

Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) Update - May 2022 (Verbal) IGA2022-0664

Recommendation

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

Recent meetings and events:

Forum on Anti-racism, Equity, and Inclusion

- On May 11, FCM and the Canadian Race Relations Foundation, presented a Forum on Antiracism, Equity, and Inclusion: Opportunities for Municipal Leadership.
- The forum created space for AREI leaders to collaborate on the following objectives:
 - o Identify common challenges and solutions to advance local anti-racism strategies
 - Discuss building of meaningful relationships in support of reconciliation and in recognition of intersectionality of critical issues (i.e., LGBTQS+, accessibility, gender, etc.)
 - o Create long term networks and partnerships
 - Inform alignment with political-level conversations at the FCM Board of Directors (including FCM's new Standing Committee on Anti-Racism and Equity)
 - Advance opportunities to develop tool kits that will provide municipalities with resources, support, and templates to scale and build on existing tools

Upcoming meetings and events

2022 Annual Conference and Trade Show

- The Annual Conference and Trade Show will take place June 2-5 in Regina and online.
- In addition to keynote political speakers, workshops and study tours, participating Councillors will have the opportunity to vote in Board of Directors elections and on resolutions to shape FCM advocacy in the coming year. Resolutions coming to a vote this year are expected to cover:
 - Truth and Reconciliation Calls to Action Missing Children and Unmarked Graves
 - Period poverty in Canada
 - o Renewal of the Canada Community Building Fund (formerly the Gas Tax Fund)
 - Support for those fleeing the war in Ukraine
- A final program, including agenda and election and voting information was expected by May 18.
 For Members of Council, this will be followed by briefing information prepared by Intergovernmental & Corporate Strategy in advance of the Conference.

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