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Municipal Association of SC

New this week

***City Quick Connect* podcast: 2020 Virtual Annual Meeting**
Municipal Association Executive Director Todd Glover discusses the 2020 Virtual Annual Meeting, which will include sessions on COVID-19 impacts and response as well as sessions discussing law enforcement procedures. Listen to the podcast.

New post on the *City Connect* blog: Virtual Annual Meeting to explore COVID-19, law enforcement, legislation
An in-person Annual Meeting for the Municipal Association of SC is not happening for 2020, but preparations are well underway for its online equivalent. Individual conference sessions, available through streaming video, will go online on the Municipal Association's website on Friday, July 17. New blog post.

Estimate of revenue losses due to COVID-19
Every city and town in South Carolina is facing a loss in tax and fee revenue due to COVID-19. The Municipal Association will work hard to have the needs of local governments addressed by the General Assembly once its members return to Columbia. To do this effectively, it is critical that the Association have an estimate of the current and future revenue losses for cities and towns, both for this year and next year, so the Association is armed with reliable data when legislators ask about the financial needs of cities and towns. The decisions legislators make about potential assistance for cities and towns will depend largely upon the information you provide. To help the advocacy team prepare, take this survey by Friday, June 26 to explain the effects of the pandemic on your municipality's finances. Take the survey.

Don't forget

New information about the virtual 2020 Annual Meeting
The Municipal Association of SC Virtual Annual Meeting will be held on July 17 at 9 a.m. Watch the Municipal Association's annual business meeting live using GoToWebinar, an online conference platform. The web link and phone number will be available on the Association's website the morning of July 17. Following the opening session, watch a series of discussions among municipal and state officials who will talk about COVID-19 recovery, leadership in difficult times, South Carolina's economic outlook, federal legislative issues, election security during the pandemic, proper police procedures and more. More information.

SCMIT and SCMIRF Workers' Compensation Nuts and Bolts training will now be online
Save the date for the South Carolina Municipal Insurance Trust and South Carolina Municipal Insurance and Risk Financing Fund's "Workers' Compensation Nuts and Bolts" online training. The training will be offered online beginning August 5th. There is no charge for this members-only training session. Registration is not required. Additional details will be provided to SCMIT and SCMIRF members in August.

Announcements

Columbia mayor talks COVID-19 issues with NLC and IGNITE Cities
Steve Benjamin, mayor of Columbia, recorded a video for the National League of Cities and IGNITE Cities to discuss cities' response to the pandemic. See the video.

Webinar: "Emerging Legal Trends Policing Demonstrations, Protests, and Civil Unrest"
During a protest, the role of a law enforcement officer is to ensure the public's safety, protect lives and property, and also protect the First Amendment rights of all persons involved in the event. This live webinar on June 19 at 10 a.m. provides law enforcement with knowledge and best practices when handling a protest. View more information and register online.

SC Rural Infrastructure Authority grant workshop registration
The SC Rural Infrastructure Authority will hold its annual grant training workshop online, July 8. Register here.

In Case You Missed It – Bike and pedestrian plans drive safety, fairness
Transportation planners across South Carolina are looking at ways to encourage more people to leave the car in the garage and bike or walk to work, the grocery store or their favorite restaurants. Planners and advocates say that safety is the key for more pedestrian- and bike-friendly routes. Read more in this *Uptown* article.

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