

Support for Councillor Applications to Federation of Canadian Municipalities Standing Policy Committees.**Report Purpose**

To obtain support from Council for Councillor Parks' application to serve on Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) committees.

Recommendation

THAT Councillor Parks be endorsed to serve as a committee member on Federation of Canadian Municipalities, as a representative for Strathcona County, for a term ending at the close of the Annual General Meeting held in 2022, provided he remains a member of Council; and

THAT if Councillor Parks is appointed to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities Board Standing Committees, the costs associated with attendance at these meetings be funded from fiscal services.

Our Prioritized Strategic Goals

Goal 5 - Foster collaboration through regional, community and governmental partnerships

Goal 1 - Build strong communities to support the diverse needs of residents

Report

An important part of the work of FCM's Board of Directors happens through its standing committees. Their members discuss issues that matter to the membership—from municipal finance to antiracism to affordable housing. FCM committees make recommendations to the board that help inform advocacy, policy, and program initiatives.

The FCM President may appoint elected municipal officials who are FCM members but do not serve as board members to these committees and fora. The President makes committee appointments based on applicants' preferences and experience, as well as the need to balance regional, community size, and gender representation on each committee.

Councillor Parks' application to serve on the FCM committees was submitted on June 22, to meet the June 25 deadline. The application can be amended before July 8 to include a Council motion in support of the application. The motion is required for an application.

Councillor Parks also serves as the District 5 representative to FCM for the Rural Municipalities of Alberta.

Other Impacts

Policy: N/A

Legislative/Legal: N/A

Interdepartmental: N/A

Master Plan/Framework: N/A