

July 16, 2015

Michigan Municipal League Annual Meeting Notice

(Please present at the next Council, Commission or Board Meeting)

Dear Official:

The Michigan Municipal League Annual Convention will be held in Traverse City, September 16-18, 2015. The League's "Annual Meeting" is scheduled for 12:00 pm on Thursday, September 17 in the West Bay Ballroom Dome at the Park Place Hotel. The meeting will be held for the following purposes:

- 1. <u>Election of Trustees</u>. To elect six members of the Board of Trustees for terms of three years each (see #1 on page 2).
- 2. <u>Policy</u>. A) To vote on the Core Legislative Principles document. In regard to the proposed League Core Legislative Principles, the document is available on the League website at http://www.mml.org/delegate. If you would like to receive a copy of the proposed principles by fax, please call Monica Drukis at the League at 800-653-2483.
 - B) If the League Board of Trustees has presented any resolutions to the membership, they also will be voted on. (See #2 on page 2.) In regard to resolutions, member municipalities planning on submitting resolutions for consideration by the League Trustees are reminded that under the Bylaws, they must be submitted to the Trustees for their review by August 17, 2015.
- 3. Other Business. To transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

Designation of Voting Delegates

Pursuant to the provisions of the League Bylaws, you are requested to designate by action of your governing body one of your officials who will be in attendance at the Convention as your official representative to cast the vote of the municipality at the Annual Meeting, and, if possible, to designate one other official to serve as alternate. Please submit this information through the League website by visiting http://www.mml.org/delegate no later than August 21, 2015.

Regarding the designation of an official representative of the member to the annual meeting, please note the following section of the League Bylaws:

"Section 4.4 - <u>Votes of Members</u>. Each member shall be equally privileged with all other members in its voice and vote in the election of officers and upon any proposition presented for discussion or decision at any meeting of the members. Honorary members shall be entitled to participate in the discussion of any question, but such members shall not be entitled to vote. The vote of each member shall be cast by its official representative attending the meeting at which an election of officers or a decision on any proposition shall take place. Each member shall, by action of its governing body prior to the annual meeting or any special meeting, appoint one official of such member as its principal official representative to cast the vote of the member at such meeting, and may appoint one official as its alternate official representative to serve in the absence or inability to act of the principal representative."

1. Election of Trustees

Regarding election of Trustees, under Section 5.3 of the League Bylaws, six members of the Board of Trustees will be elected at the annual meeting for a term of three years. The regulations of the Board of Trustees require the Nominations Committee to complete its recommendations and post the names of the nominees for the Board of Trustees on a board at the registration desk at least four hours before the hour of the business meeting.

2. Statements of Policy and Resolutions

Regarding consideration of resolutions and statements of policy, under Section 4.5 of the League Bylaws, the Board of Trustees acts as the Resolutions Committee, and "no resolution or motion, except procedural and incidental matters having to do with business properly before the annual meeting or pertaining to the conduct of the meeting, shall be considered at the annual meeting unless it is either (1) submitted to the meeting by the Board of Trustees, or (2) submitted in writing to the Board of Trustees by resolution of the governing body of a member at least thirty (30) days preceding the date of the annual meeting." Thus the deadline this year for the League to receive resolutions is August 17, 2015. Please submit resolutions to the attention of Daniel P. Gilmartin, Executive Director/CEO at 1675 Green Rd., Ann Arbor, MI 48105. Any resolution submitted by a member municipality will go to the League Board of Trustees, serving as the resolutions committee under the Bylaws, which may present it to the membership at the Annual Meeting or refer it to the appropriate policy committee for additional action.

Further, "Every proposed resolution submitted by a member shall be stated in clear and concise language and shall be accompanied by a statement setting forth the reasons for recommending the proposed resolution. The Board shall consider the proposal at a Board meeting prior to the next annual meeting and, after consideration, shall make a recommendation as to the advisability of adopting each such resolution or modification thereof."

3. Posting of Proposed Resolutions and Core Legislative Principles

The proposed Michigan Municipal League Core Legislative Principles and any new proposed Resolutions recommended by the Board of Trustees for adoption by the membership will be available on the League website, or at the League registration desk to permit governing bodies of member communities to have an opportunity to review such proposals and delegate to their voting representative the responsibility for expressing the official point of view of the member at the Annual Meeting.

The Board of Trustees will meet on Wednesday, September 16 in the Corner Loft in downtown Traverse City for the purpose of considering such other matters as may be requested by the membership, in addition to other agenda items.

Sincerely,

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