



IMLA 2026 91st Annual Conference

Salt Lake City, Utah - Hyatt Regency Salt Lake City

September 23-27, 2026

Wednesday – September 23, 2026

Time	Session	Speaker(s)
7:30 AM – 4:45 PM Salt Lake Foyer	IMLA Registration	
8:30 AM – to 12:00 PM Traverse	IMLA Board of Directors Meeting	
8:00 AM – to 5:00 PM Salt Lake D	Code Enforcement Program - Full program listed below. This program is free and open to all registrants.	
8:30 AM – to 5:00 PM Salt Lake B	ILGL Program - Full program listed below. This program is free and open to all registrants.	
12:30 AM – 5:00 PM Salt Lake A	Utah/Mountain West Day - Full program listed below. This program is free and open to all registrants.	
2:00 PM – 3:00 PM Salt Lake E	Large Population Meeting	
3:00 PM – 3:15 PM Salt Lake Foyer	Coffee Break	
3:15 PM – 4:45 PM Salt Lake E	State League Meeting	
5:00 PM – 6:00 PM	State League/First Time Attendee Reception Join all of our first timers and state league counsel for a great reception with drinks and hors d'oeuvres. It's a great way to meet your fellow attendees right at the start of the Conference!	

Thursday – September 24, 2026

Time	Session	Speaker(s)
7:00 AM – 4:45 PM Salt Lake Foyer	IMLA Registration	
7:30 AM – 8:30 AM Regency AB	State/Provincial Breakfast The State/Provincial Breakfast will give attendees an opportunity to sit down with fellow attendees from their area. Advance registration is required.	
8:30 AM – 9:00 AM Salt Lake C	Opening Ceremonies Join IMLA President and Executive Director for welcoming remarks and helpful tips for new and long-time attendees alike, including information about the Conference and various networking opportunities.	Amanda Karras & Susana Alcala Wood

9:00 AM – 5:15 PM	Canada Day - Full program listed below. This program is free and open to all Canadian registrants.	
9:00 AM – 10:30 AM Salt Lake A/B		
9:00 AM – 10:30 AM Salt Lake C		
10:30 AM – 10:45 AM Salt Lake Foyer	Coffee Break	
10:45 AM – 12:15 PM Salt Lake A/B		
10:45 AM – 12:15 PM Salt Lake C		
12:15 PM – 2:15 PM Regency AB	All Conference Lunch & Awards Ceremony	
2:30 PM – 3:30 PM Salt Lake A/B		
2:30 PM – 3:30 PM Salt Lake C		
2:30 PM – 3:30 PM Salt Lake D	<p>From Policy to Practice: Model Local Government Ordinances that Protect Pets and People</p> <p>Local governments are modernizing animal care and control laws to improve public safety while prioritizing the public’s desire to live in a no-kill community. This panel explores proven and scalable ordinances — including dangerous dog laws, ordinances to address free-roaming cats, and laws that address the puppy-mill-to-pet-store-pipeline — by sharing their implementation experiences, ideal legal frameworks, and key implementation strategies to bring agencies and the public along. Attendees will gain practical tools to draft, defend, and enforce effective local laws.</p>	Kelsey Gilmore-Futeral
2:30 PM – 3:30 PM Salt Lake E		
2:30 PM – 3:30 PM Regency C		
2:30 PM – 3:30 PM Regency D		
3:30 PM – 3:45 PM Salt Lake Foyer	Coffee Break	
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3:45 PM – 4:45 PM Regency C		
3:45 PM – 4:45 PM Regency D		
4:45 PM – 5:00 PM Salt Lake D		
5:15 PM – 6:45 PM	Welcome Reception	

Friday – September 25, 2026

Time	Session	Speaker(s)
7:30 AM – 5:00 PM Salt Lake Foyer	IMLA Registration	
8:00 AM – 9:00 AM Regency AB	WONK Breakfast For the WONK breakfast you will sign up for a table based on subject matter and sit down with the subject matter expert to enjoy a meal and discuss areas of interest. Advance registration is required.	
9:15 AM – 10:15 AM Salt Lake A/B		
9:15 AM – 10:15 AM Salt Lake C		
10:15 AM – 10:30 AM Salt Lake Foyer	Coffee Break	
10:30 AM – 12:00 PM Salt Lake A/B		
10:30 AM – 12:00 PM Salt Lake C		
12:00 PM – 1:30 PM Regency AB	All Conference Keynote & Awards Lunch	
1:35 PM – 2:35 PM Salt Lake A/B		
1:35 PM – 2:35 PM Salt Lake C		
1:35 PM – 2:35 PM Salt Lake D		
2:45 PM – 3:45 PM Salt Lake A/B		
2:45 PM – 3:45 PM Salt Lake C		
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2:45 PM – 3:45 PM Regency D		
3:45 PM – 4:00 PM Salt Lake Foyer	Coffee Break	
4:00 PM – 5:00 PM Salt Lake A/B		
4:00 PM – 5:00 PM Salt Lake C		
4:00 PM – 5:00 PM Salt Lake D		
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4:00 PM – 5:00 PM Regency D		
6:00 PM – 8:00 PM	Softball Game Come play or watch the annual IMLA softball game brought to you by Best Best & Krieger! This is free for attendees to join. Please bring your own glove.	

Saturday – September 26, 2026

Time	Session	Speaker(s)
8:45 AM – 12:15 PM	IMLA Registration	
8:00 AM – 9:00 AM	IMLA Past Presidents Breakfast	
9:00 AM – 10:30 AM Salt Lake A/B		
9:00 AM – 10:30 AM Salt Lake C		
10:30 AM – 11:00 AM Salt Lake Foyer	Coffee Break/Passport Drawing	
11:00 AM – 12:30 PM Salt Lake A/B		
11:00 AM – 12:30 PM Salt Lake C		
2:00 PM – 5:00 PM	Land Use Tours	

Sunday – September 27, 2026

Time	Session	Speaker(s)
8:00 AM – 12:00 PM Salt Lake Foyer	IMLA Registration	

8:00 AM – 8:30 AM Regency BCD	Business Meeting	
8:00 AM – 8:30 AM Salt Lake Foyer	Coffee Break	
8:30 AM – 9:30 AM Regency BCD		
9:45 AM – 10:45 AM Regency BCD		
10:45 AM – 11:00 AM Salt Lake Foyer	Coffee Break	
11:00 AM – 12:00 PM Regency BCD		

Please note the agenda is tentative and subject to change.

Last Updated: 04/14/26

2026 Annual Conference Programs

Institute for Local Government Lawyers (ILGL)

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8:30 AM – 9:30 AM		
9:40 AM – 10:40 AM		
10:40 AM – 10:55 AM	Coffee Break	
10:55 AM – 11:55 AM		
11:55 AM – 1:05 PM	Lunch Break	
1:05 PM – 2:05 PM		
2:15 PM – 3:15 PM		
3:15 PM – 3:30 PM	Coffee Break	
3:30 PM – 4:30 PM		

Code Enforcement Program

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8:45 AM – 9:45 AM		
9:55 AM – 10:55 AM		
10:55 AM – 11:10 AM	Coffee Break	

11:10 AM – 12:40 PM		
12:40 PM – 2:00 PM		
2:00 PM – 3:30 PM		
3:30 PM – 3:45 PM	Coffee Break	
3:45 PM – 4:45 PM		

Utah/Mountain West Day
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