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## ASSOCIATION NEWS

### Terry Small confirmed as keynote speaker for Awards Gala



We're excited to announce that [Terry Small](#), also known as the Brain Guy, will present the keynote address on learning to lead with the brain in mind. The 2019 BOMA BC Awards Gala takes place on May 30 at the Fairmont Waterfront Hotel.

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### Register for the AGM and/or April Luncheon

BOMA BC has two events on Thursday, April 18 at the same venue:

[AGM](#) from 11 a.m. to 11:20 a.m.

[Luncheon](#) from 11:30 a.m. to 1:10 p.m. (Topic: Updated Vancouver Building Bylaw and B.C. Building Code Changes)

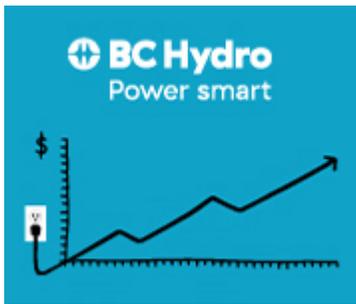
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## Spots available in BOMA BC's new recommissioning service

The *BOMA BC Building Tune-Up Program* will help you find low-cost energy and emissions savings through adjustments or minor upgrades to building automation systems. NRCAN funding allows us to offer free recommissioning assessments. For more information, including building eligibility requirements, program details and application form, please use the link below.

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 The advertisement features a photograph of a tree expert wearing a yellow helmet and safety harness, working on a large tree. The background is a mix of green and brown tones.
 

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 The advertisement has a blue background. At the top, it says "Boost your bottom line with upgrade incentives." Below this is a line graph similar to the one in the first image, showing an upward trend in energy costs. At the bottom, there is a white button that says "Learn more" and the BC Hydro logo with the tagline "Power smart".
 

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## REGULATORY NEWS

### WorkSafeBC Serious Injury Prevention Initiative 2019 update

WorkSafeBC's Industry Initiatives identify additional sectors and subsectors, outside of the High Risk Strategies, with a high risk of serious workplace injury and significant contribution to the serious injury rate. Each initiative focuses prevention efforts on identified areas of high risk in order to apply resources and effort where they will be most effective. In 2018, WorkSafeBC adopted a three-year development cycle for Serious Injury Prevention. Based on the work done to date, there are additional focus areas for 2019 that

have been identified within the Serious Injury Prevention Initiative. You can read about those updates and more on WorkSafeBC's web pages for the [High Risk Strategies](#) and [Industry Initiatives](#).



## Reporting elevating device incidents: Changes you need to know

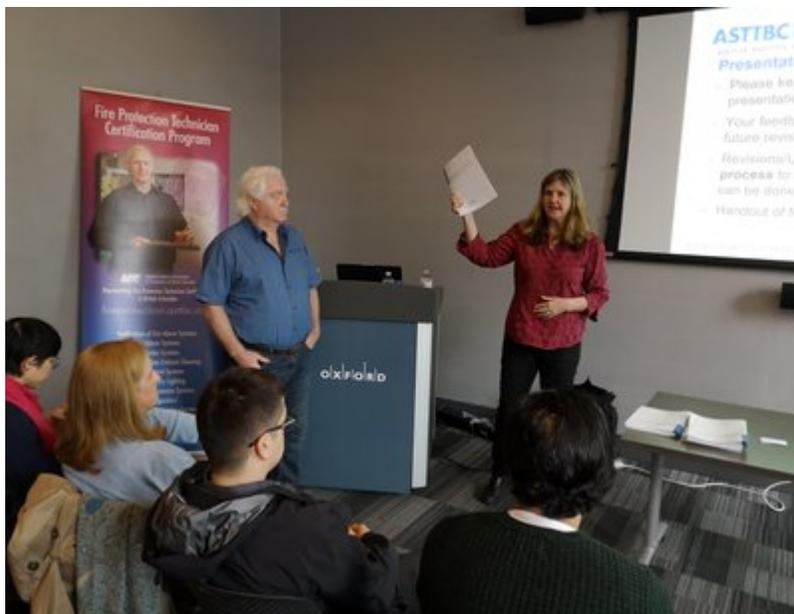
Technical Safety BC has made changes to their Information Bulletin to clarify the requirements to report hazards, better define incidents with additional context and examples, and offer guidance on required action(s) duty holders must take when incidents occur.

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## EVENTS & EDUCATION

### Changes to Fire Prevention SoP



Speakers from Applied Science Technologists & Technicians of British Columbia (ASTTBC) explained the new Standard of Practice for Registered Fire Protection Technicians, and what it means for building owners' authorized agents.

It was presented by Karen McDiarmid, manager, Fire Protection Technician Program, and Dave Clou, technical advisor, Fire Technician Program.

View their [presentation here](#).



### Did you miss a session but want the PowerPoint?

We know it's not possible to attend all of BOMA's luncheons, quality building team sessions and seminars. On occasion we are able to post the presenters' [PowerPoint presentations](#) on our website.



### Introducing the 2019 Guide to Urban Beekeeping

BOMA Canada has launched the *2019 Guide to Urban Beekeeping*. Developed in partnership with Alvéole, one of Canada’s premier urban beekeeping companies, this step-by-step guide walks building owners and managers through everything required to become stewards for bee populations. Discover the benefits, risk management strategies and successful case studies of what a turnkey beekeeping service can offer, including significant rewards for your staff, tenants and stakeholders.

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## Save the date for our industry's national conference!



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## EVENT CALENDAR

**18**

Apr 2019

### **BOMA Annual General Meeting**

All BOMA members are welcome to attend BOMA BC's Annual General Meeting.

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**18**

Apr 2019

### **BOMA April Luncheon**

Hear about the updated Vancouver Building Bylaw & BC Building Code Changes.

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**23**

Apr 2019

**BOMA Victoria Chapter Luncheon: BC Assessment**

Learn about how BC Assessment determines property assessments, and how assessed value translates into property taxes.

[Register](#)

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May 2019

**QBT Session: Premise Plumbing in Vancouver Buildings**

Plumbing and mechanical code updates in the City of Vancouver will be discussed in this presentation.

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**30**

May 2019

**BOMA Awards Gala**

Help your colleagues and clients celebrate their successes at the 2019 BOMA Awards Gala! Save the date.

**18**

Jul 2019

**BOMA Boat Cruise**

Join your colleagues for laid-back networking aboard the Magic Spirit as we take in Vancouver's beautiful coastal scenery.

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Aug 2019

**BOMA Golf Classic**

Don't miss this fun Shotgun Texas Scramble – 288 golfers will be playing on the Ridge and Canal courses!

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**NATIONAL NEWS****Changes to BOMA BEST Questionnaires**

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these questions.

On April 23, changes will be made to the BOMA BEST questionnaires. Every building verified after this date is expected to meet the new requirements if seeking points on

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## AROUND THE INDUSTRY

### Commercial Real Estate: Green building codes could be boon for business

**Source:** *Vancouver Sun*

The province's Energy Step Code could contribute more than \$3 billion to the Metro Vancouver economy and create 1,170 new jobs over the next 14 years, according to the Vancouver Economic Commission's Green Building Market Forecast.

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### Saputo plant deal drives up Burnaby land values

**Source:** *Western Investor*

Following the Saputo Foods Ltd. property sale late last year, land values in the Burnaby area have quadrupled and property taxes have shot up.

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### Burnaby tops real estate list with highest average deal value (interactive map)

**Source:** *Business in Vancouver*

The value of the top 100 real estate deals in B.C. last year jumped 61.1 per cent from 2017 due to soaring

real estate prices in the province. Burnaby had the largest average deal at \$86.2 million.

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## Squamish best place in B.C. to start a business, CFIB says

**Source: News 1130/CityNews**

The Canadian Federation of Independent Business' annual Entrepreneurial Communities index has ranked Squamish the best place in B.C. for entrepreneurs thanks to the town's low property values and proximity to Vancouver.

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## Vancouver Bentall Centre sale is biggest real estate deal of 2019

**Source: Western Investor**

Two U.S.-based firms have bought the four-tower Bentall Centre in downtown Vancouver. The transaction is considered the largest real estate deal in the province so far this year.

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## St. Paul's Hospital site in Downtown Vancouver up for sale

**Source: Vancouver Sun**

Earlier this year, the province approved a new St. Paul's Hospital to be built on the False Creek Flats. Now, the current site is up for sale and, according the CBRE, "represents Downtown Vancouver's largest development opportunity in the last 13 years."

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