



## URBAN FORUM

TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 23, 2003

Vancouver, BC

Plenary Session:

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon

Lunch: 12:00 - 1:30 p.m.

## AGENDA

9:00 to 9:10 a.m.

### **INTRODUCTION**

Chair Marvin Hunt

9:10 to 9:30 a.m.

### **2006 HABITAT PLUS 30 AND WORLD URBAN FORUM – SUSTAINABLE LOCAL GOVERNMENT**

Chair: Chair Marvin Hunt

Honourable Stephen Owen, Secretary of State

Western Economic Diversification

Indian Affairs and Northern Development

Ardith Paxton-Mann, Assistant Deputy Minister, Western Economic Diversification

### *Questions*

9:30 to 10:15 a.m.

### **citiesPLUS –SUSTAINABILITY AND A 100 YEAR HORIZON**

Chair: Mayor Frank Leonard

Sebastian Moffat, President, Sheltair Group Resource Consultants Inc.

Ken Cameron, Manager of Policy and Planning, Greater Vancouver Regional District

Nola-Kate Seymoar, CEO and President of the International Centre for Sustainable Cities

### *Goals:*

Last year the citiesPLUS team sought advice from UBCM delegates in the shaping of their plan, titled "A Sustainable Urban System: the Long Term Plan for Greater Vancouver". In June 2003, Canada's entry in the international Sustainable Urban Systems Design Competition was awarded first place and great recognition for its 100-year outlook toward sustainability in the region. Now, the citiesPLUS team is back again, to show delegates the winning plan and also look at

lessons learned and insights gained that communities across the province can benefit from. Commentary will include comments on possible implications for BC communities, the opportunities that arise out of the 'win' and the emerging set of methods and tools for long range planning.

*Questions*

10:15 to 10:30

Chair: Councillor Pat Wallace

**Honourable George Abbott, Minister of Community, Aboriginal and Women's Services**

10:30 to 10:45

**COFFEE BREAK**

10:45 TO 11:55

**DESIGNING WITH NATURE: WALKING THE TALK FOR SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY DESIGN**

Chair: Councillor Ron Cannan

Mayor Barry Janyk, Gibsons

Kim Stephens, Project Coordinator, Inter-Governmental Partnership

Dipak Basu, Development Engineer, City of Chilliwack

*Goals:*

The session will look at the missing link in the promotion of urban sustainability. It will look at the use of a watershed-based approach that manages the natural environment and the built environment as integrated components of the same watershed. The presentation will focus on how to design and build new subdivisions that reduce stormwater runoff volumes and function hydrologically as though still forested. The intent of this new model is to encourage the use of land development practices which lower the costs and maximize the benefits to developers, while providing increased protection to the environment.

*Questions*

11:55 to 12 NOON

**CLOSING**

Chair: Chair Marvin Hunt