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#### Subdivision Review Committee

- TAC purpose: To identify and recommend strategies to improve the efficiency, effectiveness, and transparency of common conditions of subdivision approval
- Monthly meetings have already begun!
- MMAA is represented on the Committee, and municipal needs and concerns are truly being heard and considered
- As this Committee involves the participation of high-ranking public servants, the AMM anticipates significant action as inefficiencies and opportunities will be identified to streamline the approval process in Manitoba



## **Policing Costs & Services**

- Municipalities continue to pay roughly 60 per cent of all policing costs in Canada, including costs for federally mandated responsibilities
- Costs are rapidly increasing, and are simply unsustainable
- Without long-term funding and a re-distribution of roles and responsibilities, municipal budgets will continue to be severely strained while depriving other essential services and programming
- Police escorts under the MHA: public safety issues and financial burdens



## Dutch Elm Disease Program

- While reimbursement from the Province totals **\$181.32** per tree, some municipalities have incurred costs of up to **\$1,000** per tree while removing diseased elms
- Simple math indicates municipal budgets are clearly negatively impacted while restricting your ability to deliver other programs and services to your communities
- AMM staff continues to engage CWS officials to discuss municipal concerns



#### Cosmetic Pesticide Ban

- On May 1, the Province's ban on the use of cosmetic pesticides came into effect
- Contradictory wording, impractical restrictions and skyrocketing compliance costs
- We remain committed to addressing your needs and concerns while working with the Province of Manitoba, and CWS in particular, to modify this regulation
- The AMM has requested a meeting with the new CWS Minister to reiterate our concerns



## Recycling & Waste Management

- The AMM strongly encourages sustainable waste management practices and supports ongoing and expanded recycling programs
- Recycling and Waste Reduction: A Discussion Paper
  Waste Reduction and Recycling Support (WRARS) levy
- New Waste Management Facilities (WMF) regulation
  - Re-classification of waste management facilities may potentially result in significant costs to municipalities
  - AMM official submission, and staff are closely monitoring this regulation
- MMSM consultative services available, renewal of funding agreements

