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Sent via email

To British Columbia Municipal Elected Officials:

Re: UBCM Resolution on a Replacement B.C. Climate Action Revenue Incentive Program

This letter will confirm that Council, at their meeting held June 21, 2021, considered a report on a Union of British Columbia Municipalities (UBCM) resolution on a replacement B.C. Climate Action Revenue Incentive Program and resolved as follows:

"That:

- 1. WHEREAS the Ministry of Municipal Affairs announced in May 2021, without consultation, the cancellation of the Climate Action Revenue Incentive Program (CARIP) without identifying any new consistent, non-competitive funding for the development, implementation or administration of local government climate action programs, undermining the ability of local governments to participate in climate action initiatives;*

AND WHEREAS 187 local governments in British Columbia have voluntarily signed onto the Climate Action Charter and by doing so have been able to access CARIP funding;

AND WHEREAS under the CleanBC Plan, the Province of British Columbia recently amended the Climate Change Accountability Act to include a sectoral GHG emissions reduction target of 59 to 64% below 2007 levels by 2030 for buildings and communities, requiring the development and implementation of comprehensive climate action initiatives and regulatory programs by local governments; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that UBCM ask the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy to replace CARIP with a new, consistent, non-competitive funding program

commencing in the 2022 fiscal year, informed by engagement with local governments and that provides them with equivalent or better funding, enabling them to be effective and accountable partners with the Province in achieving Provincial and local government climate goals and targets.

2. *Council direct staff to share this report and resolution with the Capital Regional District Board of Directors and other British Columbia municipal elected officials, seeking support for the resolution in advance of the UBCM conference in September 2021.”*

The report dated June 3, 2021 can be found [here](#) and the June 21, 2021 meeting minutes will soon be available on our [website](#).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "F. Haynes", with a horizontal line drawn underneath the name.

Fred Haynes
Mayor

cc: Saanich Council
Sharon Hvozdzanski, Director of Planning