

DAWSON CREEK, BC.

CITY WINS AT THE 2005 UBCM ENERGY AWARE AWARDS



Mayor Wayne Dahlen, joined by Emanuel Machado Deputy Director of Development Services, are pleased to accept a Honourable Mention from the Community Energy Association for Energy Planning and Implementation.

DAWSON CREEK, BC—The City of Dawson Creek received an Honourable Mention at the 2005 Energy Aware awards for Energy Planning and Implementation at the Union of BC Municipalities Convention Banquet held in Vancouver BC.

Ida Chong, Minister of Community Services, presented the awards, which are organized by the Community Energy Association (CEA) and co-sponsored by the Province of British Columbia and the Union of British Columbia Municipalities.

“We are very pleased to receive the award presented by the Honourable Ida Chong,” says Mayor Wayne Dahlen. “I want to further congratulate Emanuel Machado, Deputy Director of Developmental

Services, and the staff at City Hall for their hard work on the City’s Energy Plan.”

Phase one of the City’s Energy plan, based on the Pembina Research Institutes recommendations, was implemented in September of 2005 by City Council. The seven recommendations included installing a solar hot water system at City Hall, retrofitting existing buildings for energy conservation, and developing a vehicle purchasing policy.

“We are working hard towards our objective of becoming the alternative energy capital of BC,” says Dahlen. “And we are making people outside of this region take notice of our efforts.”

“The City of Dawson Creek has clearly engaged in

a planning process to achieve energy efficiency and implement alternative energy supply options,” says Dan Rogers Chair of the CEA, “and has also done some excellent work on its energy baseline analysis. Clearly Dawson Creek is committed to moving forward on implementation.”

“All of this has demonstrated the enthusiasm the Council and City have for implementing such a positive initiative,” says Rogers. “So, on behalf of the Community Energy Association of BC, we certainly want to congratulate the Mayor and his council for providing exemplary leadership in community energy planning.

“It very special to win this award when the City is competing against the larger municipalities in southern BC,” says Dahlen. “There were some very kind words mentioned about Dawson Creek and the work that we are doing which is very encouraging for the City’s future.”

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