

## Energy Efficiency Advisory Panel - Municipal Technical Session Summary Report Now Available

Earlier this year, the Government of Alberta established the [Energy Efficiency Advisory Panel](#) whose mandate included speaking with Albertans, Indigenous communities, local governments, and stakeholders to determine the types of programs that a new provincial agency, Energy Efficiency Alberta, can deliver in the short- and medium-terms.

On behalf of the Energy Efficiency Advisory Panel, the Government of Alberta held an engagement session in mid-September to gather input on the role of municipalities and rural communities in energy efficiency and small-scale renewables.

Topics discussed included:

- Types of energy efficiency programming and opportunities that could be developed for municipalities.
- Possible criteria for how programs and opportunities could be prioritized.
- Potential roles for the Alberta Energy Efficiency agency, municipalities, and others regarding these programs and opportunities.
- How to enable uptake and support of program, including overcoming potential barriers.

A [Summary Report](#) highlighting the discussion during the municipal technical session is now available. The Panel will provide its recommendations on program delivery by the new Energy Efficiency Alberta agency in its report to the Minister later this fall and it is anticipated that the agency will be in place early in 2017.

In late October, the Government of Alberta [announced initial programs](#) that will be launched in early 2017.

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