



COUNCIL REPORT

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TO: Vancouver City Council
FROM: City Clerk
SUBJECT: 2026 UBCM Conference – Sponsorship of Programming

Recommendations

THAT Council approve funding in the amount of \$17,500 to support programming at the Union of British Columbia Municipalities (UBCM) Annual Convention that is to be held at the Vancouver Convention Centre from September 14-18, 2026.

Purpose and Executive Summary

The purpose of this report is to seek Council approval of \$17,500 to support the 2026 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, 2023 and 2024.

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 on subjects of interest to local government elected officials.

The UBCM Annual Conference is typically held in Vancouver every second year. The Conference was last held in Vancouver in 2024. Since 2005, UBCM has requested \$17,500 in

sponsorship from the City of Vancouver towards the welcome reception and programming.

Discussion

In 2026, the UBCM Annual Conference is to be held at the Vancouver Convention Centre. UBCM requested the City to support funding for programming and facility costs similar to 2019, 2023 and 2024. Staff recommend Council's approval to provide UBCM with \$17,500 for the upcoming 2026 UBCM Annual Conference.

Financial Implications

The request of \$17,500 would be funded from the existing 2026 general operating fund set aside for intergovernmental expenses and subscriptions to support the programming and facility cost at the 2026 UBCM Conference

Legal Implications

There are no legal implications associated with this report's recommendations.

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