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September 2018

### BOMA Boat Cruise was a blast from the past

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We were pleasantly surprised at how many people dressed for the 80s theme of the Boat Cruise, which was presented by QuadReal. Guests were greeted on arrival with a welcome drink, and a second beverage was provided by Informa on the top deck. The Atari Radio Starz were so amazing they actually had people dancing! Thank you Trane for sponsoring the band. Black Tie Property Services sponsored the delicious food. A fun photo booth was thanks to Bee Clean, and an 80s Name that Tune/Artist contest was sponsored by Accurate Effective Bailiffs. Congratulations to Grant Phoenix Hawkins on winning the costume contest, sponsored by Retro Specialty Contractors. Check out the photos – you won't miss him!

### What has BOMA been advocating for on your behalf this summer?

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Along with our continued advocacy work, BOMA BC has been responding to two key consultations.

The Province has released a Land Owner Transparency Act paper outlining intentions to create a public registry. The paper covers what information would be publicly available and what would be kept private to only government and law



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enforcement. This has implications for anyone who owns land in BC, but there are some exemptions. View the [white paper here](#).

A Clean Growth Consultation opened in June, with a specific section on buildings. Read the [strategy here](#). There are some consistencies to previously enacted policies, such as the B.C. Energy Step Code, but also some new ideas. For example, under this proposal, buildings would undergo an assessment and be given an energy efficiency rating, which would be disclosed to the public when the property was listed for sale or rent. There is also the potential for additional renovation incentives for energy-efficiency, which BOMA BC has long advocated for in its discussions with government.

If you have feedback on these policies, please share it with Muneesh Sharma at [muneesh@boma.bc.ca](mailto:muneesh@boma.bc.ca).

## Safety Order for escalator inspections and brake maintenance

TECHNICAL SAFETY BC

SO-ED 2018-01 mandates daily visual inspections prior to equipment start up, and increases the brake maintenance requirements for escalators. Escalator braking is an identified risk and this order seeks to directly influence safety outcomes on this equipment. It may change the way asset owners handle their operations and increases reporting requirements. Read more by following link on right.



## Adoption of the 2018 BC Building and Plumbing Code

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The new BC Building and Plumbing Code is effective December 10, 2018 and will apply to building permits applied for on or after that date. The BC Fire Code is anticipated to be adopted in the fall of 2018 and effective December 10, 2018. Buildings with permits in place under the previous 2012 BC Building Code will generally not be affected by the adoption of the new code. Follow link to read more...



## Nominate someone for the Lieutenant Governor Safety Awards

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Do you know an individual or organization committed to the safe design, installation or operation of regulated commercial equipment? The deadline is September 14th. View nomination document link on the right.



## Japanese Beetle movement restrictions and penalties

CANADIAN FOOD INSPECTION AGENCY

Help stop the spread of this invasive beetle found in parts of Vancouver. Penalties for commercial ventures that move soil out of the restricted areas are between \$1,300 and \$10,000. Follow link for more details.



## UPCOMING EVENTS

Sep. 13: [T.N.P. Holding on to summer BBQ](#)

Sep. 18: [Risk Management session](#)

Sep. 26: [Victoria Luncheon on Asbestos Management](#)

Sep. 27: [Luncheon on Property Taxes](#)

Oct. 1-3: [BOMEX Calgary](#)

Oct. 11: [Mayoral Forum](#)

Oct. 26: [Luncheon with Minister Robinson](#)

Nov. 15: Luncheon

Nov. date tba: FortisBC seminar

Nov. 22: T.N.P. Distillery Tour

Dec. 7: Christmas Luncheon

## AROUND THE INDUSTRY

### Government takes action to stop tax evasion in real estate

BC GOV NEWS

As part of the Province's 30-point plan for housing affordability, property buyers — including real estate speculators — will have to disclose more complete information when they make purchases through a corporation or trust.



### GWL Realty lands U.S. tech tenant for Vancouver Centre 2

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GWL Realty Advisors Inc. was mum last week regarding reports it had landed an initial tenant for Vancouver Centre 2, launched earlier this year to much fanfare.



### New Research Reveals Intelligent Building Security Risks, Vulnerabilities and Mitigation Strategies

BOSTON REAL ESTATE TIMES

The Security Industry Association (SIA), in partnership with the ASIS Foundation and the Building Owners and Managers Association (BOMA) International, jointly released first-of-its-kind guidance for practitioners in the security and building management fields.



### Walmart Canada building sustainable fulfillment centre in Surrey, B.C.

CANADIAN CONSULTING ENGINEER

Walmart Canada has plans to invest more than \$175 million to build a new 300,000 sq. ft. fresh and frozen grocery facility in Surrey, B.C.

The building designers will focus on sustainability, including plans for it to be a zero-waste facility when it opens in early 2022 (the project has an anticipated 14- to 18-month build period with construction beginning in early 2021).



### Commercial Real Estate: Looking long-term at Vancouver's waterfront

VANCOUVER SUN

Vancouver is overdue to develop a co-ordinated plan to manage and develop its waterfront, say several organizations including the Georgia Strait Alliance (GSA)



and the Urban Land Institute (ULI).

## B.C. mall owners seek attractions over anchor tenants

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Shopping centre owners are relying less on large department stores and more on innovative community events and a diverse range of compelling small tenants to attract shoppers, as e-commerce continues to transform consumer behaviour.



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