

Alberta Municipalities Update – March 2025 (Verbal)

Recommendation

That the Intergovernmental Affairs (IGA) Committee recommend that Council receive this verbal report and distribution for the Corporate Record.

President’s Summit and Municipal Leaders’ Caucus:

Alberta Municipalities (ABmunis) hosted its first two events of 2025 from March 5-7 at the Westin Hotel in Edmonton.

The **President’s Summit on Civility** took place on March 5 and included presentations from experts and in-person discussions on aspects of municipal leadership with the intent of bolstering safe and healthy workplaces.

The **Spring Municipal Leaders’ Caucus** took place from March 6-7. Over 400 municipal leaders engaged with and learned from their colleagues from across the province. Attendees were able to direct questions to the Premier, the Minister of Municipal Affairs, and several members of cabinet.

Two requests for decision were passed at the Spring Caucus, the first advocates for aligning the authorities of bylaw enforcement officers with those of peace officers in allowing them to have vehicles towed. The second request for decision supports advocacy for community peace officer trainees to self-fund their training.

Budget 2025:

ABmunis hosted a 2025 Budget webinar on 2025 February 28 providing a preliminary assessment of the provincial budget. ABmunis also released a comprehensive analysis outlining the impact of the provincial budget on Alberta municipalities which can be found on their [website](#).

Upcoming events:

Abmunis Executive at Intergovernmental Affairs Committee

The Alberta Municipalities Executive team will attend the 2025 April 9 IGA Committee meeting for their annual update.

Resolution Deadline

ABmunis is accepting [resolutions](#) for advocacy until 2025 June 30. Resolutions are one way that the ABmunis members can propose actions or policies for membership to vote on. Resolutions that pass, set the direction for ABmunis advocacy for the next three years. Resolutions need support from both the submitting and a seconding council of different population categories established by ABmunis.

ABmunis 2025 Convention & Trade Show

The annual ABmunis Convention will take place 2025 November 12-15 at the TELUS Convention Centre in Calgary.

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General Manager Chris Arthurs concurs with the information in this verbal update.