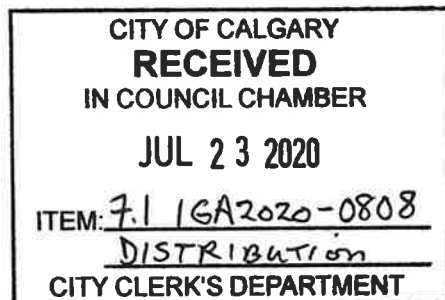




The City of Calgary and AUMA

Matters of Mutual Interest

July 23, 2020



Overview

- Funding
 - COVID-19 Capital and Operating
 - Local Government Fiscal Framework
- *Local Authorities Election Act*
- Red Tape & the MGA
- Future of Municipal Governance
- EPR Packaging and Paper
- MCCAC
- Prompt Payment
- Upcoming events
- Discussion



Provincial Stimulus: What we asked for

- Multi-billion dollar investment that is cash flowed over several years
- Funding for every municipality
- Distribute using an MSI based allocation formula



Federal Safe Restart: What we asked for

- Emergency operating funding
- The need:
 - \$600M+ Alberta
 - \$10B Canada

Politics

Cities grappling with COVID-19 costs call for federal, provincial co-operation for emergency aid

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PM said Saturday he was 'eager' to hear from provinces on support for municipalities

Raisa Patel, Louis Blouin | CBC News | Posted: May 16, 2020 9:21 AM ET | Last Updated: May 19



A Toronto streetcar is pictured with restricted seating signage due to COVID-19. Cities with major public transit systems say they're losing millions in revenue due to reductions in ridership. (Timothy Nease/CBC)



Alberta Recovery Plan

- \$50M Strategic Transportation Infrastructure Program (STIP) projects
- \$150M Alberta Municipal Water/Wastewater Partnership (AMWWP)
- \$612M Provincially Selected Projects
- Up to \$500 million in further funding for municipalities



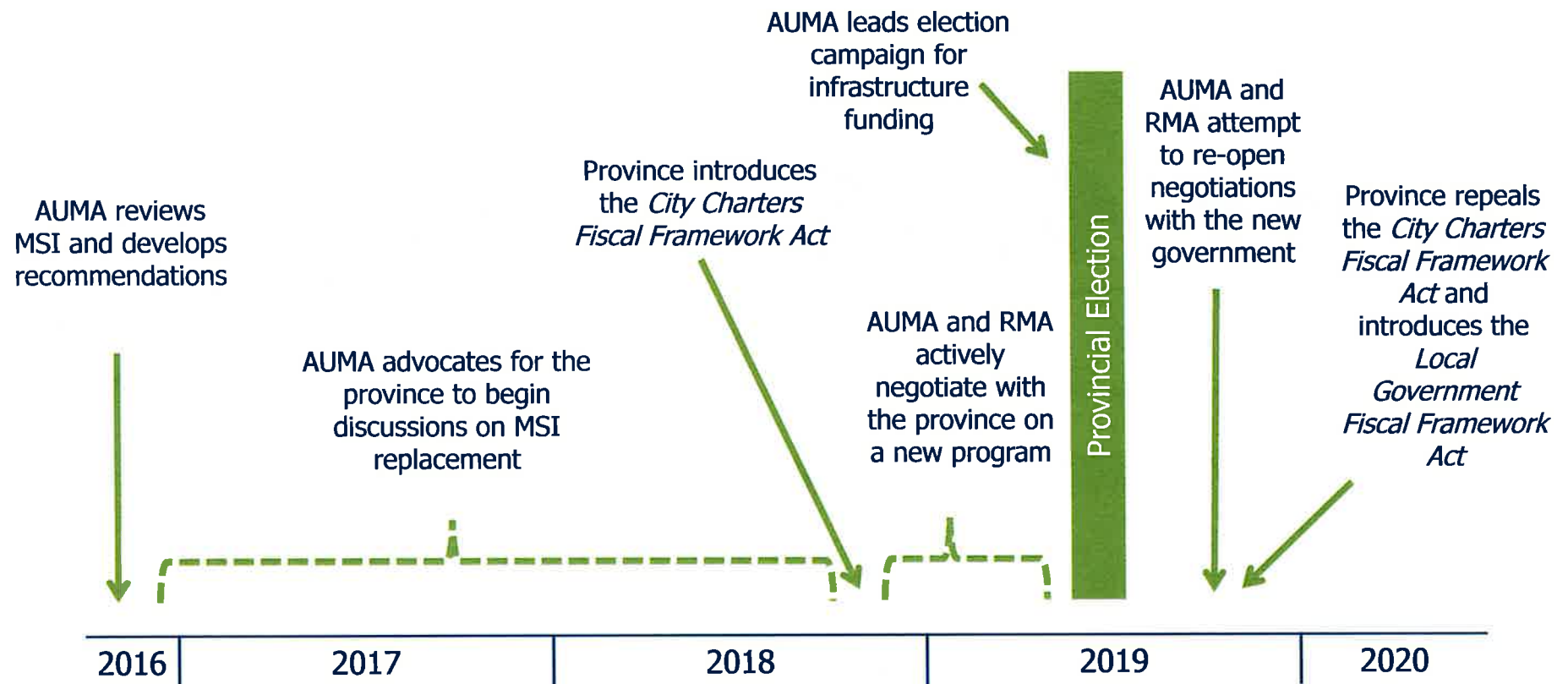
Federal safe economic restart plan

- Details of agreement still being worked out
- Advocating for distribution of funds to be based on municipal need – i.e. population based
- Preliminary guestimate:

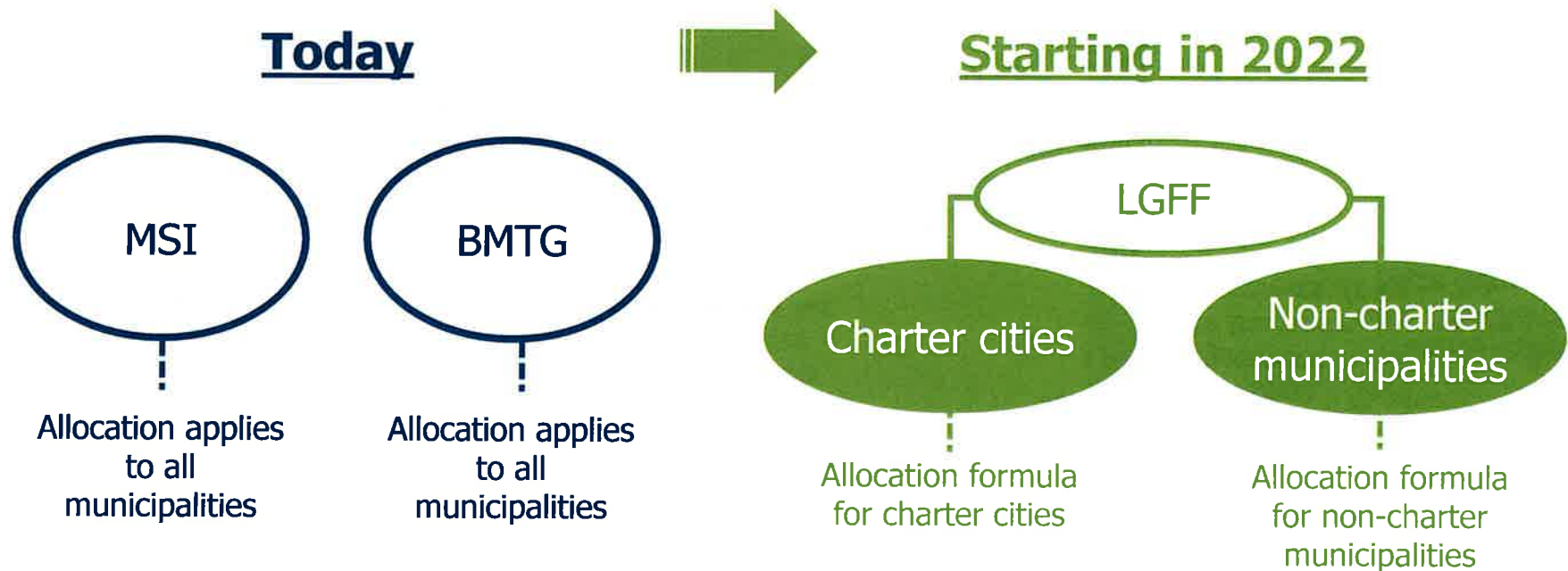
	Federal Portion	AB Prov Portion	Total
Operational Support	\$ 226M	\$ 226M	\$ 452M
Transit Support	\$ 60M	\$ 60M	\$ 120M
Totals	\$ 286M	\$ 286M	\$ 572M



Advocacy for a new fiscal framework



Today versus the future



Local Government Fiscal Framework

	Charter Cities	Non-Charter Municipalities
Two capital funding pools	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$455 million in 2022 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$405 million in 2022
How the funding grows	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Each capital funding pool will increase/decrease annually based on the change in the province's total revenue, excluding revenues associated with the <i>Climate Change and Emissions Management Act</i>. 	
Restrictions to the growth of funding	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Annual changes are indexed at 50% of the change in provincial revenue. Growth is exempt from one-year changes in revenues that exceed \$100 million per revenue stream. 	
How is predictability created?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Calculated on the actual change in provincial revenues from three years prior. Municipalities will always know their LGFF funding for the next two years, plus have the ability to forecast future amounts. 	
Allocation formula?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 48% population, 48% education tax requisitions, 4% KM of local roads (MSI) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To be determined



How LGFF rates against AUMA's principles

Principle/objective	Rating	Reason
Revenue adequacy	✗	LGFF will deliver 25% less funding than the 2011-2021 average of MSI and BMTG and will not keep pace with the economy.
Increased predictability	✓	Allocations are known two years in advance.
Responsiveness	✓	Indexed to provincial revenue.
Honour prior commitments	✗	Municipalities will receive \$170 million less than the original \$11.3 billion MSI commitment.
Legislated	✓	<i>Local Government Fiscal Framework Act</i>



Opportunities to improve LGFF

1. Increase the 2022 starting funding amounts.
2. Remove the 50% growth restriction so that the funding keeps pace with the economy and local community needs.
3. Increase the \$100 million exemption limit to simplify and improve predictability.
4. Legislate the LGFF operating component.
5. Require that the LGFF Act be reviewed on a periodic basis.



Current risks for LGFF

- The LGFF Act has not been proclaimed.
- COVID-19 and low oil prices are placing significant strain on provincial revenues.
- The province may target LGFF to reduce spending to meet its goal of a balanced budget.
- If there are no changes, municipalities should expect a significant reduction in 2023 funding as it will be calculated based on the province's revenue in this fiscal year.



Bill 29: Local Authorities Election Amendment Act 2020

Aligned advocacy on:

- Retaining Campaign Contribution Pre-election Disclosure
- Campaign Contribution Limits
- Third Party Contribution Limits and Contribution Disclosure



Keeping local elections local

- Maintain local elections for local issues.
- Request not to hold senate election and referendum in conjunction with the local elections in 2021.



Economic Resiliency and Recovery Task Force

- Serves as a venue for sharing ideas about issues that impact local economies across AUMA's member municipalities.
- Provides oversight and feedback on advocacy related to economic resiliency and recovery as directed by the AUMA Board.
- Develops recommendations on possible actions related to local economic issues for consideration by the AUMA Board.



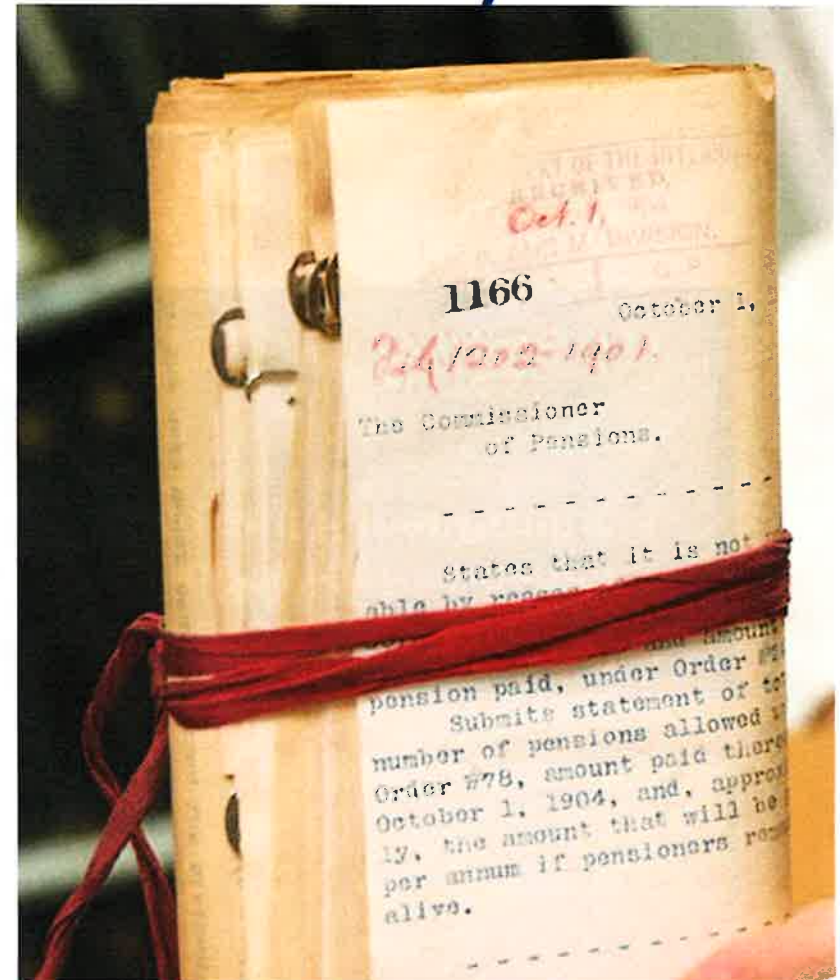
Red Tape & the MGA

- Part 17 of the MGA on Planning and Development:
 - Transparency of off-site levies
 - Municipal Government Board appeals
 - Timelines for development



Red Tape & the MGA – Advocacy

- Detailed analysis of BILD's red tape submission.
- Regular touch points with RMA, the Alberta Professional Planners Institute, and the Cities of Edmonton and Calgary.
- Engagement sessions coming soon.



EPR Packaging and Paper

- Working together on advocating for an EPR packaging and paper program.
- Our latest advocacy collaboration, the Alberta Collaborative EPR Study (ACES).
- This fall, we hope to continue our engagement with different stakeholders, including:
 - UCP Caucus
 - MLA Searle Turton – Private Member's Motion
 - Business associations
 - Key ministers

Extended Producer Responsibility for Residential Packaging and Paper Products

Alberta Collaborative Extended Producer Responsibility Study



Municipal Climate Change Action Centre

- Calgary has received \$2,819,529.36 over the past 10 years for solar and fleet projects.
- Project showcase:
mccac.ca
- Clean Energy Improvement Program



Alberta Municipal Solar Program

**Calgary Fire Station 7 Mount Pleasant
Solar PV**

City of Calgary



Future of Municipal Governance

- Enable municipalities to build thriving communities into the future.



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Modernizing the *Builders Lien Act* (Prompt Payment)

- Only legislate prompt payment, if modernizing the Builders Lien Act cannot address problems around payment timelines and disputes.
- A system for settling disputes should be fast, fair and paid for by the parties accessing it, and should not add administrative burden to municipalities.
- Invoices and contract holdbacks should be linked so municipalities are not liable for incomplete work when they act as the customer.
- Lien provisions should be modernized to reflect the current state of the construction industry.
- Freedom to contract should be retained.



Municipal Leaders Caucus

- July 29 in Fairview
- August 6 in Vermilion
- August 11 in Stony Plain - also available virtually
- August 19 in Nanton
- August 20 in Sylvan Lake



Convention 2020

TOGETHER WE CAN



- Calgary – September 24 and 25



Together we can!

