



To: Chair and Directors, Cariboo Regional District Board
And To: John MacLean, Chief Administrative Officer
From: Alice Johnston, Manager of Corporate Services/Deputy CAO
Date of Meeting: Cariboo Regional District Board_Jun27_2019
File: 400-50-01

Short Summary:

Request from Director Forseth – UBCM Resolution regarding Access to Emergency Preparedness Funding for Independent Fire Services

Voting:

Corporate Vote - Unweighted

Memorandum:

Director Forseth has requested that the following proposed UBCM resolution be brought forward for consideration of endorsement by the Board:

WHEREAS independent fire department, fire brigade and fire cache societies provide an invaluable service for the unincorporated communities in regional districts;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that UBCM lobby the Province of British Columbia to change either its policy or legislative framework to ensure that independent fire, fire brigade or fire cache societies can apply directly to the Province for provincially administered emergency preparedness funding programs to support their training or capital requirements, similar to what already occurs with BC Gaming Grant programs.

As the Board is aware, the Union of British Columbia Municipalities (UBCM) urges all members to submit resolutions first to their Area Associations for consideration. Resolutions endorsed by Area Associations at their annual meetings are submitted automatically to the UBCM for consideration. A resolution may be submitted directly to UBCM only if the resolution addresses an issue that arises after the Area Association annual meeting.

Attachments:

None

Financial Implications: None

Policy Implications:

None

Alignment with Strategic Plan:

- □ Ensuring Sufficient and Sustainable Funding
- □ Building on our Relationships
- □ Providing Cost Effective High Quality Services
- \Box Focusing on Being Well Governed

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CAO Comments:

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Options:

- 1) Receipt
- 2) Receipt and other action

Recommendation:

That the agenda item summary from Alice Johnston, Manager of Corporate Services/Deputy CAO, dated June 14, 2019, regarding a proposed UBCM resolution to allow independent fire departments, fire brigades or fire cache societies to apply directly to the Province for provincially administered emergency preparedness funding programs, be received. *Further action at the discretion of the Board*.