



*Southern Interior Local  
Government Association*

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December 15, 2020

The SILGA Constitution needed updating and at the December 4<sup>th</sup> SILGA Executive meeting the SILGA board passed the following constitutional amendment resolutions. These resolutions will be debated during the resolutions session at the 2021 SILGA AGM and need to be given to its members 60 days prior to the AGM.

The current constitution can be found on the SILGA website at <https://www.silga.ca/aboutus/constitution/>. If any member requires clarification on a resolution, please contact the SILGA office at 250-851-6653.

**(1) TITLE: SILGA Constitution –Section 2 – Purposes**

**SPONSOR: SILGA**

**WHEREAS** SILGA's scope of purpose has broadened to achieve the associations' goals of "Connect – Educate – Advocate";

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the SILGA Constitution Section 2.34.2 be amended as follows:

- 2.3** to support and advance to the Union of British Columbia Municipalities (UBCM) on behalf of the membership proposed changes in legislation, regulations or Government policy;

**Amended to read:**

to support and advance to the Union of British Columbia Municipalities (UBCM) and/or Provincial Ministries on behalf of the membership proposed changes in legislation, regulations or Government policy;

- 2.4** to coordinate communications between Members and the other Local Government Associations;

**Amended to read:**

to coordinate communications between Members, other Local Government Associations and various governmental organizations;

**(2) TITLE: SILGA Constitution –Section 4 Amendment - Officers**

**SPONSOR: SILGA**

**WHEREAS** SILGA staff is paid as an Independent Contractor with the job title of General Manager;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the SILGA Constitution Section 4.2 be amended as follows:

- 4.2 The Secretary-Treasurer will be the Executive Director of SILGA, to be employed and paid a salary in an amount and on employment terms and conditions authorized by unanimous decision of the Directors.

**Amended to read:**

The Secretary-Treasurer will be the General Manager of SILGA, to be paid a contracted fee in the amount and on the terms and conditions authorized by the majority of the Directors.

**(3) TITLE: SILGA Constitution –Section 8 Amendment – Meeting of the Members**

**SPONSOR: SILGA**

**WHEREAS** if under Public Health Orders the SILGA convention is unable to be held in person;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the SILGA Constitution Section 8.2 be amended as follows:

- 8.2 One general meeting shall be held every year in the month of April or May which shall be known as the Annual General Meeting.

**Amended to read:**

- 8.2 One general meeting shall be held every year in the month of April or May which shall be known as the Annual General Meeting. If a virtual Annual General Meeting is deemed necessary by the SILGA board, the SILGA board or staff will choose a third party virtual meeting platform as well as a third party electronic voting platform to allow confidential online voting for all aspects of the Annual General Meeting. Member Representatives will be provided in advance with detailed instructions on how to access the virtual platform and the voting procedures.

**(4) TITLE: SILGA Constitution –Section 10 amendments – Submission of AGM resolutions**

**SPONSOR: SILGA**

**WHEREAS** the SILGA bylaws need to be updated to reflect more clearly the current procedures for submitting and vetting resolutions by member local governments.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the SILGA Constitution Section 10 be amended as follows:

- 10.2 The President shall appoint a Resolutions Committee of three Members of the Executive at least sixty (60) days prior to the Annual General Meeting.

**Amended to read:**

- 10.2 The President shall appoint a Resolutions Committee of three or more Members of the Executive at least sixty (60) days prior to the Annual General Meeting.

**10.4 Resolutions Submitted Prior to the Annual Meeting**

- (1) Each resolution shall be prepared on a separate sheet of 8½" by 11" paper under the name of the sponsoring Member local government and shall bear a short descriptive title;

**Amended to read:**

Each resolution shall be prepared on the sponsoring Member local government's letterhead and shall bear a short descriptive title;

**10.6 Resolutions Submitted Prior to the Annual Meeting**

The Executive will have resolutions printed and circulated to Member Representatives in the Annual Meeting Member Representatives' packets.

**Amended to read:**

The Executive will have the resolutions available on the SILGA website as well as circulated to Member Representatives via email.

**(5) TITLE: SILGA Constitution Fee Amendment – Appendix A**

**SPONSOR: SILGA**

**WHEREAS** SILGA's membership fees do not have a provision for inflation;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that SILGA request an amendment to the SILGA Bylaws to reflect the following fee structure for each member:

2021 and beyond                      \$300 plus \$0.075 per capita\* with a 2% CPI annual increase

\*based on most recently available Statistics Canada census information