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Date: October 21, 2024
To: Mayor Olivia Chow, Chair, and Executive Committee
Re: Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) Report to City Council

Recommendation:

1. City Council receive the Federation of Canadian Municipalities Board of Directors Gathering Summary for September 2024 from Councillor Paul Ainslie for information.

Background:

As one of the City of Toronto appointees to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities Board of Directors, I am writing to provide an update on the recent FCM Board of Directors Gathering held in Ottawa on September 18-19. This gathering was a valuable opportunity for board members to receive targeted information, engage in discussions, and prepare for the upcoming fall and winter. Key focus areas of the meeting included:

- **Reconciliation:** We discussed FCM's developing Reconciliation strategy and engaged in facilitated roundtable discussions to gather input from board members. This was a positive step towards empowering board members to become Reconciliation champions in their home municipalities.
- **New Board Member Orientation:** We welcomed and oriented new board and committee members, providing them with information on the current context and major issues facing our municipalities.
- **Electoral Readiness and Strategic Planning:** FCM's senior leadership presented on current priorities and the steps being taken to position municipal needs ahead of a future election. Additionally, our CEO, Carole Saab, provided an update on the development of our overall strategic plan.
- **Green Municipal Fund:** We highlighted the success of the Green Municipal Fund in driving positive impacts for Canadian communities and discussed ongoing and new programs.
- **Legal Defense Fund:** We updated our board on the status of the Legal Defense Fund and its key role in supporting our capacity to intervene in precedent-setting federal appellate cases.

The meeting was a productive and informative event that will help position FCM and its member municipalities for success in the coming months.

Meetings, Talks and Board Gatherings	
Green Municipal Fund Legal Defense Fund 2025 Election Playbook	Committee Orientations and the Year Ahead Strategic Plan Readiness – What to Expect in 2024/2025

I invite you to review the attached September Summation sheet, with details the work accomplished at the Board of Directors Meeting. **Summation sheet**

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Paul W. Ainslie', written over a light gray rectangular background.

Paul W. Ainslie

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