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N = No Action Required  
A = Action Requested

S = Staff has Responded  
R = Response Required

From: [noreply@civicplus.com](mailto:noreply@civicplus.com) <[noreply@civicplus.com](mailto:noreply@civicplus.com)>

Sent: Friday, March 11, 2022 9:20 AM

To: Alan Harrison <[aharrison@salmonarm.ca](mailto:aharrison@salmonarm.ca)>; Chad Eliason <[celiason@salmonarm.ca](mailto:celiason@salmonarm.ca)>; Debbie Cannon <[dcannon@salmonarm.ca](mailto:dcannon@salmonarm.ca)>; Kevin Flynn <[kflynn@salmonarm.ca](mailto:kflynn@salmonarm.ca)>; Louise Wallace-Richmond <[lwallacerichmond@salmonarm.ca](mailto:lwallacerichmond@salmonarm.ca)>; Sylvia Lindgren <[slindgren@salmonarm.ca](mailto:slindgren@salmonarm.ca)>; Tim Lavery <[tlavery@salmonarm.ca](mailto:tlavery@salmonarm.ca)>; Rob Niewenhuizen <[rniewenhuizen@salmonarm.ca](mailto:rniewenhuizen@salmonarm.ca)>; Erin Jackson <[ejackson@salmonarm.ca](mailto:ejackson@salmonarm.ca)>

Subject: [External] Online Form Submittal: Mayor and Council

## Mayor and Council

First Name	Hannu
Last Name	Waske
Address:	
Return email address:	
Subject:	Lamb Hill Subdivison Access
Body	<p>To Salmon Arm Mayor Alan Harrison and Council:</p> <p>This is to voice my concern about the heavy truck traffic through my neighborhood with is accompanying noise, dust and safety issues. There are no sidewalks here and folks of all ages that that used to depend on the roadway for safe walking, cycling etc. now have to contend with an increasing stream of traffic to and from the new subdivision. The air quality here has deteriorated as a result of dust stirred up by the heavy trucks that are dragging dirt and gravel on their tires onto our recently repaved street. Our once peaceful neighborhood has degraded into a thoroughfare for heavy equipment and we respectfully request that access be opened up directly to 20th Ave. NE as originally planned and presented to area residents.</p> <p>Thank you in advance for your consideration concerning this matter.</p> <p>Your Truly, Hannu Waske</p>
Would you like a response:	Yes

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**From:** Fern Fennell [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** March 15, 2022 9:36 AM  
**To:** Alan Harrison <[aharrison@salmonarm.ca](mailto:aharrison@salmonarm.ca)>  
**Subject:** [External] Dogs on the Foreshore Trail etc.

Dear Mr. Harrison,

I am writing this to express my unhappiness and dismay with the dog owners of this city. I have been noticing it seems that more and more dogs are off leash and uncontrolled in city public places and parks. Of particular concern are the nature parks. Peter Jannink is a "nature park" and much has been done to promote habitat and protection for birds, small mammals and insects... basically nature. Of course it is for locals and visitors to enjoy also with its views of the lake and little pathways that allow close up views of vegetation and birds. It seems that many people believe it to be an "off leash, let your dog run wild area". I have walked many times over the winter in the park, which surprisingly harbours many birds of different species. Unfortunately most times I see one or more people with dogs not under their control. Many people think their dog is under control but it is running into the side underbrush area or ahead of them. Just noticing all the dog excretion away from the main trail is proof of that. This is also disconcerting to non dog walkers as the dogs rush up to people and attempt to jump on them etc in their uncontrolled excitement. I strongly believe this park should be an "on leash" park to help preserve the "nature park" aspect.

The Marine Park area near the wharf also seems to have become an "off leash, not controlled" area of town. Many people arrive with their dogs let them out of their car and let them run in the open grassy area near the gazebo or along the lake side. Dogs have chased ducks and other birds that are feeding in the area. Dog excretion can be found many places as the owners obviously don't see where their dog goes or care to pick up.

Another area of concern is the Boat Basin nature park area in front of the Prestige Hotel. This area is clearly signed "No Dogs Allowed". However one only has to walk down it while there was still some snow and ice on the trail to see all the "dog bombs" on each side of the trail. I did not personally see many dogs on the trail but I rarely walked it this winter as it was very icy. Again, it seems dog owners seem to think any trail is a dog allowed and an off leash area.

The most recent event of concern was on Sunday afternoon when I was walking on Christmas Island and along the Foreshore Park. I noticed at least 4 dogs (and their owners) walking around the island, two of which are off leash. The signage states that dogs must be on leash and that no dogs are allowed on Christmas Island. However, even more concerning was after one dog was allowed to walk unleashed around the island the owners continued to let it roam on the Foreshore Trail in the tall grass going towards Raven. At that point it ran out into the frozen lagoon and proceed to chase some green-winged teals and mallards for several minutes. I have the photos to prove it enclosed. The owners finally leashed the dog and walked up the frozen lake shore towards Raven.

I have notified the SABNES group and I believe they will be addressing the need for more signs. However, I strongly believe that the city needs to have stronger by-laws about what is a "controlled dog" vs dog on leash except in specified dog park areas. Another aspect is much

greater enforcement of the bi-laws. As the city grows there is less and less habitat for wildlife of all sorts and it seems that a "nature park" should be protected so all things of nature can use the habitat undisturbed by roving dogs. The whole Foreshore-Raven Trail and Christmas Island is what many consider a prime habitat for birds, mammals and insects but also one where humans can access by safe use of the designated trails. More must be done to help preserve and protect this and other nature parks of the city.

Thank you in advance for your consideration,

Sincerely,  
Fern Fennell













Welcome to the SARNES Wildlife Sanctuary.  
Thank you for not walking your dog  
beyond this point.  
Please respect wildlife at all times.



The Agriculture  
Department  
SARNES Wildlife  
Society  
is a registered  
charity under the  
Charities Act 1993.





**From:** Charlie Burt [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, March 21, 2022 7:01:47 PM  
**To:** Erin Jackson <[ejackson@salmonarm.ca](mailto:ejackson@salmonarm.ca)>  
**Subject:** [External] South Canoe FireSmart

To city of Salmon Arm Mayor and Council,

I am writing you hoping for your assistance with funding for our activity day planned for South Canoe FireSmart Committee on May 07 2022.

We had applied to FireSmart Canada for a \$500 grant but were unsuccessful due to an abundance of requests and the decision by FireSmart to give new Neighbourhoods priority.

We are hoping to host a BBQ for the neighbourhood with emphasis on education with attendance by Salmon Arm Fire Department.

We are also hoping to be able to provide water barrels to people who want one for the end of their driveways.

As we did last year we are also hoping to help people who require help to remove yard waste from their properties.

A grant of \$500 would go a long way to helping with the "hard" costs of these initiatives.

Thank you in advance for your consideration of this request.

Charlie Burt  
South Canoe FireSmart Committee



## Barb Puddifant

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**From:** Naomi Sartorius [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, March 14, 2022 4:59 AM  
**To:** Barb Puddifant  
**Subject:** [External] Crosswalks, road clearing, and chickens

Good morning,

I am not sure who to write this letter to, so if there is a more appropriate place to send it, please let me know and I will do so.

We live on 30th St NE and my children walk or bike to school daily (to South Broadview Elementary and SMS). The corner of McDonald's And Setter Pub (with the road leading towards Askews) is not as safe as it should be. People are flying through the intersection trying to beat the traffic coming from the highway intersection, or else coming from the highway and not paying attention to pedestrians, but only looking ahead at 30th for traffic. There have been several times we have almost been hit when I've been walking with my kids. I have taught them to pay attention to drivers, but it worries me. There is not even a painted crosswalk there, even though the sidewalk clearly crosses. Last year I expected to see it painted since there were so many crosswalks getting repainted, including ones that were not even really faded. However, that didn't happen. At bare minimum it should be properly painted as a crosswalk.

My other area of concern is by the middle school on the 30th and Okanagan intersection. Both of these streets are incredibly busy in the mornings with commuters and families dropping kids off at school. Traffic builds up on Okanagan, and cars that are turning onto 30th must do so quickly, despite the heavy pedestrian traffic. In fact, the main time I see them turning, is with the use of the crosswalk by students, which temporarily pauses traffic. This seems highly risky considering the amount of pedestrians and traffic there between 8 and 9 in the morning. When I drive, I constantly worry about hitting either another car or a kid. Even the option to turn out of the SMS parking lot going down Okanagan hasn't been a good alternative due to traffic build up that is waiting at the 30th and Okanagan intersection. It makes it difficult to see ongoing traffic. I believe this would be an excellent place for a stoplight to improve our safety.

My third complaint about roads has been with clearing this last winter. I don't even know how many times I saw snowplows plowing roads with no snow and then no where to be seen after we had several inches of snow. Snow clearing is not the sort of job that goes with choosing which day to work. It needs to be done the day of the snow, and fairly promptly. I live on 30th close to the high school, so it is a fairly major commuting route and I would have expected to it to be cleared better due to that. However, even the highway through town does not receive the attention it needs. It often had snow build up that pulls on vehicles as the drive. I specifically remember Jan 1 being particularly bad. We had received quite a few inches of snow over night (maybe 4 or 5), and I don't think the roads, even the highway, were done at all that day. I drove to work on the highway at 6:40 pm and there had been no clearing. It was incredibly unsafe. That much snow cannot be put off until the next day even with the holiday. Our friends have recently moved areas in town and noted a big difference also in the frequency of snow plowing they receive just moving. This is despite being on a reasonably similar type of residential street.

The highways around town were likewise terrible this winter. We were in a car accident on 97 B by where it meets 10th Ave on Jan 7 due to a car heading southbound towards us hitting ice and losing control. Our car was totalled and we had several family members with broken bones. The roads that day were looking dry with the compact snow on the edges. I had passed a snowplow coming north when I was going south, despite that there wasn't snow to plow at that time. There was earlier that morning but it had been cleared. And yet on days when the road is dry and the weather is warmer (Enough that it wasn't even frosty), I have passed the de-icing spray trucks. I don't know if it is the same company doing the road care in town as out of town, but they are doing an exceptionally terrible job this year.

Lastly, I was wondering if perhaps the city would consider changing the bylaw on chickens and bee hives in backyards. Currently it is required to have over half an acre to keep chickens and an acre for a bee hive. Many municipalities allow chickens in smaller yards, just limiting the amount (like 5 or less) and not allowing roosters. Similarly, bee hives can be kept in many smaller yards. Honey bees fly several kilometres to collect pollen etc, so the limit of needing an acre for a hive seems a bit arbitrary. Both of these would improve the food security (and also the pollination of gardens by the bees, so more vegetables produced), which is important in our city and world, and becoming more important all the time it seems.

Thank you so much for putting in the 4-way stop at 30th St and 20th Ave. We have noticed a huge decrease in the speed of vehicles driving down 30th.

Sincerely,

Naomi Sartorius

Mayor and Council  
City of Salmon Arm  
PO Box 40  
Salmon Arm, BC V1E 4N2

March 15, 2022

Dear Mayor and Council

RE: REQUEST TO CLOSE HUDSON STREET FOR MULTICULTURAL DAY

Downtown Salmon Arm, on behalf of Shuswap Immigrant Service Society, is requesting pedestrian-use only of the 200 block of Hudson Avenue NE (from Ross Street to Alexander Street) including Ross Street Plaza, on Monday, June 27, from 2:30 pm – 9pm for the 2022 Multiculturalism Day celebration.

Across Canada on June 27 is an annual festival held in recognition of Multiculturalism Day. This popular community celebration helps to build connection, understanding, and appreciation for diversity in Salmon Arm through music, food, and art. We are excited for it's return as an in-person gathering for the first time since 2019.

Attached, please find the festival outline by SISS providing date, time, and planned activations. The festival will operate from 4pm to 8pm, and will require set-up beginning at 2pm, and take-down lasting until 9pm. SISS will lead the planning and execution of this event; Downtown Salmon Arm will assist with place-making, on-site logistics, and marketing/advertising.

We are excited to welcome this celebration of inclusion back to downtown. Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions or concerns.

With respect,

Jennifer Broadwell, Manager  
Cc: Brianne Fester, SISS Community Outreach Coordinator

DOWNTOWN SALMON ARM  
250 SHUSWAP STREET NE, PO BOX 1928  
SALMON ARM, BRITISH COLUMBIA V1E 4P9





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 Salmon Arm, BC V1E 4N3  
 (250) 804-2726  
 sissociety.ca

Registered Non-Profit Society Status # S-54390

**Contact:** Brianne Fester, Community Outreach Coordinator  
[outreach@sissociety.ca](mailto:outreach@sissociety.ca)

*Shuswap Immigrant Services Society (SISS) works to foster a culture of education, tolerance, and community that assists and empowers immigrants of the Shuswap Region of British Columbia in their integration and settlement into life in Canada.*

<b>Type of Event:</b>	Non-profit, community event
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<b>Name of Event:</b>	Gathering Together: Celebrating Diversity	
<b>Description of Event:</b>	An annual festival held in recognition of Multiculturalism Day but hasn't been held in person for 2 years. A popular community celebration to build connection, understanding and appreciation for diversity in Salmon Arm through music, food and art.	
<b>Proposed Location:</b>	Ross Street Plaza and Stage and adjacent road: Hudson Ave NE	
<b>Road Closure details:</b>	Hudson Ave NE	
	<b>From:</b> Alexander Street NE	
	<b>To:</b> Ross Street NE	
<b>Insurance acquired:</b>	Forthcoming	
<b>Services Required:</b>	Power	
<b>Entertainment on Site:</b>	Yes	
<b>Will alcohol be served?</b>	No	
<b>Will temporary structures be erected on site? (ie.tents)</b>	Yes	
<b>Event Date &amp; Time:</b>	Monday, June 27, 2022	
<b>Site Setup time:</b>	<b>Event Time:</b>	<b>Site Takedown Time:</b>
2:30PM- 4:00PM	4:00PM-8:00PM	8:00PM-9:00PM



March 14, 2022.

Mayor and Council  
City of Salmon Arm  
500 2 Ave NE  
Salmon Arm, BC V1E 4N2

Dear Mayor Harrison and City Councilors,

The Shuswap Children's Associations has a new program called the Outdoor Recreational Program. The program is making use of family friendly spaces in the Salmon Arm area and would like to organize a series of play events at a few City of Salmon Arm parks. The program focuses on children birth to school age, and their parents/caregivers. The purpose of the group is to provide safe, accessible, and free outdoor programming for children and also increase community connections for parents and caregivers. These groups are small in nature, and will follow our strict Covid-19 policies, as well as adhere to any provincial orders.

We would like permission to use these parks on the following date:

March 29<sup>th</sup>, 2022 –Blackburn from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.  
April 5<sup>th</sup>, 2022 – Blackburn Park from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.  
April 12<sup>th</sup>, 2022 – Blackburn Park from 10:00a.m. to 1:00 p.m.  
April 19<sup>th</sup>, 2022- Blackburn Park from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Thank you for your continued support,

Sincerely,

Jessica Evans  
Early Years Family Navigator and Outdoor Play Facilitator  
Shuswap Children's Association



Salmon Arm Royal Purple Lodge No. 279

PO Box 1146  
3690 30<sup>th</sup> St. NE  
V1E 4P3

c/o D. Parker

Salmon Arm City Hall

March 23, 2022

Attention: Mayor of Salmon Arm & Council

SUBJECT: Bench Request to Council

The Canadian Royal Purple Lodge is having a **60 year Anniversary** this year and has been working on purchasing a bench to place in the city area. We would like to place this commemorative bench in one of the parks, preferably around the wharf or within the area of the Harbourfront Park.

If this wouldn't be possible we would like any park that you would be close to walking areas. We wish to place a plaque on the bench with our lodge name & the years of service that we have given to this community.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,

D. Parker  
Secretary,





Salmon Arm Folk Music Society  
Mail: PO Box 21, Salmon Arm, BC V1E 4N2  
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[www.rootsandblues.ca](http://www.rootsandblues.ca)

March 24, 2022

City of Salmon Arm  
500-2 Avenue NE, Box 40  
Salmon Arm, BC V1E 4N2

Attention: Alan Harrison, Mayor  
**RE: Request Letter of Support**

Dear Alan and Council,

The Salmon Arm Folk Music Society (SAFMS) is collecting letters of support to be submitted to the BC Community Gaming Grant funding program for the 30th Annual Salmon Arm ROOTSandBLUES Festival taking place in August 2022.

Salmon Arm Folk Music Society is very excited to once again offer a live, in-person ROOTSandBLUES Festival. To recover and restart live music experiences, the Salmon Arm ROOTSandBLUES Festival depends on grant funding. The BC Community Gaming Grant provides funding to British Columbians from all regions of the province to have access to programs and services that improve their quality of life, support local needs and build inclusive, vibrant communities.

Salmon Arm Folk Music Society and the ROOTSandBLUES Festival truly appreciates the unwavering support provided by the City of Salmon Arm.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you require more information to assist you in completing the letter of support.

Thank you,

Holly Ketter,  
Volunteer and Grant Coordinator  
250-833-4096  
[volunteer@rootsandblues.ca](mailto:volunteer@rootsandblues.ca)

## Barb Puddifant

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**From:** Jessica Landau <JLandau@okanagan.bc.ca>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 15, 2022 2:02 PM  
**To:** 'Gerald.Greshuk@TSCcompany.com'  
**Subject:** [External] [MayBeFraud] Hiring a summer student? Info session on available funding and how to access it - March 31st  
**Attachments:** Save The Date\_FundingSession.pdf

Hello Okanagan College's valued employer partner,

I hope this email finds you doing well and getting into the groove of daylight savings and the arrival of spring!

I am reaching out to share an upcoming webinar that we are partnering with Selkirk College to present on: Grants and Funding for hiring Co-op and Work Integrated Learning students. We will have a panel of people from various funding organizations to give more information about their programs, tell you how to access the funding and provide next steps. At the end of the hour, we will have time for a Question & Answer period. Please see the attached 'Save the Date' postcard to register, or visit the [Grants and Funding for hiring Co-op students](#) link.

This informative presentation will take place on Thursday, March 31<sup>st</sup> at 12-1pm PST.

I hope to see you there!

Warm regards,

Jessica Landau (she/her/hers)

**Coordinator - Student, Graduate and Co-op Employment**

Okanagan College - Salmon Arm - Room 172

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Mobile (text friendly) 250-515-0072

To schedule an appointment online: <https://okanagan.libcal.com/appointments/jessical>



Please note: I am only in the office until 2pm on Monday-Thursday. If you require immediate assistance, please email [coop@okanagan.bc.ca](mailto:coop@okanagan.bc.ca).

*I respectfully acknowledge that Okanagan College's Penticton, Kelowna and Vernon campuses are located on the traditional and unceded territory of the [Syilx Okanagan Peoples](#) and our Salmon Arm campus is located on the traditional and unceded territory of the [Secwepemc people](#), and our Revelstoke centre is located on the traditional and unceded territories of the [Ktunaxa](#), [Secwepemc](#), [Sinixt](#) and [Syilx Okanagan Peoples](#).*

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# Save The Date

## Employer Info Session: Funding & Grants

Learn how to access wage subsidies to hire summer students

March 31, 2022 - 12-1pm, via Zoom

Register [here](#), or scan the QR code

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& EMPLOYMENT SERVICES





## Barb Puddifant

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**From:** Katherine Forster <kforster@earthday.ca>  
**Sent:** Monday, March 21, 2022 11:17 AM  
**Subject:** [External] Earth Day 2022

Thank you so much for participating in the Earth Day Canada Tree Planting Relay!

I wanted to check in and see if you had any questions about our (free) [Municipalities Mobilizing](#) campaign and the resources that are available for municipalities.

Earth Day can be celebrated in so many ways by municipalities: It can be a day/week or month to promote environmental awareness and help educate citizens about the need to take action or it can be an opportunity to showcase what your municipality is doing for climate change on your website or social media or your municipality may be organizing a challenge, event or initiative for April 22<sup>nd</sup>. **However you celebrate Earth Day - we would be honoured to include you in the Municipalities Mobilizing Campaign to showcase to the world how many municipalities in Canada are taking great strides to protect the earth!**

Tomorrow we will be confirming the theme for this year's [Canadian Earth Day Campaign](#) and on April 7<sup>th</sup> our full Campaign launch with visuals for promoting Earth Day will be available.

Included in our Earth Day resources to support municipalities we have:

- The Communications Toolkit - available on April 7<sup>th</sup>, this toolkit includes visual, Canadian theme messages, hashtags and a video to promote Earth Day on April 22<sup>nd</sup>.
- Our online [Calendar of Activities](#) - we hope to showcase hundreds of events across Canada organized by local citizens, not-for-profits, schools and municipalities!
- New this year - [Electric Earth Day](#) - this event will help accelerate the update of electric vehicles by encouraging dealers and businesses to hold test drives on Earth Day! Please let us know if electric mobility is one of your current municipality's initiatives.
- Another new offering are our online educational [Earth Day Workshops](#) - this year being offered in English. We have two themes and these are delivered live with interaction, quizzes and a question period at the end.

I'm happy to schedule a chat or meeting to provide you with further details on these resources and /or answer any questions. If you do not organize Earth Day for your municipality - feel free to pass this along to the correct colleague to let them know that about the Earth Day Canada resources. I'm here to support municipalities so don't hesitate to reach out!

If your municipality would like to join for 2022 you can [register here](#).

Have a great day,

Katherine

[Katherine Forster \(she/elle\)](#)

**Canadian Outreach Officer | Chargée de développement pancanadien**

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## Barb Puddifant

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**From:** southern interior local government <yoursilga@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, March 18, 2022 9:00 AM  
**To:** becky harmata; Barb Puddifant; Cheryl Hardisty; Christy Malden; City Of Armstrong; City Of Enderby; City Of Kelowna; City Of Merritt; City of Penticton; City Of Revelstoke; Barb Puddifant; City of Vernon; Collette Beggs; crystal Gelineau; CSRD; District Of Barriere; District Of Clearwater; District Of Coldstream; District of Lake Country ...; District Of Lillooet; District Of Logan Lake; District Of Peachland; District of Sicamous; District of Summerland; District Of West Kelowna; info-rdco; Jaleen Rousseau; John Thomas; katie soltis; kelly bennett; Kelly McIntosh; linda brick; Marg Coulson; Maria Doyle; Melany Helmer; Melisa Miles; Murray daly; polly palmer; RDNO; RDOS; SLRD; Sun Peaks Resort Municipality; Tasha Buchanan; TNRD; Tom Kadla; Toni Boot; Town Of Oliver; Town Of Osoyoos; Town Of Princeton; Township Of Spallumcheen; Trevor Seibel; Village Of Ashcroft; Village Of Cache Creek; Village Of Chase; Village Of Clinton; Village Of Keremeos; Village Of Lumby; Village Of Lytton  
**Subject:** [External] UBCM Community Excellence Awards

Good morning,

Applications are now being accepted for UBCM's [2022 Community Excellence Awards](#). The awards recognize and celebrate UBCM members that have implemented projects or programs that demonstrate excellence in meeting the purposes of local government in B.C. The application deadline is May 20, 2022.

The awards are open to all local government and First Nation UBCM members. one application per category.

Members are limited to one application per category. The categories for 2022 are:

- Excellence in Governance
- Excellence in Service Delivery
- Excellence in Asset Management
- Excellence in Sustainability

Awards will be presented during UBCM's 2022 Convention. All delegates are invited to attend the awards event.

The Program & Application Guide and Application Form are available on [UBCM's website](#). For more information, contact [awards@ubcm.ca](mailto:awards@ubcm.ca), not the SILGA office.



Thanks, Alison

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## Barb Puddifant

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**From:** Nicole Brassard <nbrassard@globalpublic.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 17, 2022 1:44 PM  
**To:** Nicole Brassard  
**Subject:** [External] Reducing Patio Application Red Tape for BC's Hospitality Sector and Economic Recovery  
**Attachments:** Letter to Municipalities - March 16 2022 .pdf

Good afternoon,

Please find attached an open letter to BC municipalities from the hospitality sector regarding reducing red tape for patio applications and supporting economic recovery.

If you have any questions, or would like to speak with the signatories, please contact me at any time.

**Nicole Brassard** (she/her)  
Associate Vice President

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March 16, 2022

British Columbia Municipalities

**Re: Reducing Patio Application Red Tape for BC's Hospitality Sector and Economic Recovery**

As we emerge from the pandemic and begin the long road to economic recovery in all corners of British Columbia, we look forward to working collaboratively with municipalities to enable public and private patio programs that support our local small businesses.

With 80% of hospitality businesses still losing money and accumulating more debt each month combined with inflationary pressures where food prices increased by 5.7% last year and will increase another 5.3% in 2022, it will take two thirds of hospitality businesses one and half years to return to profitability. On top of that recent polling indicates that more than 60% of consumers are still hesitant to return to indoor dining due to COVID safety concerns. As a result, **continuing expanded outdoor dining on patios continues to be an important factor in helping the hospitality industry recover from the pandemic.**

Recently, we have witnessed the unintended consequences in municipalities such as City of Vancouver where new guidelines for its public patio program were not designed in consultation with small businesses and did not create the intended solutions supported by council. Instead, the program created additional fees, red tape, and duplication of effort for those restaurants, pubs, and breweries looking to keep their successful patio open this summer. Despite aiming to "streamline the review process" the additional hurdles created significant delays which required staff to rework the program within days of its release.

In order to avoid these unintended consequences, we encourage municipalities to consult directly with small businesses and our various associations. **Our key recommendations include:**

- 1. Extend current patio programs without implementing new restrictions or fees;**
- 2. Streamline approvals to ensure those small businesses who have been safety and successfully operating patios may continue to do so;**
3. Increase flexibility for patio types and sizes as well as the number of patios allowed;
4. Increase the space use of existing patios or picnic areas to allow chairs to be spread out to meet distancing requirements;
5. Allow pop-up outdoor dining and manufacture sampling spaces;
6. Allow and increase the use of parklets and public space for dining;
7. Allow any increase in patio, picnic area or outdoor space be considered a continuation of an establishment's existing approved alcohol service area or manufacture's sampling area to provide samples and not require additional endorsements or authorizations; and
8. Coordinate with any relevant bodies—such as the Liquor and Cannabis Regulation Branch, Fire Department, etc.—to reduce red tape and speed approval timelines wherever possible.



At a time when economic recovery and supporting our small businesses is a priority for all of us, we are confident that by working collaboratively we can reduce red tape and unnecessary fees associated with public and private patio programs.

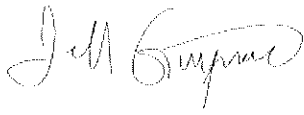
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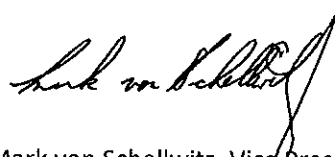
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March 15, 2022

Honourable George Heyman  
Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy  
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Victoria, B.C. V8W 9E2

Dear Minister Heyman:

**Re: Milk Container Recycling in British Columbia**

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This letter is regarding the recently implemented 10-cent deposit on milk and plant-based beverages which came into effect on February 1, 2022 as part of the CleanBC Plastic Action Plan.

The District of Elkford understands the need for this deposit and the action plan to prevent plastic waste, keep more waste out of the landfills and reduce greenhouse gas emissions to create a cleaner, better future. Additionally, the District has long been an advocate for initiatives to accomplish the same goals.

Unfortunately, the nearest location for Elkford residents to recycle milk containers is a 65 km drive to the City of Fernie, resulting in a 130 km round trip for a resident of the District of Elkford to the nearest return-in centre to receive their refund on these containers. Commuting this distance for the refund is not only an inadequate solution but is counterintuitive to our collective efforts to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

While we recognize that residents of Elkford still have the option of placing these containers through the existing RecycleBC Depot at our local transfer station, we do not feel that it is equitable for the residents of Elkford to have this as the only reasonable option after paying the deposit at the time of purchase.

We would like the Province to reconsider this deposit-refund system to ensure that it is equitable to all residents of British Columbia while still encouraging the reduction of waste in landfills and ensuring viable solutions to continue to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

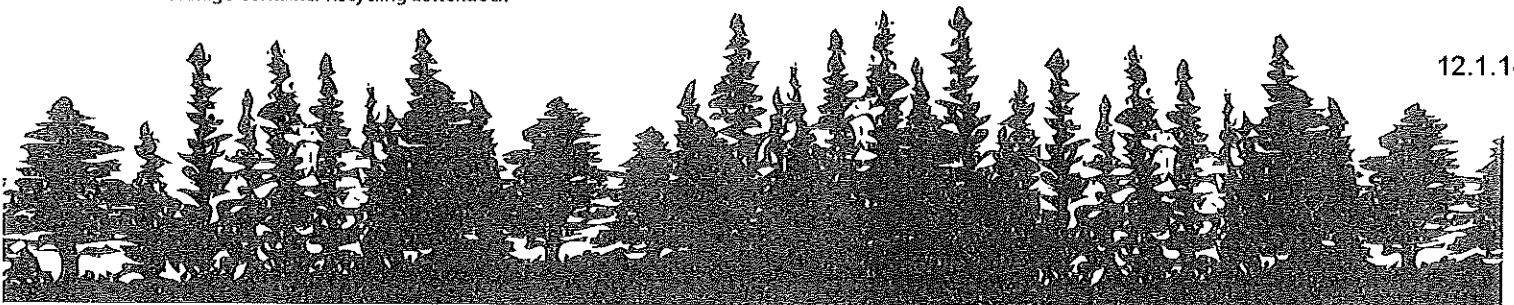
Sincerely,

Dean McKerracher  
Mayor

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All UBCM Member Local Governments

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**From:** Alisa Thompson <athompson@terrace.ca>  
**Sent:** Monday, March 14, 2022 1:32 PM  
**To:** Alisa Thompson  
**Subject:** [External] Resolution for all UBCM members  
**Attachments:** NCLGA 2022 Resolution - PROLIFIC OFFENDERS.pdf

Terrace City Council has submitted the attached resolution for consideration at the NCLGA convention. Please forward to your councils/boards. Thank you.

Alisa Thompson (she/her)  
Corporate Administrator/Deputy CAO  
City of Terrace

*Acknowledging that it is an honour to live and work on the Laxyuubm Tsimshian, Kitsumkalum and Kitselas, toyaxsuut.*

*The City of Terrace is committed to doing our part to help slow the spread of COVID-19. All facilities are now open to the public; however, please be aware certain timelines or processes may be adjusted in order to maintain physical distancing and protect staff and the public. Find guidelines for visiting our facilities and more at <https://www.terrace.ca/covid19>. Thank you for your understanding.*



## **NCLGA RESOLUTION –BC PROSECUTION SERVICE AND THE PUBLIC INTEREST**

**WHEREAS** *prolific offenders in British Columbia are routinely released without consequences or meaningful conditions imposed upon them;*

**AND WHEREAS** *the BC Prosecution Service's vision statement guides them to make impartial charge assessment decisions that promote public safety, justice, and respect for the rule of law and the BC Prosecution Service often determines not to recommend charges be pursued for criminal offences that are referred by the RCMP, as charges are not in the public interest;*

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** *that the NCLGA lobby the Provincial Government to ensure the BC Prosecution Service (Crown Counsel) live up to its vision, mission, and value statements and consider public safety and fairness when dealing with prolific offenders, and furthermore that guidelines be developed as to what constitutes "the public interest" with respect to pursuing charges for criminal offences.*

### **BACKGROUND:**

The Crown Counsel Act<sup>1</sup> entrusts the Criminal Justice Branch with the responsibility to approve and conduct all prosecutions of offenses in British Columbia. The Assistant Deputy Attorney General is charged with the Administration of that Branch, and with carrying out its functions and responsibilities.

In British Columbia it has been the practice of Crown Counsel to release offenders of crimes without charges or conditions, citing charges are not in the public interest. Repeat offenders are free to recommit crimes without consequences as a result. A disproportionate amount of crime, particularly property crime, is committed by a minority of habitual offenders<sup>2</sup>. Unfortunately, communities, local business owners and workers, the economy, as well as the public feel the impacts of repeat offenders who commit property crimes and thefts repeatedly and without consequence. For example, in Terrace in 2021 there were 423 failure to appear in court warrants, but only two people were charged. Two individuals in Terrace failed to appear in court 26 and 21 times each from February 2021 to February 2022. Neither have been charged with Fail to Appear. There was an average of six failure to appear warrants each week which is a burden on the RCMP to administer and ultimately is fruitless as there are no consequences for not appearing in court.

The revolving door of crime, apprehension by the authorities, and then the subsequent release of these habitual offenders erodes public confidence in our legal system. Police and law enforcement agencies as well as victim services are also burdened by repeat

calls and reports of crime. Regarding youth, it has been estimated that averting a 14-year old from a path of criminality would save society \$3 to \$5 million.<sup>3</sup>

There have been numerous police-based initiatives in British Columbia as well as other jurisdictions to try to manage prolific offenders. While there are different approaches to prolific offender management, they all require the cooperation of multiple agencies to implement. For example, "Polibation" is an approach to deal with prolific offenders that involves targeted and intensive surveillance from the police and probation programs. They involve a team of service providers that deliver interventions that are specific to the individual, including substance use and mental health treatment. Any subsequent criminal activity or breaches of the sentence conditions by the individual are dealt with by prompt apprehension and conviction.<sup>4</sup> Programs like these are only possible when the Crown is willing to participate, and charge repeat offenders. When the Crown is unwilling to charge offenders, they are creating a burden on others such as the public, businesses, and law enforcement agencies. The BC Prosecution Service's own vision is to be an independent prosecution service that people respect and trust. Public trust has been eroded by the Crown's reticence to press charges on prolific offenders.

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Subject: [External] Salmon Arm continues land clearing burning while Vernon experiences another air quality warning



Dear Vernon neighbours,

The city of Salmon Arm is allowing open burning even though the smoke is clearly not venting upwards. The large open burn near Mount Ida is settling in the valley and heading towards Silver Creek and onward to Vernon (picture above taken this morning at 10:30 am). There's already an air quality advisory warning from the Vernon monitoring station. Too bad we don't have one in Salmon Arm so that we can properly measure air quality here too.



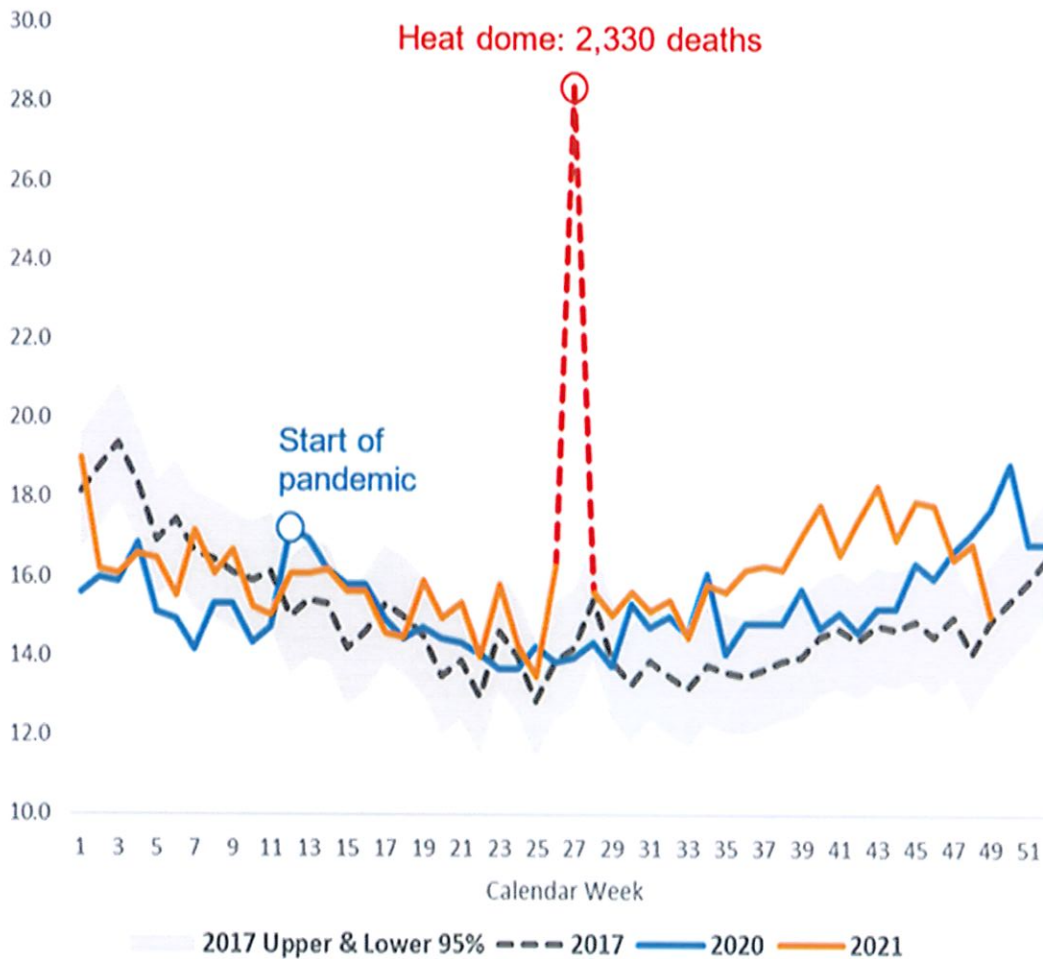
Our neighbourhood in Glen Eden was also covered in thick smoke which entered homes in the area, including ours (pictures above and no those are not clouds). We informed the city about it, along with three other neighbours, but we were told that nothing can be done because it's legal. While the city worker was polite to talk to, it's hard to accept that the air pollution in our neighborhood will continue for the next 96 hours. **We do want to express our thanks for the fire department and the city hall workers for fielding our concerns.**



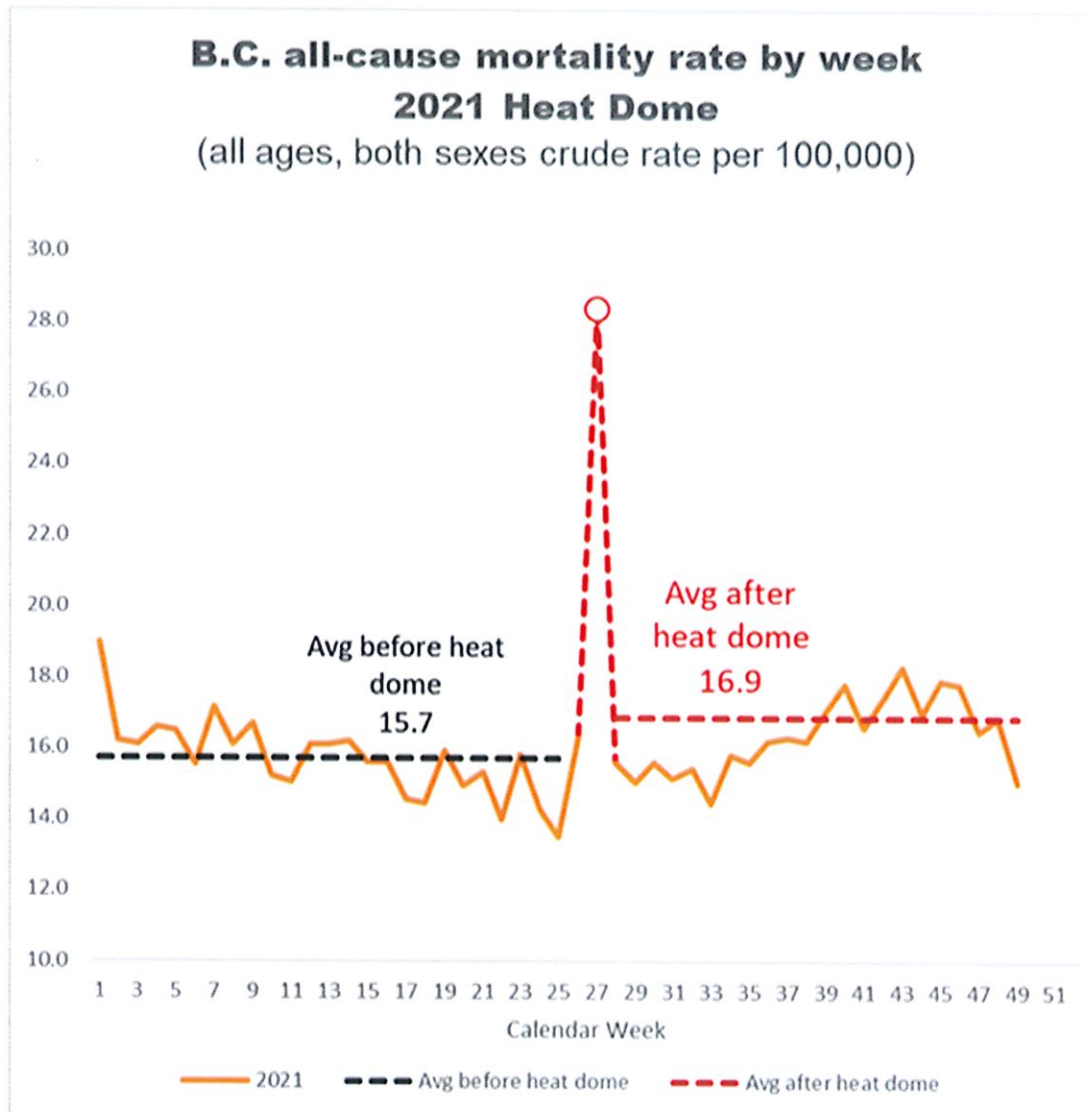
I have copied the hardworking people of the Salmon Arm City Council in the hopes they will **support restricting the use of land clearing open burning permits for home developers and instead create a local facility to transform the land clearing matter into soil, much like what's being done in Abbotsford through [Net Zero Waste](#)**. It would create local jobs, reduce pollution and enhance our ability to grow food locally. We support the strategic use of open burning for farming (we're novice farmers ourselves) and for fire prevention. But developers appear to be using land clearing open burning as a way minimize expenses. They will easily recoup those expenses because of the record high home prices.

While land clearing open burning is legal for the developer, is it fair to the public? While it's difficult to assess the impact of the wildfires to public health, the CDC says: "...wildfire smoke can irritate your lungs, cause inflammation, affect your immune system, and make you more prone to lung infections, including SARS-CoV-2, the virus that causes COVID-19...The best way to protect against the potentially harmful effects of wildfire smoke is to reduce your exposure to wildfire smoke" [[https://www.cdc.gov/disasters/covid-19/wildfire\\_smoke\\_covid-19.html](https://www.cdc.gov/disasters/covid-19/wildfire_smoke_covid-19.html)]. The organic material being burned could have been used to create soil to capture carbon in the atmosphere and grow food locally. Instead we are accelerating climate change by adding more carbon and the increase in air pollution will negatively impact residents with respiratory infections and other chronic conditions like asthma and COPD. Below are graphs of all-cause mortality in BC for 2017, 2020 and 2021. These were the three years with the largest all-cause mortality rates (all ages, all sexes) in the past five years. You'll see that there's an enormous spike in all-cause deaths during the calendar week number 26 and 27 in 2021 when there was the heat dome. There were a record 2,330 deaths in that period which nearly doubled the all-cause mortality rate.

**B.C. all-cause mortality rate by week**  
**2017 vs Pandemic Years**  
(all ages, both sexes crude rate per 100,000)



After the heat dome was the wildfires. The graph below focuses only on 2021 where you can see an increase in the average all-cause mortality rate.



The dataset is from Stats Canada the crude rate per 100,000 is based on the population estimate as of July 1 of each year [[Provisional weekly death counts, by age group and sex - Dataset - Open Government Portal \(canada.ca\)](#)]

We can calculate there were 1,071 excess deaths by comparing what happened during 2021's heat dome to the average deaths for the same period from 2010 to 2019. The one week excess deaths total is more than 1/3 (or 36%) of the total recorded COVID deaths in 2021.

Excess Mortality	
2021 - June 26 to July 3 Deaths	2,330
2010-2019 Average	1,259
Excess Mortality	1,071
2021 COVID deaths	2,983
% of COVID deaths	36%

We can do more in Salmon Arm to reduce the effects of climate change and to protect the health of our people. At the same time, we can be creating soil for use in local agriculture. To borrow a phrase from the **Shuswap Food Action Society: "With pandemics and climate change, building a local, resilient and sustainable food system is more important than ever."**

Thank you for reading.

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