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Mr. Barry Morishita President Alberta Urban Municipalities Association 300, 8616 – 51 Avenue Edmonton, AB T6E 6E6

Dear Mr. Morishita:

November 9, 2018

Thank you for your October 25, 2018 letter regarding AUMA Resolution 2018.A4. I appreciate the time you took to write.

The Government of Alberta is committed to planning, designing, constructing, and maintaining a world-class highway system to move people and goods safely. Alberta Transportation's "Who Pays For Highway Improvements" policy was founded on a principle of growth-pays-for-growth, which reflects the idea that municipalities are accountable for the approvals of municipal land-use and development that impact access to provincial highways.

I understand the policy, and specifically how it relates to municipality size and proximity to provincial highways, has been raised by your staff during recent meetings of the Provincial Highway Connections Working Group. I look forward to reviewing the findings from these working group meetings, which are expected to be prepared as the group wraps up its work in 2018.

If you have further questions regarding the policy, please contact Mr. Scott Beeby, Executive Director. Mr. Beeby can be reached at 780-415-0775 or at scott.beeby@gov.ab.ca.

Sincerely,

Brian Mason Minister