

DATE: October 12, 2016

WHEREAS: The Capital Region Board has facilitated positive interactions around land use planning in the Edmonton Metro Region; and

WHEREAS: Certain policy revisions being considered by the Capital Region Board overreach the mandate of the Board or need further clarification to quantify the expected outcome of the policy;

WHEREAS: The possible expansion of the Capital Region Board mandate was expressed at the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association Convention held recently;

WHEREAS: The Capital Region board has proposed policies relative to Economic Development, Transit Authorities and Agricultural issues that expand their mandate beyond a land use planning policy role;

WHEREAS: Further expansion of the Capital Region Boards mandate will impair the ability of local elected officials to represent their residents' wishes in an ever changing and complex world.

**NOW
THEREFORE
BE IT RESOLVED** The Alberta Association of Municipal Districts and Counties urge the Provincial Government to direct the Capital Region Board to preserve their land use planning policy mandate as any mandate extension beyond land use planning becomes governance that interferes with the governance of local elected officials and their roles.

BACKGROUND: Elected officials attending the 2016 Alberta Urban Municipalities Association Convention on October 6th were made aware that the Capital Region Board is planning to expand their mandate to include various decisions that are presently made by local elected officials.

The Capital Region Board has been advised of Parkland County's concern that any expansion of their mandate beyond land use planning policy will impair a municipal Council's and elected officials ability to effectively represent their communities

The Capital Region Boards mandate must remain untouched as they have facilitated positive actions and policies around land use planning and the interactions and decision-making required within that context.