#### FCM Pre-Budget 2024 Advocacy Update

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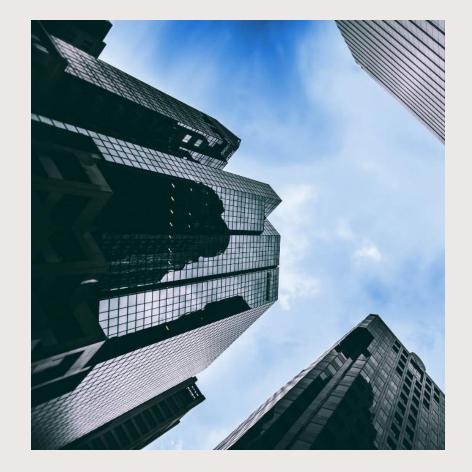
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## Outline



# FCM: Who we are

- The national voice of Canada's local order of government
- 2,100 member municipalities in every part of Canada
- Our members represent more than 92% of Canadians
- We work closely with AMO, OBCM and MARCO
- City of Vaughan is a member through York Region. York has a dedicated seat on our board. There is an additional seat set aside for a Regional Chair, appointed by MARCO.





Shaping national agenda

### Results

Convening municipal sector

Building capacity



#### **Advocacy Update**

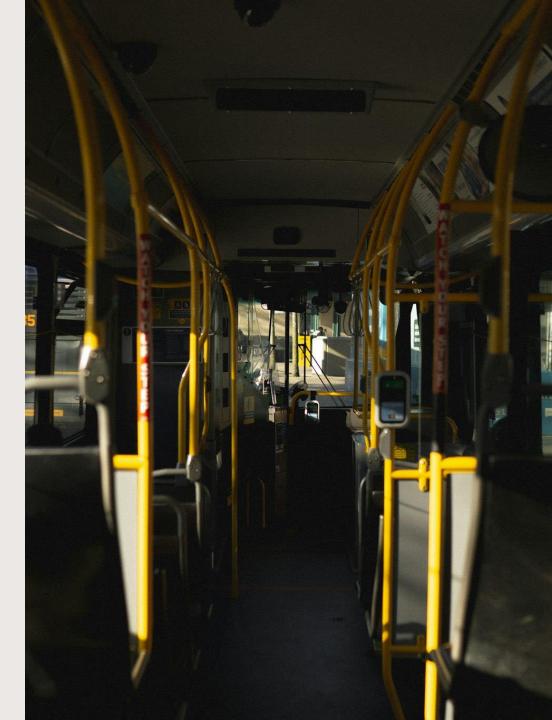
#### **Context: Pre-Budget Landscape**

- Very tight fiscal context
- This year's target = keep deficit for current fiscal year below \$40.1 B
- Anticipate a strong focus on housing, but not a lot of significant new spending
- Federal housing plan forthcoming



#### Infrastructure Update

- Next-generation federal infrastructure plan is stalled
- Finance says \$27 B in federal infrastructure funding has been allocated but not yet spent
- New transit fund not beginning until 2026
- CCBF = sole reliable program for core infrastructure
  - New agreements being negotiated now AMO is representing you at the table with the province and federal government



#### **Budget 2024 Approach**

#### **Municipal Focus:**

- We need predictable, stable infrastructure funding to accommodate growth and build housing.
- Outdated municipal funding models cannot sustain the needs of communities today or in the future.
- Solution: a new Municipal Growth Framework
- All orders of government need to be at the table to develop a plan for growth.



#### FCM Budget 2024 Priorities

- National discussion on a new Municipal Growth Framework
- Infrastructure funding to support housing
- Support for Reaching Home homelessness prevention & response program
- Supportive housing and ensuring necessary wraparound health/social supports
- Increased federal support for housing and social/settlement services for asylum seekers
- National mental health strategy that addresses interconnected issues including substance use and homelessness.
- Long-term funding for local **climate adaptation/mitigation** projects.

Municipalities: Where Canada Grows



The Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM)'s recommendations for Canada's communities



### **Working Together**

- FCM staff will continue to communicate with federal gov't and to keep members updated
- You can help keep pressure on MPs and help raise awareness locally, using our "Update Required" toolkit

New Municipal Growth Framework Needed

🔔 Update Required

Canada needs to invest in

infrastructure so more affordable

homes can get built for families.

- FCM Annual Conference in Calgary, June 6-9
- Raise emerging issues with us through your board representatives, through York Region, or directly

## **Questions?**



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