

DATE OF MEETING JULY 15, 2019

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SUBJECT **2019 UNION OF BRITISH COLUMBIA MUNICIPALITIES
CONVENTION MEETINGS WITH PROVINCIAL CABINET
MINISTERS**

OVERVIEW

Purpose of Report:

To provide Council with a summary of the meetings scheduled with Provincial Cabinet Ministers during the 2019 Union of British Columbia Municipalities Convention, September 23 - 27, 2019, in Vancouver, BC.

BACKGROUND

Staff reached out to Council requesting feedback regarding which Provincial Cabinet Ministers Council would like to schedule meetings with during the 2019 Union of British Columbia Municipalities Convention (UBCM). The Annual UBCM Convention will take place September 23 – 27, 2019, and will be held in the Vancouver Convention Centre.

The deadline to request meetings with the Premier and Provincial Cabinet Ministers during the 2019 UBCM Convention is Wednesday, July 17, 2019.

DISCUSSION

Based on feedback from Councillors, meetings have been requested with the following Provincial Cabinet Ministers during the 2019 UBCM Convention:

- Honourable Judy Darcy, Minister of Mental Health and Addictions
- Honourable Selina Robinson, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
- Honourable Claire Trevena, Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure

When submitting meeting requests Staff were required to provide as much detail as possible regarding the topics, background and requests planned for discussion. Staff identified the following topics for discussion:

- The current opioid crisis - Minister of Mental Health and Addictions
- Nanaimo supportive and affordable housing - Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
- Foot-passenger ferry services - Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure

CONCLUSION

There is no limitation noted on the application for the number of attendees during each Provincial Cabinet Minister meeting; therefore, Staff will ask if each member of Council can attend as many of these meetings as they are able to. Staff estimate they will be able to provide Councillors with times for these meetings by early September, or as soon as dates and times have been confirmed.

SUMMARY POINTS

- Based on feedback from Council Staff have requested meetings with three Provincial Cabinet Ministers during the 2019 UBCM Convention.
- The 2019 UBCM Convention will be held September 23 – 27, 2019, at the Vancouver Convention Centre.

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