

# Municipal Governance

Mayors' Caucus: March 2016

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# MGA Review

- Extensive member engagement
- 2014 submission
- Municipal-business working group
- 2015 submissions
  - Code of conduct, annexation, amalgamation
  - Joint submission with AAMDC on 30 policy changes
- 2016 linear tax revenue and cost sharing
- Regulatory review

# MGA Review

1. Reframe the provincial-municipal relationship as a collaborative, government to government partnership.
2. Address concerns with municipal finances to ensure that municipalities have the necessary revenue to provide services to Albertans.
3. Modernize legislation to reflect the growing importance of regionalization.

# Intermunicipal Collaboration

- Annexations and amalgamations
- Regional revenue and cost sharing
- Viability reviews
  - Standardize and complete infrastructure audits before reviews start
  - Positive communication with citizens
  - Petition-initiated views

# Budget 2016 Priorities

- Realize full commitment of MSI
- Include municipal projects in Building Canada Fund (provincial/regional)
- Reinstate grants in lieu of taxes on social housing

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