

ESSENTIALS OF MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT

Dates: December 13–15, 2021; January 26–28, 2022

Session 1: Roles, Responsibilities, and Relationships

- 8:30 – 8:45** **Welcome**
Mike Smith, Rose Vaughn Williams
- 8:45 – 10:00** **Mock Council Meeting**
Patrice Roesler
- 10:00 – 10:15** **Break**
- 10:15 – 11:15** **Governing Board Roles, Responsibilities, and Relationships**
Carl Stenberg, Jennifer Schneier, Tom Carruthers
- 11:15 – 12:15** **Breakout Sessions: Building Positive Relationships**
Council-Manager Roles and Relationships
Kim Nelson and Carl Stenberg
- Mayor-Council Municipalities**
Jennifer Schneier and Tom Carruthers
- 12:15 – 1:00** **The Transition from Campaigning to Governing — Incumbent Experiences**
Jennifer Cohen and Patrice Roesler

Session 2: Budget, Financial Management, and Fiduciary Duty

- 8:30 – 8:45** **Welcome**
Carl Stenberg
- 8:45 – 9:45** **Financial Management in Municipal Government**
Kara Millonzi, Greg Allison, or Bill Rivenbark
- 9:45 – 10:00** **Break**
- 10:00 – 11:00** **Fiduciary Duty and Internal Controls**
Kara Millonzi or Greg Allison
- 11:00 – 12:00** **Using Financial Statements to Determine Fiscal Stress or Strength**
Bill Rivenbark or Greg Allison
- 12:00 – 12:30** **Lunch**
- 12:30 – 2:30** **American Rescue Plan Act Basics — What You Need to Know Now**
Chris Nida

Session 3: Ethics, Conflicts, and Open Government

- 9:00 – 9:15** **Welcome**
Patrice Roesler
- 9:15 – 10:15** **Transparency — Welcome to Open Government**
Bob Joyce
- 10:15 – 10:30** **Break**
- 10:30 – 12:30** **Ethics**
Tom Carruthers, Bob Hagemann, and Jim Joyce
- 12:30 – 1:15** **Closing – Public Choices, Public Values**
Carl Stenberg and Patrice Roesler