



**MEMBER OF COUNCIL REPORT
ON OUT-OF-PROVINCE CONFERENCE**

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Name of Member of Council: Councillor Michael Thompson

Name of Conference: 2016 FCM Annual Conference and Trade Show

Location: Winnipeg

Date(s) Attended: June 2nd to June 6th, 2016

I confirm I attended the following sessions (please use additional sheet if required):

DATE	TIME	NAME OF SESSION
02/06/2016	4:00 pm	Regional Networking - Ontario
03/06/2017	9:00 am	Keynote Speaker – The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau
03/06/2017	10:00 am	Concurrent Workshop: Digital Disruption and the Survival of Neighbourhood Retail
03/06/2017	2:15 pm	President's Forum: At the table – Big Ideas for Building a Lasting Partnership
03/06/2017	3:15 pm	Keynote: Dianne Watts, MP for South Surrey
04/06/2017	9:30 am	Tribute to Fort McMurray
04/06/2017	10:30 am	Concurrent Workshop: Rail Talk: Grade Crossings, Proximity Issues and more
04/06/2017	3:30 pm	Concurrent Workshop: Global Challenges, Local Realities
05/06/2017	8:30 am	Annual General Meeting and Elections
05/06/2017	10:30 am	Keynote: Tom Mulcair
05/06/2017	11:15 am	Selection of Candidates for Board of Directors and Regional Chairs - Ontario



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05/06/2017	1:45 pm	FCM 2016-2017 Board of Directors Election
05/06/2017	2:00 pm	FCM 2016-2017 Board Member Elections
05/06/2017	2:15 pm	Keynote: Elizabeth May

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Member of Council Signature:

Date: Jun. 8/17



2016 FCM Annual Conference and Trade Show Program

Thursday, June 2, 2016

10 a.m. - 7 p.m. **Delegate Registration – Concourse Foyer, North Building**

3 p.m. – 3:45 p.m. **Orientation Session for First-Timers**

4 - 5 p.m. **Regional Networking**

- British Columbia
- Prairies and Territories
- Ontario
- Quebec
- Atlantic

5 - 7 p.m. **Trade Show Official Opening and Réception – Hall C, 3rd Floor,
South Building**

Come and join us as we cut the ribbon for the official opening of our trade show. Join FCM President, FCM corporate partners and your peers in discovering what our exhibitors have to offer.

Friday, June 3, 2016

- 7 a.m. - 6 p.m. **Delegate Registration – Concourse Foyer, North Building**
- 7 a.m. - 8 a.m. **Breakfast – Hall C, 3rd Floor, South Building**
- 7 a.m. – 2.30 p.m. **Trade Show – Hall C, 3rd Floor, South Building**
- 8 - 9 a.m. **Opening Ceremony – Hall C, 3rd Floor, South Building**
- 9 – 9:30 a.m. **Keynote: The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister of Canada - Hall D, 3rd Floor, South Building**
- 9:30 – 10 a.m. **Coffee Break**
- 10:00 - 11:30 a.m. **Concurrent Workshop: Policy Speed Dating - A Guide to Influencing FCM Policy**
This session uses a "speed dating" approach to walk you through FCM's policy process. Learn more about our nine policy and program committees, meet our current Chairs and Vice-Chairs, and find out how you can join the conversation.
- 10:00 - 11:30 a.m. **Concurrent Workshop: Asset Management: Optimizing Infrastructure Spending in Communities of All Sizes**

As a local elected official, you need to ensure that municipal services are delivered to your community as efficiently and effectively as possible. Your decisions must also be financially sustainable, and support your community's long-term quality of life and prosperity.

Learn why asset management is a vital, proactive process to inform and defend your decisions, and how you can make it a strategic part of your municipality's business processes.

Speakers:
 - Ross Homeniuk, Director, Infrastructure Advisory, KPMG and CNAM Board Member
 - Murray Jamer, Deputy CAO, City of Fredericton, NB
- 10:00 - 11:30 a.m. **Concurrent Workshop: Digital Disruption and the Survival of Neighbourhood Retail**

Digital technologies are revolutionizing and disrupting the Canadian landscape on many levels, and the retail industry is no exception. With consumer behaviours closely following the digital evolution, local businesses are struggling to keep up and the digital gap between them is

growing. To stay afloat, businesses need more than a website - they need to transform their business model.

Join this discussion to learn about the key role governments play in sustaining the retail industry, and hear about some of the initiatives municipalities have implemented and steps your community can take to stimulate the local retail economic sector.

Speakers:

- Dayna Spiring, President and CEO, Economic Development Winnipeg
- Andrea Reimer, Councillor and Chair of the Policy and Strategic Priorities Committee, City of Vancouver, BC
- Michael Thompson, Councillor and Chair of the Economic Development Committee, City of Toronto, ON

10:00 - 11:30 a.m.

Concurrent Workshop: Municipal Broadband Connectivity – Options and Possibilities

With broadband traffic in Canada doubling every few months, what are the most affordable, scalable connectivity options for Canadian municipalities, big and small, urban and rural?

How can municipalities leverage backbone and "last-mile" connectivity for public WiFi, cloud computing and the "internet of things", to raise the bar on municipal service delivery?

Moderator: Stuart Jack, Partner, Nordicity

Speakers:

- Ron McKenzie, Senior Vice President, Business, Shaw Communications
- Deb Higgins, Mayor, Moose Jaw, SK
- Dean Proctor, Chief Development Officer, SSi Micro
- Matthew Kellison, Director, Connecting Canadians program, Department of Innovation, Science and Economic Development Canada

11:30 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Lunch

12 – 2 p.m.

Exhibitor Presentations on the Trade Show Floor - Hall C, 3rd Floor, North Building

12 - 2 p.m.

Study Tours – Lunch Provided (*Advanced Registration is Required*)

- Winnipeg – Airport City
- Winnipeg Bus Rapid Transit – Phase 1 & Beyond
- Downtown Development & Rejuvenation
- Heritage Building Conservation
- Garbage & Recycling Master Plan

- Youth Recreation
- Water Treatment Enhancement
- Red River Floodway
- Historical St. Boniface
- Active Transportation – Lessons Learned
- On the Right Track

2:15 - 3:15 p.m. **President's Forum: At the Table – Big Ideas for Building a Lasting Partnership**

Budget 2016 was a step in the right direction, but what are the next steps in the federal-municipal relationship? The President's Forum features high-profile Canadians from the municipal sector and government discussing the way forward for municipalities.

3:15 – 3:45 p.m. **Keynote: Dianne Watts, MP for South Surrey—White Rock, Conservative Party of Canada - Hall D, 3rd Floor, South Building**

3:45 – 4 p.m. **Coffee Break**

4:00 – 5:30 p.m. **Concurrent Workshop: Municipal-Indigenous Partnerships and Reconciliation**

In 2014 Maclean's labelled Winnipeg the most racist city in Canada. In response, a new mayor and council took action to improve relationships with the city's Indigenous community and address the issue head on.

As a result, 2016 is the Year of Reconciliation. Similarly, the Town of The Pas and the Opaskwayak Cree Nation are overcoming their difficult past through a friendship accord, a new Tri-Council structure and a joint investor attraction website; demonstrating that they are "Three Communities — One Heart".

Moderator: Rosanna Deerchild, CBC Journalist

Speakers:

- William Lathlin, Deputy Chief, Opaskwayak Cree Nation, MB
- Jim Scott, Mayor, Town of The Pas, MB
- Rod Berezowecki, Reeve, Rural Municipality of Kelsey, MB
- Brian Bowman, Mayor, City of Winnipeg, MB
- Jessica Dumas, Chair of the Aboriginal Chamber of Commerce and member of the Mayor's Indigenous Advisory Circle, Winnipeg , MB

4:00 – 5:30 p.m.

Concurrent Workshop: Budget 2016 and Beyond — Investments in Rural Canada

The 2016 federal budget delivered on many of the election campaign promises; especially those that relate to municipal priorities. In this session, government officials break down the most recent federal budget and what it means for the municipal sector with a specific focus on issues that are important to rural and small communities such as broadband, rail safety, public safety and infrastructure.

4:00 – 5:30 p.m.

Concurrent Workshop: Because it's 2016: Overcoming Barriers for Women in Municipal Government

Only 26 per cent of municipal elected officials in Canada today are women. This workshop addresses the challenges that can exist, as panelists across diverse perspectives discuss the barriers they have encountered as candidates and elected officials, and what this means for women in municipal government in 2016.

Moderator: Kathleen Monk, Political Affairs Strategist, Ottawa, ON

Host: Chris Fonseca, Chair, Standing Committee on Increasing Women's Participation in Municipal Government, FCM

Special Guest: Patty Hajdu, Minister, Status of Women Canada

Speakers:

- Sheryl Spence, Mayor, City of Warman, SK
- Yolaine Kirlew, Councillor, Municipality of Sioux Lookout, ON
- Marie-Ève Brunet, Borough Councillor, City of Montreal, QC
- Jeannie Ehloak, Mayor, Municipality of Cambridge Bay, NU

4:00 – 5:30 p.m.

Workshop: Mitigate and Adapt! Infrastructure in the Age of Climate Change

Can historic investments in municipal infrastructure renewal balance the need to reduce GHGs while also helping our communities adapt to climate change? What do municipalities need to know about low-carbon, climate-resilient development?

Come hear from experts and practitioners how new innovative lifecycle tools and decision-making processes are helping municipalities close the divide between climate mitigation and adaptation and leverage infrastructure investments to build better, lower-carbon and climate-resilient communities.

Moderator: Adam Auer, Director of Sustainability, Cement Association of Canada

Speakers:

- Andrea Reimer, Councillor, City of Vancouver, BC
- Megan Meaney, Director, ICLEI Canada
- Jamie Meil, Research Principal, Athena Sustainable Materials Institute

4:00 – 5:30 p.m.

Workshop: Disaster-Proofing Communities – What's Next?

Join Insurance Bureau of Canada and a panel of Canadian mayors for a discussion on next steps in adapting to climate change, including a look at the latest tools, the public policy framework and the infrastructure investments on the horizon.

6:30 – 9 p.m.

**Mayor's Welcome Reception – Canadian Museum for Human Rights
– 85 Israel Asper Way, Winnipeg, MB**

Join Mayor Brian Bowman and his colleagues at the Mayor's Welcome Reception where you will be treated to a sneak peak of the award-winning, architecturally acclaimed Canadian Museum for Human Rights. Enjoy a Manitoba-inspired evening while you tour exhibits showcasing the journeys and challenges faced by many in our society.

Delegate ticket cost: included in registration

Companion ticket cost: \$65

Note: The dress code for this event is business casual.

Saturday, June 4, 2016

7:30 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. **Delegate Registration – Concourse Foyer, North Building**

7:30 – 8:15 a.m. **Continental Breakfast – Hall C, 3rd Floor, South Building**

7:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. **Trade Show – Hall C, 3rd Floor, South Building**

8:30 – 9:30 a.m. **Resolutions Plenary – Hall D, 3rd Floor, South Building**

~~9:30 – 10 a.m. **Tribute to Fort McMurray**~~

10:00 – 10:30 a.m. **Coffee Break**

10:30 a.m. - 12 p.m. **Concurrent Workshop: Northern and Remote Forum**

The Northern and Remote Forum represents the interests of FCM member municipalities located north of the 54th parallel and in the remote regions of the provinces. This interactive session offers delegates the opportunity to learn about and discuss current federal-municipal policy issues affecting northern and remote communities, including the impact of the 2016 federal budget.

10:30 a.m. - 12 p.m. **Concurrent Workshop: Budget 2016 – What it Means for the Municipal Sector**

Housing, transit and infrastructure are just some of the election promises that Budget 2016 delivered on, and the Trudeau government has recognized the importance of federal-municipal collaboration. Hear government officials break down the most recent federal budget, discuss how and why it developed the way it did, and what it means for the municipal sector.

~~10:30 a.m. - 12 p.m. **Concurrent Workshop: Rail Talk: Grade Crossings, Proximity Issues and more**~~

Railways play a fundamental role in shaping our communities, but safety issues related to grade crossings and development in proximity to rail corridors are emerging challenges for local governments across Canada.

Learn how FCM and Transport Canada are helping municipalities build a constructive dialogue with their local railway and develop solutions to these challenges.

Speakers:

- Jenelle Saskiw, Mayor, Village of Marwayne, AB

- Mark Reimer, Transportation Engineering Associate, MORR Transportation Consulting
- Cynthia Lulham, Project Manager, FCM-RAC Proximity Initiative

10:30 a.m. - 12 p.m. **Concurrent Workshop: Engaging Effectively with Your Local First Responders: Do's and Don'ts**

In these times of intense scrutiny, expectation and demand for accountability, the need for open channels of communication between decision makers and their first responder partners has never been greater.

Though the conversations are not always easy, they are essential to ensure that services are delivered as efficiently and effectively as possible to the citizens who rely upon them.

Building on successful workshops at previous FCM Annual Conferences, this interactive session allows you to connect with industry leaders from across the country, and walk away with actionable ideas and guidelines for effective and meaningful dialogue in your city or community.

Come prepared with local examples, questions and an appetite for engaging discussion.

Moderator: Randy Goulden, Councillor, City of Yorkton, SK, and Chair, FCM Public Safety Committee

Speakers:

- Cathy Palmer, Chair, Edmonton Police Commission and Past President, Canadian Association of Police Governance
- Dan Paulsen, Former Chief, Saskatoon Fire Service
- Devon Clunis, Chief, Winnipeg Police Service

10:30 a.m. - 12 p.m. **Concurrent Workshop: Open Mic: Sponsorship and Municipalities Today – Revenue for Tomorrow!**

Seeking more revenue for your community? Are your citizens tired of rising taxes and user fees? Corporate sponsorship may be the solution, but questions and concerns need to be answered!

- How much money can we make?
- What will it cost?
- I don't want our town to look like NASCAR.
- How successful can it really be?
- How does it affect procurement?

Come ask your questions, and hear from other municipalities. If you want answers about corporate sponsorship, this session is for you.

Moderator: Brent Barootes, President and CEO, Partnership Group — Sponsorship Specialists

Speakers:

- Anne Marie Gillis, Councillor, City of Sarnia and County of Lambton, ON and FCM Board Member
- David MacKenzie, Councillor, City of Leduc, AB
- Fiona Story, Director, Public Relations & Corporate Communications, Yellow Pages

12:00 – 2:00 p.m. **Lunch – Hall C, 3rd Floor, North Building**

12:00 – 2:00 p.m. **Exhibitor Presentations on the Trade Show Floor - Hall C, 3rd Floor, North Building**

12:30 – 2:30 p.m. **Study Tours – Lunch Provided** (*Advanced Registration is Required*)

- Innovative Infrastructure Delivery — Chief Peguis Trail Extension P3
- Re-Imagining Assisniboiné Park
- Human Rights City
- Central Park Redevelopment
- Active Transportation — Lessons Learned
- Green Building Development — Manitoba Hydro
- University of Winnipeg
- Winnipeg's Public Art
- Winnipeg's Rock 'N' Roll Roots
- Festivals and Forts — Partnerships & Diversification
- Red River Floodway
- From Rural Farm to Urban Table
- Urban Forest Tour
- Learn to be a railroader at CN Campus

2:45 - 3:15 p.m. **Trade Show Prize Draw - Hall C, 3rd Floor, North Building**

3:30 – 5:00 p.m. **Concurrent Workshop: Rural Town Hall**

Learn more about FCM's Rural Forum and share your community's perspectives on the key policy issues that are crucial to the future of rural Canada, including infrastructure, housing and rural broadband.

This expanded town hall session includes a panel discussion as well as breakout sessions, and offers a unique insight into FCM's advocacy on behalf of rural communities.

Speakers:

- Ray Orb, Chair, Rural Forum and President, Saskatchewan Association of Rural Municipalities
- Scott Pearce, Vice-Chair, Rural Forum and Mayor, Township of Gore, QC
- Al Kemmere, Vice-Chair, Rural Forum and President, Alberta Association of Municipal Districts and Counties
- The Honourable Wayne Easter, PC, MP, Chair, Standing Committee on Finance

3:30 – 5:00 p.m.

Concurrent Workshop: Winning Young – Cracking the Code at the Ballot Box

Research shows that "millennials" played a key role in deciding the 2015 federal election. Join young elected officials from across the country as they share their experiences and discuss the challenges and opportunities that face a young person seeking elected office.

In addition to profiling the next generation of municipal leaders, this workshop also looks at new and emerging digital tools that can help young people who want to get involved.

Moderators:

- Kristin Annable, Winnipeg Free Press
- Matthew Green, Councillor, City of Hamilton, ON
- Lisa Holmes, Mayor, Town of Morinville, AB, and President, Alberta Urban Municipalities Association

Speakers:

- John Husk, Councillor, City of Drummondville, QC, and Past President, Commission des jeunes élus et élues, Union des municipalités du Québec

3:30 – 5:00 p.m.

Concurrent Workshop: Global Challenges, Local Realities

The last 20 years has seen a major shift in how local communities are addressing global challenges. Local governments are now regularly consulted by the United Nations and others; and the municipal movement is part of the solution on issues from poverty alleviation, to economic prosperity, to sustainable development.

This workshop explores local governments' essential role in tackling current and future global challenges. Panelists' perspectives can generate new ideas on how we can continue to work together on development opportunities and challenges — at home and abroad.

Moderator: Berry Vrbanovic, Mayor, City of Kitchener, ON

Speakers:

- Pam McConnell, Deputy Mayor, City of Toronto, ON
- Murray Jamer, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer, City of Fredericton, NB

3:30 – 5:00 p.m.

Concurrent Workshop: From Outsourced to In-House: Save Money, Avoid Headaches

Internationally and nationally, a growing number of local governments are choosing to bring services back in-house as a way to overcome hidden costs, loss of expertise, and loss of control.


Panelists share their experiences with the growing re-municipalization movement, where local governments take back control of public services and infrastructure, and review why, when, and how municipalities may re-municipalize.

Join municipal leaders and policy experts to learn how in-house service delivery is helping communities meet financial, social, and environmental goals.

Host: Mark Hancock, National President, Canadian Union of Public Employees

Speakers:

- Charley Beresford, Executive Director, Columbia Institute
- Billy Joe MacLean, Mayor, Town of Port Hawkesbury, NS
- Craig Sauvé, Councillor, City of Montreal, QC

 3:30 – 5:00 p.m.

Concurrent Workshop: How "Smart+Connected Communities" Can Achieve Economic and Environmental Impact

Discover how cities are connecting people, process and data to revitalize communities to become more resilient, sustainable and efficient.

How will adopting connected technology create new cultures, improve tourism and accelerate local economy? With the evolution of smart cities and intelligent infrastructure solutions, be ready to overcome barriers and challenges. Learn how local government can unlock the potential of historical sites and public places and impact local businesses.

Speakers:

- Ron Gordon, Senior Advisor, Smart+Connected Communities, Cisco Canada
- Rick Huijbregts, VP, Industry Transformation and Innovation, Cisco Canada
- Daryll Nazarene, National Director - Public Segment Canada, Philips Lighting Canada
- Dolores Bujold Wright, Chairwoman, Downtown Welland BIA, Region of Niagara, ON

5 – 6 p.m.

Youth Reception

5 – 7:30 p.m.

Francophone Reception – Saint Boniface

6:30 – 8:30 p.m.

CEO's Reception for International Delegates

Sunday June 5, 2016

7 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Delegate Registration – Concourse Foyer, North Building

7 – 8:15 a.m.

Breakfast Fundraiser: FCM Women in Municipal Government Scholarships (Ticket Required)

Join us to recognize women in municipal government! Hear inspiring stories of leadership by women in public service and celebrate the accomplishments of FCM's Standing Committee for Increasing Women's Participation in Local Government.

All proceeds go towards scholarships that support emerging female leaders.

Delegate ticket cost: \$50 each
Companion ticket cost: \$50 each

7:30 – 8:15 a.m.

Breakfast – RBC Convention Centre

8:30 – 10:30 a.m.

Annual General Meeting and Elections

10:30 - 11 a.m.

Keynote: Tom Mulcair, Leader of the New Democratic Party of Canada – Hall D, 3rd Floor, South Building

11 – 11:15 a.m.

Coffee Break

11:15 – 1:45 p.m.

Selection of Candidates for Board of Directors and Regional Chairs – Working Lunch

Board of Directors

- Alberta
- British Columbia
- Manitoba –
- New Brunswick
- Newfoundland and Labrador
- Nova Scotia
- **Ontario**
- Prince-Edward Island
- Quebec
- Saskatchewan
- Territories

Regional Chairs

- Atlantic
- British Columbia
- **Ontario**

- Prairies and Territories
- Quebec

1:45 – 2 p.m. **FCM 2016-2017 Board of Directors Election**

2 – 2:15 p.m. **FCM 2016-2017 Board Member Elections**

2:15 – 3 p.m. **Plenary and Keynote: Elizabeth May, Leader of the Green Party of Canada – Hall D, 3rd Floor, South Building**

3:15 – 5:15 p.m. **Study Tours** (*Advanced Registration is Required*)

- Winnipeg – Airport City
- Preparing for the Flood
- Winnipeg bus Rapid Transit – Phase 1 & Beyond
- Innovative Infrastructure Delivery – Chief Peguis Trail Extension P3
- Re-Imagining Assiniboine Park
- Human Rights City
- Heritage Building Conservation
- University of Winnipeg
- Winnipeg's Public Art
- Historical St. Boniface
- Winnipeg's Rock 'N' Roll Roots
- Downtown Development & Rejuvenation

3:45 – 4:15 p.m. **FCM/Tree Canada Legacy Project – Tree Planting Ceremony**

6 p.m. – 12 a.m. **City of Winnipeg Host City Gala –
RBC Convention Centre, City View Ballroom**

Enjoy a custom-designed menu sure to please the palate in the newly expanded RBC Convention Centre.

Winnipeg is known for its outstanding cultural diversity. World-class performances will highlight this Gala event. The evening will continue to the beat of a premier Winnipeg party band.

Delegate ticket cost: included in registration

Companion ticket cost: \$140

Note: The dress code for this event is formal.