

# Background and Previous Council Direction

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At its annual Organizational Meeting, Council appoints a Member of Council to represent the City of Calgary on the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (“FCM”) National Board of Directors. The FCM requires a resolution of Council each year confirming that the costs for the attendance of the appointed Representative/Director will be covered by the City of Calgary.

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Not Applicable

## Bylaws, Regulations, Council Policies

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### Bylaw No. 1 of the Federation of Canadian Municipalities

Section 3.04 of Bylaw No.1 provides that the

- 3.04 **Elected Directors.** The nomination of the elected Directors shall take place in accordance with the following process:
- (i) Directors Representing Alberta. There shall be seven (7) Directors representing Alberta, consisting of: one (1) nominee selected by each of the Affiliate Members (Alberta Urban Municipalities Association, Alberta Association of Municipal Districts and Counties): one (1) nominee selected by the City of Calgary; one (1) nominee selected by the City of Edmonton; nominees selected by the Accredited Representatives of its Municipal Members, provided that one (1) of the nominees shall hold municipal office in a Municipal Member recognized as rural (counties, municipal districts and certain specialized municipalities) and the remaining two (2) nominees shall hold municipal office in a Municipal Member, other than Calgary or Edmonton, that is recognized as urban (cities, towns, villages and certain specialized municipalities). Persons seeking to be nominated as a Director from a specialized municipality shall be permitted to seek nomination either for the urban or rural Director position, but not both.
- 3.13 **Meetings of the Board.** 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. Meetings of the Board shall be held on such day, at such time, at such place and by such means as are from time to time determined by the President, provided that notice thereof shall be provided at least fourteen (14) days prior to the date of such meeting and such notice specifies any matter referred to in Section 138(2) of the Act that is to be dealt with at the meeting. No formal notice of a meeting shall be necessary if all Directors are present or if a quorum is present and each absent

Director waives notice of the meeting either before or after the meeting has taken place.

### **Councillors' Budgets and Expenses Bylaw 36M2021**

Section 3.1(d) of Schedule "A" provides Council with the following direction on "reasonable expenses"

3.1. In this policy:

- d. **"Reasonable expense"** means an expense that demonstrates prudence, good judgement, moderation, and is defensible to an impartial observer or citizen of Calgary;