

August 7, 2025

Chair Patricia Ross  
Fraser Valley Regional District  
45950 Cheam Avenue  
Chilliwack, BC V2P 1N6

Dear Chair Ross:

I am writing to follow up on correspondence from Chair Jason Lum requesting that UBCM conduct a board governance review.

The UBCM Executive met in July and approved the terms of reference for a governance review. The review will:

- Review the composition of the current UBCM Executive as set out in the bylaws to ensure that it effectively reflects all regions of the province;
- Review the history of the Executive structure and changes made over time;
- Review the correspondence requesting a governance review;
- Review Resolution NEB 2024 – Union of British Columbia Municipalities Name Change, gauge membership support for a proposed name change and identify potential alternate name(s);
- Report back to the UBCM by July 2026 in order to allow for sufficient notice to the membership of any potential bylaw changes.

UBCM will be retaining a consultant to lead our governance review and provide recommendations to the UBCM Executive. As part of this work, we will be engaging our membership and reviewing all correspondence received on this matter, including your letter on behalf of the Fraser Valley Regional District. We will also be reviewing other ways to engage our membership such as Area Association conferences.

Thank you very much for your correspondence. I look forward to seeing the recommendations arising from this governance review.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mandewo". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Councillor Trish Mandewo  
UBCM President