

# Agenda

## President's Summit on the Future of Municipal Government

March 29 and 30, 2023

Westin Hotel Edmonton

Subject to adjustment

### Wednesday, March 29

Time	Description
9:00 a.m.	Registration opens, coffee and pastries provided
10:00 a.m.	<p>Welcome - Why, What, Who and How</p> <p>Description: President Heron will provide background on the Future of Municipal Government project, what we have learned so far, what's coming next for the project and what we hope to accomplish together through the Summit.</p>
10:15 a.m.	<p>The Future is Engaged</p> <p>Description: Facilitator Shawn Bravender will provide the rules of engagement for the day and lead a brief interactive exercise to show who is represented in the room.</p>
10:35 a.m.	<p>The Future is Collaborative</p> <p>Description: Professor Sandeep Agrawal will provide an overview of recommendations in his paper 'Local Governance in Alberta: Principles, Options, and Recommendations' and share his thoughts on initial feedback from municipalities.</p>
10:55 a.m.	Time for quick clarification questions
11:00 a.m.	<p>The Future is Facilitated: the role of facilitation, mediation, and arbitration in supporting intermunicipal relationships</p> <p>Description: By its nature, successful collaboration requires effective dispute resolution processes. Practitioners will share their experience with the role that facilitation, mediation, and arbitration can play in intermunicipal collaboration and provide tips and real-world examples of how to build strong relationships, avoid conflict and effectively address conflict when it does occur.</p>
11:55 a.m.	Q&A
12:15 p.m.	Lunch
1:15 p.m.	<p>Table Discussion</p> <p>Sample questions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What are your thoughts on the information presented on dispute resolution processes? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ What has worked well in your municipality to build relationships and resolve disputes?</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

	○ What dispute resolution resources do you most need?
1:45 p.m.	Report back from discussion on dispute resolution processes
2:00 p.m.	Cross Country Check-up Panel  Description: No matter how municipalities are structured within a province, some degree of intermunicipal collaboration is required. Representatives from municipal associations across Canada join President Heron for a discussion on what intermunicipal collaboration looks like in their province, the role of their provincial government in supporting municipalities, hard learned lessons and successes to adapt in Alberta.
3:00 p.m.	Break
3:15 p.m.	Q&A
3:30 p.m.	Table Discussion  Sample Questions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● What are your thoughts on the information presented by the Cross Country Check-up Panel? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ What should be adapted and implemented in Alberta?</li> <li>○ What should be avoided?</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
4:00 p.m.	Report Back
4:05 p.m.	Wrap up Comments
4:10 p.m.	Close
	Free Time
5:30 p.m.	Cocktails
6:00 p.m.	Dinner Stations (including Potato Bar and Carving Station!)
7:00 p.m.	The Future is Funny <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Interactive sketch comedy</li> </ul>
7:30 p.m.	Desert stations and more networking

## Thursday, March 30

Time	Description
8:00 a.m.	Breakfast
9:00 a.m.	Welcome - what happened yesterday and what will happen today
9:15 a.m.	Breakout sessions based on size/circumstance/geography <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● One Big Happy Family? Opportunities and challenges for collaboration in metropolitan regions</li> <li>● Working for the Win-win: Making community centered collaboration work</li> <li>● Small but Mighty: Finding strength in collaboration</li> </ul>
11:30 a.m.	Report back from each breakout session
11:45 a.m.	What I Learned by President Heron
12:00 p.m.	Lunch transition to Municipal Leaders Caucus <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <i>Please note, if you are registered for President's Summit ONLY, lunch will be in a to-go box.</i></li> </ul>