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ASSOCIATION NEWS

A message to you

BOMA BC would like to commend all of you for doing your best to navigate the new norm. Our members are working harder than ever, and many are dealing with new, stressful situations. Others are struggling to balance the needs of their family, staff, clients and tenants. On a positive note, we're all getting through this one day at a time. Don't forget to remind yourself every single day of the challenges you've overcome since March. Be easy on yourselves and on everyone else. Recognize and celebrate the small successes. And don't forget to reach out for help from a trusted family member or colleague if it's starting to feel like it's too much.

Resources:

[Pandemic resources on BOMA BC website](#)

[Canadian Mental Health Association](#)

From the staff at BOMA BC



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EVENTS & EDUCATION

BOMA is busy planning fall sessions

The Education and QBT Committees have planned a great line up of informative sessions for the upcoming months. View the list in the calendar below this article. Our TNP Committee (The New Professionals of BOMA) are discussing ideas for virtually engaging our members who are under the age of 40. Details on the next TNP event will be available soon.

Keep Friday, December 4 open for a unique, fun, virtual event that we expect will attract hundreds of participants. The Christmas Committee is coming up with a list of prizes that will bring some excitement into our lives!



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Sep 2020

Managing your BOMA BEST application during COVID

This session covers how applications have been affected by COVID-19, and how to still achieve a high score. Learn where to focus efforts for maximum efficiency and maximum points.

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Oct 2020

QBT Session on Water damage

This session will cover the different categories of water damage; risk mitigation and insurance during a loss.

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Oct 2020

BC Hydro upgrade session

Save the date for this webinar.

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Nov 2020

QBT Session webinar

Details to come.

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Nov 2020

Microsoft Teams training

Find out how to get the most out of Microsoft Teams, and view a live demo. More details to come.

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Dec 2020

BOMA Virtual Christmas event

A unique, memorable and fun virtual networking event is being planned. Keep the date open!

NATIONAL NEWS

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GOOD TO KNOW

2021 Roll Property Value Summary (PVS) Requests

BC Assessment would like to invite property owners or their agents to participate in Pre-Roll Consultation. This is an opportunity for property owners or their agent to exchange information and dialogue with BC Assessment prior to the release of the Assessment Roll in January. Pre-roll consultation can lead to more certainty for next year's property assessment and helps owners budget for the upcoming tax year.

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Minister's statement on federal extension of commercial rent assistance

Carole James, Minister of Finance, has released the following statement on the federal government's extension of Canada's Emergency Commercial Rent Assistance (CECRA) program: "Our government welcomes the extension to the federally designed Canada Emergency Rent Assistance program through to the end of September and the federal government's commitment to continue exploring options to support small businesses. B.C. welcomes this final extension and encourages additional options to help small businesses that have been impacted by the pandemic."

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Free Virtual Assessment Service for Fortis customers

FortisBC is offering a free energy assessment to FortisBC customers. Even if you have temporarily closed down your business or are getting ready to open again, (or working on a modified schedule), there may be several opportunities to conserve energy and help better manage utility bills.



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10 roof maintenance tips

Source: Tremco

The fall season is upon us and maintenance is crucial to protect your roof from damage. Roofs are often overlooked when it comes to maintaining a building, however, regular reviews can prevent potential costly issues down the road. Here is a list of 10 roof maintenance tips to avoid damage to your roof this fall.

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Japanese beetle monitoring continues



The Canadian Food Inspection Agency surveillance program has been monitoring Japanese beetle traps in the Lower Mainland this summer. Traps are in place from Hope to Whistler to detect their presence, with a high concentration of traps in the City of Vancouver.

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AROUND THE INDUSTRY

Office development aimed at luring remote workers back

Source: Business in Vancouver

Will the Arpeg Group of Companies' Coal Harbour development, which features natural ventilation, a wellness studio and short-term flexible leases, persuade remote professionals that it's time to get back to the office?

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Developers betting on DTES

Source: Castanet

Developers are hoping to reclaim Vancouver's Downtown Eastside, an area that has become downtrodden over the years.

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Maritime Museum of BC Moves Forward With Next Phase

Source: Business Examiner

“This project will create several new iconic attractions for the City and region, aligns with Council’s commitment to enhance arts and cultural opportunities in Langford, and supports Council’s vision to create more commercial office space so residents don’t have to commute outside the City for work. We are really excited about this project and look forward to moving forward with next steps,” said Stew Young, mayor of Langford.

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Victoria office market outpunches Alberta’s capital

Source: Western Investor

This year, with just a fraction of the office space, Victoria is outperforming Edmonton when it comes to vacancy rates, lease rates, construction and sales volume.

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School for sale: This university and surrounding property is available in B.C.

Source: CTV News

A 55-acre property in Squamish that includes the Quest University campus is for sale. While the school hopes to sell the land around the campus to developers, it would consider a deal that includes a long-term lease back so it can continue running.

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B.C. startup company offering \$1 shares in commercial, residential buildings

Source: Vancouver Sun

“This enables everybody who would normally be locked out of the asset class to be able to invest in real estate,” Stephen Jagger, co-founder of Addyinvest.com, told the *Vancouver Sun*.

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