

### Dear BOABC Member,

The Building Officials' Association of B.C. (Association) is committed to providing quality services, resources, training and continually improving the experience for all our members. As part of this commitment, we are asking for your feedback on potential changes to the Association fee structure.

# Why Changes Are Needed

The Association has worked diligently to maintain our fees at a competitive level while striving to deliver increased value for members and local authorities.

As explained at the 2025 Annual General Meeting, the Association has not changed its membership dues or fee structure since 2021 and, over that time, the following has occurred:

- There has been significant inflation across all sectors of the economy and the cost of goods and services required to maintain essential Association operations has experienced corresponding increases.
- The Association is offering new or updated training and professional development opportunities to support members, and additional offerings are being planned and developed.
- The Association has increased its capacity to meet the requirements and standards of a professional regulatory organization, which includes meeting expectations in the Administrative Agreement with the Province.
- The Association requires additional capacity to effectively deliver legislated regulatory functions, namely complaints, investigations, discipline, and oversight of the registry.

Modest increases to membership dues and other fees are now required to maintain and effectively meet legislated obligations, as well as deliver the education, professional development, and other services that support members, local authorities and the broader building regulatory system.

Without the proposed changes, resources currently dedicated to educational offerings, including the annual conference and other professional development offerings, or other services, such as the CSA standards library, would need to be reallocated towards mandatory functions established under the *Building Officials' Association Act* and *Building Act*.



# What is Being Proposed

- 1. Effective April 1, 2026, the Executive is proposing the following changes to the fee structure:
  - 2.5% increase in membership dues
  - \$25 increase to the Annual Registration Fee
  - Introducing \$50 fees for code official qualification, certification, and designation applications;
  - \$25 increase for the Building Level 1 Course package
  - \$75 increase for the Building Officials In-Training Course
  - \$50 increase for the Building Official In-Training Exam
  - \$100 increase for the Building Officials In-Training Package (Course & 1 Exam)
- 2. Effective April 1, 2027, the Executive is proposing the following change to the fee structure:
  - 2.5% increase in membership dues

Once fully implemented in April 2027, the proposed changes to membership dues and program fees set out above would generate approximately \$80,000 in additional revenue per fiscal year for the Association to deliver legislated functions and invest in programs that serve almost 1200 members and 160 local authorities across B.C.

### What This Means for You

This increase will help us invest in new programs, improve access to training and resources, and ensure that the Association can continue to evolve and deliver on its legislated responsibilities. We are confident that these changes will contribute to continuing to improve the professional competencies of our members while providing an even better experience.

### Your Feedback Is Important

The Association is providing members and local authorities with an opportunity to submit questions, concerns or comments on the proposed changes between November 4, 2025, and January 30, 2026. You are asked to submit feedback by emailing the Association at FeeConsultation 2025@boabc.org.

Thank you for your continued support and understanding. We value your contributions to public safety in B.C. and are excited about opportunities to enhance our programs and services.

Sincerely,

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