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**Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) Update - April 2022 (Verbal) IGA2022-0401**

**Recommendation**

That the IGA Committee receive this verbal report and distribution for the Corporate Record.

**Recent meetings and events:**

**FCM at GLOBE Forum**

- FCM organized a series of municipally themed program stream at the GLOBE Forum in Vancouver, from March 29-31.
- GLOBE Forum brings together sustainability and climate leaders, changemakers and practitioners from across Canada to learn from each other and gain insights into the latest trends.
- FCM's program stream, "Local Solutions to Net Zero" showcased local innovation that can be accelerated and scaled-up, and explored challenges related to governance and regulation that will require new partnerships with the private sector and all orders of government.
- Specific topics included local climate innovations in building retrofits, zero-emission vehicles, community-scale energy, land-use and housing development, and outcomes-based procurement.

**Upcoming meetings and events**

**2022 Annual Conference and Trade Show**

- A reminder that registration is open for FCM's 2022 Annual Conference and Trade Show, taking place in Regina from June 2-5, along with an option for online participation for some elements
- More program information has become available since we last met, detailing the range of learning and networking opportunities available to participants.

- A sampling of the workshops, for instance, includes topics such as: How First Nation – municipal Partnerships are driving reconciliation; Local solutions in the face of climate change; and how municipalities are driving housing solutions.
- More information, including registration, can be found on the [FCM Conference website](#).

### 2024 Annual Conference and Trade Show in Calgary

- In mid-March, FCM publicly announced the hosts of the upcoming Annual Conference, including the 2024 edition to be hosted in Calgary, at the Calgary TELUS Convention Centre.
- The event is expected to bring over 2000 delegates and \$6M of economic activity to the city.
- As we get nearer to the date, Administration will work closely with FCM, and with Tourism Calgary (Meetings and Conventions) to develop program opportunities to highlight local success stories here at The City, with our Civic Partners, and in the broader community.

### Other news

#### Carole Saab among Ottawa's top lobbyists

- FCM Chief Executive Officer Carole Saab has been once again named a Top Lobbyist by The Hill Times, a newspaper popular in Ottawa's Parliamentary Precinct.
- This reflects Carole's own leadership and support from FCM staff, as well as the influence that FCM carries among federal decision-makers on behalf of municipalities across the country.

#### New quarterly newsletter

- To mark International Women's Day last month, FCM launched a new quarterly newsletter. Momentum will feature updates from different FCM programs that are working to foster inclusion and diversity in local governments, either in Canada or abroad.
- Members can subscribe to Momentum [here on FCM's website](#)