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YEAR IN REVIEW 2020

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Message from the Chair

ULI's mission to "shape the future of the built environment for transformative impact in communities worldwide" is more relevant than ever as we look towards Alberta's recovery.



Matt Luik District Council Chair

It is my pleasure to write to you as the new Chair of ULI Alberta. On behalf of all District Council members I would like to thank Will Craig for the vision and leadership that he demonstrated during his term of Chair, and for the support that he continues to provide to the District Council in his new role as Governance Chair.

2021 has the potential to be a transformative year for ULI globally, and the organization has unveiled an updated mission to guide our thoughts and actions.

To achieve this, we will:

- CONNECT active, passionate, diverse members through the foremost global network of interdisciplinary professionals
- INSPIRE best practices for equitable and sustainable land use through content, education, convening, mentoring, and knowledge sharing
- LEAD in solving community and real estate challenges through applied collective global experience and philanthropic engagement.

2020 was a challenging year for all of us as we endeavoured to adapt to changes, restrictions and obstacles that few of us anticipated ever seeing in our lifetimes. ULI Alberta has adjusted our operations to best deliver value to our members and sponsors in this new environment.

As we enter the third year of ULI Alberta's five-year strategy, I see reasons to be proud of what we have achieved and am optimistic about what is to come; below is an update on the progress we have made under the four pillars of our strategy:

1. Expand our network, thought leadership and outreach

I'm pleased to share that our Research and Education Committee has been renamed as the Outreach Committee to align with other District Councils and to include an expanded mandate incorporating ULI's Advisory Services. In 2020, UrbanPlan continued to flourish under the leadership of our partners at the Haskayne School of Business. The course was once again offered in 2020 and 27 students participated.

2. Grow programs and people

Throughout 2020, ULI Alberta continued to deepen its relationship with partner organizations, members, supporters and sponsors by offering a number of in-person events in the first few months of the year before moving to virtual programs that provided local impact and relevancy to Albertans. I was personally disappointed not be able to connect in-person with many of you at our planned Alberta Real Estate Tour to Denver in June, or at the Fall Meeting in San Francisco but I enjoyed the variety of informative webinars that were offered, along with our affordable housing panel discussion in partnership with Buildex, and the "Battle of Alberta" holiday social which pitted Calgary's best craft beers against those of Edmonton.

ULI Alberta was delighted to continue to work with our annual sponsors in 2020. We look forward to expanding our relationship with all our supporters and partners, to provide increased value, exclusive programming and front-of-the-line opportunities for our members within these organizations.

3. Create local impact by engaging public and private sectors

Despite this challenging year we continue to engage stakeholders and develop partnerships with other relevant organizations that together, help us sustain profound impact across the entire industry. These include Calgary Economic Development, The City of Calgary, The City of Edmonton, the U of C and U of A among others.

Through these partnerships we are continually encouraging collaboration in our industry in the search for innovative solutions. ULI draws from over 80 years of experience and the global expertise of its membership to bring a robust and impartial lens to education on multi-sector problem-solving. In 2021, following in the footsteps of other established councils worldwide, ULI Alberta will be implementing its Advisory Services platform, which will become a resource for local members to help tackle complex land-use issues through a proven process. Please contact our representatives at ULI Alberta to find out more.

Our members are always invited to take advantage of discounts to local events, participation on committees and invite-only workshops, as well as all the services offered by ULI Global that are unique to members, including Navigator and Knowledge Finder.

I encourage you to pass on these benefits, and more to others within your organization and share with your network. For more information, please follow the <u>link</u> to our member benefits page.

4. Sustain our District Council and provide a solid foundation for future growth

I am pleased to report that due to the successful growth and responsible management of the Alberta District Council over several years, we have been able to hire a Director of Strategy and Business Development to help advance our mission. Jasmine Palardy may be familiar to many of you through her touch points with ULI in the past. She has spent the past ten years connecting Alberta's innovation communities, city builders and developers towards initiatives that activate urban centres. In addition to working with ULI Alberta -Jasmine also leads SAIT's new School for Advanced Digital Technology's downtown campus activation strategy and is a co-founder of 1M.

I am excited to work with Jasmine to form new industry partnerships, strengthen relationships with our sponsors, and accelerate the impact of ULI in Alberta.

It is with immense gratitude, respect and a degree of sorrow that we bid farewell to the following outgoing board members: Amy Vandervelde, Cole Richardson, Joel Armitage, Tom Burr, Jessica Abt, Cody Nelson, Elton Ma, Robert Labonte and Sean Lee. Their leadership and commitment to ULI's success will be sorely missed.

Thank you to all our members and supporters who provided some positive reasons to remember 2020. We look forward to finding new reasons to be proud and inspired in 2021.



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Tom Burr

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