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Today's presentation

1. New FCM Policy Direction
2. FCM Election Campaign and opportunities for involvement
3. FCM Governance (held confidential pursuant to ss. 21 & 25 of FOIP)



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1. New FCM Policy Direction

At their September 2019 meeting, the FCM Board of Directors adopted the following policy direction:

- A resolution calling on the federal government to increase access to a **safe supply** of prescription drugs to treat substance use disorder
- A City of Calgary resolution calling on the federal government to consider and ameliorate negative regional impacts of the **federal mortgage "stress test"**
- Changes to FCM policy on **telecommunications rights-of-way** to call on Ottawa to uphold municipalities' role managing public space for public benefit
- A resolution calling on the federal government to support municipalities in their management of **"tent cities"** or similar encampments
- A call on the federal government to require **medical cannabis producers** to ensure compliance with municipal bylaws prior to application

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2. FCM Election Strategy



Non-partisan platform asks all federal parties to:

- Renew core infrastructure through a permanent doubling of the **Gas Tax Fund** transfer.
- Build tomorrow's **public transit** by launching a permanent, direct federal funding mechanism.
- Tackle **housing affordability** by engaging with municipalities to address the gap between rents, house prices and income levels.
- Protect Canadians from natural disasters and **climate change** by investing in local adaptation projects.

Municipalities are building better roads, bridges and public transit. We're building communities with clean water, decent housing and rich recreational opportunities. We're building solutions to complex challenges, from housing affordability to new weather extremes.

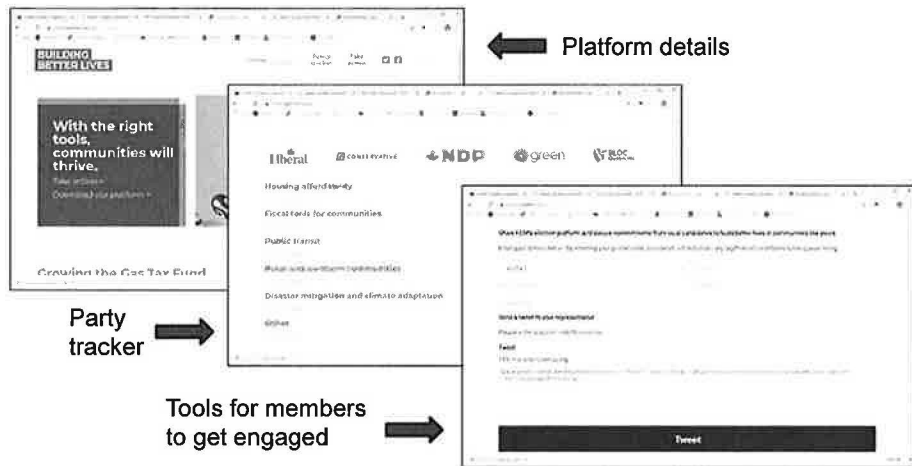
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2. FCM Election Strategy (cont'd)

FCM election website www.buildingbetterlives.ca includes:



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