



January 25, 2018

Myron Thompson  
Chief Administrative Officer  
Town of Blackfalds  
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Blackfalds, AB T0M 0J0

Dear Mr. Thompson:

Each year, AUMA members have the opportunity to submit resolutions on issues of importance to them. These resolutions are then presented, debated, and voted on by our members at the fall Convention. If passed, the resolutions remain active for three years, after which time they expire. On behalf of AUMA's Board, I am pleased to provide information on the outcome of the Town of Blackfalds' expired 2014 resolution.

The resolution titled "Exemption from Financial Information Return Requirements for Public Bodies not providing Services" called for AUMA to advocate for the province to provide an exemption from the requirement for submission of FIR for public bodies established by provincial statute, whose total annual operating budget is less than \$50,000 which are not in the process of delivering services, conducting engineering, or construction activities, for the provision of services, whose only source of funding is provincial grant funding.

While Municipal Affairs originally communicated that they would consider adding an exemption to the current requirements in specific circumstances where there are no significant transactions for a new or inactive commission in response to AUMA advocacy, no changes on the matter have been introduced as part of the Municipal Government Act Review. AUMA will continue to monitor the issue and provide input if the Financial Information Return Regulation is reviewed.

Thank you for raising this important issue through our resolution process.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Dan Rude', is written over a white background.

Dan Rude, Interim CEO

cc: His Worship Richard Poole, Mayor, Town of Blackfalds