

February 26, 2021

Mayor Darryl Walker  
City of White Rock  
15322 Buena Vista Avenue  
White Rock, BC V4B 1Y6

Dear Mayor Walker:

**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 Endorse with an Amendment: NR69 Vacancy Tax. As such, it will be conveyed to the appropriate order of government or organization.

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,



Brian Frenkel  
UBCM President

*Enclosure*

## 2020 NR69 Vacancy Tax

White Rock

Whereas the City of Vancouver has authority through the *Vancouver Charter* to implement an Annual Vacancy Tax;

And whereas other municipalities are governed through the *Community Charter* where there is no current authority to implement a Vacancy Tax:

Therefore be it resolved that UBCM work with the Province of British Columbia to amend the authority given to municipalities through the *Community Charter* permitting municipalities the authority to impose, by bylaw, an annual vacancy tax on taxable residential properties.

**Convention Decision:**

**Not Considered - Automatic Referral to Executive**

**Executive Decision:**

**Endorsed as Amended**

### Resolutions Committee Comments

**Amendment:**

*Therefore be it resolved that UBCM work with the Province of British Columbia to amend the authority given to municipalities through the Community Charter permitting municipalities the authority to impose, by bylaw, an annual vacancy tax on taxable residential ~~and commercial~~ properties.*