

Urban Update



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Resolution Reminder

You only have a few more opportunities to have council endorse resolutions before the **November 22** deadline to get the resolution on the floor at Convention 2014.

Find the full details on submitting a resolution in the [Call for Resolutions](#), including the full details on submitting a resolution for Convention 2014 and for a basic template for creating your own resolution. Examples of past resolutions are available on [the Resolution Database](#).

Community Rink Grants Are Back

Does your municipality own a skating or curling facility? The Community Rink Affordability Grant is back for another year, offering \$2,500 per ice surface; if your facility includes skating and curling rinks, you could qualify for \$5,000! You can use the funds for operating costs or small capital expenditures.

Registration is open until **Saturday, November 30, 2013**. More information on the grant is available on [the summary sheet on our website](#).

World Town Planning Day

Saskatchewan communities are all too familiar with the challenges that come with water - flood, drought, supply shortages, and more. So the theme for the World Town

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FAQ on Municipal Governance

Question:

Can a council have an "in camera" session prior to a council or council committee meeting?

Answer:

All council and council committee meetings must be conducted in public. Closed meetings should only be held when the requirements of Section 120 of *The Municipalities Act* are

met. ([Read the full answer.](#))

Planning Day Online Conference (Water and Planning: the Fluid Challenge) is timely and appropriate. The online conference is happening **November 6-7**.

Conference organizers hope to have insights for how to improve cities, towns, villages, and the natural environment around us. Organized by several international planning organizations, the conference offers you a chance to learn about best practices on planning in an online forum, so you don't even have to travel!

Information on the conference, session themes, and registration are available on [the conference website](#).

Upcoming Grant Deadlines

Community Rink Affordability Grant
(November 30)

Museum Grant Program
(November 30)

For a full listing of grants, check the Grants section on [our website](#) under the Events tab.

MLDP Registration Now Open

Register today for the fall 2013 modules of the Municipal Leadership Development Program (MLDP). They are happening **November 13-28** around the province.

Mayors, councillors, and municipal staff all benefit from the program, designed to strengthen local government leadership. All six workshops will be offered this fall, each over the course of one day.

- Strategic and Financial Planning for Municipalities
- Municipal Economic Development Fundamentals
- Human Resources in the Municipal Workplace
- Public Relations and Communications for Municipalities
- Community and Land Use Planning

Registration forms and more information on the modules (including dates and locations) are available on the [new MLDP website](#). For more information, or if you have any questions, contact Teresa Edwards at 306-761-3725 or at mldp@sasktel.net.

Recycle Saskatchewan

Looking for a place with the answers about recycling programs in Saskatchewan? Recycle Saskatchewan is your central hub for the programs available across the province, for everything

SUMA Classifieds

POSITIONS AVAILABLE

Town of Watson: Town Foreman
(October 18)

*Town of Fort Qu'Appelle:
Accounting Clerk* (October 18)

*Town of Eckville: Public Works
Supervisor* (October 21)

*Woodlands County: Planning and
Development Director* (October 31)

*Northern Village of Denare Beach:
Public Works Employee*
(November 12)

Village of Dinsmore: Administrator
(When Filled)

City of Warman: City Manager
(When Filled)

Village of Edam: Administrator
(When Filled)

from electronic products to beverage containers.

As we all prepare for the implementation of the Multi-Material Recycling Program (MMRP), you can find answers for you and your residents about the options already available. [The Recycle Saskatchewan website](#) was revamped this summer, so check it out today to get the answers to your green questions.

P3 Summit

November is obviously a busy time for summits in the municipal sector. The Canadian Council for Public-Private Partnerships is holding their 21st annual conference on **November 7-8** in Toronto.

Delegates from several levels of government in Canada, plus the private sector will gather to learn about best practices, issues facing the P3 arena, and a better understanding of P3s in general.

Get more details and registration information on [the conference website](#).

Regional Planning Summit in Regina

The Regional Planning for Growth Summit, taking place **November 4-5** in Regina, is important for the purpose of building momentum around regional planning by bringing together stakeholders contributing to economic growth and development in the economic regions of southern Saskatchewan.

The Summit theme *The Economic Case for Regional Cooperation* will focus on the following topics of discussion:

1. Infrastructure
2. Regional Planning for Growth
3. Governance

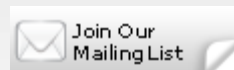
For more information or to register today please visit [ReginaPlanningSummit.ca](#).

FOR SALE

[Fire Truck](#) (When Sold)

[Fire Truck by Tender](#) (When Sold)

For a full listing of ads, visit the [SUMA Classifieds](#) under the Urban Marketplace tab.



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We'd like to thank you for reading the Urban Update this week and we welcome your comments.

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Did You Know...

Hayley Wickenheiser, the first woman to play full-time professional hockey in a position other than goalie, is from Shaunavon. In 2011, the town christened their new recreational complex the Crescent Point Wickenheiser Centre.