

Civic Leaders Dinner offer opportunity to guide Winnipeg's momentum Mayor, Councillors, city administration to network at Chamber forum

NOVEMBER 13, 2017, Winnipeg – Ahead of Budget 2018 and the upcoming civic election, Winnipeg leaders are gathering for a forum to discuss our community's most pressing issues.

"The level of engagement we've received from elected leaders and administration officials as well as industry, labour and various community groups shows the hunger for this kind of night," says Loren Remillard, President and CEO, The Winnipeg Chamber of Commerce. "This evening is not about one particular issue. It's about connectivity, dialogue and collaboration around various ideas and approaches to realize our shared goal: the health and wellbeing of Winnipeg and Winnipeggers."

Statements from confirmed attendees:

"I look forward to this unique event and having the opportunity to hear from members of the city's business community. One of my key responsibilities is ensuring City of Winnipeg information is shared with residents, and I look forward to discussing what aspects are working best and what could be improved." - Felicia Wiltshire, Director, Customer Service & Communications, City of Winnipeg

"I look forward to dialogue about Winnipeg's civic governance model and the need to improve civic democracy at city hall." – Gord Delbridge, President, Canadian Union of Public Employees – Local 500

"I'm looking forward to discussing the important leadership role the City can play in setting a tone for inclusion and in finding creative solutions to some of our most pressing social issues. How might Winnipeg lead the country in being a truly compassionate city?" – Connie Walker, CEO, United Way of Winnipeg

"Everyone has a role to play in ending youth homelessness in Winnipeg. The Civic Leaders Dinner is a great opportunity to engage with people with various expertise and find opportunities for collaboration" – Denisa Gavan-Koop, Here and Now Winnipeg

"Winnipeg is a central hub of CN's North American network and also home to our national training centre. We look forward to chatting with leaders from City Hall and also the community about how we can increase Winnipeg's profile as an innovative, transportation hub." – Kate Fenske, Manager Public Affairs, CN

"I look forward to discussing the digital landscape, technology and innovation in healthcare delivery, and ways to continue to raise the profile of the Winnipeg business community."
– Melanie McCreath, Corporate Development, Norima Consulting

The Civic Leaders Dinner

Thursday, November 16 | Fairmont Winnipeg | 5:30 pm – 9:00 pm

NOTE: To facilitate open conversation, we ask members of the media only attend the cocktail reception portion of the event from 5:30 pm to 6:30 pm.

About The Winnipeg Chamber of Commerce

The Winnipeg Chamber of Commerce, founded in 1873, is the largest organization representing the voice of business in Winnipeg. Our mission is to foster an environment in which Winnipeg business can prosper.

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