

Notes to Council



March 2010

AUMA

Approved RFDs

- Approved the AUMA Policy FM006 – Suppliers of Goods and Services, and Administration to prepare a local procurement preference policy.
- Writing to the Premier outlining concerns of the future of MSI, and the shift from AMIP to MSI that shows cities and towns as “losers” with the MSI formula; and developing a Communication Strategy highlighting inequities, the imbalance of reductions, and implemented immediately.
- The topic for the Building Communities Standing Committee Session at the 2010 Convention is Crime Prevention through Social Development.
- A keynote speaker to address the social Infrastructure deficit (educating municipalities and how they can address), specifically what the social infrastructure deficit is doing to our communities, at the Building Communities Standing Committee Session at the 2010 Convention.
- Exploring opportunities for involvement and input into the grant re-engineering initiative being undertaken by Municipal Affairs.
- The theme for the Municipal Governance Standing Committee Session at the 2010 Convention is Assessment Reform.

Appointments

- Mayor Anita Gillard appointed as AUMA Representative to the Alberta Gaming and Liquor Commission Alberta Safer Bars Council.
- Mike A. Tukek of Airdrie appointed as the AUMA representative on Safety Codes – Gas Tech Council.
- Mayor Glenn Anderson of St. Paul appointed as the AUMA representative on Safety Codes – Gas Tech Council.
- Councillor Elizabeth Bell, Village of Cremona, appointed to the Women in Municipal Government Committee replacing Connie Fett of Cochrane, who has resigned.

Other

- Administration to bring back an updated quarterly budget review, outlining the year-to-date tracking of all external committee attendee activity.
- Welcoming and Inclusive Communities initiative to be included in the 2010 AUMA Convention Tradeshow booth.
- Thanking the Sustainable Resource Development for its attendance and offer to hold a meeting of representatives from the AUMA membership and administrations from other Ministries. They will identify the relevant Ministries to streamline the process and recognize all current issues and potential solutions concerning public lands affecting urban municipalities; and an inquiry will be made as to the status of Bill 41 and its proposed proclamation.
- Approved the AUMA Convention Resolution and Decision Making Process, to be further discussed at the next Municipal Governance Standing Committee Meeting.
- Sending the Sustainability and Environment resolutions to the appropriate Ministers instead of the Sustainability and Environment Policy Statement in order to provide sufficient time to make necessary updates to the Policy Statement.
- Presenting Welcoming and Inclusive Communities information at the June Mayors’ Caucuses and include an endorsement in the Small Communities Newsletter.
- Writing to MLA Jeff Johnson, Minister of Municipal Affairs and all members of the Legislative Assembly requesting clarification on “future meaningful consultations” and outcomes.
- Organizing a private Rural Caucus preview of the new Alberta Municipal Place, profiling and displaying our long-term synergies, in conjunction with the future Municipal Climate Change Centre.