

# Changes to AUMA's Resolutions Policy

June 2017 Mayors' Caucus





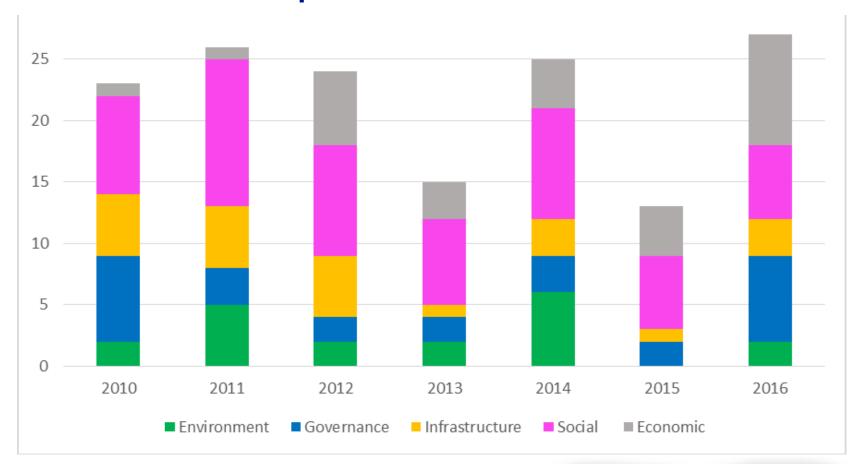
#### What are Resolutions?

- Call for action by government or AUMA
  - o legislation/policy
  - o programs
  - o funding
- Submitted by AUMA or member municipality or group of municipalities
- Active for 3 years





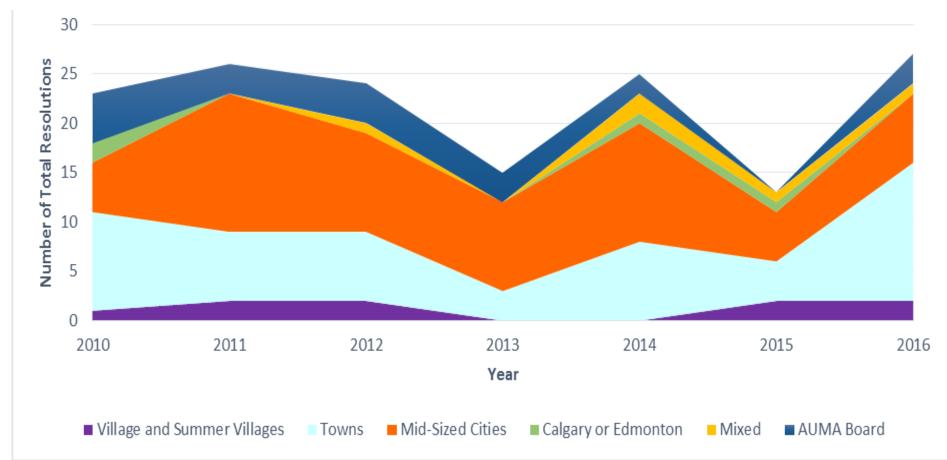
# **Resolution Topics**







#### **Submitters of Resolutions**







# Review of Resolutions Policy

- Phase 1:
  - Mostly administrative changes
  - Clarifying and modernizing
- Phase 2:
  - Significant change in strategy
  - Could have result in more significant changes







#### Review of Resolutions – Phase 1

- Clarifying processes
- Modernizing outdated provisions
- Improving clarity of text
- Examples:
  - Modernizing how resolutions are submitted
  - Improving clarity for extraordinary resolutions
  - Scope of administration and committee review
  - Clarifying participation
  - Allowing for amendments from the floor
- No changes to what goes forward to the assembly





#### Webinar

- Resolutions process and changes
- June 20, 2017: 9 a.m. 10 a.m.







### Review of Resolutions – Phase 2

Future changes to the resolutions policy













#### Issue 1: Resolution Threshold

#### **Current status:**

 The AUMA Resolutions policy allows any resolution that receives greater than a simple majority to be carried.





### **Question 1: Resolution Threshold**

- When, if ever, should there be a higher threshold than 50% in order for a resolution to pass?
  - If it is contrary to existing AUMA policy?
  - If it requests the changing of legislation or regulations?
  - Other instances?
  - Never?





# **Issue 2: Resolution Screening**

#### **Current status:**

- Resolutions with "deficiencies" (incorrect or missing information) may be returned
- AUMA does not evaluate the appropriateness or merit of a resolution
- All eligible resolutions come forward to the general assembly





## Question 2: Resolution Screening:

- Edits: What should be AUMA's role in providing edits or analysis and amendments to the resolutions?
- Process: Should all resolutions come forward directly to the general assembly or should there be other channels for resolutions (e.g. that fit within existing AUMA policy?)





## Issue 3: Voting

#### **Current status:**

- Every elected regular member in attendance during the resolution session is able to enter one vote.
- All votes are anonymous and weighted equally.





## **Question 3: Voting**

- How should votes be allocated?
  - Should each person in attendance receive one vote (status quo)?
  - Should each municipality in attendance have only one vote?
  - Other suggestions?
- Should each vote have the same weight, or should there be consideration to the number of citizens in the municipality?





### Question 4: Other

- Do you have any other suggestions about resolutions that you would like to share?
- What is working well and should NOT change in the policy?





# **Report Backs**





