

### **COUNCIL REPORT**

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Submit comments to Council

TO: Standing Committee on City Finance and Services

FROM: Acting City Clerk

SUBJECT: 2023 UBCM Conference – Sponsorship of Programming

#### Recommendations

THAT Council approve funding in the amount of \$17,500 to support programming at the UBCM Annual Convention being held at the Vancouver Convention Centre from September 18 – 22, 2023.

## **Purpose and Executive Summary**

The purpose of this report is to seek Council approval of \$17,500 to support the 2023 UBCM Conference including facility costs and programming as Host City.

# **Council Authority/Previous Decisions**

Council approved City of Vancouver sponsorship funding to the UBCM to support programming in 2019.

### **City Manager's Comments**

The City Manager concurs with the foregoing recommendations.

## **Context and Background**

Each year the UBCM holds a conference which is attended by elected officials and senior staff throughout the province. The purpose of the conference is to review and endorse various resolutions put forward by the municipalities and to provide numerous educational

sessions/seminars on subjects of interest to local government elected officials. Every second year the conference is held in Vancouver. In alternate years, the conference is held in various municipalities throughout the Province. Since 2005, UBCM has requested \$17,500 in sponsorship funding from the City of Vancouver towards welcome reception and programming.

#### **Discussion**

In 2023, the UBCM Annual Conference will be held at the Vancouver Convention Centre. UBCM has requested the City to support funding for programming and facility costs similar to 2019. As was the case in past years, the City will:

- · Welcome and address the delegate attendees;
- · Provide with two complimentary delegate registrations; and
- Receive two tickets for the welcome reception, luncheon, and banquet.

## **Financial Implications**

The request of \$17,500 would be funded from existing 2023 general operating funds set aside for intergovernment expenses or subscriptions to support the programming and facility cost at the 2023 UBCM Conference.

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