

File: 0550-01

December 12, 2019

Chair and Directors  
Comox Valley Regional District Board

Dear Chair and Directors:

**Re: Letter of Support – Green Municipal Fund Council Application**

I am writing to request your consideration of providing a brief letter of support for my application to serve on the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) Green Municipal Fund (GMF) Council as the representative from British Columbia.

On December 9, 2019 the FCM released a call for expressions of interest for one elected official from British Columbia to serve on the GMF Council. As background, the GMF Council helps guide and support the Green Municipal Fund, a \$625 million funding endowment established by the Government of Canada in 2000 which supports cities and communities of all sizes to develop and implement local government projects that advance innovative solutions to tackle environmental challenges. The GMF Council is comprised of up to 18 members with one-third being Government of Canada representatives, one-third being municipal officials, and one-third from the public, academic, environmental and private sectors.

With a Masters of Arts Degree in Environment and Sustainability and considerable experience in developing sustainable forestry, energy, and fisheries initiatives, I believe I possess the skill set and industry experience necessary to support and advance innovative and effective environmental programs across the country.

I would also note that my appointment to the GMF Council would present no budgetary impacts to the CVRD as meeting remuneration and travel expenses are fully covered by the FCM.

As the Electoral Area Director for Electoral Area 'A', I respectfully request your consideration of the following:

THAT the board provide a letter of support for Director Arbour's application to serve as the BC representative on the Green Municipal Fund Council.

Respectfully,

***D. Arbour***

Daniel Arbour  
Director