MANITOBA MUNICIPAL RELATIONS

## Manitoba Municipal Administrators' Association **District Meeting**

September 13, 2019 and September 20, 2019

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#### **Presentation Overview**

- Department Update
  - Funding Programs
  - Legislative Changes
  - Financial Statements
  - o Tax Tools



## **Municipal Relations Funding**

Municipal Operating and Public Safety Funding:

- Municipal Operating portion includes infrastructure and recreation funding
- Urban Policing portion paid by Department of Justice
- Outcomes framework being developed
  - > Further feedback will be sought



## New Federal Funding Program

Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program (ICIP):

deadline for filing applications

- Green Sept 12
- Rural and Northern Sept 26
- Community, Culture and Recreation Sept 19

Public Transit – municipalities will be contacted directly by MSIS

Contact: 1-800-268-4883



Bill 2 Council Code of Conduct

Effective November 1, 2020

Council Code of Conduct is currently being developed and will address:

- Training for council members
  - Mandatory deadline for completion May1, 2021
- Codification of standards and values
- Process for dealing with complaints
- Sanctions / penalties
- Appeal process



Bill 12 Omnibus Bill - Red Tape Reduction and Government Efficiency Act

- Amendments include:
  - Streamline process for Public Road closings s.288 s.291
    - ➤ no Ministerial approval required for by-law
  - Repeal audit requirement for organizations receiving \$5,000 or more grant and having a municipal representative appointed s.186(1)(c)
  - Provision to make a Regulation that establishes the criteria for municipal borrowing subject to Municipal Board approval
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Bill 6 - Public Sector Compensation Act

- Effective January 1, 2019
- Applies to all public sector bodies
- Increase compensation reporting threshold from \$50,000 to \$75,000 for each officer and employee
- Disclosure information in audited financial statements or separate audit report



Bill 25 – Interest on Excess Taxes and Reassessment Tax Tool Reporting

- Bill was not passed
- Impact of Reassessment reports will be available to the public Fall 2019



- Bill 14 The Traffic and Transportation Modernization Act (TTMA)
  - effective March 1, 2019
  - Highway Traffic Board and Motor Transport Board eliminated
  - Municipal council must pass speed limit by-law by September 1, 2019 for municipal roads
  - Municipalities may request speed limit changes on provincial roads within its authority
    - Application on MMO, requires a resolution



#### **Audited Financial Statements**

- 2018 Financial statements
  - > Due date June 30th
- 2019 audit appointment
  - ➤ August 31<sup>st</sup> resolution to appoint an auditor
  - ➤ Oct 10<sup>th</sup> file on MMO



#### **Tax Tools**



#### **Special Services**

 Enable council to levy a special service tax on specific properties receiving certain municipal services. Municipal Board approval is required

#### Tax Credit

 Enable council to establish a tax credit program for municipal taxes, based on local circumstances. By-law required



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# QUESTIONS



