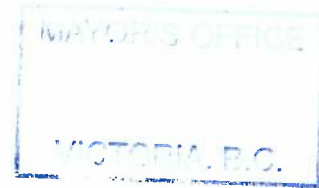
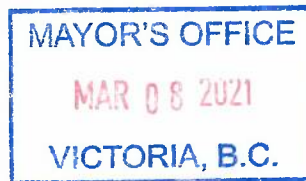


February 26, 2021

Mayor Lisa Helps  
City of Victoria  
1 Centennial Square  
Victoria, BC V8W 1P6



Dear Mayor Helps:

**Re: 2020 Resolution(s) Referred to UBCM Executive**

A resolution(s) sponsored by your community was included in the 2020 Resolutions Book for consideration at the annual UBCM Convention.

Due to a lack of time at the Convention, delegates did not have an opportunity to consider your resolution(s). UBCM Policies provide that all resolutions not considered at Convention are referred automatically to the UBCM Executive for their consideration and action.

At the recent February Executive meeting, the Executive considered the resolutions referred to them from the 2020 Convention, including your resolution(s). The Executive were provided with the Resolutions Committee comments and recommendations, as outlined within the Resolutions Book, to assist them in their deliberations.

Upon review, the Executive decided to Not Endorse NR26 Partnerships for Fare-Free Public Transit.

Should you have any questions, please contact Jamee Justason, Resolutions and Policy Analyst, at 604-270-8226 Ext. 100 or [jjustason@ubcm.ca](mailto:jjustason@ubcm.ca)

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "B. Frenkel".

Brian Frenkel  
UBCM President

*Enclosure*

## **2020 NR26 Partnerships for Fare-Free Public Transit**

**Victoria**

Whereas equitable access to mobility is fundamental to full and meaningful participation in local communities, including access to education, employment, services, recreation, culture and community life, and noting that emissions from transportation generate a majority of community-based emissions in many communities, meaning that changes in transportation options have the potential to have a substantial impact in reducing green-house gas emissions;

And whereas forward-looking jurisdictions around the world from Kingston, Ontario to Kansas City, Missouri, to Luxembourg and Estonia are eliminating user-fee barriers to public transit ridership, with residents paying for transit services through the tax system rather than at the fare box:

Therefore be it resolved that UBCM call on the provincial government to work with local governments to introduce fare-free public transit services where communities support the elimination of user-fee barriers to public transit ridership.

**CONVENTION DECISION:**                      **NOT CONSIDERED - AUTOMATIC REFERRAL TO EXECUTIVE**

**EXECUTIVE DECISION:**                      **NOT ENDORSED**