



PROGRAM

Friday, April 1st

73rd Annual General Meeting & Convention Victoria Conference Centre, 720 Douglas Street, Victoria

PRE-CONVENTION PROGRAM

8:00 am	Registration Desk Opens (Upstairs Lobby)
8:30 am – 11:30 am	Tour: Zero Waste in Action (meet at Registration Desk)
9:00 am – 11:00 am	Workshop: Legislative Reform Initiative: Continuing the Discussion (Carson Hall C)
9:00 am – 11:30 am	Tour: Lekwungen Walking Tour with Mark Albany (meet at Registration Desk)
9:00 am – 11:30 am	Tour: Placemaking - Downtown Walking Option (meet at Registration Desk)
9:00 am – 11:30 am	Tour: Placemaking - Downtown Bike Tour Option (meet at Registration Desk)
11:30 am – 1:30 pm	Mayors, RD Chairs and First Nations Leaders Forum and Lunch (Sidney Room)
11:30 am – 1:30 pm	Electoral Area Forum and Lunch (Colwood Room)
1:00 pm	Trade Show Opens (Upstairs Lobby and Carson Hall A)

AGM & CONVENTION MAIN PROGRAM – Carson Hall B & C

2:00 pm	Convention Welcome & Opening Remarks: President Ian Morrison Welcome from Esquimalt Nation and Songhees Nation Lekwungen Dancers Greetings from Premier John Horgan Welcome from Host: Mayor Lisa Helps
2:25 pm	Nominating Committee Report: Past President Carl Jensen
2:30 pm	Keynote Address: Working with Emergency Management BC, Ryan Wainwright
3:30 pm	Refreshment Break
4:00 pm	Nominations from the Floor for Table Officers
4:05 pm	Plenary Session: Saving Salmon One Metre of Shoreline at a Time
5:00 pm	Island Health Update: Leah Hollins
5:05 pm	Address: Hon. Josie Osborne, Minister of Land, Water and Resource Stewardship
5:20 pm	Final Comments and Wrap-Up, Door Prize Draw from TELUS
5:20 pm	Voting for Table Officers begins (voting is on-line)
5:30 pm	Adjourn
5:30 pm – 7:30 pm	Welcome Reception (Upstairs Lobby and Carson Hall A)

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Saturday, April 2nd

The Trade Show is Open from 8:00 – 3:00 pm today

7:15 am	Breakfast Service Starts (Carson Hall A and Lobby)
7:30 am – 8:25 am	Working Breakfast: Procurement for Community Wellbeing – BCSPi (Carson Hall)
8:30 am	Convention Day 2 – Opening Remarks (Carson Hall)
8:35 am	Address: UBCM President Laurey-Anne Roodenburg, Councillor, City of Quesnel
8:45 am	Voting for Table Officers closes (voting is on-line)
8:55 am	Annual Meeting and President's Address <ul style="list-style-type: none">o Convention Rules and Procedureso Minutes of 2021 Annual General Meetingo Annual Reporto 2021 Audited Financial Statements
9:05 am	Consideration of Resolutions, Session 1
9:55 am	Nominating Committee Report
	Nominations from the Floor for Directors at Large
10:00 am	Refreshment Break
10:20 am	Plenary Session: UBCM Resolutions Process Review
11:05 am	Consideration of Resolutions, Session 2
11:55 am	FortisBC
12:00 pm	Delegates Lunch
12:00 pm – 3:00 pm	Elections for Directors at Large begins (if an election is necessary) (voting is on-line)

CONCURRENT WORKSHOPS

1:30 pm – 2:30 pm	#1 Climate Leadership Plan & Big Moves in the Decade of Climate Action (Carson C) #2 First Nations & Local Governments: the Future of Collaborative Governance (Sidney Room) #3 Affordable Housing – An Essential Community Infrastructure (Colwood Room)
2:30 pm – 3:00 pm	Refreshment Break
3:00 pm	Election for Directors at Large closes (if an election is necessary) (voting is on-line)
3:00 pm – 4:00 pm	#1 Big Moves in the Decade of Climate Action – continued from 1:30 pm
3:00 pm – 4:00 pm	#2 Leaders in Resilience (Carson C)
3:00 pm – 4:00 pm	#3 It's Easy to Think Big When You're Small (Sidney Room)

BANQUET

6:30 pm – 11:30 pm	Reception and Banquet (Fairmont Empress, Palm Court and Crystal Ballroom)
9:00 pm	Timebenders Band

PROGRAM

Sunday, April 3rd

7:30 am – 8:30 am	Networking Breakfast (Carson Hall)
8:30 am	Convention Day 3 – Opening Remarks Nominating Committee Report Nominations from the Floor for Electoral Area Representative
8:35 am	Municipal Insurance Association of BC Update
8:40 am	Sonia Furstenaus, MLA, Leader of the BC Green Party
8:55 am	Plenary Session: Advocacy Plan for AVICC, Member Discussion
9:00 am – 10:30 am	Elections for Electoral Area Representative (voting is on-line)
9:55 am	Municipal Finance Authority of BC Update
10:00 am – 10:30 am	Refreshment Break
10:30 am	Consideration of Resolutions and Late Resolutions, Session 3
11:45 am	Nominating Committee Report (as required) Installation of New Executive Remarks by President Elect 2023 Convention Announcement Prizes and Grand Prize Draw – <i>Must Be Present to Win</i> BC Ferries prize package
12:00 pm	Adjourn & Safe Travels

THANK YOU TO OUR HOSTS

Special thanks are extended to the City of Victoria for hosting the 2022 AGM & Convention. Our hosts helped in so many areas including supplying the facilities, decorating for the banquet, and organizing the Friday morning tours.

Thank you for making the Convention a great experience!



TRADE SHOW

HOURS

Friday 1:00 pm – 7:30 pm
Saturday 8:00 am – 3:00 pm

EXHIBITORS

BC Assessment
BC Hydro
BC Lottery Corporation
BC Council of Forest Industries & Wood WORKS! BC
British Columbia Social Procurement Initiative (BCSPI)
Canada Post
Children's Health Foundation of Vancouver Island
Destination Greater Victoria
E-Comm 9-1-1
Emergency Communications Professionals of BC - CUPE Local 8911
FortisBC Energy
Good Food Network & Capital Region Food and Agriculture Initiatives Roundtable
ICBC
Island Health & Health Networks
Managed Forest Council
Private Forest Landowners Association
Ship Source Oil Pollution Fund
Synergy Foundation
Trans Mountain
Transport Canada
TELUS
Union of BC Municipalities (UBCM)
Vancouver Island Transportation Corridor Coalition
West Coast Marine Response
Western Forest Products

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Saturday Delegates Lunch

FortisBC

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Mayors & Chairs Forum

Lidstone & Company Law Corporation

Sunday Morning Breakfast

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BC Assessment

Speaker Gifts

Ship Source Oil Pollution Fund

Friday Afternoon Refreshment Break

Private Forest Landowners Association

Saturday Morning Refreshment Break

KPMG

Grand Prize

BC Ferry Services

Friday Welcome Reception

CUPE BC

Audio Visual

TELUS

Friday Opening Session

Island Health

Saturday Morning Breakfast

Municipal Insurance Association of BC

Saturday Afternoon Sessions

BC Hydro

Trade Show

Trans Mountain

Friday Morning Session

BC Council of Forest Industries (COFI)

Registration Services

Western Forest Products

Communications

Shaw Communications

Saturday Afternoon Refreshment Break

Wood *WORKS!* BC

Sunday Morning Refreshment Break

CUPE VI

Transportation

BC Transit

SESSIONS & SPEAKERS

KEYNOTE SPEAKER: RYAN WAINWRIGHT, EMBC

When Disaster Strikes: Working with Emergency Management BC

Friday, 2:30 pm

Ryan Wainwright is EMBC's Senior Regional Manager for the Vancouver Island Coastal region. Since graduating with an Applied Bachelors of Emergency Management from Brandon University, Ryan has had the opportunity to work at local, provincial, and federal levels developing his skills as an emergency management practitioner. Prior to joining EMBC in 2019, Ryan enjoyed almost 10 years at the Squamish-Lillooet Regional District as the Emergency Program Coordinator.

Ryan's address will focus on the current state of emergency management in BC with a focus on how decisions are made, and on how information flows between the Province and local government elected officials and staff. What can elected officials do to support their organizations and communities to be more resilient? How do they let their communities know what is happening when an emergency happens and an EOC is set up? Ryan is perfectly positioned to speak to AVICC members as he was busy in the summer and fall of 2021 leading the EMBC response efforts to the heat, wildfires, and atmospheric river events on Vancouver Island and the Central Coast. There will be time for questions to Ryan from our members.

FRIDAY PLENARY SESSION

Saving Salmon One Metre of Shoreline at a Time

a community-based approach to shoreline habitat restoration

Friday, 4:05 pm

The Cowichan Shoreline Stewardship Project (CSSP) has recently completed a successful seven-year investment to increase productive riparian (river and lakeshore) habitat for Pacific salmon and a host of other fish, wildlife and invertebrate species. The session will outline how a group of community volunteers harnessed innovative leadership, dedication and energy to design and deliver a large-scale (>\$100K/year) shoreline habitat restoration project that is unprecedented on Vancouver Island, and one of only a few such examples from across BC.

To-date, the project has annually combined widespread shoreline restoration (i.e., native plant species re-introductions; invasive species control) on private and public lands, with an ambitious public education campaign. The latter continues to emphasize the collective benefits of maintaining healthy natural shorelines, both for biodiversity and property value appreciation (i.e., flood and erosion resistance; water quality protection; extreme temperature moderation).

CSSP has creatively combined multiple funding sources (mostly from annual grant awards), a local Secondary School labour pool, and expanding community partnerships with First Nations, senior and local governments, and private landowners to make a significant difference in the Cowichan Lake region. This multi-year project is a prime example of how individual and neighboring communities can respond proactively to the threat of climate change.

Presenters: Elodie Roger, MSc, Environmental Consultant, Origins Environmental Services
Danny Swainson, Biologist, British Columbia Conservation Foundation

SESSIONS & SPEAKERS

SATURDAY PLENARY SESSIONS

Procurement for Community Wellbeing

Saturday, 7:30 am

Social procurement maximizes the value of every public dollar spent and supports the goals of local governments. Since 2019 AVICC members have been using these new best practices to help mitigate economic, social and environmental challenges to support the creation of healthy, resilient local communities. This plenary session features a panel discussion with members of the British Columbia Social Procurement Initiative (BCSPI), an innovative, AVICC region-grown collaborative resource and learning hub for local governments.

Elected officials and practitioners will join City of Campbell River Councillor and BCSPI Co-Chair, Colleen Evans to discuss the real impact these new practices are having in their communities, and why more governments should consider adopting this new approach to public spending.

Moderator: Colleen Evans, Councillor, City of Campbell River and AVICC Director at Large

Presenters: Lisa Helps, Mayor, City of Victoria
Leslie Baird, Mayor, Village of Cumberland
Rob Southcott, Councillor, City of Powell River
Daniel Sailland, CAO, Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District

UBCM Resolutions Process Review

Saturday, 10:20 am

UBCM is conducting a review of our resolutions process. An important part of the review is engaging with our members to hear what you have to say.

We invite you to bring your ideas and join us for a discussion on how the resolutions process can be improved.

Presenters: Councillor Laurey-Anne Roodenburg, President, UBCM
Gary MacIsaac, Executive Director, UBCM

SESSIONS & SPEAKERS

SATURDAY CONCURRENT WORKSHOPS 1:30 pm – 2:30 pm

VICC-Climate Leadership Plan Update & Big Moves in the Decade of Climate Action

Saturday, 1:30 pm

The heat dome, wildfires, floods and washouts: all have been happening in BC and are evidence of the “code red for humanity” that was issued by the UN earlier this year in relation to climate change. But it’s easy to say “it’s time for change” and another thing entirely to make it happen locally at the speed and scale necessary. This session is a collaboration between the Vancouver Island and Coastal Communities Climate Leadership Plan (VICC-CLP) steering committee, BC Municipal Climate Leadership Council (BCMCLC), and Community Energy Association (CEA), and will focus on scaling up collaborative climate action in the region.

Coming out of a workshop at AVICC in 2019, the VICC-CLP steering committee was formed with representatives nominated from each Regional District in the AVICC region to develop a 2030 Climate Action Plan for the AVICC Region. Co-Chairs Mayor Lisa Helps and Mayor Michelle Staples will give an update on the VICC-CLP focusing on what the initiative has achieved to date and what lies next.

Following the update from the two Mayors, staff from Community Energy Association (CEA) will present on Big Moves in the Decade of Climate Action and how they align with the VICC-CLP. The presenters will also provide a brief exploration of the Province of BC’s CleanBC Roadmap to 2030 and the recent provincial budget with an analysis of implications for local government climate action.

BCMCLC members from the region and VICC-CLP steering committee members will facilitate small group reflections on specific opportunities within the region with a focus on addressing regional challenges and getting to implementation through collaboration.

Presenters: Lisa Helps, Mayor, City of Victoria
Michelle Staples, Mayor, City of Duncan
Maya Chorobik, Director of Climate Leadership, Community Energy Association
Robyn Webb, Climate Solutions Lead, Community Energy Association

Discussion Facilitators: VICC members of BC Municipal Climate Leadership Council (BCMCLC) and VICC CLP steering committee members

SESSIONS & SPEAKERS

SATURDAY CONCURRENT WORKSHOPS 1:30 pm – 2:30 pm

First Nations & Local Governments: the Future of Collaborative Governance

Saturday, 1:30 pm

BC is the first jurisdiction in Canada to adopt Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (“DRIPA”), legislation that aims to adopt the United Nations Declaration of the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (“UNDRIP”) into law. Now that BC has prepared a draft action plan to achieve the objectives of DRIPA, new possibilities are on the horizon for local governments to collaborate with Indigenous groups. As the impact of the DRIPA legislation continues to evolve, this session will discuss the current and future role of local governments in Indigenous relations and the impact of DRIPA on new opportunities for reconciliation.

This session will provide an overview of the legal framework of Aboriginal rights and the role of local governments in relation to the Crown’s duty to consult with Indigenous peoples; examine recent developments to BC’s DRIPA legislation and its potential impacts on local governments; outline the Truth and Reconciliation (“TRC”) calls to action that refer specifically to local governments; and discuss recent collaborative initiatives between local governments and First Nations in BC that embrace the aims of DRIPA and the TRC calls to action.

We hope this session encourages local governments to continue being proactive in finding opportunities for reconciliation and meaningful collaboration with First Nations groups.

Presenters: Reece Harding, Partner, Young Anderson
 Julia Tikhonova, Associate, Young Anderson

Affordable Housing – An Essential Community Infrastructure

Saturday, 1:30 pm

Local governments have learned about their communities’ housing needs through the Housing Needs Reports completed over the past four years. What can local governments – especially in smaller communities – do to respond to those needs?

This workshop will present some approaches to housing challenges. There will also be a discussion period about priorities and concerns about housing supply.

Presenter: Susan Low, Senior Policy Analyst, Housing Policy Branch, Ministry of Attorney General and Minister responsible for Housing

SESSIONS & SPEAKERS

SATURDAY CONCURRENT WORKSHOPS 3:00 pm – 4:00 pm

Leaders in Resilience

Saturday, 3:00 – 4:00 pm

Nearly every system we draw upon to help us build healthy communities is under significant, if not critical, strain. As we navigate the confluence of the climate crisis, housing unaffordability, the toxic drug supply and COVID to name just a few, this session will be an intimate conversation with four leaders in the AVICC region, reflecting on the role resiliency plays in their lives, at their Council tables and in their communities.

Moderator: Erin Hemmens, Councillor, City of Nanaimo
Presenters: John Jack, Chair, Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District
Leonard Krog, Mayor, City of Nanaimo
Michelle Staples, Mayor, City of Duncan
Gaby Wickstrom, Mayor, City of Port McNeill

It's Easy to Think Big When You're Small

Saturday, 3:00 – 4:00 pm

As small, rural or remote communities, we have to form coalitions to get our voices heard. For example, grant funding for fire emergency equipment and infrastructure. Also, each region needs to build strong relationships with local indigenous nations to get support for common interests like wild salmon, health, education and transportation.

Moderator: Sarah Fowler, Councillor, Village of Tahsis
Presenters: Dennis Buchanan, Mayor, Village of Alert Bay
Julie Colborne, Mayor, Village of Zeballos
Dennis Dugas, Mayor, District of Port Hardy
Mayco Noel, Mayor, District of Ucluelet

Big Moves in the Decade of Climate Action – continued from 1:30 session

Saturday, 3:00 – 4:00 pm

This is a continuation of the 1:30 to 2:30 session being presented by the BC Municipal Climate Leadership Council and the Community Energy Association.

SESSIONS & SPEAKERS

SUNDAY PLENARY

Advocacy Planning for AVICC

Sunday, 8:55 am

President Morrison's message for members in the 2021 Annual Report was that:

It is very important to your Executive that if AVICC wants to go down the road of taking on additional advocacy work, a clearly defined policy needs to be put before the membership at a future in-person convention for a thorough and rigorous discussion and debate.

After holding a strategic planning session in 2021, your Executive is now ready to present the outcome of that session, and to hear back from our members on what you'd like to see for the future direction of AVICC.

As elected officials we know there are lots of projects we'd like to take on. But we also know that there is a cost to doing this work. Increasing our level of advocacy will require additional financial resources. Current and previous AVICC Executives have been very respectful and careful with member dues, fees, convention costs and charges. If an expanded role is approved, the membership will need to support the costs associated with that work.

Following this session, members will have the opportunity to vote on Resolution ER1 *Determining AVICC's Advocacy Role*. The report on the strategic planning session is available at:

["Advocacy Workshop Report and Recommendations"](#)

Presenters:

- Ian Morrison, President, AVICC
- Penny Cote, 1st Vice President, AVICC
- Ben Geselbracht, 2nd Vice President, AVICC
- Carl Jensen, Past President, AVICC
- Vanessa Craig, EA Representative, AVICC
- Colleen Evans, Director at Large, AVICC
- Mark Gisborne, Director at Large, AVICC
- Travis Hall, Director at Large, AVICC



BC ASSESSMENT

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