



2026 Summer Legislative Conference – Wedgewood Resort, Fairbanks

Tuesday, August 25

8am to 5pm **Joint Conference with Alaska Defense Forum - 8 Star Event Center (1485 30th Ave)**

Wednesday, August 26

8am to 12pm **Joint Conference with Alaska Defense Forum – 8 Star Event Center (1485 30th Ave)**

1 pm – 4:30pm **AML Board of Directors Meeting**

Thursday, August 27

7:30 am **Breakfast**

8:00 am **Welcome and Introductions**

- Mayor **Mindy O’Neill**, City of Fairbanks (*invited*)
- Mayor **Grier Hopkins**, Fairbanks North Star Borough (*invited*)
- **Glenda Ledford**, AML Board President (*invited*)

8:20 am **Setting the Stage: Legislative Update (Broad Strokes)**

- **Nils Andreassen**, Alaska Municipal League

9:00 am **Fuel and Affordability Session (Plenary)**

General update on the state of things, energy team on conservation practices

9:45 am **Break**

10:15 am **Concurrent Sessions:**

- **Taxing Tourism: Revenue vs. Regulation**

What do communities want when revenue generation and local regulation seem to be at odds?

- **Grants: Lessons Learned**

Best practices and lessons learned from AML’s Grant Manager, followed by an opportunity for attendees to ask grant questions and workshop ideas!

Noon **Lunch**

1:00 pm **Concurrent Sessions:**

- **Follow the Funding: Understanding Education Funding**
- **Data Centers**

2:00 pm **Break**

2:15 pm **Plenary Discussion of AML Policy Statement**



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Attendees will participate in small group discussion of current policy statements and identify potential changes or improvements for consideration by the Legislative Committee.

Plenary Discussion: Legislative Update (Deep Cuts)

- Legislative Recap – **Heather Brakes** and **Jordan Marshall**
- Federal and State Legislative Hot Topics
- Round Table Break Out:
 - What are municipal priorities
 - What are changes and State or Federal policy that AML should address
 - What are suggested topics AML could attempt to through Resolutions to consider at AML's Annual Meeting

Review of Resolutions

Attendees will participate in plenary discussion of current and potential new resolutions for consideration of the Resolutions Committee, either identifying individual community interest or potential AML board resolutions. The final slate of resolutions will still go through standard AML processes.

- **Current Resolutions** – Recommended action to remove or improve
- **Future Resolutions** – Where can we grow?

- 3:45 pm Concurrent Sessions:
- **Dual Use Infrastructure - Military Build Up**
 - **TBD**
- 4:45 pm Break
- 5:00 pm **Reception / Dinner**

Friday, August 28

- 8:00 am **Breakfast**
- 8:30 am AMMA Meeting (meeting time TBD)
- 9:00 am **Gubernatorial Listening Session**
Gubernatorial candidates are invited to attend this in-person event to listen to concerns from AML members.
- 12:00 pm **ACoM Session & Lunch**
 - Round Robin
 - Recap on Deliverables from AML
- 1:00 pm **Adjourn**