



REGIONAL DISTRICT of Fraser-Fort George

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REPORT FOR CONSIDERATION

TO: Chair and Directors

File No.: UNI 1.0

FROM: M. Connelly, General Manager of Legislative and Corporate Services

DATE: March 3, 2026

SUBJECT: 2026 Union of BC Municipalities Membership

SUMMARY: Purpose: For Information

Attachments: Memo, dated February 23, 2026, from the Union of BC Municipalities

Previous Reports: None

RECOMMENDATION(S):

THAT the report dated March 3, 2026 regarding “2026 Union of BC Municipalities Membership” be received for information.

ENTITLEMENT	HOW VOTE COUNTED
All	Majority
1 Director/1 vote	

ISSUE(S):

The Regional District of Fraser-Fort George has been a longstanding member of the Union of BC Municipalities (UBCM). Membership provides for the participation and representation of electoral areas. Electoral area directors participate in the annual convention and vote on policy resolutions that set the advocacy agenda for provincial-local government relations. Director Kirk is currently serving as Electoral Area Representative to ensure rural interests are represented at the leadership level and Director Ramsay is serving as UBCM President.

The report is provided for information purposes and to advise that 2026 membership dues will be paid to UBCM amounting to \$10,537.44, subject to other direction provided by the Board.

RELEVANT POLICIES:

N/A

STRATEGIC PRIORITIES ALIGNMENT:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Indigenous and Intergovernmental Partnerships | <input type="checkbox"/> Organizational Strength and Adaptability | <input type="checkbox"/> Quality Community Services | <input type="checkbox"/> Environmental Stewardship and Climate Action |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Awareness and Engagement | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Statutory or Routine Business | | |

SERVICE RELEVANCE:

The Electoral Area Administration Service provides for all of the corporate governance and administration requirements unique to the electoral areas in the region. This includes elections and other voting, as well as participation in the affairs of affiliate organizations (North Central Local Government Association, Federation of Canadian Municipalities, Yellowhead Highway Association, and UBCM). The participants of the service are all the Electoral Areas.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATION(S):

The invoice covering the 2026 membership dues for UBCM is in the amount of \$10,537.44. This amount includes 5% GST of \$501.78. Membership dues paid in 2025 were \$10,230.90. This expenditure is provided for in the 2026 budget for 1902 – UBCM, FCM, NCLGA & YHA, which is part of the 1203: Electoral Area Administration Service overall budget.

OTHER CONSIDERATION(S):

UBCM calculates the membership dues using population estimates provided by BC STATS. The December 2025 release used by UBCM denotes the population for the Regional District at 16,360, which is exclusive of the member municipalities.

The breakdown of the annual dues for 2026 is as follows:

Population	Rate	Amount
First 5,000	0.7789	\$ 3,894.50
Next 10,000	0.5657	\$ 5,657.00
Next 15,000	0.3560	\$ 484.16
Balance	0.0728	\$ 0.00
	Sub-total	\$10,035.66
	GST	\$ 501.78
	Total	\$10,537.44

DECISION OPTIONS:

1. Approve recommendation.
 - The report will be received for information.

COMMENTS:

The Union of BC Municipalities was formed to provide a common voice for local government, and it provides an opportunity for communities of all sizes and from all areas of the province to come together, share their experiences and take united positions. The UBCM holds an annual conference in the fall of each year. In 2026, this conference is scheduled to be held on September 14-18 in Vancouver, BC.

Respectfully submitted,

“M. Connelly”

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