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Deputy City Manager's Office Briefing to  
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## **Alberta Urban Municipalities Association (AUMA) Update – September 2021**

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### **PURPOSE OF BRIEFING**

The City of Calgary (The City) is an active member within the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association (AUMA) and this briefing memo is a monthly update to the Intergovernmental Affairs Committee (IGA) on their activities and The City's work within the AUMA on provincial issues.

### **SUPPORTING INFORMATION**

#### **AUMA Executive Committee & AUMA Board July & August Update**

Both the AUMA Executive Committee and AUMA Board have been active over the 2021 summer.

The AUMA Executive Committee met on 2021 July 22 in Calgary after meeting with Calgary's Intergovernmental Affairs Committee (IGA). The IGA visit was part of the AUMA Executive Committee's larger series of regional meetings with Alberta municipal councils that took place across the province over late July called the Municipal Leaders' Caucus (MLC). The AUMA President and Executive Committee met with over 190 municipal leaders over seven meetings, allowing AUMA leadership to reconnect with AUMA members after the long disruption due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

The AUMA Board met on 2021 August 12 and 13 for their annual strategic planning sessions and then met for their monthly board meeting on August 13. Agenda items at the August AUMA Board meeting included preparation for the 2021 Convention and Trade Show in November, with review of the AUMA's new branding that will be unveiled at the November convention, review of convention resolutions, and the AUMA Board meeting with Municipal Affairs Minister Ric McIver and his new Chief of Staff, Mark Jacka.

#### **AUMA President Resigns**

AUMA President Mayor Barry Morishita of the City of Brooks, resigned his role effective 2021 August 13. Angela Duncan, Deputy Mayor of the Village of Alberta Beach and AUMA Vice President of Villages and Summer Villages has been appointed AUMA's Interim President. A new AUMA Board President will be elected at the AUMA 2021 Convention in November.

#### **AUMA 2021 Convention and Trade Show - Registration Open**

Registration is now open for the 2021 AUMA Convention & Trade Show, taking place November 17 to 19 at the Edmonton Convention Centre.

Go to [www.auma.ca/events/2021-auma-convention](http://www.auma.ca/events/2021-auma-convention) to register and to find further details.  
Convention Pricing:

Type	Early-bird & Virtual Pricing	In-Person Regular (After October 25)
AUMA Member	\$600	\$750

All eligible AUMA members will require an electronic device for voting (on resolutions and AUMA Board elections) this can be done via an app on a phone, tablet or laptop.

AUMA is planning for an in-person convention with a virtual option available to attendees. AUMA is closely monitoring the situation with COVID-19 and will be following all public health

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orders that are in place at that time. Attendees wishing to attend in-person are asked to register as soon as possible as there is a limit to capacity in the Edmonton Convention Centre.

A virtual option is available for those who would like to attend for their office or home. Virtual attendees will have access to all plenary offerings, including opening ceremonies, keynotes/entertainment, Premier's address, Official Opposition address, Minister dialogue sessions, resolutions and elections. All eligible elected officials representing regular members will also have the ability to vote virtually for elections and resolutions. Virtual attendees will not have live access to education breakout sessions.

In person registration includes two AUMA hosted receptions, access to the education sessions, plenary, trade show, and evening sponsor hosted networking events.

## **Pre-convention Sessions (Only Available In-person) November 15 & 16**

AUMA is planning two pre-convention session for 2021 November 15 and 16. The cost is \$375 per session. These sessions are only available for AUMA Regular Members and Rural Municipalities of Alberta (RMA) Members. Non-members, affiliate members, or associate members are not eligible to attend.

Session 1 - Elected Officials Education Program (EOEP) Munis 101: *The Essentials of Municipal Governance* on November 15 and 16 is an Alberta Municipal Affairs endorsed course taught in four sections: Basics of Municipal Governance and Legislation in Alberta; The Elected Official's Role in Municipal Leadership; Explore the Role of Municipal Planning and Development; and Effective Collaboration and Navigate the World of Municipal Finance.

Session 2 – Legal Seminar hosted by Reynolds Mirth Richards and Farmer LLP on November 16 is a full-day course exploring four distinct topics: A deep dive into the Pecuniary Interest provisions; Council's Role in Planning and Development; Codes of Conduct a detailed review of Codes of Conduct dos and don'ts; and Municipal Corporations.

## **AUMA Virtual Workshops on Canada's History and the Municipal Role in Reconciliation**

Under AUMA's *Organizational Readiness Framework for Building Respectful Relations with Indigenous Communities*, the AUMA has started hosting virtual workshops titled "Canada's History and the Municipal Role in Reconciliation." The workshops are in partnership with the RMA. The speaker is Roy Pogorzelski of RWP Consulting. The first two workshops in July sold out and additional sessions are being planned tentatively for 2021 September 13 and 27. Cost is \$25. Check the AUMA website closer to the date for details on registration or email [advocacy@auma.ca](mailto:advocacy@auma.ca) if you are interested.