

Law and Legislative Services Report to  
Organizational Meeting of Council  
2019 October 28

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## Authorization to Cover Meeting Costs of Council Representative to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities

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### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

To provide authorization to cover the expenses of the prospective Member of Council representative to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) Director position.

#### ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDATION:

That Council agrees to cover all reasonable costs of attendance at meetings of the FCM National Board of Directors for its Member of Council representative to the FCM Board of Directors; such cost to be charged to Corporate Costs.

### PREVIOUS COUNCIL DIRECTION / POLICY

At the 2002 October 21 Organizational Meeting of Council, the following resolution was adopted:

“That the Council of The City of Calgary hereby agrees that should its representatives to FCM be elected to the FCM Board of Directors, that Council is prepared to meet all reasonable costs of attendance at meetings of the FCM National Board of Directors; such costs to be charged to the Corporate Costs.”

This resolution is documented in the Council policy, *Council to Cover Expenses of Prospective FCM (Federation of Canadian Municipalities) Directors (CC008)*.

### BACKGROUND

The FCM Board of Directors manages or supervises the management of the activities and affairs of the Federation. In accordance with section 3.04(i) of By-Law No. 1 of the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (“By-Law No. 1”), there shall be seven (7) Directors representing Alberta, consisting of one (1) nominee selected by The City of Calgary. Only elected municipal officials are eligible to be Directors.

Section 3.13 of By-Law No. 1 provides that the “Board shall meet at least three (3) times annually. Provided that all Directors consent, meetings may be held in person, by telephone, Internet or other electronic means of conferencing.”

### INVESTIGATION: ALTERNATIVES AND ANALYSIS

Council selects a nominee to FCM annually at the Organizational Meeting of Council. FCM requires a resolution from Council each year confirming that costs of attendance at meetings of the FCM Board of Directors will be covered by The City of Calgary.

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### Stakeholder Engagement, Research and Communication

In preparation of this report, Administration reviewed the Council policy on *Council to Cover Expenses of Prospective FCM (Federation of Canadian Municipalities) Directors* (CC008) and By-Law No. 1 of the FCM (adopted 2019 June 02).

### Strategic Alignment

This report aligns with Council's citizen priority of a Well-Run City.

### Social, Environmental, Economic (External)

There are no social, environmental, or external economic implications associated with the recommendations of this report.

### Financial Capacity

#### ***Current and Future Operating Budget:***

The reasonable expenses of attendance at meetings of the FCM Board of Directors will be charged to Corporate Costs.

#### ***Current and Future Capital Budget:***

There are no current and future capital budget impacts as a result of this report.

### Risk Assessment

There are no risks associated with the recommendations of this report.

### REASON(S) FOR RECOMMENDATION(S):

The Federation of Canadian Municipalities requires an annual resolution from Council confirming that costs associated with meeting attendance will be covered by the respective municipality.

### ATTACHMENT

None