



April 24 – 26, 2020

Call for Presenters – Presentation Information

The Organizing Committee for the 2020 Association of Kootenay & Boundary Local Governments (AKBLG) Convention and AGM is accepting proposals for presentations. We are interested in presenting our membership with perspectives not only from individuals with prior experience working in Local Governments, but also business owners, community members at large and organizations within our communities that collaborate and benefit from strong Local Government leadership.

Over 170 elected officials from the municipal and regional governments of the Kootenay & Boundary Areas will gather in Radium Hot Springs, BC to participate in value-added learning and respectful debate for actions moving forward. Our theme encompasses the knowledge of where we have come from, where we currently are, and *most importantly* what are the definitive actions we need to adapt to as we go forward to the next 30 years.

2020 Vision: Embrace the Past to Build the Future

Relevant presentations will provoke discussion of tangible actions to be taken in the re-shaping of our region moving forward. Approved presentations will be targeted to providing local governments with *specifics* for building a future within a variety of available topics.

What do we need to model NOW to adapt to where we are going within the following areas:

- Shared jurisdictions and our long-term relationship with First Nations and Indigenous Peoples of British Columbia.
- Climate changes impacting new landscapes in forestry, agriculture, tourism, clean energy/energy efficiency, business practices, youth engagements, extreme weather events and much more.
- Columbia River Treaty negotiations.
- Labour force impacts such as the aging population/labour shortages, shifting international trade relationships and technology and robotics.
- Local government sustainability and viability.

Possible panel discussions on:

1. Is the carbon tax the most effective way to reduce CO2 emissions?
2. Affordable housing - myth or reality?
3. Should local government invest in electric vehicles?
4. Recycling - what is the path forward?

Preference will be given to presentation topics that are dynamic, engaging, interactive, and informative, and feature best practices in Local Government. Provide a description of the vision with recommended action for providing resiliency, sustainability and growth over-time.

Proposals to be completed in the following two-page format and be received by:

Tuesday, November 12, 2020.

Proposals and inquiries should be forwarded to Andrea Tubbs, Convention Coordinator at conventioncoord@akblg.ca or 250.688.0189

Presenter Information *The Committee may or may not choose your proposal – please provide as much specific detail as possible. Presenters should refrain from promoting or lobbying for a specific sector, business, product, or service.

Name of Presenter(s)	
Title (I.e. Executive Director, Owner, President etc.)	
Organization	
Presenter (s) Bio (Qualifications or experience as related to the presenting topic.)	
Where will you be travelling from?	
Do you have a fee for speaking? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If yes, what is the fee?	
Do you require your travel costs to be covered? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	

Presentation Information

Presentation Title	
Description of Presentation, including educational value for Local Government Elected Officials (max 200 words, less is fine!)	
How does this presentation specifically relate to the convention theme?	

Tell us why it is important for elected officials to hear your presentation?
Have you made this presentation at other Conferences or Events? If yes, which event, when was it and how many people were in the audience?
Have you or your organization presented at the AKBLG Convention & AGM in the past 3 years? If yes, tell us the year and topic of your presentation.

Presentation Format

Please indicate your preferred format for your presentation.			
Plenary presentation – Full convention (150-200 people)	<input type="checkbox"/> 30 minutes	<input type="checkbox"/> 45 minutes	<input type="checkbox"/> 60 minutes
Plenary presentation followed by working session – Full convention (150-200 people)	<input type="checkbox"/> 60 minutes	<input type="checkbox"/> 90 minutes	
Concurrent workshop (groups of 50 or less)	<input type="checkbox"/> 30 minutes	<input type="checkbox"/> 45 minutes	
Describe your presentation format. (Examples: PowerPoint presentation followed by Q&A from the floor. Presentation followed by small group discussion. Conversation Café format. Panel Discussion.)			

