

Debt

Policy Type:

GOVERNANCE PROCESS

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- I The Government of Alberta, via the Municipal Government Act, controls the level of debt of municipalities through regulation 255/2000. This regulation states that the maximum level of debt a municipality is 1.5 times the revenue of the municipality.
- 2 Council of The City of Red Deer further restricts the debt level of the municipality to 75% of the maximum level established by the Provincial regulation

## 3 Definition(s):

- (I) Revenue
  - (a) Revenue includes the total revenue reported in the last audited annual financial statement of the municipality. This amount does not include the following:
    - (i) Transfers from the governments of Alberta and Canada for the purposes of a capital property;
    - (ii) Amounts reported as contribution or donated tangible capital assets; and
    - (iii) Revenues arising from transactions between the municipality and a controlled corporation.
- (2) Total debt
  - (a) Total debt includes the total principal outstanding at the calculation time on borrowings made by the municipality plus the loan amount that has been guaranteed by the municipality.
  - (b) The Total Debt does not include guarantees and loans between the municipality and the controlled corporation.

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