

Welcome!

Spring 2025 Municipal Leaders Caucus

Friday, March 7

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Agenda for Friday, March 7

9:00 a.m.	Premier's Remarks
9:45 a.m.	President's Report and Update on ABmunis Business Services
10:10 a.m.	Speaking to Albertans about the Realities of Municipal Taxes and the Future of Our Communities
10:30 a.m.	Break
10:45 a.m.	Cheques and Balances: Clarifying Municipal Roles and Responsibilities under Altered Arrangements for Police Governance and Funding
12:00 p.m.	Closing Remarks and Lunch to Go

Premier's Remarks

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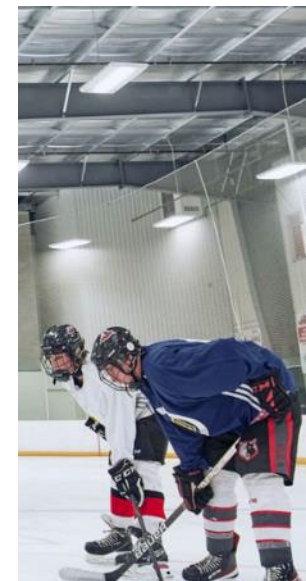
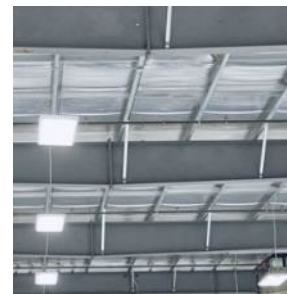


President's Report

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Advocacy Updates



A Very Busy Season of Consultation with Municipal Affairs

Legislation/Regulations/Minister's Guidelines/Other

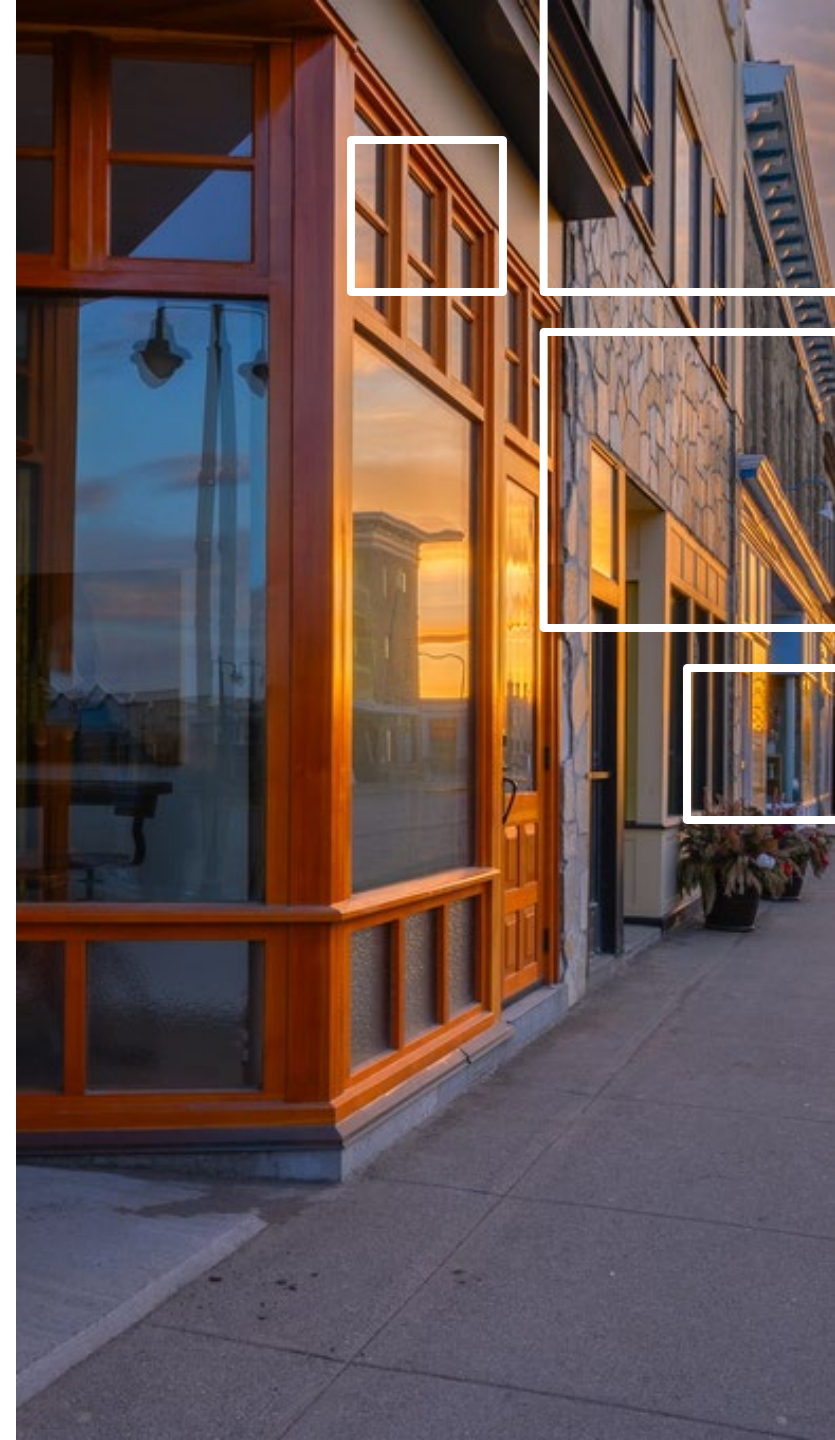
- Intermunicipal Collaboration Frameworks
- Integrity commissioner for code of conduct complaints
- Streamlining of development approvals to support affordable housing
- Community Organization Property Tax Exemption Regulation
- Business Improvement Area Regulation
- Assessment Model Review for machinery & equipment, railway, electrical power, telecommunications, pipelines, wells

Funding Programs

- Allocation formula for LGFF Operating
- Alberta Community Partnership Grant

Municipalities as Partners in Growth & Prosperity

- Invest in local infrastructure to support growth
- Position municipalities as partners and leaders



Welcoming and Inclusive Communities

ABmunis' WIC Initiative offers:

- Online toolkits, guides, and resources to support municipal inclusion efforts in strategic planning, performance measurement, and engagement with diverse communities.
- Webinars, workshops, and conferences to share best practices around building diversity and inclusion.
- One-on-one guidance for municipal staff and elected officials that are seeking assistance to become a more welcoming and inclusive community.

To learn more, please contact us at wic@abmunis.ca



Health Care & Emergency Medical Services

- Joint Advocacy with RMA
- Alberta EMS Advisory Committee
- Alberta EMS Standing Committee
- Lead the Way public engagement

Register at alberta.ca/lead-the-way



Social Issues

- ABmunis Family and Community Support Services Resolution
 - Calls for the province to immediately increase provincial funding for Family and Community Support Services commensurate to population growth and annual inflation rates.
- Meetings with key Ministers and senior provincial administrators



Emergency Management

- Municipal Wildfire Working Group
- Provincial Wildfire Mitigation Strategy
- ABmunis 2024 Resolutions



Water Conservation

- Provincial Water Availability Engagements
- [2024 Water Conservation, Efficiency, and Productivity Plan](#)
- Analysis of municipal water conservation trends to enhance long-term water management strategies
- Updated resources available on our Drought webpage at ABmunis.ca (note: water-sharing agreement negotiation meetings are currently on hold)



Extended Producer Responsibility

- Transition is progressing as scheduled under the regulated timelines.
- Producers must assume responsibility for the collection and management of recyclable materials by the April 1, 2025, deadline.
- ABmunis and ARMA successfully negotiated a delayed Phase 1 start date for municipalities needing more time to negotiate with Circular Materials.
- Producers are finalizing contracts with municipalities enrolled in Phase 1 to fully cover the costs of existing recycling systems.



Upcoming EOEP Courses

Online Courses

Public Engagement starts March 27

Regional Collaboration will start in April or May

In-Person Courses

Strategic Planning (March 17, Edmonton)

Finance (March 17, Edmonton)

Land Use & Development (March 17, Edmonton)

Register at eoep.ca



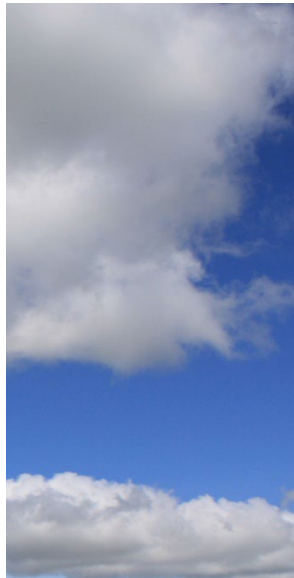
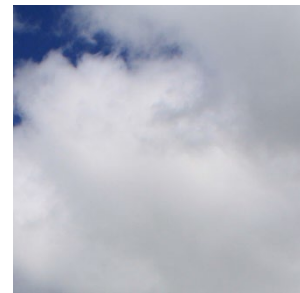
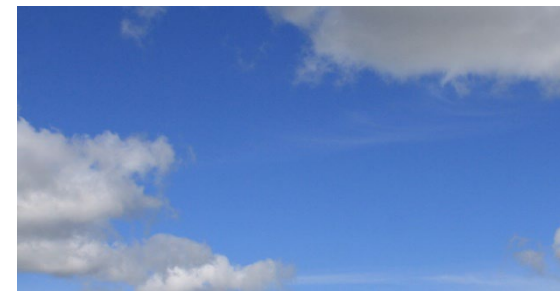
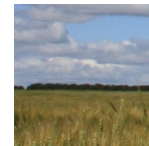
Municipal Climate Change Action Centre

- Deliver practical **tools, funding and expertise**
- Support energy efficiency and renewable energy solutions that achieve **cost savings** and other co-benefits
- Identify **climate risks** and develop **climate adaptation** plans
- **Enhance capacity** of elected officials and staff to plan and implement climate change solutions
- Helped municipalities achieve over **\$10 million in annual cost savings** since 2009





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- Long-term stable pricing = **budget certainty**
- Provide comprehensive and informative reports
- **Industry-leading** customer service

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CLEAN ENERGY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

- 29 communities passed enabling bylaws
- 23 programs in market (21 residential; 2 commercial)
- \$83+ million in financing available
- Over 1,300 active and completed projects
- 502 qualified contractors

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OTHER SERVICES

- Retirement Services
- High Interest Savings Account (HISA)



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- We are focused on listening to you
- We see you as partners
- We are stronger together

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Cheques and Balances: Clarifying Municipal Roles and Responsibilities under Altered Arrangements for Police Governance and Funding

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Honourable Mike Ellis, ECA

Deputy Premier

Minister of Public Safety and Emergency Services



Enhancements to Policing

- Civilian governance of RCMP policed communities
- Review of the Police Funding Model
- Establishment of the Independent Agency Police Service (IAPS)

Civilian Governance of RCMP Policed Communities

Civilian Governance

- New civilian governance bodies allow communities to provide input on local and provincial policing priorities and RCMP service delivery.

Communities with a Population > 15,000

- Communities with a population over 15,000 policed by the RCMP will be required to establish municipal policing committees.
- Municipal policing committees will consist of between three and seven members appointed by the municipality.
- The Minister may add provincial appointments to the committee based on the size of committee.

Communities with a Population < 15,000

- Communities under 15,000 with municipal police service agreements (MPSAs) will be represented by four regional governance bodies
- With Minister approval:
 - Communities may opt out and establish their own municipal committee.
 - Communities may also form joint municipal committees with another municipality.

Communities with a Population < 5000

- Communities policed under the Provincial Police Service Agreement (PPSA) with populations under 5,000 will be represented by the Provincial Police Advisory Board (PPAB).
- The province will appoint up to 15 members to the PPAB, including representation from:
 - First Nations
 - Métis communities
 - Rural Municipalities of Alberta
 - Alberta Municipalities
 - all four provincial RCMP districts

Costs

- Municipalities are responsible for the costs of municipal and regional policing committees.
- Municipalities can use a portion of their annual Police Support Grant, which allows funds to be used for police governance and police oversight.
- Communities with populations between 5,000 - 15,000 may also share costs by remaining part of the regional policing committee in their region.

Timeline

- November 2024 to June 2025 - transition period to allow:
 - municipalities to pass relevant by-laws and prepare for implementation.
 - municipalities that already have civilian governance bodies time to adapt those bodies to the new statutory requirements.
 - municipalities and the province should have sufficient time to complete enhanced security screening of proposed committee members.
- Completion of the implementation phase for governance bodies is anticipated between March and June 2025.

Further Questions/Support

- If you have further questions or need support in establishing these new governance bodies, please contact:

AlbertaPoliceGovernance@gov.ab.ca

Review of Police Funding Model

The Police Funding Model (PFM)

- The Police Funding Model (PFM) was introduced in 2020 to create equitable and sustainable cost distribution.
- The PFM enabled a \$235.4 million investment in policing over five years, adding 272 regular members and 242 civilian positions to enhance rural policing.

Review of the PFM

- The PFM was based on 2018 policing costs
 - The model involved a gradual implementation starting at 10 per cent of frontline policing costs in 2020-21, increasing to 30 per cent for 2023-24 and 2024-25.
- Under the model, the municipal share was to be updated after 2024-25 to reflect current policing costs, which have risen significantly since 2018.
 - This would result in the cost to municipalities increasing by more than 39%, without a corresponding increase in resources
- Instead of implementing the increase now, a review of the model is being undertaken and municipal costs will be held at the current rate until the March 31, 2026 expiry date.

Engagement on The Review

- We are committed to engaging municipalities on policing needs and potential improvements to the PFM.
- Stakeholders will be invited to participate in-person and/or virtual engagement sessions to:
 - provide insights into their day-to-day operations/interactions
 - examine issues, challenges and barriers associated with the current PFM
 - consider what factors/elements of a new/enhanced PFM would ensure the long-term fairness, fiscal responsibility, and sustainability of police funding related to the PPSA

Independent Agency Police Service

The Independent Agency Police Service (IAPS)

- The Alberta Sheriffs have taken on more police-like roles over the years to address increasingly complex criminal activity.
- As a result, the Government of Alberta is creating an independent agency police service (IAPS) to assume the police-like duties planned for and performed by the Alberta Sheriffs.

Role and Oversight of the IAPS

- The new IAPS will:
 - Support all police services across the province, enabling them to partner with additional police resources to increase frontline response efforts and keep communities safe.
 - Operate independently from government, as all Alberta's police services do.
 - Follow best practices, which include being subject to a civilian oversight board to ensure police accountability.

Timeline

- May 2024 - the *Public Safety Statutes Amendment Act, 2024*, received Royal Assent amending the *Police Act* to allow for the establishment of the IAPS
- Late Fall 2024 – establishment of the oversight board to guide development of the IAPS
- Spring 2025 – recruitment of Chief for the new IAPS
- Spring 2025 – legislative changes to establish the form of the IAPS
- Current/Ongoing Work:
 - Work on structural organization, financial costs, coordination with existing services
 - Further analysis and implementation planning

Questions





Alberta Association of Police Governance

AB Municipalities
Spring Municipal Leaders Caucus
March 7th, 2025



Supporting excellence in community governance
and oversight of local police services in Alberta



History

- The Alberta Association of Police Governance (AAPG) was incorporated under Alberta's Societies Act on February 4, 2003, to provide police commissions and policing committees in Alberta a forum for discussion, collaboration, and education regarding police governance and policing issues.
- AAPG continues to grow its membership. In 2008, AAPG had 12 members, yet has seen consistent growth each year to today's membership level of over 40 police commissions, policing committees and associate members.



Vision and Mission

AAPG's Vision

A proactively collaborative network of effective police governance and oversight organizations across Alberta.

AAPG's Mission

To empower members through educational services, resources, and unified provincial advocacy



AAPG Values

- Accountability
- Collaboration
- Inclusivity
- Ethical Conduct
- Respect
- Trust



Annual Conference

2025 Conference & AGM

May 1st (evening Registration + Mix & Mingle)

Conference May 2nd & 3rd

Westlock Inn & Conference Centre

Westlock, Alberta



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PUBLIC RISK CONFERENCE

WHEN: May 1 – 2, 2025

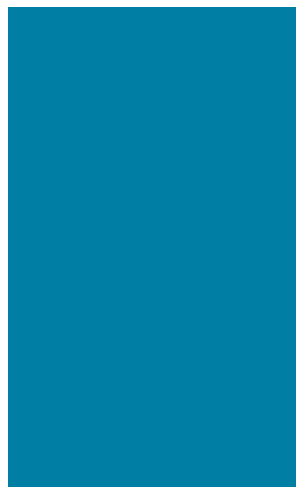
WHERE: Edmonton

CONVENTION

WHEN: November 12 – 14, 2024

WHERE: Calgary

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Thanks for attending!

