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ASSOCIATION NEWS

Shining the spotlight on our annual Corporate Sponsors



It's incredible to have the unwavering support of all the returning corporate sponsors, especially after the year we've had. Mott Electric returns as Platinum, with BFL Canada Insurance Services, GDI Integrated Facility Services and the Cadillac Fairview Corporation in the Gold spots. Please take a moment to see the full list.

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VGH staff get sweet treats from BOMA



Remember the packages that attendees of the virtual Christmas event received (Thomas Haas chocolates, pretzels, etc.)? BOMA had leftover gifts and didn't want them going to waste, as there's only so much the five of us can eat. Instead they were donated to staff at Vancouver General Hospital. BOMA staffers Kiomi Lutz, Tracy Po and Muneesh Sharma took the time to hand deliver them. We hope it brightened the day for front-line workers.



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GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS

Letter to the City of Vancouver on mobility pricing

BOMA and six other organizations sent a letter to officials at the City of Vancouver in anticipation of their consultation to assess the feasibility of transport pricing.

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REGULATORY NEWS

Provide input on the BC Building Code Capacity

The Province of BC wants to develop a broad understanding of the current state of readiness of key construction professions and trades to implement all updates of the BC Building Code until 2032, as well as the voluntary BC Energy Step Code Steps.

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Amendments to improve oversight for real estate, financial services

Creating a single regulator for real estate was a key recommendation from the Real Estate Regulatory Structure Review in 2018, as well as the Expert Panel on Money Laundering in BC Real Estate in 2019.

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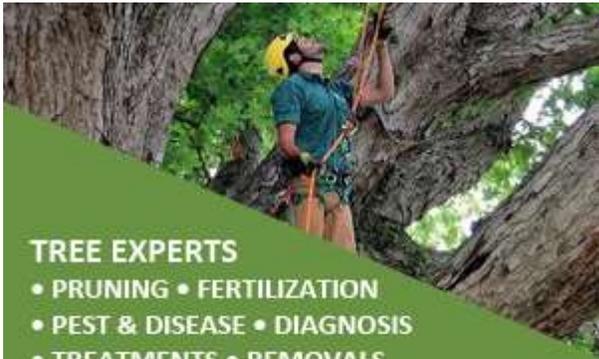


Technical Safety BC fee changes

As a not-for-profit organization, Technical Safety BC does not receive government funding. Instead, they operate using fees collected from services. This includes funding education opportunities and compliance and enforcement activities to uphold fairness for those participating in their safety system. With client feedback and COVID-19 related recovery indicators in mind, fees are changing soon.

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EVENTS & EDUCATION

Ski Day update and link to discounted tickets



BOMA BC and the Ski Day Committee are sorry we're unable to host Ski Day this year. On the bright side, Vail Resorts is offering exclusive discounts to our members who wish to purchase lift tickets individually.

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GOOD TO KNOW

Start me up: 1,000 Automated External Defibrillators

St. John Ambulance BC & Yukon have launched their new campaign, Start Me Up BC, an initiative created to save more lives from sudden cardiac arrest. The goal of the campaign is to install 1,000 publicly accessible automated external defibrillators (AEDs) across the province. The community defibrillator stands can be placed anywhere and are kept unlocked to ensure the public can access the AED on a 24/7 basis in the event of a sudden cardiac arrest, a medical emergency that takes up to 40,000 Canadian lives a year.



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EVENT CALENDAR

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Mar 2021

Managing projects during COVID-19: Challenges and opportunities

This session takes a look at the best projects to take on before occupancy begins to rise, and project constraints and challenges from the viewpoint of a property manager, contractor and consultant.

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Mar 2021

Victoria Chapter Event: The changing landscape of commercial real estate insurance

A panel to discuss issues that building owners and managers are facing when it comes to getting insurance and the rising cost of insurance coverage.

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Mar 2021

Future of the workplace (part of the Candid Connections series)

How does a company adapt to the new needs of tenants and employees? Join an engaging conversation, led by three experts at DIALOG Design.

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Mar 2021

TNP event: Tropical staycation trivia in partnership with BOMA Calgary

BOMA BC and BOMA Calgary are teaming up for a fun event that will expand your network into our neighboring province. Get teamed up with emerging leaders from Calgary to participate in vacation-themed trivia.

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Apr 2021

Emerging technologies

This session focuses on two building technologies that are evolving: occupancy tracking and analytics, and lighting controls.

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Apr 2021

BOMA BC AGM & Keynote

Attend BOMA BC's Annual General Meeting that will be followed by a keynote speaker and virtual networking. More details to come.

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May 2021

BOMA Awards Gala

Network and celebrate at BOMA BC's Awards Gala! Find out who won prestigious TOBY Awards (The Office Building of the Year), Pinnacles, and the Health and Safety Award, among others. This year's gala includes virtual networking lounges and a keynote speaker.

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Jun 2021

How to manage energy in under-occupied buildings

Details to come.

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Aug 2021

BOMA Golf Classic

We don't know how typical the tourney will be but it's going ahead! More details to come.

NATIONAL NEWS

BOMEX will be virtual this fall



October 20-21, 2021
The New Normal?

Given the uncertainty around immunizations and provincial guidelines around group meeting numbers, we've decided to hand things over to our colleagues at BOMA Canada for another virtual BOMEX this year. Building on the success of last year's virtual conference we know it will be a huge success. Save the date: October 20 to 21. Follow the link below if you'd like to be a presenter.

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2021 BOMA Canada National Green Building Report Release

The 2021 National Green Building Report (NGBR) is ready for download and, like last year, it has been another exceptional year for BOMA BEST certified buildings. Every NGBR tells a unique story and this year's focuses on the business case for BOMA BEST certification. Buildings have been broken out by region so you can compare your buildings with those from the same geographic area.



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AROUND THE INDUSTRY

Five women on what it's like to work in commercial real estate

Source: *The Globe and Mail*

International Women's Day was Monday, March 8. To mark the occasion, the *Globe and Mail* spoke with five Canadian women working in the commercial real estate industry about their experiences and hopes for the future.

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Building Benchmark BC pilot releases first report

Source: *Journal of Commerce/Construct Connect*

“Building Benchmark BC, a pilot project to collect data on building performance, has released its first annual report. Organizers hope as the number of buildings and participants involved in the project grows, the data gleaned will be useful for crafting policy and directing capital in the fight against greenhouse gas emissions.”

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Warrington, SDM merge into B.C.’s largest property manager

Source: *Real Estate News EXchange*

Warrington PCI Management and SDM Realty Advisors, two private Metro Vancouver-based property managers, announced last week that they are joining forces to become the province’s largest commercial property manager.

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‘Massive’ security concerns surround vacant space

Source: *Western Investor*

COVID-19 has left commercial buildings vulnerable, as many offices still sit empty. That means more work is needed to protect buildings from security threats as well as more check-ins conducted to ensure heating and HVAC systems keep running properly.

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Capital Point to be Slate’s Vancouver office debut

Source: *Real Estate News EXchange*

Toronto-based Slate Asset Management is preparing to launch its first office building in Vancouver this spring.

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7 years after it was approved, work begins on massive North Harbour development

Source: *North Shore News*

Work is now underway on Concert Properties’ North Harbour waterfront development in North Vancouver, which will boast 290,000 square feet of retail, restaurants and office space once complete. The full development is expected to reach completion in 10 to 15 years.

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Surrey City Council approves 49-storey education campus and student housing tower

Source: *Daily Hive/Urbanized*

“Another tall urban peak will be added to the emerging downtown Surrey area, following Surrey City Council’s decision on Monday that provided the Global Education City Education Mega Centre (GEC EMC) tower application with final approval in its third reading.”

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Equifax Introduces Commercial Real Estate Tenant Risk Assessment Product Suite

Source: *Equifax*

Equifax has announced a new commercial real estate tenant risk assessment product suite designed to help asset managers and bankers better build, manage and maintain CRE portfolios. Built on Equifax commercial credit data, the suite is designed to provide a more complete financial picture of a building’s business tenants for a better understanding of each property’s potential risk and overall performance in a time of economic uncertainty.

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