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Decision Note

Title:	2025 MNL Conference, Trade Show and AGM
Date Prepared:	July 2, 2025
Report To:	Regular Meeting of Council
Councillor and Role:	Mayor Danny Breen, Governance & Strategic Priorities
Ward:	N/A

Decision/Direction Required: Seeking approval for Councillor Noseworthy, Councillor Bruce, Councillor Hickman, and Councillor Davis to attend the 2025 MNL Conference, Trade Show and AGM in Corner Brook, NL from Thursday, November 20th until Saturday November 22th, 2025.

Discussion – Background and Current Status:

Municipalities Newfoundland and Labrador (MNL) is holding their 2025 Annual Conference, Annual General Meeting and Trade Show in Corner Brook, NL from Thursday, November 20th to Saturday November 22, 2025. Registration for members includes access to all sessions, meals, and networking events.

This is the largest municipal sector event in Newfoundland and Labrador and provides an opportunity for Member of Council to collaborate and network with municipal representatives from around the province. There are several professional development sessions on municipal matters and this knowledge can be brought back to Council to inform future decision-making.

Mayor Danny Breen, as Council's representative on the MNL Board would attend the event in this capacity with his expenses covered by MNL. The following Members of Council have expressed their interest in attending the 2025 Conference:

- Councillor Greg Noseworthy
- Councillor Jill Bruce
- Councillor Sandy Hickman
- Councillor Tom Davis

Key Considerations/Implications:

- Budget/Financial Implications: The estimated cost per Councillor is \$2,500 for a total of \$10,000. This includes registration, accommodation, and travel costs. The yearly budget for travel is \$29,000. Remaining budget is approximately -\$17,836.18.
- 2. Partners or Interested Parties: MNL, other municipal representatives
- 3. Is this a New Plan or Strategy: No

If yes, are there recommendations or actions that require progress reporting?

If yes, how will progress be reported? (e.g.: through the strategic plan, through Cascade, annual update to Council, etc.)

4. Alignment with Strategic Directions:

An Effective City: Ensure accountability and good governance through transparent and open decision making.

An Effective City: Achieve service excellence though collaboration, innovation and modernization grounded in client needs.

- 5. Alignment with Adopted Plans: N/A
- 6. Accessibility and Inclusion: N/A
- 7. Legal or Policy Implications: N/A
- 8. Privacy Implications: N/A
- 9. Engagement and Communications Considerations: N/A
- 10. Human Resource Implications: N/A
- 11. Procurement Implications: N/A
- 12. Information Technology Implications: N/A
- 13. Information Management Implications: N/A
- 14. Other Implications: N/A

Recommendation:

That Council approve the registration and travel expenses for the following Councillors to attend the MNL Conference to be held in Corner Brook from November 20 – 22, 2025:

- Councillor Greg Noseworthy
- Councillor Jill Bruce
- Councillor Sandy Hickman
- Councillor Tom Davis

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Report Approval Details

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