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### **Look Back on 2025 - AMO's Annual Report**

On behalf of the AMO Board of Directors, we are pleased to share the Association's 2025 Annual Report.

For the first time, this year's Annual Report brings together reporting from AMO, LAS, and MEPCO into a single, consolidated document to provide a more complete overview of the work done in support of Ontario's municipalities. Take a moment to review the highlights from the past year.

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### **What's On: AMO 2026 Conference Program Update**

From homelessness and infrastructure to governance challenges, alongside a

### **Registration Now Open: AMO's Local Leadership Foundations**

Designed to help elected officials build the knowledge, confidence and skills to

keynote from The Curse of Politics, we're covering the issues municipalities care about most. Click below for the latest program updates.

[Program Info](#)

succeed from day one. Municipalities can register now to reserve spots for incoming council members; limited bursaries are available.

[Learn More](#)

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## Events & Education

- **Special Conference Rates: AMO Education Workshops**

AMO is offering 2 standalone workshops in Ottawa, focused on preventing escalated behaviours and municipal–Indigenous relations. Conference registration is not required!

- **AUG 16 - Indigenous-Municipal Relations Workshop**

Looking to improve Indigenous-Municipal relations? This collaborative workshop will provide a chance to weave a community-sized dreamcatcher while taking part in a sharing session that covers key themes of bias, municipalities' role in the Calls to Action, 21 things you may not know about the Indian Act & more. [Register here.](#)

- **AUG 16 - Preventing Escalated Behaviours Workshop**

Municipal leaders and staff are increasingly navigating complex and, at times, challenging interactions in their roles. Creating environments where individuals feel safe, respected, and heard is essential to effective leadership, collaboration, and community service. [Register here.](#)

[See the Full Event Calendar](#)

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## **LAS AMO Business Services**

### **Find Cool Savings in Hot Weather**

Energy conservation is a year-round effort. As the hot summer weather approaches, learn how to spot some cool savings. Sign up for a [custom Energy Workshop](#) and treasure hunt with Stephen Dixon and LAS. Contact [Christian Tham](#) to learn more.

### **New Canoe Procurement Invoicing Process**

[Invoicing through Canoe](#) is changing on August 1 – instead of sending ETFs/Cheques to LAS they will go directly to Canoe. Check your invoices to make sure payment goes to the right place. Contact Sherry at (825) 319-2444 to update your payment details.

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## **Municipal Wire\***

### **It's Not Too Late: Complete Your Census Questionnaire**

Municipalities are encouraged to spread the word that it's not too late to complete the 2026 Census. It only takes a few minutes and makes a big difference. This data helps to paint a portrait of Canadians and their stories – from small communities to entire provinces and territories. [Share the website.](#)

## **Applications Open - 2026/27 MHS4PSP Grant Program**

Applications for the Mental Health Supports for Public Safety Personnel (MHS4PSP) Grant are now open to eligible Ontario Public Safety Organizations in the EHS, fire, and police sectors. The [deadline to submit your application is July 7, 2026](#), at 4:00 p.m.

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## **IN CASE YOU MISSED IT**

### **AMO Calls for Bill 100 Reversal**

AMO calls for the province to restore local voice and keep local governance accountable to the communities they serve by reversing the appointment of Regional Chairs through Bill 100, *Better Regional Governance Act*. [Read the AMO Policy Update](#).

### **Canada-Ontario Development Charges Reduction Program**

On June 1, the federal and Ontario governments launched The Canada-Ontario Development Charge Reduction Program. Municipalities have until June 19, 2026 to submit projects for funding consideration. [Read AMO's Policy Update for more information](#).

### **New Code of Conduct Bill Passes,**

Bill 9, the Municipal Accountability Act, passed third reading, a significant achievement for the municipal sector. Read the [AMO Policy Update](#).

[Read More Past Issues](#)



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**CITY CLERK'S DEPARTMENT  
NON-AGENDA REPORT**

TO: Mayor and members of Council  
FROM: Amy Burkhart, City Clerk  
DATE: July 2, 2026  
SUBJECT: Illumination of City Hall

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At the request of Parachute, City Hall will be illuminated Safety Green on July 6, 2026, in support of Canadian Injury Prevention Day.

The illumination of City Hall provides a unique opportunity to display the official colour associated with a registered charitable or non-profit organization or a City of Sarnia event in order to create awareness.

The above noted request is in compliance with the Illumination of City Buildings Policy, adopted by Sarnia City Council in 2016.