

# INVITATION TO HOST THE 2025 AVICC AGM AND CONVENTION

## RECOMMENDATION

That the Board provide direction on the Invitation to Co-Host the 2025 AVICC AGM and Convention.

## BACKGROUND

The Association of Vancouver Island and Coastal Communities (AVICC) is a body formed for the purpose of representing, in one organization, the various municipalities, regional districts and local government on Vancouver Island and Sunshine Coast comprising of 53 municipalities. The objectives of the Association (there are five Associations in BC) is to secure united actions among its members to promote greater autonomy within local government through resolutions and debates.

The Annual General meeting and Conference for AVICC is always held in April and The City of Nanaimo and the Regional District of Nanaimo co-hosted AVICC in 2023 with much success.

The City of Nanaimo has been asked to once again host the 2025 Conference from April 11 to 13 (Attachment 1). Director Krog requested that this item be brought to the RDN for consideration (Attachment 2). Historically, the Conference has been held in many of the AVICC locations but in recent years the attendance and occupancy requirements have exceeded all but the facilities available in the city of Nanaimo and the City of Victoria. As such, the AVICC Executive has asked the City of Nanaimo to consider hosting the conference every second year after 2025, with the City of Victoria hosting in the off years.

#### **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

The cost of co-hosting the 2025 AVICC AGM and Convention is estimated to be \$21,345. Funds are available for the 2025 AVICC AGM and Convention as part of the 2024 to 2028 Financial Plan to cover this expenditure.

#### STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT

Advocacy - Partner with First Nations, local governments, associations, and the Province to modernize the legislative framework within which BC's local governments operate.

## **REVIEWED BY:**

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# **ATTACHMENTS**

- 1. Letter from AVICC President
- 2. Email from Mayor Krog