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**RE: New online course to support responsible conduct**

Dear Mayor and Council, Chair and Board, and Chief Administrative Officers:

As new Councils and Boards are established in the coming days, many will be looking for ways to discuss standards of conduct conducive to good governance.

Today we are pleased to announce that the Working Group on Responsible Conduct (a partnership of UBCM, LGMA, and the Ministry for Municipal Affairs) has developed a new resource that will be made available following the election. The on-demand eLearning course for elected officials introduces the learner to the foundational principles for responsible conduct. The new course is based on real-life scenarios that require the learner to make choices and reflect on behaviour. Like the Model Code of Conduct and the Forging the Path guide, we hope the new course supports Councils and Boards as they seek to identify shared standards for the conduct of elected officials in B.C.

The course is designed to be self-directed, interactive, and practical. This course is intended to be easily accessible, meaning participants can take the course at their own pace, at any time. The course will be free to participants and take 60-90 minutes to complete. A certificate will be provided upon completion of the course.

We very much appreciate the collaborative work undertaken by the WGRC to date. We look forward to the Working Group's ongoing collaboration to further strengthen responsible conduct and support the good governance of local governments in British Columbia.

If you have any questions about the Working Group's activities, please contact any of the member organizations.

Sincerely,

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