

The Importance of Resolutions

The Pennsylvania Municipal League prides itself on being a member-driven association. PML is committed to assisting municipalities, regardless of classification, size, or location, in governing more efficiently. Each member's input into PML's policies is welcome. Resolutions are first introduced at the Spring District Meetings, and that's just one reason why attending your respective meeting is so important.

A review of the resolutions process is outlined below.

Resolutions Introduced

At each of the Spring district meetings, members have an opportunity to propose resolutions that might set PML policy. Attendees vote whether to send their district's resolutions to the Annual Summit. Resolutions may also come from the Board of Directors and Legislative Committee.

Research

PML staff will take several weeks after the district meetings to review the proposed resolutions, seek background information, and compile a packet. All resolutions should be received by staff 45 days prior to the Annual Summit.

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Packet Compilation

Researched resolutions are compiled into a packet that is sent to each member municipality's designated Resolutions Committee representative. Packets should be received by voting members 30 days in advance of the Annual Summit. Each PML member gets one vote at the Resolutions Committee Meeting. The Board of Directors also reviews the packet.

6 Policy

The resolutions adopted at the Annual Business Meeting become a part of PML's legislative priorities and Policy Statement for the upcoming year. Each vote along the way is so important, as it is truly the members who shape PML's legislative agenda.

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Annual Business Meeting

The Annual Business Meeting takes place each year during the Annual Summit. Each member municipality selects a voting delegate, but everyone is invited to attend. The resolutions packet, as determined by the Resolutions Committee, is presented to the delegates for final discussion and a vote.

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Resolutions Committee

The Resolutions Committee meets at the Annual Summit to review, discuss, and vote on the proposed resolutions. Resolutions adopted by this committee then proceed to the entire membership.