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ASSOCIATION NEWS

BOMEX is coming to our backyard! Save the date.



Connect, educate and celebrate in Vancouver from September 22 to 24, 2020. The BOMEX Organizing Committee is made up of ten local B.C. members, and they are hard at work to deliver the best conference yet! Save the date, and [share the video!](#)



Greater Victoria 2030 Resiliency District Launches



The Hon. Minister Robinson, Minister for Municipal Affairs and Housing, mentioned BOMA BC's Greater Victoria 2030 Resiliency District at the Union of BC Municipalities Convention (pictured on left). Read about the launch of [Greater Victoria's 2030 Resiliency District](#).



Looking for staff?

Did you know that BOMA BC has a FREE job board for companies that are members of the association? From the [Education & Careers page](#), see the section titled 'Careers and Job Postings'. If you need assistance, email our Manager of Membership at kiomi@boma.bc.ca.



Fire Prevention Training



Candle use increases during the winter months and is a cause of home fires and home fire deaths. In the USA fire departments respond to an estimated 11,640 homes structure fires that were started by candles which caused 126 deaths, 953 injuries and \$438 million in direct property damage. Keep your occupants educated and safe.

[Download this free resource ready for circulation here. FireWise Consulting...education that saves lives.](#)

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REGULATORY NEWS

Join the conversation on accessibility and inclusion

The Government of B.C. is asking British Columbians to help define future legislation that will make B.C. a more accessible and inclusive province. The opportunity to provide feedback opened on September 16, and is open until November 29, 2019, at 4 p.m. Feedback will be used to help develop legislation.

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EVENTS & EDUCATION

Uptown achieves highest level of BOMA BEST

At the September Luncheon, five companies were recognized for achieving various levels of [BOMA BEST](#), a national sustainability benchmarking program. Congratulations to Aberdeen Kamloops Mall Ltd., Blackwood Partners Management, Morguard Investments, Shape Property Management and Triovest Realty Advisors (BC) Inc.

A special shout-out to Shape Property Management on their Platinum certificate for Uptown in Victoria (photo on left and below).



Marine Gateway case study on accessibility

View link below for a look at why Marine Gateway won the highest award for accessibility from the Rick Hansen Foundation.

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Out-of-town speakers give insight on making buildings intelligent



Speakers from Ontario and California spoke at a seminar on building intelligence and the integration of different technologies into a platform for the future operation of buildings.

The panelists pictured on the left from left to right were: Brad Croasdale of Automated Logic, Richard Goode of Acuity Brands Lighting, Thanos Lambrinos of QuadReal Property Group and moderator Claude Nobauer of Control Solutions.

If there's a topic you'd like to learn about related to managing your commercial property, send your ideas

to Sarah Jones at sjones@boma.bc.ca.



Over 130 people attend September Luncheon



Sunny Ghataurah, President of AES Engineering, spoke about using technology for tomorrow's buildings at BOMA's September Luncheon (pictured on left).

Please note that we are back to the Fairmont Waterfront Hotel for the [luncheon on October 24th](#), where we will hear about the changing office environment from architect Mark Thompson. Tickets are selling fast for this event, register soon!



EVENT CALENDAR

15

Oct 2019

BOMA Victoria Chapter Luncheon: Victoria and Saanich Chiefs of Police

Police Chief Constable Manak and Saanich Police Chief Constable Green will present on policing stats, issues being worked on jointly between the municipalities and how property managers can work with police to deter theft and vagrancy.

[Register](#)

24

Oct 2019

BOMA October Luncheon

Hear about Vancouver's changing office landscape from architect Mark Thompson of MCM Partnership.

[Register](#)

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Nov 2019

QBT Session: Water treatment tips that save energy and money

Best ways to maintain energy efficiency in boilers, chillers and cooling towers,

and how improving water heat transfer will lower gas consumption and greenhouse gas emissions.

Register

21

Nov 2019

BOMA November Luncheon

Save the date for our last keynote luncheon of 2019.

29

Nov 2019

Victoria Chapter Christmas Luncheon

Details to come on the Victoria chapter's annual event.

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Dec 2019

BOMA Christmas Luncheon (Vancouver)

Save the date for our biggest event of the year that draws over 800 people.

Rebates help save money, energy and emissions



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GOOD TO KNOW

Charging station rebate program

The Province of B.C. launched the \$5 million CleanBC - Go Electric EV Charger Rebate Program on September 26, 2019. To access the rebates for MURBs and Workplaces, and information on the program,

[click here.](#)



Learn from Canada’s leading Accessibility Professionals at the APN’s 1st Annual Conference



The Accessibility Professional Network’s 1st Annual Conference will be taking place October 31 to November 1 in Toronto. Learn about national and international initiatives in accessibility, network with accessibility professionals and engage in discussions about the built environment in Canada.

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AROUND THE INDUSTRY

Why flexible office space is leading to commoditization in the market

Source: Interior Design

Projections from the CBRE suggest the flexible office space market will grow to 13 per cent in 2030 from two per cent today.

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Vancouver and Seattle announce landmark economic development partnership

Source: Daily Hive

Vancouver and Seattle's economic development agencies have announced a new partnership to promote growth through mutually beneficial business prospects and partnerships.

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Commercial Real Estate: Staples opens new concept store in Kelowna

Source: Vancouver Sun

A Staples store in Kelowna has undergone a major transformation. The renovation, which is part of a rebrand, features a reconfigured retail section, an auditorium, a café and co-working space outfitted with offices and desks.

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BC's commercial market continues to weather the global trade turmoil

Source: MortgageBrokerNews.ca

Avison Young's Mid-Year 2019 Investment Review (British Columbia) shows commercial real estate in the province remained strong despite a volatile global market.

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New 5th office tower to be added to Bentall Centre in downtown Vancouver

Source: Daily Hive

Hudson Pacific Properties has announced plans to add a major addition to the Bentall Centre office complex in downtown Vancouver's Central Business District. A fifth tower will make the integrated complex the largest in the city, increasing the combined total floor area to nearly two million sq. ft.

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Commercial Real Estate: Investment booming in Fraser Valley

Source: Vancouver Sun

Data from Avison Young suggests the Fraser Valley will become the Lower Mainland's leading industrial hub. Buyers signed 199 industrial deals there in 2018, more than those in Burnaby, Richmond and Vancouver combined.

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Seattle slows proposed ban on new natural-gas buildings; heating-oil tax advances

Source: Seattle Times

Many businesses and labor unions in the natural gas industry are asking Seattle City Councilmember Mike O'Brien to reconsider his proposal to ban gas-piping systems in newly built homes and buildings, with representatives voicing their concerns to the sustainability committee last month.

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