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To: Chair and Directors, Cariboo Regional District Board

And To: John MacLean, Chief Administrative Officer

From: Alice Johnston, Manager of Corporate Services/Deputy CAO

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Short Summary:

Assignment of Speakers to CRD Board Resolutions at 2022 UBCM Convention

Voting:

Corporate Vote - Unweighted

Memorandum:

The assignment of speakers at the upcoming UBCM Convention in September for the following CRD resolutions endorsed by NCLGA (except for the late resolution) is hereby brought forward for discussion:

UBCM Resolution # EB88: *Stable Funding for the Forest Enhancement Society*

Whereas the Forest Enhancement Society of BC is committed to supporting projects that reduce greenhouse gases, protect communities from wildfire, improve wildfire habitat and create jobs;

And whereas uncertainty in funding and resource availability is limiting the Society's ability to plan, support and complete long-term projects that would benefit British Columbia:

Therefore, be it resolved that the NCLGA and UBCM lobby the Provincial Government for long-term sustainable funding for the Forest Enhancement Society of BC.

UBCM Resolution # EB79: *Parental Leave for Elected Officials*

Whereas Section 125(7) of the Community Charter and Section 204(2) of the Local Government Act exempt elected officials from disqualification due to absences of 60 consecutive days or 4 consecutive regular scheduled board or council meetings, if the absence is due to illness or injury or is with the leave of the council or board, but does not provide an exemption for new parents;

And whereas it is recognized that it is important for new parents to have adequate time and energy to spend with their child:

Therefore, be it resolved that the NCLGA and UBCM lobby the Provincial Government to give its urgent attention to the matter of amending the Community Charter and Local Government Act, to include parental leave provisions that would grant elected officials who are new parents an exemption from being disqualified from office for absences of 60 consecutive days or 4 consecutive regular scheduled council or board meetings.

2022 UBCM Resolution – LATE

Whereas RCMP Detachment Commanders have direct influence and interaction with local governments in the detachment's service area, but Indigenous and local governments are not included in the hiring process of RCMP Detachment Commanders;

And whereas federal, provincial, and local governments have committed to adopt the UNDRIP mandate and work inclusively with Indigenous governments;

Therefore, be it resolved that UBCM work with the federal government to ensure that all levels of local government are at least consulted for input when hiring RCMP Detachment Commanders, and that Indigenous Communities should be availed the opportunity to have a representative at the table when the interview is occurring for provincial detachments.

Similar resolutions to those the CRD submitted regarding funding for rural locums and the mental health crisis were also submitted by the City of Williams Lake, and were endorsed by the NCLGA under the City's submission, should any Board members wish to provide support for those resolutions, as well.

Attachments:

n/a

Financial Implications:

n/a

Policy Implications:

n/a

Alignment with Strategic Plan:

- ☐ **Communication:** Facilitate communication strategies throughout the entire Cariboo Regional District that meet the needs of residents, community stakeholders, and other levels of government.
- ☐ **Planning:** Intentionally plan services and activities of the CRD to prepare for future needs of residents and community stakeholders.
- ☐ **Economic Sustainability:** Foster an environment to ensure the economic sustainability of CRD communities and the region.
- ☒ **Governance:** Ensure that CRD governance policy and practices are intentional, transparent, and respectful.

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CAO Comments:

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Options:

- 1) Receipt and assign speakers;
- 2) Receipt.

Recommendation:

That the agenda item summary from Alice Johnston, Manager of Corporates Services/Deputy CAO, dated August 25, 2022, regarding the assignment of speakers to CRD Board resolutions at the upcoming UBCM Convention, be received. *Further action at the discretion of the Board.*