Commercial

Restaurant 1 space per 3 seats
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To require 1 space per 4 seats in keeping with the requirements for similar Commercial uses such as Club/lounge, Theatre or Cinema; Hotel/Motel; or Tourist Accommodation.

In substantial compliance with the location, plans and drawings identified as **Schedules 1** and **2** attached hereto and forming part of this permit.

- 4) This Permit shall not have the effect of varying the use or density of the Land specified in Village of Pemberton Zoning Bylaw No. 466, 2001 or a flood plain specification under s. 524 of the *Local Government Act RS2015.*
- 5) This Permit prevails over the provisions of the Bylaw in the event of conflict.
- 6) Security Requirements: No
- 7) The Land described herein shall be developed strictly in accordance with the terms and conditions and provisions of this Permit and any plans and specifications attached to this Permit shall form a part hereof.
- 8) This Permit is not a building permit.
- 9) Notice of this Permit shall be filed in the Land Title Office at New Westminster under s. 503 of the *Local Government Act RS2015*, and upon such filing, the terms of this Permit or any amendment hereto shall be binding upon all persons who acquire an interest in the Land affected by the Permit.

### AUTHORIZED BY RESOLUTION PASSED BY THE VILLAGE COUNCIL THE

\_\_\_\_\_\_, 2018. Acting Mayor Nikki Gilmore, Chief Administrative Officer END OF DOCUMENT



Date:	May 29, 2018
То:	Nikki Gilmore, Chief Administrative Officer
From:	Gwendolyn Kennedy, Legislative Assistant/Deputy Chief Election Officer
Subject:	General Local Government Election Procedures Bylaw No. 831, 2018

### **PURPOSE**

The purpose of this report is to seek first, second and third readings to the General Local Government Election Procedures Bylaw No. 831, 2018 which sets out the general election rules that must be established by bylaw under the *Local Government Act*.

### BACKGROUND

In the Village of Pemberton qualified voters will vote for one (1) Mayor, four (4) Councillors and one (1) School Board Trustee (unless one or more of these positions are won by acclamation). As well, depending on the outcome of discussions related to the boundary extension initiative, a referendum may also be held in conjunction with the general voting.

General voting will be held in the Great Hall at the Pemberton Community Centre, on Saturday, October 20, 2018. In addition, section 107 of the *Local Government Act* requires that the Village hold one advanced voting day which for this election will be on Wednesday, October 10, 2018. The Village will also hold a second advanced voting day on Wednesday, October 17, 2018. The Advanced Voting opportunities will be held at the Village Office. Voting for both the General Voting Day and Advanced Voting Days will take place between 8:00 am and 8:00 pm.

Council should also be aware that Bill 15, *Local Elections Campaign Financing Amendment Act,* 2017, an amendment to the *Local Elections Financing Act (LECFA),* specifies new rules that apply to local elections campaign financing for the 2018 General Local Election. Reforms include the following:

- Campaign contributions from organizations, corporations and unions are prohibited.
- Only eligible individuals can make campaign contributions. An eligible individual is someone who is a resident of B.C. and a Canadian citizen or permanent resident.
- An eligible individual may contribute up to \$1,200 per year per campaign to an unendorsed candidate or \$1,200 in total to each campaign of an elector organization and its endorsed candidates.
- Penalties will apply to contributions that exceed the limit.
- Contributions must be collected in relation to a specific campaign and cannot be shared between campaigns.
- Candidates and elector organizations can only accept loans from eligible individuals up to \$1,200 per year, or from savings institutions up to any

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value. If a loan from an eligible individual is forgiven it becomes a campaign contribution.

- The total of an eligible individual's campaign contributions and outstanding loans to a campaign must not exceed \$1,200 in a calendar year.
- The rules for determining who is the sponsor of election advertising have been revised to match the provincial *Election Act*.
- Only eligible individuals may give sponsorship contributions to third parties for use in election advertising. There is no annual sponsorship contribution limit for contributions to third parties.
- Third party advertising sponsors can only accept loans from eligible individuals or savings institutions. Loans must be recorded and disclosed by third party advertising sponsors.

### **DISCUSSION & COMMENTS**

Each election year the Village reviews its General Election Procedures Bylaw to ensure it meets with current legislation. With the introduction of the above noted changes through the *LECFA*, it has been determined that the Village of Pemberton General Elections Procedure Bylaw should be updated.

The Village of Pemberton has required a nomination deposit from each candidate in past elections, refunded once all required election campaign financing documents have been submitted. However, as responsibility for enforcing election campaign financing regulations now belongs to Elections BC, the Village of Pemberton no longer needs to collect nomination deposits from candidates and as such the bylaw has been adjusted to show that nomination deposits are not required. This change is also in alignment with the School District Election Bylaw and with other municipalities/regional districts throughout British Columbia that have implemented this change.

### **COMMUNICATIONS**

The *Local Government Act* and the *Community Charter* set out the requirements a local government must meet in anticipation and leading up to the general election. This includes providing notice in the local papers of the following:

- Nomination Period
- Advanced Voting Opportunities
- Notice of Election (which includes the list of nominees for Mayor, Councillors and School Board Trustee)

The Village will enhance the advertising requirements by utilizing the Village website, ENEWS, and Facebook Page and will establish an FAQ and facilitate a flier drop and roundabout sign reminding residents of the voting opportunities.

A candidate information session, scheduled for Thursday, September 6<sup>th</sup>, will be held to provide an opportunity for residents interested in learning more about the requirements to run for elected office. This will be a two hour workshop that will include a review of the nomination documents, the new legislation and the role of Council.

### LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

Local Government Election Procedures Bylaw No. 831, 2018 meets with the requirements of the *Local Government Act, Community Charter* and *Elections Act*.

### **IMPACT ON BUDGET & STAFFING**

The total budget established for the 2018 Village of Pemberton Local Government Election is \$30,000 which has been approved. This includes all costs associated with staffing, advertising, legal, venue rental and printing. The Village saves considerable funds by not facilitating voting by electronic means.

### **INTERDEPARTMENTAL IMPACT & APPROVAL**

The above noted bylaw will not impact the day to day operations of other departments.

### IMPACT ON THE REGION OR NEIGHBOURING JURISDICTIONS

This bylaw will have no impact on other jurisdictions.

### **ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS**

There are no alternative options for consideration.

### POTENTIAL GOVERNANCE CONSIDERATIONS

The adoption of General Local Government Election Procedures Bylaw No. 831, 2018 meets with Theme Two Strategic Priority - Good Governance and the Village's goal to be committed to citizen engagement, being an open and accountable government and to being fiscally responsible.

### RECOMMENDATIONS

**THAT** first, second and third readings be given to General Local Government Election Procedures Bylaw No. 831, 2018.

### ATTACHMENTS:

Appendix A: General Local Government Election Procedures Bylaw No. 831, 2018.

Prepared:	Gwendolyn Kennedy, Legislative Assistant	
Manager Approval:	Sheena Fraser, Manager of Corporate & Legislative Services	
CAO Approval by:	Nikki Gilmore, Chief Administrative Officer	

### APPENDIX A

### VILLAGE OF PEMBERTON

### BYLAW No. 831, 2018

### General Local Government Election & Other Voting Procedures Bylaw

Being a bylaw to provide for the determination of various procedures for the conduct of local government elections and other voting.

**WHEREAS** under the *Local Government Act,* Council may, by bylaw, determine various procedures and requirements to be applied to the conduct of local government elections and other voting;

**AND WHEREAS** Council wishes to establish voting procedures and requirements under that authority;

**NOW THEREFORE**, the Council of the Village of Pemberton, in open meeting assembled, **ENACTS AS FOLLOWS**:

### 1. <u>CITATION</u>

This Bylaw may be cited for all purposes as "Village of Pemberton General Local Government Election Procedures Bylaw No. 831, 2018."

### 2. MINIMUM NUMBER OF NOMINATORS

In relation to a nomination for office as a member of the Village of Pemberton and in accordance with section 86 of the *Local Government Act*, the minimum number of qualified nominators is two (2).

### 3. NOMINATION DEPOSITS

A nomination deposit is not required for the position of mayor, councillor or school board trustee.

### 4. ACCESS TO NOMINATION DOCUMENTS

In addition to the public inspection requirements under section 89 of the *Local Government Act*, nomination documents delivered to the chief election officer will be made available for public inspection at the Village Office during its regular office hours from the time of delivery until thirty (30) days after the declaration of election results. These documents will also be available on the Village of Pemberton website within the same time frame.

### 5. VOTING DAY ONLY REGISTRATION

Registration of electors is limited to registration at the time of voting.

### 6. ADVANCE VOTING OPPORTUNITIES

- (a) In accordance with section 107 of the *Local Government Act*, two advance voting opportunities for an election by voting will be held from 8:00am to 8:00pm at locations to be established by the chief election officer on:
  - (i) the 10<sup>th</sup> day before the general voting day; and
  - (ii) the 3<sup>rd</sup> day before general voting day.
- (b) In accordance with section 107 of the *Local Government Act*, the chief election officer is authorized to establish additional dates for additional voting opportunities in advance of general voting days and to designate the voting places and set the voting hours for these voting opportunities.

### 8. ORDER OF NAMES ON BALLOT

The order of names of candidates on the ballot will be arranged alphabetically by the candidate's surname in accordance with section 116 of the *Local Government Act*.

### 9. VOTING PROCEEDINGS

A person must not erect, place, alter or maintain any signs, sign boards, advertisements, advertising devises or structures within One Hundred (100) metres of a building, structure, or other place when and where voting is being held in order to:

- (a) canvas or solicit votes or otherwise attempt to influence how an elector votes;
- (b) support a particular candidate or elector organization;
- (c) display or distribute material regarding a candidate or elector organization; or
- (d) make representations on behalf of or with respect to a particular candidate in an election or with respect to a particular elector organization.

### **10. NUMBER OF SCRUTINEERS AT VOTING PLACES**

In accordance with section 120(3) of the *Local Government Act*, only one (1) scrutineer for each candidate may be present for each ballot box in use at a voting place while voting proceedings are being conducted and all scrutineers are subject to the following restrictions and conditions in the voting place while voting proceedings are being conducted:

- (i) no cellular phones are permitted to be turned on; and
- (ii) no other electronic devices may be used.

### 11. RESOLUTION OF TIE VOTE AFTER JUDICIAL RECOUNT

In the event of a tie vote after a judicial recount, the tie vote will be resolved by conducting a lot in accordance with section 151 of the *Local Government Act*.

### 12. REPEAL

General Local Government Election & Other Voting Procedures Bylaw No. 770, 2014 is hereby repealed.

### 13. SEVERABILITY

If any part, section, sentence, clause, phrase or word of this Bylaw is for any reason held to be invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the invalid portion will be severed and the remainder of the Bylaw deemed valid.

**READ A FIRST TIME** this 29<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2018

**READ A SECOND TIME** this 29<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2018.

**READ A THIRD TIME** this 29<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2018.

**ADOPTED** this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2018.

Mike Richman Mayor Sheena Fraser Corporate Officer

Form Submission Info		
First Name: Alyssa		
Last Name: Belter		
Street Address:		
Town/City: Pemberton		
Province: B.C.		
Postal Code: VON 2L0		
Phone Number:		
Email:		

### Please attach any related documents (if applicable):

Message to Mayor & Council: Dear Mayor Richman and Councilors Craddock, Helmer, Linklater & Ross, We are writing today to express our concerns over the proposed Village of Pemberton boundary extension and its potential impact on us as farmers. Our certified organic mixed vegetable farm on Pemberton Meadows Road is currently located in Area C of the SLRD but has been included in the boundary extension proposal. We have been farming for 8 years and agriculture is our livelihood. If our property joins the Village of Pemberton we will no longer receive the provincial tax exemption on our farmhouse and our property taxes will increase by nearly 40%. The construction of any new farm buildings will also require a building permit and, although we understand there is a simplified application for farmers, it still involves hiring a surveyor and providing technical drawings – all of which add cost, complexity and process. Such increases in costs and regulations will make it harder for our farm to remain competitive – especially considering that farms up the road in Area C will not be subject to the same treatment, putting us at a disadvantage. We strongly identify with the farming community in Area C and believe it is detrimental to divide Pemberton Valley farmers between two different jurisdictions. Lastly, we are concerned that a predominantly residential municipality will not have the resources or experience to address the unique challenges we face as farmers. The SLRD has a comprehensive agricultural area plan, an agricultural advisory committee and staff experienced with writing and implementing agricultural policy. We believe that if the proposed boundary extension is successful all of these factors will slowly undermine the viability of agricultural properties under your jurisdiction. We ask that you please address these issues before proceeding further with the proposed

boundary extension. Thank you for your consideration in this matter. Sincerely, Alyssa Belter & David Tanner



May 23, 2018,

Mayor Mike Richman & Council , Village of Pemberton, Box 100, Pemberton,B.C., VON 2L0

Dear Mayor & Council :

### **Downtown Revitalization**

Tourism Pemberton would like to raise a few issues with the current downtown revitalization project. We believe the removal of parking spaces to the degree proposed may seem like the right thing to do but we are attempting to divert traffic into our revitalized downtown.

No consideration has been given to the tourist's RV's. No consideration has been given to any delivery vehicles that may arrive early and might use some of the limited parking for their short stay until their customer opens.

We must keep in mind that not everyone walks into town. Many of the customers come from the many communities that surround us. There are certain days of the month when traffic is extremely heavy and stores are very busy. We need to plan for those specific days and during the winter and rainy seasons.

In consideration of moving the transit stop we believe a lack of foresight was given to the actual riders- the senior citizens and the disabled who will now have to push their buggy or bags thru the winter and rainy seasons to the furthest point in the village, Pioneer Park.

You may have heard the term *"Are you Tourist Ready?"*. We find it difficult that the washrooms located at the bakery have not been resolved. These are public washrooms created at great public expense. A solution is definitely available.

Yours truly

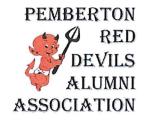
Mark Mendonca, President

Adventure Begins Here

Box 602, Pemberton, B.C., VON 2L0

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Box 1135 Pemberton BC, V0N 2L0

Dear Mayor and Council,

Thank you so much for your support with our 'Day of the Devils' fundraiser. We are pleased to announce that, with your help, we raised \$22,250! Each year our goal is to raise enough funds to pay for tournament entry fees for the following school year. In the past two years combined we have paid over \$20,000 in entry fees, and now, with your help, we are confident that we will be able to cover all tournament entry fees for the 2018/19 school year for all sports, including volleyball, basketball, mountain biking and soccer.

Because of the enormous support the Day of the Devils fundraiser has received, we have also been able to purchase much needed equipment for our teams, including soccer nets, racks to transport mountain bikes, volleyballs, and uniforms. Many of us on the Board of Directors have been traveling with our sports teams for many years, and we have all noticed that programs in rural schools similar to ours appear to be gradually fading away. Many schools that we used to compete against no longer have teams because of the challenges they face that are similar to ours. As an Association, we take great pride in not only supporting our teams, but seeing them thrive and remain competitive amongst the more advantaged urban schools.

In March our Senior Boys Basketball team placed 16<sup>th</sup> at Provincials, and our Senior Girls Basketball team placed 8<sup>th</sup> at Provincials. In addition, last June, for the first time in our school's history, Pemberton Secondary School won the Mountain Biking Provincial Championship! Given that there is only one division for Mountain Biking, and that we competed for the title against the largest schools in British Columbia, this was an amazing accomplishment!

Our sports teams are not only continuing, but thriving, because of the enormous community support that we received from a myriad of individuals and businesses. We would like to express our sincere thank you for your contribution. With your support, we will ensure that the opportunities for our youth to participate in school sports continues.

Yours truly,

Krista Walden President Pemberton Red Devils Alumni Association



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May 5, 2018

Dear Mayor and Council Members,

You will recall receiving information about the upcoming Reconciliation Conference this September in Whistler. With the Early Bird deadline (May 31<sup>st</sup>) for registering fast approaching, we wanted to follow up, as your presence would add immensely to this event.

As you are aware, Reconciliation is a process currently underway between many government departments and the First Nations communities, and skill sets to achieve this goal are in high demand. Attendance at this conference will include local, national, and international participants, along with a strong representation First Nations Chiefs and government members.

Achieving Reconciliation between any persons involved in a dispute can be a daunting challenge, and the tools promoted in this workshop have proven to be effective, over and over again. This is a great opportunity to develop pertinent leadership skills that allow one to experience transformative results. And, as you know, skills once acquired are equally applicable to all relationships, - family, friends, work place, and between different cultural groups. The issues dealt with in this workshop cross all personal and cultural barriers.

We also invite you to share this information with those in your community who are involved and dealing with health and wellness issues. We are enclosing extra Flyers and Brochures for this purpose and can easily provide additional material. We would be happy to come up and talk to anyone interested in more information.

As concerned and active members of the Sea to Sky corridor, the host community, we would strongly welcome your presence. Please do consider joining us.

Babs Stevens Psychology of Vision Trainer Skidegate, Haida Gwaii

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Whistler, BC Canada Workshop

September 2018

# Choosing Reconciliation Overcoming the Hurdles That Stand In Our Way

### Whistler Workshop, Sept 7 to 11, 2018

Reconciliation can feel overwhelming — so many obstactles on the path, needing to be cleared. Journeys start with a step and go forward from there — each step requiring a choice, and hopefully, shortening the journey ahead. Let's start with the obstacles in our immediate vicinity, consider our choices, and find a way to move through each of them. Each grievance, heartbreak, conflict resolved, shortens the journey ahead, and we all move one step closer to peace. Join us as we explore this path, and deal with the obstacles presenting themeselves.

## Chuck & Lency Spezzano

Chuck and Lency Spezzano developed Psychology of Vision, a visionary healing model based on A Course In Miracles. The Spezzanos have been teaching this healing method worldwide for more than 45 years. Highly intuitive, visionary leaders, they are known for their ability to transform lives and relationships. Join us and experience the Psychology of Vision model with its founders.

For First Nations Prices — Contact Babs@Haidagwaii.net

### For Information or to Register

Bernadette Demens — bd@PsychologyOfVision.ca +1 604.250.5773 Babs Stevens — babs@haidagwaii.net +1 604.209.8809 www.PsychologyOfVision.ca/Whistler2018Sept

### Early Birds ~ SAVE \$400

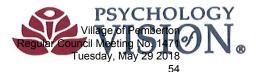
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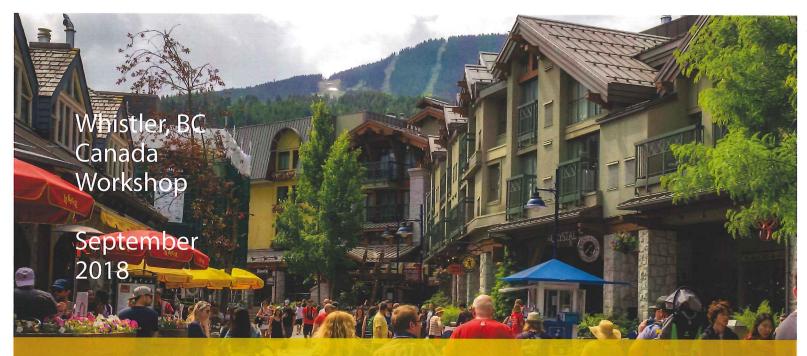
EARLY BIRD PACKAGE (see details on page 2) Includes: 5 nights at Chateau Fairmont; 5 lunches; workshop fee; all taxes. Book now to avoid disappointment. Limited availability.

 — Single occupancy \$2800 / person 100 Day Grad \$2500 " "
 — Double Occupancy \$2050 / person 100 Day Grad \$1750 " "

Translation upon request All Prices in Canadian dollars



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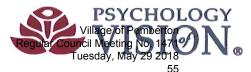


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	50% Early Bird Deposit by May 31st	— Workshop fee \$1250 + tax	(\$ 625 by May 31st; \$ 625 by July 15th)	
-	50% Balance by July 15 <sup>th</sup>	— 100 Day Grad \$ 950 + tax	(\$ 475 by May 31 <sup>st</sup> ; \$ 475 by July 15 <sup>th</sup> )	
	all deposits are non-refundable prices are in Canadian dollars	— 3 DAY OPTION \$ 950 + tax (Sept. 7, 8 and 9)	(\$ 475 by May 31 <sup>st</sup> ; \$ 475 by July 15 <sup>th</sup> )	
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Dear Mayor and Council:

### RE: Access Awareness Day - June 2, 2018

June 2, 2018 is Access Awareness Day! Access Awareness Day provides each of us with an opportunity to look at our communities and to think about what we can do to make them more accessible and inclusive for everyone! Access Awareness Day is part of National AccessAbility Week which takes place from May 27 to June 2, 2018.

As part of National AccessAbility Week, the goal is to recognize the efforts of individuals and communities who are actively removing barriers to give Canadians of all abilities a better chance to succeed! The theme for this year's Access Awareness Day is "Building Community & Accessibility Together." As part of this year's planning, our goal is to draw attention to the different ways that communities come together to promote greater accessibility and inclusion.

Each year, as part of our annual Access Awareness Day campaign we reach out to local community partners to learn more about the work that they are doing to ensure that all citizens are able to share their talents, experiences and abilities and are fully included in all aspects of community life. Please find enclosed posters and materials that have been developed to help build increased public awareness and support around accessibility and to recognize the importance of working together to ensure that everyone is included.

I am also pleased to announce that this year, the Ministry of Social Development and Poverty Reduction has made \$500 in funding available to municipalities and community-based disability groups who are holding local accessibility events. If you are planning an event, please do not hesitate to reach out to share your ideas and to request this funding. We know that by building accessibility we are creating stronger and healthier communities.

We are creating a leadership page on our website that shows promising practices accessibility initiatives and from across B.C. Please take a few minutes to share your stories with us about the different ways that your community has had success in promoting greater accessibility! If you have any questions, or would like to request additional materials or posters, please do not hesitate to reach out to Alfiya Battalova, our Acting Manager of Accessibility Initiatives (email: abattalova@sparc.bc.ca).

Thank you for the part that you play in helping to make our communities more accessible and inclusive for everyone!

Sincerely

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Lorraine Copas Executive Director, SPARC BC



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# Building Community & Accessibility **Together**

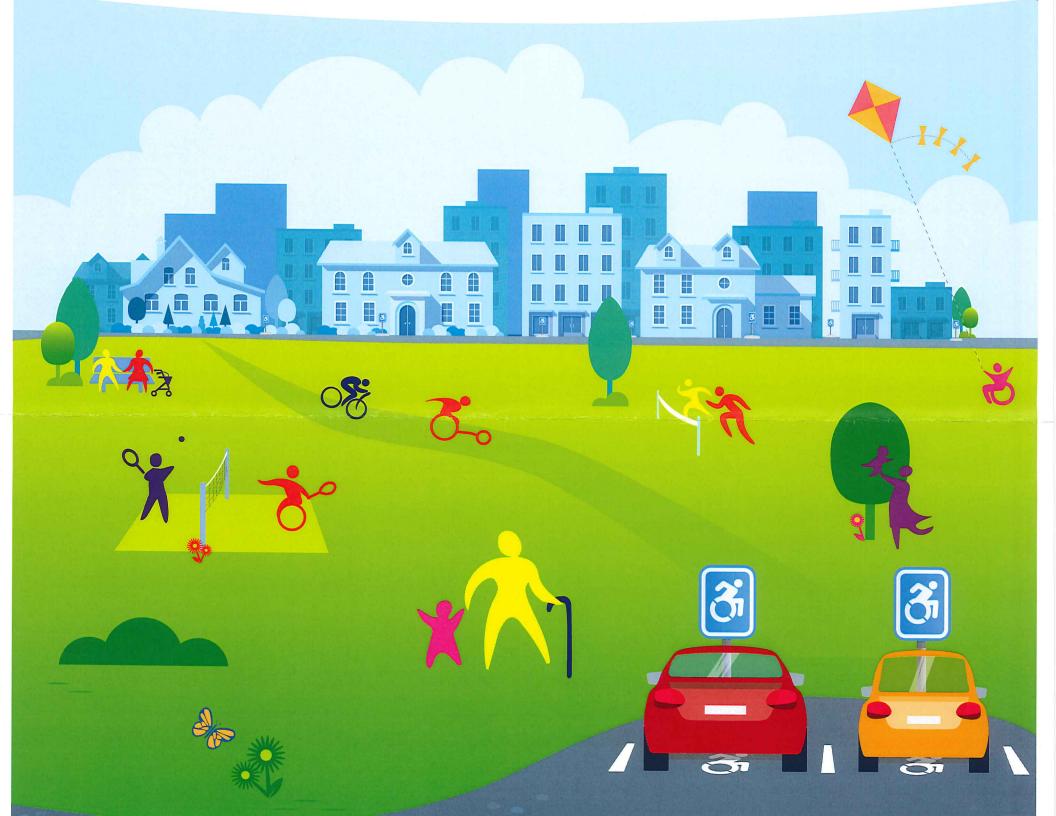
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# Building Community & Accessibility Together



## Accessible parking is part of a complete community... Join SPARC BC in celebrating Access Awareness Day on Saturday, June 2nd 2018



people. planning. positive change.

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### On behalf of Dr. Lysyshyn, Medical Health Officer,

Thank you for your ongoing support of My Health My Community and helping us meet the goals of creating health promoting environments for the communities we serve.

We are excited to share with you our new report from My Health My Community called Social Connections and Health. In this report we describe level of social connectedness in our communities and the relationships between community belonging, social connectedness and general and mental health. We also explore sociodemographic, health behaviour, and built environment features that are associated with stronger social connectedness. Data from this report include responses from across the survey region including those from your community. We are aiming to post this report on our website, MyHealthMyCommunity.org and to distribute it to local media and other stakeholders.

### Key Messages:

- 43% of residents in the BC Lower Mainland report low or very low sense of community belonging.
- Feeling like we belong in our community and have people to confide in are strong indicators of general health and mental wellbeing.
- Healthy behaviours like physical activity and eating fruits and vegetables are more likely to be reported by those with greater social connectedness.
- People who experience higher levels of stress report lower levels of social connectedness.
- People in neighbourhoods with higher resident-rated built environment features report greater social connectedness.
- The length of time you live in a neighbourhood is strongly related to community belonging.

Please do not distribute the Social Connection and Health report publicly until Friday, May 18, 2018.

Additionally, we are excited to inform you that we are developing the next round of the My Health My Community survey with the goal of data collection beginning in late Fall 2018. We will be reaching out to you soon about new survey content with the opportunity to contribute local questions to help inform your community health goals and initiatives.

Mark Lysyshyn MD MPH FRCPC Medical Health Officer Vancouver Coastal Health 5th Floor 132 West Esplanade North Vancouver BC V7M 1A2 Tel: 604-983-6701 Fax: 604-983-6839

# SOCIAL CONNECTION AND HEALTH



The strength of our social connections, our feelings of inclusion and support in our relationships and communities, is integral to our physical and mental health.<sup>1-3</sup> People with weak social connections have a 50% greater risk of death than those with stronger connections; an effect on mortality as strong as smoking 15 cigarettes a day.<sup>3</sup> This is particularly important because evidence tells us that in our communities social connections are becoming weaker and people are becoming lonelier and more isolated.<sup>4</sup>

Strong social connections are thought to enhance health by buffering the negative effects of stress and promoting healthier behaviours.<sup>5,6</sup> It turns out that our perceptions of social support can help us cope and recover from stressful situations faster.<sup>7</sup> Effective stress management has been shown to lower anxiety and inflammation while enhancing immunity.<sup>8,9</sup> When we feel connected we value and encourage healthful behaviour for ourselves and others through activities like exercise, eating well, and adhering to medical regimens.<sup>7,8</sup>

We can take action to build social connectedness. For example, our built environments help shape the structure of our community, and can facilitate or impair the development and maintenance of our social connections and health behaviours.<sup>10</sup> Community design can facilitate active mobility, create natural spaces for gathering and promote feeling safe and secure. This way, community design can create environments that foster social connection.<sup>11-14</sup> When our environments become places of social inclusion and support, we are all more resilient.

Data for this report on social connection are from the **My Health My Community survey**, which was conducted in 2013-2014 across the Lower Mainland of British Columbia. Over 33,000 people, aged 18 years and older, participated in the survey. In this report we describe social connection primarily through two indicators.

- Perception of community belonging (somewhat strong/ very strong sense of community belonging is a primary indicator in this report, herein described as strong sense of community belonging),
- 2) The number of people you can confide in, tell your problems to, or call when you really need help (4 or more people to confide in is a primary indicator in this report).

Combined, these indicators provide insight into the strength of our social networks and broader communities to foster health and well-being in our region.



### KEY MESSAGES



43% OF RESIDENTS OF BRITISH COLUMBIA'S LOWER MAINLAND REPORT LOW OR VERY LOW SENSE OF COMMUNITY BELONGING.



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PEOPLE WITH LOWER LEVELS OF SOCIAL CONNECTEDNESS REPORT HIGHER LEVELS OF STRESS.



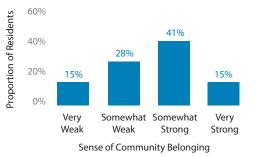
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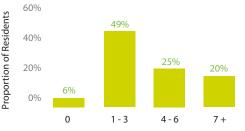
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SENSE OF COMMUNITY BELONGING AMONG RESIDENTS OF BRITISH COLUMBIA'S LOWER MAINLAND



NUMBER OF PEOPLE TO CONFIDE IN AMONG RESIDENTS OF BRITISH COLUMBIA'S LOWER MAINLAND



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## SOCIAL CONNECTION AND GENERAL AND MENTAL HEALTH

SELF-REPORTED GENERAL AND MENTAL HEALTH ARE HIGHLY INFLUENCED BY A SENSE OF COMMUNITY BELONGING AND HAVING PEOPLE TO CONFIDE IN

### COMMUNITY BELONGING AND PERCEPTION OF HEALTH

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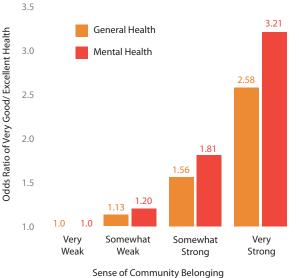
**2.6x** MORE LIKELY TO REPORT VERY GOOD/ EXCELLENT GENERAL HEALTH\*

MORE LIKELY TO REPORT VERY GOOD/EXCELLENT MENTAL HEALTH\*

3.2x

\*compared to those with very weak sense of community belonging





### NUMBER OF PEOPLE TO CONFIDE IN AND PERCEPTION OF HEALTH



Among those with 7+ people to confide in, **61%** and **72%** reported very good/excellent general health and mental health, respectively.

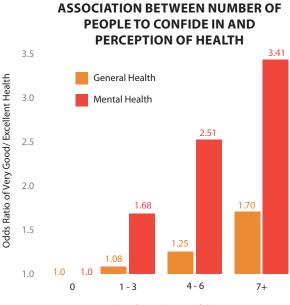


People with 7+ people to confide in were:

**70%** MORE LIKELY TO REPORT VERY GOOD/ EXCELLENT GENERAL HEALTH\*\*

### **3.4**X MORE LIKELY TO REPORT VERY GOOD/EXCELLENT MENTAL HEALTH\*\*

\*\*compared to those with no one to confide in.



Number of People to Confide In

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## SOCIAL CONNECTION IN OUR POPULATION

### THERE ARE MANY WAYS TO DEVELOP STRONG SOCIAL CONNECTIONS

Income has no association with a strong sense

of community belonging but people with higher

incomes were more likely to report 4+ people to

Aboriginal people and South Asian people

community belonging and Caucasian people

were more likely to have 4+ people to confide in.

were more likely to have a strong sense of

New immigrants with less than 5 years in

Canada were as likely as Canadian born to

and 4+ people to confide in.

report strong sense of community belonging

confide in.

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Women were 19% more likely to have a strong sense of community belonging and 54% more likely to have 4+ people to confide in than men.



People with a **University degree** were **22% less likely** to have a **strong sense of community belonging** than those without high school degrees, but having **more people to confide in did not differ by education.** 

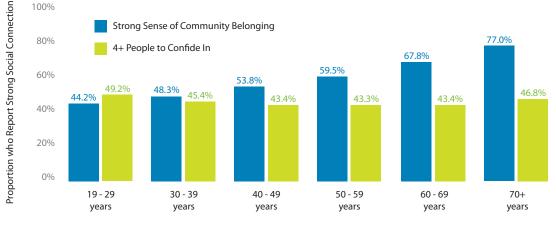


**People who identify as gay and lesbian** were **41% more likely** to have **4+ people to confide in** than those who identify as heterosexual.



People who are married/common law were 25% more likely to have a strong sense of community belonging than those who are single and people who live with children were 23% more likely than those who live alone.

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### AGE AND SOCIAL CONNECTION

Age Category

As people age a greater proportion have a strong sense of community belonging, but a higher proportion of younger people have 4+ people to confide in.

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## HEALTH, BEHAVIOUR AND SOCIAL CONNECTION

POSITIVE RELATIONSHIPS PROMOTE HEALTH

The association between health and social connection can be described as being healthy for and with the people we care about. The meaningful relationships we develop also improve our ability to manage difficult circumstances and cope with stress. Combined, these features create tangible benefits for our general and mental health.

### HEALTH BEHAVIOUR

### People who indicate a higher level of social connectedness report healthier lifestyle behaviours.



Note: Results technical notes in appendix page 10; Model B

\* Composite index of wellness indicators characterised by eating 5+ servings of fruits or vegetables a day, 30+ minutes of walking a day, 150+ minutes of moderate or vigorous physical activity a week, and not smoking.

Measurement of associations are odds ratios (OR) used to quantify the effect between an exposure and an outcome. For example an OR of 1.45 can be explained as "People who have a high wellness score have 1.45 times the odds (or likelihood) of having 4+ people to confide in."



Those with a **high wellness score** (10+) were **40% more likely** to report a **strong sense of community belonging** and **45% more likely to have 4+ people to confide in,** indicating a tendency for those with positive lifestyle attributes to have stronger social connectedness.



People with **less than an hour of screen time** per day were **45% more likely to report a strong sense of community belonging** compared to those with two or more hours of screen time.



Those who **walk more than 30 minutes** per day or **meet the physical activity recommendation** of 150 minutes or more of moderate to vigorous activity were **14-22% more likely to report stronger social connections.** 



Those who eat 5 or more servings of fruit and vegetables per day were 34% more likely to have 4+ people to confide in.

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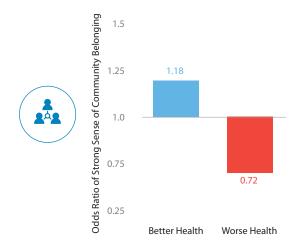
### HEALTH IMPROVEMENTS

### Perceiving good health is associated with increased social connection.

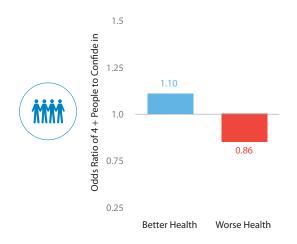


Those who feel their **health declined in the past year**, were **28% less likely to report a strong sense of** community belonging and **14% less likely to report 4+ people to confide in** than those who feel their health remained the same.

### CHANGE IN HEALTH COMPARED TO LAST YEAR AND ASSOCIATION WITH COMMUNITY BELONGING



### CHANGE IN HEALTH COMPARED TO LAST YEAR AND ASSOCIATION WITH NUMBER OF PEOPLE TO CONFIDE IN



### STRESS

**Strong social connections help us be resilient in the face of life's challenges**. Our friends, family and environment can help us through stressful events by providing support and lending a helping hand.

Proportion who Report Strong Social Connection

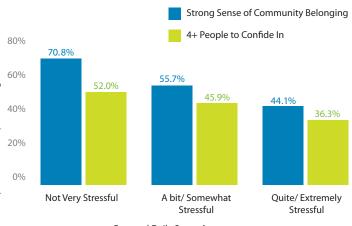


People who are quite/extremely stressed were half as likely to report a strong sense of community belonging and 43% less likely to report 4+ people to confide in than those who indicate their days are not very stressful.

22% of quite/extremely stressed people indicated social isolation as a factor in their stress.

Those with a mood or anxiety disorder were 25% less likely to have 4+ people to confide in and a strong sense of community belonging.





Personal Daily Stress Assessment

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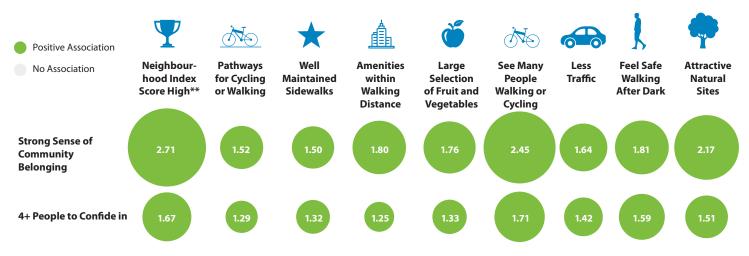
# BUILT ENVIRONMENT AND SOCIAL CONNECTION

WHERE WE LIVE, WORK, AND PLAY INFLUENCES OUR SOCIAL CONNECTEDNESS

The built environment plays a key role in connecting us to our neighbourhoods and the people we care about. Our built environment includes convenient access to amenities, quality housing, shared community space, and joining infrastructure, such as roads, sidewalks, bike lanes and transit. Municipalities and local agencies play a vital role in designing spaces and developing policies that improve health, equity, and connectedness.

### PERCEPTION OF NEIGHBOURHOOD BUILT ENVIRONMENT\*

People who rated their neighbourhood higher on built environment features were more likely to report stronger sense of community belonging.



Note: Results technical notes in appendix page 10; Model C

\*Respondents were asked about their perception of some aspects of the built environment in their neighborhood and are not intended to be comprehensive.

\*\*Composite index that combined respondents' perceptions of eight neighbourhood design and environment features.

Measurement of associations are odds ratios (OR) used to quantify the effect between an exposure and an outcome. For example: an OR of 1.45 can be explained as "People who have a high wellness score have 1.45 times the odds (or likelihood) of having 4+ people to confide in."



People who gave a higher score on eight perceptions of their built environment were 2.7x more likely to report a strong sense of community belonging and 67% more likely to have 4+ people to confide in.



Having pathways for walking and cycling is associated with a 1.5 fold increase in the reported sense of community belonging. Seeing people actively using those pathways has an even stronger effect, with a 2.5 fold increase in the reported sense of community belonging. 9

People who reported living in areas with **attractive natural sites** were **2.2x** more likely to report **strong community belonging** and **51%** more likely to have **4+ people to confide in.** 



Feeling safe in our neighbourhoods after dark is strongly associated with social connectedness, indicated by increased likelihood of reporting community belonging (+81%) and having 4+ people to confide in (+59%).

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### TRANSPORTATION

**Accessible transportation connects people and reduces isolation.** Types of transportation utilized and duration of the commute influences community belonging.



People who walk or cycle to work, were 18% more likely to report a strong sense of community belonging than those who drive.



People who live within a 5 minute walk of a transit stop were 15% more likely to report a strong sense of community belonging.

### > VOLUNTEERING AND FACILITY USE\*

Having strong social connections may encourage us to give back to our communities, which may strengthen those connections further.



**60%** of Vancouver and Richmond, British Columbia residents **who volunteer report strong community belonging** compared to 38% of those who do not volunteer.

**53%** of Richmond, British Columbia residents **who utilize community facilities,** such as libraries, parks, community and recreation centres, and attend arts events **report strong community belonging** compared to 31% of those who do not use facilities.

\*Data available for Vancouver and Richmond residents only

### NEIGHBOURHOOD STABILITY

Feeling stable and secure in the places we live allows us to develop a long-lasting attachment with the people and places around us. The time someone lives in their neighbourhood is strongly associated with a sense of community belonging.

People, both renters and home owners, who have **lived in** their neighbourhood for 13 or more years are 2.5 times more likely to report a strong sense of community belonging than those who have lived in the community for 2 years or less. However, overall, people who own their homes are more likely to report a strong sense of community belonging.

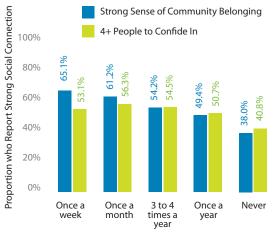
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### VOLUNTEER FREQUENCY AND PROPORTION WHO REPORT STRONG SOCIAL CONNECTION

People with longer commutes (30+ minutes)

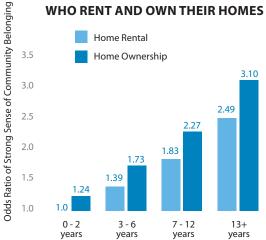
community belonging.

were 20% less likely to report a strong sense of



Volunteer frequency

### TIME IN NEIGHBOURHOOD AND SENSE OF COMMUNITY BELONGING, AMONG THOSE WHO RENT AND OWN THEIR HOMES



Time in Neighbourhood

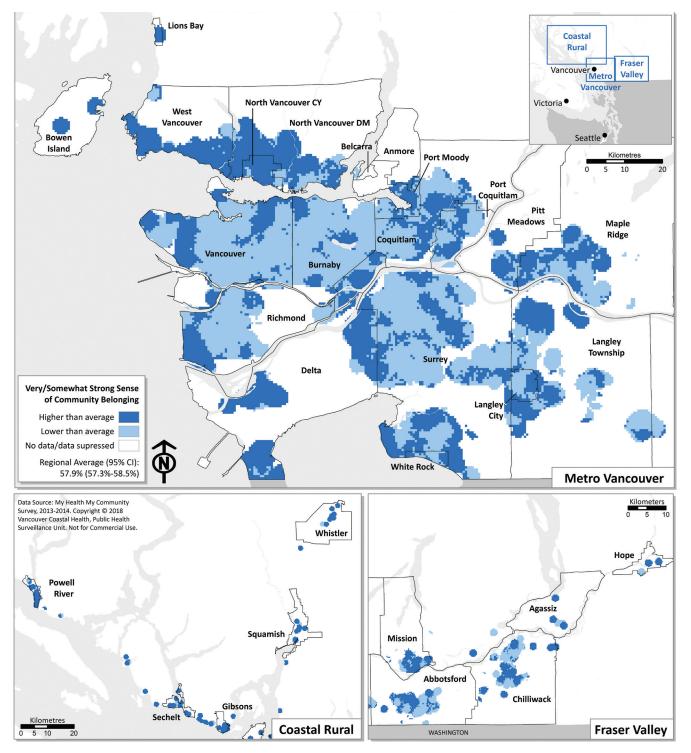
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### COMMUNITY BELONGING IN OUR REGION



People who live in **Coastal Rural region** (Sunshine Coast, Squamish, Whistler, Powell River, Central Coast) were **2.8x more likely to report a strong sense of community belonging** than those who live in Vancouver. Similarly, people who live in **North Vancouver and West Vancouver** regions were **64% more likely**, and those in **Fraser East region** (Chilliwack, Agassiz, and Hope) were **41% more likely than Vancouver residents to report strong community belonging**.

### **SENSE OF COMMUNITY BELONGING, 2013 - 2014**



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### **RESOURCES**

Plan H: offers healthy community planning tools including a social connectedness report (http://planh.ca/sites/default/files/hfbc-social-connectednessactionguide-v03\_07.30.15\_weblinks.pdf)

Vancouver Foundation Connect and Engage Report (2017): survey that investigates barriers and opportunities for stronger social engagement among Metro Vancouver residents. (https://www.vancouverfoundation.ca/connectandengage/key-findings)

Healthy Built Environment Toolkit: Provincial Health Services Authority: tool to assist public health practitioners and planners to apply health evidence in built environment design. (https://bccdc.ca/our-research/projects/healthy-built-environment-linkages-toolkit)

MHMC Atlas: offers interactive platform for health data across the My Health My Community survey region. (fraserhealth.ca/MHMCAtlas/index.html)

**MHMC Community Health Profiles:** health and lifestyle data for communities across the Lower Mainland of British Columbia to help local governments, community groups, and health agencies on planning decisions and policy development at a local level. (http://www.myhealthmycommunity.org/Results/ CommunityProfiles.aspx)

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### **APPENDIX: RESULTS TECHNICAL NOTES**

### MY HEALTH MY COMMUNITY SURVEY MODEL VARIABLE CATEGORIES:

VARIABLE CATEGORY	COVARIATES
Demographics	age, gender, ethnicity, income, education, sexual orientation, marital status, time in Canada, household composition, years in neighbourhood, geography
Health and Health Behaviour	number of chronic conditions, mood and anxiety disorder, alcohol consumption, body mass index, stress, health change in past year, screen time, wellness score (composite of fruit and vegetable consumption, walking, physical activity, smoking)
Built Environment	home ownership, commute time and mode, neighbourhood index (composite score of pathways for cycling or walking, well maintained sidewalks, amenities within walking distance, large selection of fruit and vegetables, see people walking or cycling, traffic, feel safe walking after dark, attractive natural sites)

### Models A: Association between Social Connection and General and Mental Health

Outcomes: very good/ excellent general health or mental health. Predictors: somewhat strong/ very strong sense of community belonging or 4+ people to confide in. Adjusted for demographic variables, health and health behaviour variables, built environment variables

### Models B: Demographic and Health Determinants of Social Connection

Outcomes: somewhat strong/ very strong sense of community belonging or 4+ people to confide in. Covariates assessed for significant association (determinants) with social connection outcomes include demographic variables, health and health behaviour variables, built environment variables with neighborhood index. For the model that assesses the wellness score determinant for social connection, covariates that create the composite index were removed from that model.

### Models C: Neighbourhood Built Environment Determinants of Social Connection

Outcomes: somewhat strong/ very strong sense of community belonging or 4+ people to confide in. All covariates are the same as demographic and health determinants model. To derive the associations with the individual design and environment features that make the neighbourhood index composite score, the neighbourhood index was removed as a covariate and replaced by each design and environment feature individually.

Form Submission Info

First Name: Christina

Last Name: Brown

Street Address:

Town/City: Pemberton

Province: BC

Please attach any related documents (if applicable):

Message to Mayor & Council: This mornings announcement from Vancouver about their ban on straws and styrofoam containers as of June 2019 made me wonder what are we doing in Pemberton to get us closer to Zero waste? I'd like to see us implement something similar as well as a ban on plastic single use bags, we've already started the boomerang bag program which is a great start however being a small farming community we should be taking it one step further and join the list of other communities who've already banned single use bags. Thank you for you time Christina Brown

**From:** Jamee Justason [mailto:jjustason@ubcm.ca] **Sent:** Thursday, May 17, 2018 9:09 AM **Subject:** LMLGA 2018 Resolutions Disposition

Attn: Mayor/Chair Council/Board Senior Staff

Dear Lower Mainland LGA member local governments:

The 2018 LMLGA Resolutions Disposition is now available on the LMLGA web site.

The Disposition is a record of the which resolutions were endorsed or not endorsed by the membership at the May 2018 AGM.

Thank you to all the members who attended the AGM and Convention.

Best Regards, *Jamee* 

Jamee Justason Executive Coordinator LMLGA

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# **2018 RESOLUTIONS DISPOSITION**

#### **Abbreviation Key:**

- SR = Special Resolution resolution that will alter the Constitution and/or Bylaws of LMLGA
- **ER** = Executive Resolution resolution proposed by the LMLGA Executive
- **RR** = Referred Resolution resolution referred back from UBCM from the previous year
- $\mathbf{R}$  = Resolution resolution received from the membership by the deadline
- LR = Late Resolution resolution received from the membership after the deadline

# PART 1 – LMLGA SPECIAL RESOLUTION

A Special Resolution is one that will alter the Constitution and/or Bylaws of the Association.

# SR1 Special Resolution to Amend the LMLGA Constitution and Bylaws to Comply LMLGA Executive With New BC Societies Act

Whereas the Provincial Government has enacted a new BC *Societies Act* that governs the Constitution and Bylaws of many organizations in BC, including LMLGA;

And whereas the LMLGA Executive is proposing a number of amendments to its Constitution and Bylaws to ensure compliance with the new *Societies Act*:

Therefore be it resolved that LMLGA's Constitution and Bylaws be amended effective upon transition, no later than November 28, 2018, as following with the full wording of the proposed amendments provided for reference as **Appendix A** to this special resolution:

#### Constitution

Sections: 2(a), 2(b), 2(c), 2(d), 2(e), 2(f), 2(g) will be amended.

#### **Bylaws**

Sections: 1.1(c), 1.1(d), 1.1(e), 1.1(f), 1.2, 3.2, 4, 5.1, 5.2, 5.3, 7.1, 7.2, 10, 11, 13.2, 16, 18, 19, 20(a), 21.1, 21.2, 22.3, 22.4, 22.5, 22.6, 24.1, 26.4, 28.2, 29, 36, 40.3, 41, 42, 42(d), 42(g), 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 61.1, 62, 63 will be amended.

# PART 2 – LMLGA EXECUTIVE RESOLUTIONS

The Lower Mainland LGA Executive has proposed nine resolutions for consideration by the membership.

#### ER1 LMLGA Budget 2018

Whereas the operating fund of the LMLGA budget has resulted in a deficit for many years:

Therefore be it resolved that the LMLGA membership approve the dues increase in the Budget 2018, see **Appendix B**, to properly fund the organization's operating budget and cover increasing expenses.

### ON MOTION, was ENDORSED

#### **ER2 LMLGA Member Dues Calculation**

Whereas LMLGA's member dues are currently calculated as last year's dues plus the Consumer Price Index (CPI). (BASE FEES x CPI MULTIPLIER) + BASE FEES = NEW ANNUAL DUES. CPI is currently 2.2 percent;

And whereas the operating fund of the LMLGA budget has resulted in a deficit for many years:

Therefore be it resolved that the LMLGA Executive proposes adoption of a new membership dues calculation that will fully fund the current operating level as well as allow LMLGA to do more for its membership;

And be it further resolved that the new dues calculation adopted be similar to both the AVICC and UBCM models that use a population sliding scale and apply a percentage to each population level. The model is detailed in **Appendix C** and as follows:

Population	Percentage Per Capita
First 5,000	0.1150
Next 10,000	0.1050
Next 15,000	0.0090
Next 30,000	0.0140
Next 40,000	0.0090
Next 150,000	0.0280
Over 250,000	0.0006
Minimum charge	\$500

# ON MOTION, was ENDORSED

#### ER3 Elimination of the One Third Tax Exemption for Elected Officials

#### **LMLGA Executive**

Whereas, proposed measures announced during the 2017 Federal Budget will, beginning in 2019, remove the tax exemption for the 1/3 non-accountable expense allowance paid to members of provincial and

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territorial legislative assemblies and to certain municipal office holders, including mayors and councillors;

And whereas no consultation with elected officials was conducted prior to the announcement;

And whereas the impact of this change is that the full amount of remuneration will now be subject to income taxes at both the Provincial and Federal level of government and may be considered a disincentive to the holding of public office;

And whereas current remuneration levels for elected officials reflect existing income tax provisions, changes to those provisions may result in increases to remuneration to maintain income levels. Increases in remuneration result in higher expenses for local governments, which may be passed along in the form of higher property taxes:

Therefore be it resolved that UBCM urge the Federal Government to reverse this direction and keep the current 1/3 non-accountable expense allowance.

# ON MOTION, was ENDORSED

#### ER4 Employer Health Tax Impact on Local Governments

#### LMLGA Executive

**LMLGA Executive** 

Whereas the proposed new Employer Health Tax to fund medical services for British Columbians will require organizations with a payroll greater than \$1.5 million—including many local governments—to pay the highest tax rate at 1.95 per cent of their total payroll;

And whereas for many local governments, the amount of remittance required under an Employer Health Tax rate of 1.95 per cent of total payroll will be double the amount of the premiums that the local government as an employer paid previously for MSP;

And whereas the provincial government has provided selected tax breaks to the private sector, effectively offsetting the additional costs of the new Employer Health Tax:

Therefore be it resolved that, in the absence of tax breaks that have been provided to the private sector, the provincial government design the transition to the Employer Health Tax to be cost-neutral for local governments.

# ON MOTION, was ENDORSED

### **ER5 Energy Efficiency Retrofits**

Whereas the *Greenhouse Gas Reduction Targets Act* sets aggressive legislated targets for reducing greenhouse gases; under the Act, BC's GHG emissions are to be reduced by at least 80 percent below 2007 levels by 2050;

And whereas reducing energy use in existing homes is an integral part of meeting the GHG reduction target but there are financial barriers for homeowners to participate in energy efficiency retrofit programs; And whereas, municipal local improvement charges in British Columbia do not include the provision of cost recovery for energy efficiency retrofits on private property:

Therefore be it resolved that the Province of British Columbia enact legislation to allow the cost recovery of municipally financed green energy technologies and energy efficiency retrofits on private properties through local improvement charges.

# ON MOTION, was ENDORSED

#### ER6 Funding for Mental Health and Addictions Services on Riverview Lands LMLGA Executive

Whereas the lack of adequate treatment and housing resources for British Columbians living with mental illness and addictions places severe financial and social burdens on local communities, contributes to homelessness, and prevents many British Columbians from accessing the support they need to heal, secure safe and stable housing, and participate fully in community life;

And whereas the Riverview lands in Coquitlam are well positioned to once again serve as a centre for mental health and addictions services in the Metro Vancouver region, given adequate funding from senior governments:

Therefore be it resolved that the Province of British Columbia be urged to commit significant additional funds for mental health and addictions services on the Riverview lands.

# ON MOTION, was ENDORSED

### ER7 Real Estate Speculation Tax

# LMLGA Executive

Whereas in Budget 2018 the provincial government introduced a real estate speculation tax to target foreign and domestic speculators who are deemed to have removed their units from BC's long-term housing stock – meaning they are not owner-occupied or a qualifying long-term rental property;

And whereas the speculation tax will initially apply to the Metro Vancouver Regional District, excluding Bowen Island and Electoral A except for UBC and the Endowment lands; the Capital Regional District, excluding the Gulf Islands and Juan de Fuca; Kelowna-West Kelowna; Nanaimo-Lantzville, excluding Protection Island; and Abbotsford, Chilliwack, and Mission;

And whereas the speculation tax was introduced without consultation with affected local governments, despite the fact that it will unfairly penalize small and rural communities whose tourism-based economies rely on secondary residences, some of which have been owned by the same families for generations:

Therefore be it resolved that LMLGA urge the province of British Columbia to:

- Delay the introduction of the speculation tax in municipalities that request it;
- Engage affected local governments and UBCM in the development of measures to address the foreign and domestic speculation problem; and

• Provide enabling legislation to allow local governments to address such problems without resorting to a one-size-fits-all approach that the speculation tax embodies.

# ON MOTION, as amended, was ENDORSED

#### ER8 Upgrade Flood Infrastructure to Consider Fish and Access to Fish Habitat LMLGA Executive

Whereas the Fraser River is home to more salmon runs than any other river in the world, and many of these runs are affected by outdated municipal flood control infrastructure that blocks or harms salmon streams; and

And whereas the Ministry of FLNRORD administers the Water Sustainability Act, and administers funding programs to replace aging and inadequate flood protection infrastructure:

Therefore be it resolved that the provincial government be requested to improve their oversight of flood infrastructure maintenance and improvements, to include consideration of ecological connectivity and aquatic ecosystem health;

And be it further resolved that the provincial government initiate infrastructure funding priorities and partnerships that support the installation of fish-friendly infrastructure in those locations where aging or inadequate infrastructure requires upgrading or replacement.

# ON MOTION, was ENDORSED

#### **ER9 Water Conservation in New Buildings**

#### **LMLGA** Executive

Whereas BC has signed the Climate Agreement and water conservation is one of the most important aspects of the agreement;

And whereas there are roughly 2.5 million men in BC who could save 10,950 liters of water per person, per year, if new buildings were required to have waterless urinals:

Therefore be it resolved that the provincial government update the Building Code to make the installation of waterless urinals mandatory in all new dwellings built.

# PART 3 – REFERRED RESOLUTIONS

UBCM has referred late resolutions from the 2017 UBCM Convention to the 2018 resolutions cycle for consideration by LMLGA members.

#### **RR1 Rail Proximity Issues**

### LMLGA Executive

Whereas the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) and the FCM Railway Advisory Committee (RAC) are committed to building a common approach to the prevention, mitigation, and resolution of safety and livability issues that can arise when people live and work in close proximity to railway operations and have developed the FCM-RAC Guidelines for New Development in Proximity to Railway Operations (FCMRAC Guidelines);

And whereas adopting the FCM-RAC Guidelines at the municipal or regional level will provide the framework to effectively anticipate and manage railway proximity issues in a way that strengthens safety and facilitates municipal and railway growth—both of which are essential for the future economic prosperity of the province;

And whereas the FCM-RAC Guidelines have not been comprehensively applied across the province leading to inconsistent land use planning:

Therefore be it resolved that UBCM urge all local governments to adopt the FCM-RAC Guidelines for New Development in Proximity to Railway Operations.

# ON MOTION, was ENDORSED

### **RR2** Cannabis Advertising

# Township of Langley

Whereas the Government of Canada has proposed legalization of marihuana effective on or about July 1, 2018;

And whereas the Government of Canada and provincial and territorial governments have developed enactments governing advertising and promotion of tobacco products in Canada, based on public policy consensus and Canada's participation in the World Health Organization's Framework Convention on Tobacco Control;

And whereas although local governments have limited powers and jurisdiction in regard to advertising and promotion of recreational cannabis products, this substantially impacts other matters of concern to local governments in Canada:

Therefore be it resolved that the Federation of Canadian Municipalities and UBCM call upon the Government of Canada and the provincial and territorial governments to coordinate public policy and regulations such that the enactments governing advertising and promotion of tobacco products be employed to apply similarly to advertising and promotion of recreational cannabis products.

# PART 4 – RESOLUTIONS RECEIVED BY THE DEADLINE

Members of the Lower Mainland LGA submitted the following resolutions by the deadline for consideration by the membership.

# **Consent Agenda**

The Lower Mainland LGA Executive recommends endorsement of all the resolutions contained in the Consent Agenda block.

# **COMMUNITY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

#### **R1 Telco Company Legislation**

#### Squamish

Whereas connectivity and internet options in rural or remote areas of the Province and within smaller municipalities are a challenge and can add to resident isolation;

And whereas there are grant opportunities through the Province or Crown Corporations to assist in bringing these services to these areas;

And whereas a local government's abilities to administer these grants can be hindered by the *Community Charter* provisions around local government assistance to business:

Therefore be it resolved that the Province amend the *Community Charter* to extend the exemption of assistance to business from larger utilities and Telco providers to smaller Telco providers.

# ON MOTION, was ENDORSED

### **R2** Expanding the Definition of Utility to Include Telecommunications

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Whereas the federal government, through the Connecting Canadians program, has the goal of providing high speed internet to an additional 280,000 underserved Canadians by 2021;

And whereas the Province of British Columbia has the goal of 100% of its residents having access to high-speed internet services by the end of 2021;

And whereas when approached by local internet providers for assistance with capital costs associated with expanding their internet services to underserved communities, local governments are constrained by the statutory prohibition on providing assistance to industrial, commercial or business undertakings (section 273 of the *Local Government Act*);

And whereas local governments wish to have the flexibility to consider providing capital funding to initiatives that support the development of high speed internet and cell coverage across their regions:

Therefore be it resolved that the Province of British Columbia consider an amendment/update of section 275 of the *Local Government Act* so as to specifically list telecommunications (i.e. internet, broadband, cellular) as a utility for which a regional district may operate the service of providing capital financing.

# ON MOTION, was ENDORSED

### **ENVIRONMENT**

#### **R3** Restricting the Use of Single-Use Plastic Items

Therefore be it resolved that Metro Vancouver and the Province of British Columbia move towards banning the use and manufacture of single-use disposable plastic items, including, but not limited to bags, containers, styrofoam, straws, etc.

# ON MOTION, was NOT ENDORSED

### **R4** Supporting Innovation in Home Heating Systems

Whereas electric baseboard heating is widely used as a more environmentally friendly option to heat homes;

And whereas the cost of heating homes with electric baseboards is higher than other commonly used energy sources such as natural gas:

Therefore be it resolved that senior governments be encouraged to support the development of alternative home heating products that are more affordable to consumers, yet sensitive to environmental sustainability targets.

# ON MOTION, was ENDORSED

### **R5** Provincial Funding for Energy Retrofits of Buildings

Whereas the BC NDP's Energy and Jobs Plan for BC includes the following priorities:

- a. Retrofitting public buildings: "a serious long-term commitment to energy efficiency in all our public buildings (that) will save money, will reduce overall demand for energy, and create good-paying jobs and apprenticeships in every community in British Columbia";
- b. Retrofitting homes and businesses: "helping families and businesses replace wasteful equipment, seal leaks and install proper insulation...(to) reduce individual Hydro bills, free up our existing generation capacity, and reduce climate changing emissions"; and
- c. Investing in clean energy: "British Columbia has tremendous opportunity to produce renewable energy and export renewable energy technology. By providing investment and leadership, the

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Province of British Columbia can support our technology sector and foster the good-paying research, engineering and trades jobs of the future.";

And whereas the sooner the Province of British Columbia moves on investing in energy conservation and renewable energy production the better, as both are crucial to meeting not only provincial but also local governments' climate goals;

And whereas Greenhouse Gas (GhG) emissions from inefficient buildings are high, for example 56 percent of all GhG emissions in the City of Vancouver, but the lack of funding for building retrofits is a major barrier for building owners;

And whereas Manitoba Hydro provides a good example of how to fund energy retrofits through its on-bill financing program whereby loans for energy retrofits are provided to building owners with loan payments matching prior energy bills;

And whereas energy retrofit programs such as Manitoba Hydro's energy retrofit program have created many new skilled jobs in rural, First Nations and urban communities, and resulted in lower energy bills which contribute to more affordable housing;

And whereas the provincial government investment and leadership in renewable energy technologies would help create jobs in BC communities and also help ensure that low-carbon and zero-carbon building components and technologies are available so that builders and local governments can meet the building code requirements in the BC Step Energy Code and Vancouver Building By-law:

Therefore be it resolved that the City of Vancouver, LMLGA and UBCM urge the Province of British Columbia to move quickly to retrofit public buildings, including schools, for energy efficiency;

And be it further resolved that the province implement a program such as the Manitoba Hydro's energy retrofit incentives, rebates, loans program, and other funding mechanisms, to help homeowners and businesses finance energy retrofits on their buildings, including non-profit, co-op and purpose-built rental housing;

And be it further resolved that the province invest in renewable energy technology development and production that would create jobs throughout BC and help local governments and builders meet building code requirements that are moving towards zero-carbon buildings.

# ON MOTION, was ENDORSED

### **FINANCE**

# **R6 Enhanced Municipal Bylaw Fine Collection Procedures**

**Burnaby** 

Whereas the current mechanisms for collecting municipal fines, though improved, still do not provide adequate provision for the collection of unpaid fines;

And whereas existing effective collection mechanisms for unpaid property taxes, and current permitted 'special fees' are in place;

And whereas the available fine collection mechanisms available are time consuming, costly and onerous for local governments to undertake:

Therefore be it resolved that UBCM call on the Provincial Government to amend the legislation to allow the addition of unpaid municipal fines related to a specific property to the permitted 'special fees [...that...] may be collected as property taxes', including through eventual tax sale property auction;

And be it further resolved that UBCM call on the Provincial Government to streamline the current court online filing system for municipal fines, and investigate other efficiencies and mechanisms for collection, including any necessary corresponding legislative changes.

# ON MOTION, was ENDORSED

# **R7** Development of Ongoing Provincial Funding Programs for First Nations Reconciliation and SLRD Relationship Building Efforts

Whereas current provincial programs offer some financial assistance to advance reconciliation and relationship building efforts, they generally support "one off" events as opposed to more systemic and sustained engagement efforts;

And whereas funding under such provincial programs is far less than the actual cost of convening multiparty collaborative processes, resulting in the contribution of funding by local governments;

And whereas funding under such provincial programs is not stable, on-going funding and results in large amounts of staff time to apply for these programs:

Therefore be it resolved that the Province of British Columbia develop stable, ongoing funding programs with systemic, inclusive, and collaborative approaches to assist with First Nations reconciliation and relationship building efforts.

# ON MOTION, was ENDORSED

#### **HEALTH**

### **R8** Public Reporting of Opioid Prescription Rates

Whereas the BC College of Physicians and Surgeons has developed standards and guidelines for opioid prescriptions, recognizing the public health crisis associated to prescription opioid misuse, including the significant potential for addiction and overdoses;

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And whereas in response to the opioid crisis in the United States, Veterans Affairs hospitals began publicly reporting on opioid prescriptions, which has led to a nearly 50% collective decrease in opioid prescriptions in those hospitals across the country between 2012 and 2017:

Therefore be it resolved that the provincial government be requested to publicly release anonymized opioid prescription rates, by community, for all health regions in British Columbia, in a manner similar to that of Veterans Affairs hospitals in the United States, recognizing the impact of public reporting on reducing opioid prescription rates.

# ON MOTION, was ENDORSED

### R9 Compulsory Labelling of Genetically Modified and Genetically Engineered Foods Maple Ridge

Whereas the production of genetically modified and genetically engineered foods can lead to crosspollination with wild plants and non-genetically modified crops causing genetic pollution and potential human health concerns;

And whereas several countries around the world have implemented compulsory labelling of genetically modified and genetically engineered foods, and a majority of Canadians are supportive of compulsory genetically modified and genetically engineered food labelling:

Therefore be it resolved that Health Canada be urged to implement compulsory labelling of genetically modified and genetically engineered foods sold in Canada.

# ON MOTION, was ENDORSED

#### **R10** Increasing the Number of Family Practitioners in BC

# Whereas there is a lack of access to family practitioners in communities throughout British Columbia, exacerbated by barriers to licensing for International Medical Graduate (IMG) physicians and limited opportunities for medical school graduates to complete their required residencies;

And whereas the College of Physicians and Surgeons of British Columbia regulates the practice of medicine under the authority of Provincial Government legislation:

Therefore be it resolved that the Province of BC be urged to work with the College of Physicians and Surgeons of BC to increase the number of family practitioners in British Columbia by expediting the licensing process for qualified IMG physicians and creating more residency opportunities for medical school graduates.

# ON MOTION, was ENDORSED

Maple Ridge

#### **R11 Community Health Centres**

Whereas municipal governments are deeply concerned about the health status of their communities;

And whereas there is an urgent need in municipalities across British Columbia to find ways to improve access to quality primary health care;

And whereas Community Health Centres (CHCs), both provincially and nationally, have demonstrated the capacity to deliver cost effective, culturally appropriate health services to diverse populations in the communities they serve, based on a commitment to addressing the broader social determinants of health through a multi-disciplinary, team-based approach;

And whereas community governance of primary health care provides an effective mechanism to enable local citizens to tailor services to the diverse needs of their communities:

Therefore be it resolved that UBCM affirms its support for the provincial government's initiative to establish 20 CHCs across the province;

And be it further resolved that UBCM directs its staff to consult with the Ministry of Health (MoH) and the regional health authorities to develop proposals for implementing this commitment in municipalities wishing to host new CHCs;

And be it further resolved that UBCM requests that the MoH support municipal government initiatives to develop fully-fledged CHCs, which include a community governance board, the provision of interdisciplinary services, and community outreach programs that address the social determinants of health.

# ON MOTION, was ENDORSED

### LAND USE

#### R12 Legalization of Cannabis – Protecting Agricultural Land for Food Production

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Whereas legalized cannabis has the potential to displace traditional food crop cultivation;

And whereas only 1.1% of the land area in BC is prime agricultural land, and this land is needed for food security and to reduce British Columbia's reliance on imported produce;

And whereas the commercial cultivation of cannabis can be undertaken in industrial warehouses located in established industrial areas:

Therefore be it resolved that the provincial government be requested to prohibit or place restrictions on the use of ALR land for cannabis cultivation.

#### **R13 Backcountry Tourism**

Whereas the rapidly increasing popularity of adventure tourism is having adverse impacts to the natural environment, such as increased human/wildlife conflicts, the closures of popular destinations due to unmanageable volume, garbage, and an increased risk of wildfire in remote areas:

Therefore be it resolved that the Province be requested to match the investment made in their Tourism Marketing with a commensurate investment in infrastructure, maintenance, enforcement, and staffing to assistant in mitigating the resulting challenges of increased visitor volumes at local Provincial parks and other backcountry areas.

Therefore be it further resolved that a trail booking and reservation system fee structure be developed to mitigate day-to-day impacts to the natural environment.

# ON MOTION, was ENDORSED

#### **R14 Removal of Restrictive Covenants**

Therefore be it resolved that UBCM petition the Province to include a similar provision in provincial legislation, to Section 48(4) of the *Land Titles Act*, Revised Statutes of Alberta 2000 Chapter L-4, that allows for a local government to directly petition the court to remove a restrictive covenant or other instrument that conflicts with a provision of a bylaw enacted under Part 14 – Planning and Land Use Management of the *Local Government Act* [RSBC 2015] Chapter 1.

# ON MOTION, was ENDORSED

#### **R15** Increased Visits to Provincial Recreation Areas

Whereas, as a result of the success of recent provincial tourism marketing strategies, there has been an unprecedented increase in the number of visits to local provincial parks and recreation sites ("Provincial Recreation Assets"), including Joffre Lakes Provincial Park and Strawberry Point Recreation Site in Electoral Area C of the Squamish-Lillooet Regional District (SLRD) and Porteau Cove Provincial Park in Electoral Area D of the SLRD;

And whereas the increased number of visits is straining the current infrastructure of the Provincial Recreation Assets, both in terms of the capacity of:

- visits/traffic that can be accommodated on a daily/other basis; and
- current levels of staffing, maintenance and enforcement to manage the increased visits; and

And whereas the increased number of visits is also impacting wildlife and contributing to a heightened wildfire risk:

Therefore be is resolved that the Province of British Columbia should:

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(a) commensurate with the increased number of visits being driven by provincial tourism marketing strategies, provide additional funding to increase staffing, maintenance and enforcement operations in respect of existing Provincial Recreation Assets; and

(b) investigate the development and addition of new recreation assets to the existing inventory of Provincial Recreation Assets (such that the increased number of visits may be spread over a larger inventory of Provincial Recreation Assets).

# ON MOTION, was ENDORSED

# **LEGISLATIVE**

# R16 Autonomy and Authority of Local Jurisdictions with respect to Trans Mountain Langley Township Pipeline Expansion Activities

Whereas the Trans Mountain (TM) pipeline was conceived and developed in the 1950's to move energy products, including oil and gas, from its source to other markets for refining and potential export;

And whereas the pipeline created a concomitant corridor to facilitate further works, servicing, and other infrastructure-related opportunities further to the movement of natural oil and gas products from Alberta to the British Columbia coastline;

And whereas the associated pipeline works cross over numerous territories, regions, local government and First Nation jurisdictional areas across the Province of British Columbia;

And whereas there have been on-going concerns expressed by many local entities both within the Metro area, and beyond, regarding concerns arising from the potential for deleterious results from pipeline-related activities affecting the natural environment, watercourses, local infrastructure, agriculture, and other areas of local government influence and jurisdiction under the *Community Charter* and *Local Government Act*;

And whereas most recently, Kinder Morgan has sought, and received approval, from the Federal Government of Canada to "twin" the existing pipeline (Trans Mountain Expansion Project (TMEP) largely to construct new infrastructure to enhance the capacity of the existing dated infrastructure;

And whereas by Decision dated December 7th, 2017, the NEB concluded that local TM works in the City of Burnaby related to the City's Zoning and Tree Bylaw could proceed without these local government approvals based on a prior BC Court of Appeal ruling in support of the NEB's jurisdiction to resolve conflicts relative to a Federal regulatory scheme;

And whereas this recent ruling has significantly undermined opportunities for all accountable local governments, regions, territories and First Nations representative bodies to protect our local communities from a plethora of environmental and social maladies potentially associated with the aforementioned expansion:

Therefore be it resolved that FCM, the Provincial and the Federal Government create a framework to articulate and establish enforceable protocols and legally binding agreements to ensure that the Trans Mountain Pipeline must be in substantial compliance with all provincial and municipal permitting and authorizations prior to commencing with pipeline expansion associated works in any local area.

# ON MOTION, was ENDORSED

# TRANSPORTATION

### R17 Updating the BC Motor Vehicle Act to Improve Safety for All Road Users New Westminster

Whereas the BC *Motor Vehicle Act* was originally passed in 1957, and reflecting the transportation environment of its time, it was written with an emphasis on the rights and responsibilities of motorist, and does not adequately address the rights and responsibilities of other road users;

And whereas the provincial government has established a "Vision Zero" plan to eliminate road-related injuries and deaths by 2020, through the trend towards reduced injuries and deaths for vulnerable road users are not keeping pace with improved safety for motorists;

And whereas the Road Safety Law Reform Group of BC have created meaningful recommendations toward reform of the Act based on current scientific and legal research, recognized best safety practices from other jurisdictions, and the experiences of BC road users;

And whereas the Provincial Health Officer's Annual Report "Where the Rubber Meets the Road: Reducing the impact of Motor Vehicle Crashes on the health and well-being in BC" seeks to address challenges to road safety while building upon our current successes;

And whereas these recommendations address modern conditions on the provinces' roads, and seek to reduce conflicts between motorists, cyclists, pedestrians, and persons with disabilities, and better protect seniors, children and other vulnerable road users:

Therefore be it resolved that the provincial government be requested to support modernization of the Motor Vehicle Act, addressing the recommendations in the Road Safety Law Reform Group of BC Position Paper entitled "Modernizing the BC *Motor Vehicle Act*" to enhance safety for all road users.

# **Resolutions for Debate**

Resolutions to be considered individually.

### ASSESSMENT

#### **R18 New Municipal Tax Classes**

#### West Vancouver

Whereas many municipalities in BC are facing a very significant and well-documented housing affordability issue with property prices significantly higher than local residents' ability to pay and in many cases the highest average housing prices in the country;

And whereas currently, municipalities have only nine tax classes that can be used to set property taxes to achieve municipal goals:

- Class 1 Residential;
- Class 2 Utilities;
- Class 3 Supportive Housing;
- Class 4 Major Industry;
- Class 5 Light Industry;
- Class 6 Business Other;
- Class 7 Managed Forest Land;
- Class 8 Recreational Property; Non-Profit Organization; and
- Class 9 Farm;

and while there have been minor amendments, the basic structure of this property tax class system has not be substantially amended since the 1980's;

And whereas with the creation of new tax classes each municipality could set different tax rates for each class based on their individual needs and circumstances. As an example, different residential classes could be created to address vacant houses, non-residents ownership, etc:

Therefore be it resolved that the provincial government amend the Community Charter to allow municipalities to create additional tax classes so they can each accomplish their own community goals.

# ON MOTION, was ENDORSED

### **ELECTIONS**

### **R19** Disqualification from Holding Elected Office

Whereas Council has no authority to seek the removal of a council member who has been criminally convicted;

And whereas the Honourable Minister Selina Robinson, Ministry of Municipal Affairs & Housing, has recommended that the City of Pitt Meadows advocate through LMLGA and UBCM for appropriate changes to the governing legislation for local government;

Pitt Meadows

AND WHEREAS The Honourable Minister Selina Robinson, Ministry of Municipal Affairs & Housing, has advised that her Ministry is prepared to work with UBCM on the issue:

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that UBCM lobby the provincial government to make whatever legislative changes are needed to:

- Require that an elected local government official be put on paid leave immediately upon conviction during the term of a serious criminal offence (to be defined by legislation) until the expiration of the time to file an appeal or determination of an appeal; and
- 2. Require that an elected local government official be disqualified from holding office upon conviction of a serious criminal offence (to be defined by legislation) upon the expiration of the time to file an appeal or determination of an appeal.

# ON MOTION, was NOT ENDORSED

### **FINANCE**

#### R20 A Call To Divestment – Aligning City Investments With The Future

Be it resolved that the Municipal Finance Authority of BC be called upon to:

- 1. divest all investments from the fossil fuel-related companies and endeavours, or
- 2. move forward with plans for a Socially Responsible Investment (SRI) fund free from investments in fossil-fuel related companies and endeavours.

# ON MOTION, was ENDORSED

### **R21** Collection of Unpaid Bylaw Fines

Whereas municipalities lose a significant amount of non-tax revenue annually because of unpaid bylaw fines;

And whereas non-tax revenue sources such as a bylaw fines help offset costs to municipal services and reduce the property tax burden on residents;

And whereas the current methods available to Municipalities for the collection of bylaw fines are slow, expensive and labour intensive;

And whereas the collection of bylaw fines with the cooperation of the Province and the Insurance Corporation of BC will ensure prompt payment of any unpaid bylaw fines:

Therefore be it resolved that UBCM request that the Province and the Insurance Corporation of BC collect outstanding **traffic related** bylaw fines on behalf of municipalities at the time of auto insurance and/or driver's licence renewal.

Whistler

Port Moody

# ON MOTION, as amended, was ENDORSED

### **HEALTH**

#### R22 Review of BC's Fee for Service Model

Whereas there is a lack of access to family practitioners in communities throughout British Columbia;

And whereas the existing Fee for Service (FFS) model of compensation for family physicians does not encourage enough new medical graduates to choose family practice, and is less attractive compared to different models of compensation used in other provinces:

Therefore be it resolved that the Province of BC be urged to undertake a review of the FFS model with a view to making the compensation of family physicians in BC more attractive to encourage new medical graduates to choose family practice and stay in BC.

# ON MOTION, was ENDORSED

#### **R23** Dental Care and Floridation of Public Water Sources

Whereas dental health is a critical component to health and a key indicator of healthy childhood development, and poor dental health contributes to speech impediments, lower nutritional absorption and growth development, pain, learning inequality, and other health and quality of life issues;

And whereas dental care is not a universally accessible service in British Columbia and low income and financially-restricted families and individuals do not have the same access as others to dental care;

And whereas fluoride contributes to the healthy development of enamel and the use of fluoride toothpaste by toddlers and preschool-aged children can be challenging:

Therefore be it resolved that the BC Ministry of Health add basic dental care to Medical Services Plan coverage;

And be it further resolved that BC mandate a provincial requirement of all public water source treatment to include fluoridation where naturally occurring levels do not meet the minimum suggested level of 0.07mg/L.

ON MOTION, was ENDORSED

#### **LEGISLATIVE**

#### **R24** Verification of Submissions During Public Hearing Process

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Whereas the *Local Government Act* legislates the Public Hearing process and broadly provides for submissions to be made by anyone in the public having an interest in the matter or the property;

And whereas Councils must consider all submissions made with respect to the public interest in the zoning, rezoning, OCP or OCP amendment without an ability to verify the validity of submissions made electronically:

Therefore be it resolved that the Province bring forth an amendment to the Local Government Act which would assist local governments with the ability to verify the legitimacy of a submission where there is strong reason to believe that the submissions are false and dishonest and made to undermine the integrity and purpose of the Public Hearing process and UBCM work with the province to understand best practices.

ON MOTION, was ENDORSED

# TAXATION

#### **R25** Agricultural Land Reserve – Protective Taxation Reform

Whereas a significant portion of Agricultural Land Reserve lands are being used for permitted non-farming uses;

And whereas this land is some of the most agriculturally productive in Canada; and

And whereas existing taxation and assessment procedures for the Agricultural Land Reserve provide benefits for non-farm uses that occur on these lands:

Therefore be it resolved that UBCM further encourage the Provincial Government to direct BC Assessment, and any other appropriate bodies, to promptly investigate and propose possible taxation reform measures to prioritize and promote the use of Agricultural Land Reserve lands for primary 'farm uses', as laid out in the Homes for BC companion document to the 2018 Provincial Budget.

# ON MOTION, was ENDORSED

### **R26** Implementation of the Cannabis Act

Whereas there has been a lack of communication to local governments regarding how the proposed Cannabis Act, once implemented, will directly impact local government's resources such as bylaw enforcement, policing costs, fire services, public health, licensing, municipal planning;

And whereas in order to offset costs, local governments need to be included in the distribution of tax revenues that will be generated as a result of legalization of cannabis through the proposed Cannabis Act:

Therefore be it resolved that the Provincial government be requested to consider a at least 50/50 tax share with local government;

Burnaby

#### Pemberton

And be it further resolved that Federal and Provincial governments engage in direct consultation with local governments to form a tax distribution framework.

# ON MOTION, as amended, was ENDORSED

# TRANSPORTATION

#### **R27** Communities on the Move

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Whereas BC has an aging population and many communities are developing age-friendly community plans and research shows that few factors contribute as much to successful aging as having a physically active lifestyle;

And whereas rural communities through BC often lack essential infrastructure to accommodate both residents' active recreation and transportation needs as well as possibilities for cycling and walking agritourism potential:

Therefore be it resolved that LMLGA calls on the provincial government to facilitate increasing funding and prioritization the enhancement of both local residential and agritourism walking and bicycling infrastructure in BC communities;

And be it further resolved that a letter be sent to the Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure in support of the Communities on the Move declaration adding the **initiatives that** increased safety resulting from the **such as** shoulder enhancement projects and as well as the importance of enhanced transit services benefiting all ages.

# ON MOTION, as amended, was ENDORSED

# R28 Reducing Excessive Driving Speeds in Designated BC Road Safety Corridors, For All Lions Bay Drivers, All The Time

Whereas the correlation between excessive speed and road accidents is well accepted, and the high human and economic cost to British Columbia is well understood;

And whereas average-speed-over-distance or point-to-point technology has proven extremely effective in jurisdictions worldwide at controlling road speed for all drivers all the time in designated road safety corridors:

Therefore be it resolved that the provincial government be requested to pilot average-speed-over-distance technology at one or more suitable locations in BC, including but not limited to the Sea-to-Sky Highway 99 at Lions Bay, the Malahat Highway 1 or the Coquihalla Highway 5.

### **SELECTED ISSUES**

#### **R29** Consumer Protection for Public Institutions When Purchasing Software

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Whereas public institutions are placed in a position of financial and contractual vulnerability when purchasing and maintaining needed software applications;

And whereas the speed of major upgrades, final software obsolescence, and industry mergers and acquisitions are occurring at a rate beyond the financially responsible capacity of public institutions to respond:

Therefore be it resolved that UBCM call on the Federation of Canadian Municipalities to work with Innovation, Science and Economic Development Canada, and/or other appropriate bodies such as the Office of Consumer Affairs, to develop standard public institution consumer protection regulations when purchasing software applications and maintenance packages.

# ON MOTION, was ENDORSED

#### **R30** Ending Discrimination in Tenancies

Whereas BC's *Residential Tenancy Act* states that a landlord cannot discriminate in tenancies based on a person's race, colour, ancestry, place of origin, religion, marital status, family status, physical or mental disability, gender, sexual orientation, age or legal source of income (Section 10 of the *Human Rights Code*);

And whereas there is evidence to suggest that this kind of discrimination towards prospective tenants is occurring in the BC rental housing market:

Therefore be it resolved that BC Housing be urged to proactively pursue instances of discrimination in the BC rental housing market toward ending discrimination in BC tenancies.

# PART 5 – LATE RESOLUTIONS

#### LR1 Unaddressed Admail

Whereas unaddressed admail contributes to waste when it is not wanted and may go unrecycled;

And whereas unaddressed mail from local governments is not included in the exemptions allowing other governments to use unaddressed admail;

And whereas this barrier may hinder local governments from encouraging residents to use "no junk mail" stickers to reduce their amount of recycling and waste:

Therefore be it resolved that UBCM ask Canada Post to include local governments in its list of exemptions for delivering unaddressed admail, thereby allowing local governments to use unaddressed admail to reach their citizens;

And be it further resolved that UBCM to ask Canada Post to develop a system to allow recipients to OPT IN for admail rather than needing to opt out.

# ON MOTION, was ENDORSED

#### LR2 Spirit of Municipal Campaign Finance Rules

#### **LMLGA Executive**

WHEREAS the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing has acknowledged that the current campaign finance legislation allows for corporate and union donations collected prior to Oct 31st 2017 to be used in the 2018 General Local Election;

AND WHEREAS there have been concerns raised in various municipalities that "war chests" have been stocked with corporate and union donations received prior to Oct 31 2017 for use in the 2018 General Local Election;

AND WHEREAS the spirit of the new campaign finance legislation is clear: that corporate and union donations ought not have a role in municipal elections moving forward;

Therefore Be It Resolved that the Province of British Columbia make changes to BC's municipal campaign finance legislation, so that corporate and union donations collected prior to Oct 31 2017 be excluded from use in the 2018 General Municipal Election.

THE HONOURABLE MOBINA JAFFER, Q.C. Senator – British Columbia



L'honorable Mobina Jaffer, C.R. Sénatrice – Colombie-Britannique

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May 3, 2018

His Worship Mike Richman Mayor for the Village of Pemberton PO Box 100 Pemberton BC V0N2L0

Dear Mr. Mayor,

#### **RE: Border implications of Bill C-45**

Bill C-45, which will decriminalize and legalize recreational cannabis, will soon be law. However, with this imminent legislation, our constituents will soon be faced with a series of issues at Canada's border with the United States that could have them barred from crossing the border for life.

To ensure that this does not happen to you or our constituents, I have attached an information package which describes the various issues that Canadians may face as they cross the border into the United States after the legalization of recreational cannabis.

Sincerely,

The Honourable Mobina S.B. Jaffer, Q.C. Senator for British Columbia

With the upcoming passage of Bill C-45 and the legalization of recreational cannabis, many Canadians could find themselves at odds with American law enforcement as they cross the border. In these cases, they could face heavy penalties- including permanent barring from the country.

Understandably, many Canadians are worried about this, and have a wide variety of concerns about this issue. Over the past month, I have worked in the Senate Standing Committee on National Security and Defence to find answers for these questions, which I will list below, along with relevant excerpts from the committee meetings.

# 1) Should I disclose my previous cannabis use as I cross the border?

One of the major questions that people have been asking about Bill C-45 is whether they should tell the truth or lie about their previous cannabis use after the bill has been passed. However, the best option is simply to not answer at all.

Disclosing your past cannabis usage could be enough to have you barred from the US for life. However, lying to border officials almost always ends with a person's permanent ineligibility if it is discovered, and sometimes even leads to fraud charges! Therefore, the best option for Canadians who have consumed cannabis is to simply withdraw from questioning. While this will likely have them turned away from the border, this is far better than the possible alternative of permanent ineligibility.

**Senator Jaffer:** [...] Your position on whether to disclose cannabis usage differs significantly from our Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Public Safety. Unlike the parliamentary secretary, you believe that disclosing past marijuana usage at the port of entry is dangerous and it could have you barred for life.

You gave examples. Of course, if you have just smoked marijuana, that is different. But if I understood you correctly, recreational use some time ago doesn't have to be mentioned. You have also said that if U.S. officials ask Canadians about their past marijuana use, they are not obligated to answer.

Would a Canadian suffer consequences for withdrawing their application for entry at the port of entry if they refuse to answer?

**Mr. Saunders:** The worst thing that can happen, if you don't answer the question, is you can be denied entry. I tell clients you could try back the next day, a week later or a

month later. Chances are you will probably get a different officer who won't ask the same question.

What most people have to understand is not every officer asks this question. It is discretionary. But if you are asked this question, I have always told clients, "You are under no obligation to say yes. It is not a question that is required to be answered at a port of entry."

You are not lying if you say nothing. If you have been charged or convicted of an offence, yes. If you are found in possession of marijuana, yes. But if it's just a random question, I tell clients the worst thing that could happen if you say nothing is just a simple denied entry.

Statements made can also result in you being barred from the United States for life. Therefore, Canadians should be careful about what they state publically-especially on social media. In his testimony, an immigration lawyer by the name of Len Saunders outlined a particularly shocking case:

**Len Saunders, Attorney at Law, The Immigration Law Firm, as an individual:** [...] A great example— I have asked for his permission to tell you his story— is Ross Rebagliati. I'm sure everyone in this room knows who he is. I got a call from Ross just over a year ago. I'm in my late forties, so I watched him win the gold medal 20 years ago in Nagano. When he called me, he said he needed a waiver. I said, "Ross, you have never been convicted of marijuana possession." He said that shortly after the Olympics, when he went on the Jay Leno Show, he admitted to Jay Leno he had smoked marijuana.

So Ross has needed a waiver for the last 20 years. So there's his fee payment, US\$585. That's getting chose to C\$1,000. That's what waiver approval looks like. After paying almost US\$600, this is his waiver. It is good for five years.

Most Canadians, when they get a waiver approved after admitting to smoking marijuana, will get a one-year waiver, and then a two-year waiver and maybe a three-year and a five-year waiver. He got a five-year waiver because his issue happened 20 years ago.

So Ross is a great example of someone in the system. He will be in the system requiring a waiver for the rest of his life because he admitted to using marijuana on the Jay Leno Show. That's just the tip of the iceberg on these cases.

# 2) Will the legalization of cannabis in Canada protect me from being barred to the US for cannabis-related offences?

The simple answer to this question is no. While C-45 may legalize cannabis in Canada, this has no effect on American points of entry. This means bringing cannabis over the border, crossing the border while intoxicated, or consuming it in the US is still illegal.

While the legalization of recreational cannabis is a legal landmark in Canada, constituents should not consider this an opportunity to act as they wish. Failing to abide by American law will likely have them barred from the US for life, regardless of its legality here.

Current discussions on pardoning those with drug-related convictions are also unlikely to affect this. US officials mainly focus on your criminal record, regardless of any pardons.

**Senator Jaffer:** [...] I have one question you haven't covered. It wasn't in our transcript, but this is something that is really concerning me. For many years, I represented clients who were convicted for possession, simple possession. I know you don't practise in that field, so, if you're not comfortable commenting on it, let me know. The minister is not going to move to get those convictions set aside as San Francisco is doing or other jurisdictions are doing. I was wondering if you have any comments on that.

**Mr. Waldman:** [...] Canada and the U.S. have a very close information-sharing agreement. When an American official sees a Canadian at the border and swipes his passport, he will be able to get access to his criminal record. Even if there is a simple conviction for possession of marijuana, and even if the official might have been inclined to not ask the question, once he's faced with a conviction, the official will have no choice but to deny the person admission.

I think there are two separate questions here. One is the access that U.S. officials will have to the criminal records of Canadians who are convicted of simple possession and whether they should have or whether there might be a mechanism to purge that from the record. It seems to me that the only way that that might happen would be through some kind of process where people who have been convicted of simple possession get retroactively pardoned.

I would support that, but it's of concern to the issue you brought me here to talk about because, if a person is convicted, the U.S. officials will check the criminal record, the database, see the conviction on the person's criminal record and be forced to bar them admission, even though the activity is now legal in Canada.

There is also little indication that this is about to change. Canada still has yet to enter meaningful discussions with the US to solve this issue.

**Senator Jaffer:** Mr. Waldman, you always make your remarks thoughtfully, saying that our government has to talk to the Americans. As you've set it out, I won't repeat about the monies we spend in the U.S. The challenge that the committee here faces is that when I pushed the official about this, I got a lecture about how we can't tell another country what to do. So what you said, I felt like it was a fait accompli. That's what they said. As you read in the transcript, it said the American government will not change its position, and our officials told me it's not their position to tell another country what to do.

I hear what you say, and obviously the minister is appearing after you, and we will urge him regarding what you are telling us, but that's the challenge we face.

**Mr. Waldman:** I think it's important to distinguish we're not telling the Americans what to do. We're giving the Americans our official governmental position and asking the Americans to take that into account when they deal with Canadian citizens who are seeking to cross the border within the context of Canadians who spend tens of billions of dollars of tourism money in the United States.

We're saying to the Americans, "It's your call what to do, but possession is going to be legal in Canada on this date, and after that we would ask, as a government, that you take into account that it's legal when you deal with Canadians crossing the border." That's all we can do.

#### 3) Am I putting myself at risk by going through preclearance?

Last year, Canada's preclearance policy was updated in a way that could potentially jeopardize travelers. In this new system, travellers have to truthfully answer any question that is asked by a preclearance officer- including questions about cannabis usage.

If they disclose their past use, they put themselves at risk of being barred from the United States for life. However, lying during preclearance can be considered "resisting or willfully obstructing a preclearance officer" which can result in up to two years of imprisonment.

Given that Canadians are left with few options in preclearance proceedings, constituents who have consumed cannabis may wish to go through normal points of entry.

**Senator Jaffer:** My second question has to do with the Preclearance Act. I'm personally very unhappy with what has happened with the Preclearance Act because,

under Bill C-23, travellers must truthfully answer any question that is asked by the preclearance officer. That means that Canadians will have to answer truthfully about their cannabis use, despite the fact that they do not have to disclose it at the normal port of entry, meaning if they drive across. But they have to if they go by the airport.

The other part of this, which you are very much aware of, is that it's on our soil, but our RCMP may not be there if there is extensive questioning. I wanted to know how you feel, especially with people who are permanent residents.

**Mr. Waldman:** It will apply also to Canadian citizens. Obviously, I wanted to testify, but I missed the opportunity to testify on the Preclearance Act. I have a lot of concerns about that and precisely about those types of matters because people will now be compellable.

The advice that the immigration officer said — "You don't have to answer the question; you can just turn around and go away" — won't apply at Canadian airports, pursuant to this legislation. They will be compellable, and they will have to answer questions. So it's a bit strange that a Canadian on Canadian soil will be in a weaker position than a Canadian who drives across the border and is on U.S. soil if you travel by car.

So it's a matter for concern. I don't think that, at the time the bill was passed, the drafters of the legislation really contemplated these types of situations. I think it's a big problem, and it exposes some Canadians to a vulnerable position, for sure.

#### 4) Can I consume cannabis in states where it is legalized?

While many states have legalized the recreational consumption of cannabis, the drug still remains illegal on a federal level under the Controlled Substances Act. In fact, the Act categorizes cannabis as a Schedule 1 drug, the highest possible category in the American legal system.

In other words, consuming cannabis in states where it is legalized can and will get you barred from crossing the border.

**Senator Jaffer:** And the challenge gets even worse, because I live in B.C. When this law goes through, it will be legal in British Columbia. It's legal in Washington state. So for a British Columbian, they think that they are not doing anything wrong. They're going to a state where a certain amount of cannabis is legal, and yet federally it isn't. It's not that easy. People will be confused as to what's happening. I think that there's a lot of work that our government needs to do to protect Canadians.

**Mr. Waldman:** You know, in the same way that there's been a lot of effort about educating people about not taking large amounts of currency across the border, I think the same thing has to happen with Canadians not taking drugs across the border. Even though it's legal in Canada, it's not legal in most contexts to transport marijuana between Canada and the United States after legalization in Canada. Canadians have to

be educated about that, and it has to be made perfectly clear to them that legalization in Canada does not allow you to cross the border.

Maybe it makes sense to put signs up near the border crossings warning Canadians about that. I'm not sure. But there has to be a concerted effort to educate Canadians about what is and is not legal.

#### 5) Is the government ensuring that Canadians are informed of these issues?

Unfortunately, there is little that is currently being done to ensure that Canadians are being informed of these issues, despite the fact that many people could be banned from the United States for life. For now, all that the government has announced is a small information campaign in 2019- a whole year after the bill's passage. Other institutions may have to take up that task.

**Senator Jaffer: [...]** I have not received answers from you on my first question about protecting Canadians. We are going to make it legal to use cannabis here, but we are not telling Canadians that if you cross the border they will have issues. You did say, Mr. Hill, by 2019 you'll have this and by 2019 you'll have that, but this will be law before that. But I don't think you can answer this. We'll just have to get the minister here to answer that. [...]

**Mr. Hill:** Thank you, senator. I'd like to try to explain the communication strategy that is being developed and implemented. With respect to your question, it will be made clear, if it's not clear to date, for Canadians who wish to import any cannabis into the United States, that that is a criminal offence. So entrepreneurs in Canada who are going to be investing and working in the cannabis industry in Canada will understand the domestic legal framework that is being put in place, and they will also understand the implications with respect to the movement of cannabis goods or goods with cannabis in them across the border. It will be made very clear to them that that continues to be criminally prohibited. It continues to be a serious criminal offence to take any amount of cannabis across into the U.S. unless an exception is provided clearly by law.

So we will be doing our utmost to ensure that Canadians understand that so that they do not inadvertently or because of a lack of awareness fall into this unfortunate situation. That is our commitment. That is our objective. We're working in partnership with Transport Canada, Health Canada, Global Affairs, the RCMP, the Public Safety portfolio, to ensure that that communication is comprehensive and timely, so that the information is available before the legislation comes into force. So that is the work we are undertaking.

**Senator Jaffer:** I really appreciate that, and what you are saying gives me some satisfaction, but you're not telling me what you're going to do. I understand you're going to do a campaign. I understand you're going to tell citizens, but by when? We are being pushed to pass this legislation right now. By when are you going to tell Canadians all of that? What is your exact plan?

**Mr. Hill:** We are already communicating to Canadians through, for example, the travel advisory that Global Affairs has on its website. We are already communicating to Canadians through the Canada Border Services Agency website and our interactions with stakeholders and industry and in the not-for-profit sector. So we are already communicating with our stakeholders and partners, and you will see a much more visible communications campaign in the short term, in advance of the legislation coming into force, if it does get Royal Assent.

# 6) How will the emerging cannabis industry be affected by the legalization of cannabis?

Canadian cannabis businesses-which are currently valued at 37 billion dollars- will likely want to work with their American counterparts in the days to come, and there are a variety of legal ways for it to happen, such as the sale of accessories or pipes. However, due to the strict and vague nature of American law, this could still be considered "association with drug trafficking" which would put employees at risk of permanent barring from the United States.

Given that legal cannabis dispensaries are considered drug traffickers under federal American law, this could also put the families of people working for their Canadian counterparts at risk too. Without serious discussions with the United States, many Canadians working for this burgeoning multi-billion dollar industry could find themselves at risk.

**Senator Jaffer:** [...] I have a question for you, Mr. Railton. In your article that you mentioned, "Marijuana and Immigration," you state:

Providing a government officer with a "reason to believe" that a noncitizen is associated with drug trafficking, which could include a normal association with state-legal marijuana businesses, is enough to make the noncitizen and even his or her family members inadmissible.

This worries me very much. It's not just the person; the family could be prohibited from entering the United States. It's like being guilty by association.

Did I understand your article correctly?

**Mr. Railton:** Thank you. First of all, immigration law is a very complicated area of law. May I just say that in trying to sum up the law of marijuana and immigration in my opening comments, I tried to tap on some of the highlights of different issues. But the article referenced working in a state legal operation. Washington State, for instance, has legalized recreational marijuana. We see folks working at stores, working in the production and working in professional positions associated with the businesses engaged in cannabis. The industry itself is growing in scale, so there is a lot of money and business to be done.

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The state governments and the people in the states are subject to federal law, but in the United States, the Department of Justice has somewhat kept a hands-off approach to businesses in the states, such as Colorado, Washington and others that have legalized, while this industry develops. The question here is around somebody working in a Canadian legalized operation where, under the federal law of Canada, marijuana is legalized. That circumstance is a little different than where somebody is working for a state legal operation where there's a conflict of laws with the U.S. federal Controlled Substances Act. In Canada, where cannabis is legalized, I don't think working for a Canadian operation would create a basis for inadmissibility if it were strictly in Canada under a legalized regime. But this is one of the places where there are questions.

Now, if a Canadian business wants to do transboundary business with the United States, that is a problem, and we've seen a variety of situations with it over the last few years, where you have folks in Canada who would like to invest in state legal operations or otherwise get involved in them. When those persons are identified, they run a risk for immigration and inadmissibility. And, yes, the family would be involved in such situations.

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His Worship Mike Richman Mayor of the Village of Pemberton 7400 Prospect St PO Box 100 Vancouver BC V0N 2L0

Dear Mayor Richman: MICE

Thank you for your letter of February 23, 2018, acknowledging the positive results of the British Columbia Farmers' Market Nutrition Coupon Program in Salmon Arm in 2017. Simply put, I could not agree with you more about the benefits of the Farmers Market Nutrition Coupon Program.

On that note, our government is not only continuing to support the program, but also expanding it. Specifically, we are increasing its budget by three quarters of million dollar to fund the first increase to the coupon's value since its inception, and to increase the number of participants.

As a result, the total amount of the BC Farmers' Market Nutrition Coupon will increase by nearly a hundred dollars, from \$240 per participant household to \$336, provided in weekly coupons for four months. By March 2020, the number of expectant mothers participating in the program will also increase by 450, and the number of participating households is expected to rise from 3708 to 4,158.

The Honourable Lana Popham, Minister of Agriculture, and myself are thrilled to increase its positive impact on families and local food producers and promote our agriculture sector. We know that this additional investment will pay off dividends in terms of promoting population health, food security and the local economy.

This decision reflects both our long time commitment to this program, and strong support for this program articulated by municipalities, farmers markets, participants and community partners across the province.

Yours sincerely

Adrian Dix Minister

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- The Open Question Period will commence after the adjournment of the Regular Council Meeting;
- 2) A maximum of 15 minutes for the questions from the Press and Public will be permitted, subject to curtailment at the discretion of the Chair if other business necessitates;
- Only questions directly related to business discussed during the Council Meeting are allowed;
- 4) Questions may be asked of any Council Member;
- 5) Questions must be truly questions and not statements of opinions or policy by the questioner;
- 6) Not more than two (2) separate subjects per questioner will be allowed;
- 7) Questions from each member of the attending Press will be allowed preference prior to proceeding to the public;
- 8) The Chair will recognize the questioner and will direct questions to the Councillor whom he/she feels is best able to reply;
- 9) More than one Councillor may reply if he/she feels there is something to contribute.

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