

**Subject: Municipal Campaign Contributions****Recommendations:**

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3. THAT the Regional Municipality submit resolutions to the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association and the Alberta Association of Municipal Districts and Counties, urging the Government of Alberta to pass legislation to take effect before the next municipal elections, prohibiting corporations and labour unions from making donations to the campaigns of persons running for the office of councillor or chief elected official under the *Municipal Government Act*.

**Summary and Background:**

At the August 25, 2015 Council Meeting, Councillor Ault served notice that the following recommendation would be submitted for consideration at the September 8, 2015 regular Council Meeting:

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In accordance with Procedure Bylaw 14/025, the motion is now before Council for consideration.