



SUMA Summer School Agenda

August 25 - 26, 2022

Wednesday, August 24:

10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Virtual Orientation: *Online via Zoom*
Virtual participants only

Join us to see what features we will be using in Zoom during SUMA Summer School. Ask questions, and meet your fellow virtual participants. If you cannot attend this session live it will be recorded and emailed to virtual registrants before 4:00 p.m.

4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Registration and Welcome: *Lobby – Wakpā Tower*
[3821 Sagittaire Lane](#)
In-person participants only

Check in to your room at the U of R and get your registration package. SUMA staff will be available to answer any questions you have about SUMA Summer School.

If you are staying at a hotel you can pick up your registration package at breakfast on Thursday August 25.

Thursday, August 25:

7:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.

Breakfast and Registration: *Research and Innovation Centre (RIC) Atrium, RI 101.6*
[3737 Wascana Parkway](#)
In-person participants only

Join us for a hot breakfast and pick up your registration package if you haven't already done so. SUMA staff will be available to answer questions you have about SUMA Summer School.

8:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.

Opening Remarks: *RIC Auditorium, RI 119*

An introduction to the event by SUMA CEO, Jean-Marc Nadeau, greetings from SUMA President Randy Goulden and our event sponsor SaskWater, followed by an ice-breaker activity.

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9:00 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.

Leadership and Governance: *RI 119*

A collection of experiences from a civil servant with many years experience working with and for elected officials. Plus, tips and tricks for mayors and councilors.

Facilitator: Keith Comstock, Executive in Residence, Johnson Shoyama Graduate School of Public Policy (JSGS)

9:45 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

Legal Tangles: *RI 119*

An annual review of recent case law affecting local governments.

Facilitator: Steve Dribnenki – Legal Counsel, Office of the City Solicitor, City of Regina

10:30 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.

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10:45 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Municipal Cybersecurity Best Practices– Making Sure Your Municipality is Protected: *RI 119*

Municipal governments have faced increasing threats from cybercrime. The best practices discussed in this session will help keep your municipality protected.

Facilitator: TBC

11:45 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Open Forum on Council Operations: *RI 119*

Come prepared with your queries on topics such as council operation, legislation, and human resources.

Panelists:

- Mike O'Donnell, former City of Regina Councillor
- Judy Kanak, Manager of Advisory Services, Government Relations
- TBC, Brownlee LLP

12:30 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.

LUNCH BREAK: *RIC Atrium, RI 101.6*

A chance to network with your colleagues. In person participants, join us in the RIC Atrium for lunch. Virtual participants, the Zoom room will remain open! Grab your lunch and message others directly or join in the group conversation in the chat box.

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1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Municipal Strategic Planning: RI 119

Get to know how Council and staff plan for municipal success. Everything from setting strategic priorities and community engagement to developing action plans and the financial framework to achieve the desired outcomes.

Facilitator: Ian McCormack – President, Strategic Steps Inc.

3:00 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.

BREAK

3:15 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Municipal Strategic Planning (continued)

6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Special Event at the Atlas Hotel

In-person participants only

Join us at the Atlas Hotel for a reception and dinner. Following dinner, Jason Young, Director of Education with the Northern Lights School Division, and Georgina Joilibois, Mayor of La Loche, will discuss the impact of the tragedy at La Loche Community School in 2016 and speak about the need for the school divisions, victim services, and the village to work together as part of an emergency response.

Friday, August 26:

7:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.

Breakfast: RIC Atrium, RI 101.6

In-person participants only

Join us for a hot breakfast. SUMA staff will be available to answer questions you have about SUMA Summer School.

8:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.

Welcome Back: RI 119

A review of lessons learned from the previous day with SUMA's CEO Jean-Marc Nadeau, followed by an activity to get to know your fellow colleagues better.

9:00 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.

Governing Without Administering: RI 119

A discussion on governance and administration.

Panelists:

- Keith Comstock - Executive in Residence, JSGS

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- Chris Costley – CAO, Mossbank and President, UMAAS
- Mike O'Donnell - former City of Regina Councillor

9:45 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

Excellence in Regional Collaboration: South Saskatchewan Ready: RI 119

South Saskatchewan Ready (SSR) is a regional collaboration among nine vibrant municipalities that strive to support local business and attract new enterprise to the region.

Facilitator: Sean Wallace - Managing Director, South Saskatchewan Ready

10:30 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.

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10:45 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.

Break Out Sessions: Municipal Best Practices – Please select one to attend

Opportunities in the South Saskatchewan Ready region are linked. Tourism has been the draw, providing regional awareness and enthusiasm. Agri-Value has been the economic anchor. Green energy and mining play supporting roles.

<p>Tourism Location: RI 208 Catherine MacKay-Wilson, CAO - Town of Coronach</p>	<p>Agri-Value Location: RI 209 Facilitator: TBC</p>
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The Council-Administration Dynamic: RI 119

The council-administration relationship is essential for the success of your urban government. Understanding the difference between council's role as policy makers and the role of your administration goes a long way to making this relationship work.

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Panelists:

- Brian Fergusson, Mayor, White City
- Rodney Audette, Town Manager, White City
- Michelle McKenzie, Mayor, Maple Creek
- Barry Elliott, CAO, Maple Creek

1:15 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Addressing Mental Health and Addictions in your Community: *RI 119*

Join us for a discussion on how collaboration between community groups, government, and business can address mental health and addictions in Saskatchewan lead by the Government of Saskatchewan, Ministry of Health, Government Relations, and the Saskatchewan Health Authority.

Facilitators:

- Brandi Bell – Senior Policy Analyst, Secretariat of Embracing Life, Northern Engagement, Indigenous and Northern Relations – Ministry of Government Relations
- Katie Schutz - Senior Program Consultant - Community Care Branch, Ministry of Health
- Justin Dauncey-Ripplinger - Senior Program Consultant, Mental Health and Addictions Unit - Community Care Branch, Ministry of Health

2:00 p.m. – 2:15 p.m.

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2:15 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Addressing Mental Health and Addictions in your Community (Continued) WORKSHOP: *RI 119*

3:15 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

What Can We Do For You?: *RI 119*

A chance to discuss with SUMA's administration what supports we can provide to you in your term as a Mayor or Councillor and provide feedback on our current offerings.

Facilitators:

- Jean-Marc Nadeau, CEO
- Sean McKenzie, Director of Advocacy Services

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