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Item No. 23 Federation of Canadian Municipalities Advocacy Fund

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

The Executive Policy Committee referred consideration of contributing $45,000 to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities Advocacy Fund to the 2019 Budget Process.

DECISION MAKING HISTORY:

Moved by Councillor Gilroy,

That Rule 10(3) of The Procedure By-law No. 50/2007 be suspended in order that the following item, which was received less than four business days preceding the committee meeting, be considered by Committee.

Carried

Moved by Councillor Gilroy,

WHEREAS the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) has a long track-record of delivering gains for all Canadian municipalities, like the permanent Gas Tax Fund;

AND WHEREAS FCM's hard work and influence has shaped historic gains for local governments including the Investing in Canada infrastructure plan, unprecedented engagement with federal ministers, a predictable federal allocation model, rural and northern infrastructure fund, and new capacity-building programs on asset management and climate change;

AND WHEREAS the 2019 federal election is a crucial opportunity to build on these gains and to consolidate the municipal sector's position as an essential national partner to any federal government no matter which party wins the next federal election;

AND WHEREAS FCM's Special Advocacy Fund will drive FCM's most ambitious campaign ever, which will include reaching out to every federal party to keep municipal priorities front-and-centre heading into and throughout Election 2019, as well as in the crucial first months of a new government;

AND WHEREAS several other major cities in Canada are contributing to FCM's Advocacy Fund.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that consideration of contributing $45,000 to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities Advocacy Fund be referred to the 2019 Budget Process.

Carried