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Referred To Carol Deol
Chair

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Dear Regional District Chair and Board Members:

We extend our best wishes for the upcoming virtual 2021 UBCM Convention next month. As a proud sponsor of this year's event and an avid supporter of UBCM since 1999, we are pleased to provide you with some new resources to help support your community's building plans and the growing wood culture in BC.

We invite you to peruse and enjoy the new North American Wood Design Awards book as well as the latest case study, Wood in Low-Rise Commercial Buildings, featuring three unique projects. We hope these publications provide you with information and inspiration on wood design and building to help you envision your next community project.

Information and inspiration for your next community project

The three innovative projects in the case study showcase ingenious design and building solutions which are applicable for urban projects, while supporting BC's own world class wood products and manufacturing industries. One of the wood projects featured is **1 Lonsdale Avenue** in North Vancouver, a mixed-use commercial infill building which sets a new standard to help communities fulfil their energy reduction and carbon targets. This three-storey office building with a ground floor restaurant strives for Passive House certification and surpasses Step 3 of the BC Energy Step Code, all within the zero-lot line so common in an urban setting. Since much of the project utilized prefabricated wood systems, it was erected quickly (in 10 days!), thus minimizing both neighbourhood noise and disruption. In addition to the case study on 1 Lonsdale Avenue, please also visit our website to view a new video on the project, which includes perspectives from a local government building official's point of view: www.wood-works.ca/bc/

Mass timber innovation investment for BC communities

I would like to draw your attention to the second intake for the Mass Timber Demonstration Program and local government eligibility for funding. **Deadline: October 8.** The funding opportunity will support the advancement of mass timber projects that will help drive economic recovery and change the face of construction in the province.

Apply here: www.masstimberbc.ca/

Please call me if you have project ideas for your community or if you are ready to move forward with a new civic project. I would be happy to provide you or your staff with more information on opportunities for wood in your community as well as the free technical services Wood WORKS! BC can provide to your project teams.

Yours truly,

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Executive Director
Wood WORKS! BC/Canadian Wood Council

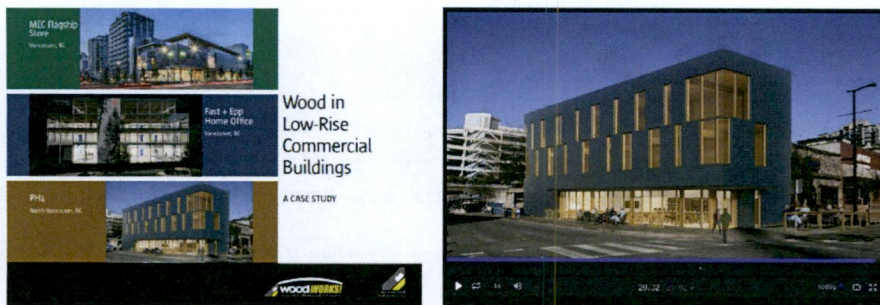
PS Winners of the annual **Community Recognition Awards** will be announced at the 2021 UBCM Convention. The awards are presented annually to communities that advocate for specifying wood use in a local project or through visionary initiatives that work toward building a community culture of wood. We will be posting names of the winners at our virtual booth as well as on Twitter: [woodworksbc_cwc](https://twitter.com/woodworksbc_cwc) Good luck to all nominees!



1 Lonsdale Avenue, North Vancouver, BC (also referred to as PH1)

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Wood *WORKS!* BC case study and video: www.wood-works.ca/bc



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Wood *WORKS!* BC has also worked extensively with municipalities on projects ranging from fire halls to arenas to recreation centres. Wood *WORKS!* BC is a recognized resource to help BC communities with the “build with wood” requirements on publicly-funded projects under the Wood First Act, and our expertise is available free-of-charge.

Wood *WORKS!* BC: Services to Local Governments

- I. **Free Technical Advice**
 - structural, fire, seismic, acoustic, envelope, architectural
- II. **Community Outreach**
 - Local Governments
 - Ministries / Associations
- III. **Sourcing Products and Building Systems**
- IV. **Professional Development/Liaison**
 - Architectural Institute of BC, Engineers and Geoscientists BC, Building Officials Association of BC, etc.