



# IMLA 2026 91<sup>st</sup> 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	<b>IMLA Registration</b>	
8:30 AM – to 12:00 PM Traverse	<b>IMLA Board of Directors Meeting</b>	
8:30 AM – to 4:50 PM Salt Lake B	<b>ILGL Program</b> - Full program listed below. This program is free and open to all registrants.	
8:00 AM – to 5:00 PM Salt Lake D	<b>Code Enforcement Program</b> - Full program listed below. This program is free and open to all registrants.	
12:30 AM – 5:00 PM Salt Lake A	<b>Utah Day</b> - Full program listed below. This program is free and open to all registrants.	
2:00 PM – 3:00 PM Salt Lake E	<b>Large Population Meeting</b>	
3:00 PM – 3:15 PM Salt Lake Foyer	<b>Coffee Break</b>	
3:15 PM – 4:45 PM Salt Lake E	<b>State League Meeting</b>	
5:00 PM – 6:00 PM	<b>State League/First Time Attendee Reception</b> 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	<b>IMLA Registration</b>	
7:30 AM – 8:30 AM Regency AB	<b>State/Provincial Breakfast</b> The State/Provincial Breakfast with 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	<b>Opening Ceremonies</b> 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 – 10:30 AM Salt Lake A/B	<b>Homelessness Work Session TBA</b>	Anna Saverud, Jordan Lowery, Aaron Meyer & Ann Marie Council
9:00 AM – 10:30 AM Salt Lake C	<b>Immigration Work Session TBA</b>	Nicholas Masero & Adam Lauridsen
10:30 AM – 10:45 AM Salt Lake Foyer	<b>Coffee Break</b>	
10:45 AM – 12:15 PM Salt Lake A/B	<b>Affordable Housing Work Session TBA</b>	Kirsten Crawford
10:45 AM – 12:15 PM Salt Lake C	<p><b>Collaborative Governance for Artificial Intelligence and Cybersecurity</b></p> <p>Advances in artificial intelligence and technological innovation are evolving at a rapidly increasing speed. Unfortunately, so too are the litany of problems resulting from deficiencies in the implementation and monitoring of these tools, resulting in an onslaught of litigation against industry leaders including Google, Meta, and Anthropic, as well as renewed attempts by government to strengthen oversight. Local governments are not immune from the challenges facing private industry and must proactively address the risks resulting from implementation of these technologies. From AI procurement and employee use policies to ransomware response, public records compliance, vendor oversight, and critical infrastructure protection, local governments across the country are confronting the same legal and operational risks.</p> <p>This session will explore how local governments can work collaboratively to address emerging technology challenges. Panelists will discuss practical models for intergovernmental cooperation, including AI governance and risk management frameworks, regional cybersecurity initiatives, information-sharing agreements, joint procurement strategies, and collaborative incident response planning. Attendees will learn how local governments can effectively respond to these challenges and leverage collective resources to develop stronger policies and minimize the risks associated with technological innovation, negotiate more favorable vendor agreements, improve cyber resilience, and create consistent approaches to regulatory compliance.</p>	Joel Liberson, Benjamin Benhan & Janette Smith <b>Moderator:</b> Sean Cooley
12:15 PM – 2:15 PM Regency AB	<b>All Conference Lunch &amp; Awards Ceremony</b> - Included in all full Conference registrations.	
2:30 PM – 3:30 PM Salt Lake A/B	<b>Municipal Response to Citizen Suits Under Clean Water and Clear Air Acts</b>	Tip Torres
2:30 PM – 3:30 PM Salt Lake C	<p><b>Best Practices for Validating and Verifying Citations with AI Tools</b></p> <p>What are best practices government attorneys can leverage to ensure they are using AI ethically? During this CLE session, we'll explore how municipal attorneys can reduce manual processes with AI while maintaining the highest standards of accuracy. In this session we'll discuss best practices for: Preventing hallucinations, validating and verifying citations, checking answers from any AI solution, and getting the best answers from AI tools.</p>	
2:30 PM – 3:30 PM Salt Lake D	<p><b>From Policy to Practice: Model Local Government Ordinances that Protect Pets and People</b></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

<p>2:30 PM – 3:30 PM Salt Lake E</p>	<p><b>Airport Governance Best Practices</b></p> <p>Commercial service and general aviation airports must manage complex federal regulations and business interactions with a diverse set of tenants and airport users. Proper governance documentation, such as rules and regulations, minimum standards, and operational and business authorizes assist airports in managing a safe environment and in achieving their strategic objectives. The session will cover the role of these airport governance documents and key considerations for airports to better manage their airports.</p>	<p>Sean Cusson &amp; Elizabeth Smithers</p>
<p>2:30 PM – 3:30 PM Regency C</p>	<p><b>The Evolution Is Now: Alternative Project Delivery Methods and What It Means for Municipal Attorneys</b></p> <p>This presentation explores the rapid shift from traditional design-bid-build to alternative project delivery methods such as CMAR, CM/GC, and Progressive Design-Build. It will highlight the key legal, procurement, and risk-allocation differences that municipal attorneys must understand to effectively advise their clients. Attendees will leave with practical insights on how to navigate this evolving landscape and support successful project outcomes.</p>	<p>Mary Beth Coburn &amp; Craig Hayes</p>
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4:45 PM – 5:00 PM Salt Lake D	<b>Nominating Committee</b>	
5:15 PM – 6:45 PM	<b>Welcome Reception</b> - Included in all full Conference registrations.	

## Friday – September 25, 2026

<b>Time</b>	<b>Session</b>	<b>Speaker(s)</b>
7:30 AM – 5:00 PM Salt Lake Foyer	<b>IMLA Registration</b>	
8:00 AM – 9:00 AM Regency AB	<b>WONK Breakfast</b> 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	<b>Untangling the Spaghetti Bowl of Federal Limits on Local Broadband Deployment and Wireless Siting</b> As we near the halfway point of the second Trump Administration, this panel will provide an update on leading legislative, regulatory, and judicial developments affecting local authority over broadband deployment and wireless siting. The FCC and Congress have been active in proposing new limits on local governments, including fee and compensation caps, franchising rules, zoning restrictions, right-of-way management constraints, new and shorter shot clocks, fast track complaints at the FCC and more. Does your code need an update? The panel will also address key state-level developments and provide market intelligence on municipal property in the telecommunications real estate space.	
9:15 AM – 10:15 AM Salt Lake C	<b>Resilient Lawyering in Local Government: Surviving (and Thriving) as Local Government Counsel</b> Local government attorneys operate in uniquely challenging conditions: intense public scrutiny, high-conflict environments, demanding clients who are often elected officials, and decisions that unfold in real time before constituents and the press. These pressures can create isolation, compassion fatigue, and chronic stress—especially in offices where workloads are heavy and resources limited. This session draws on real experiences and offers practical, evidence-informed strategies that truly fit the day-to-day realities of municipal practice. We'll dig into concrete approaches for managing conflict, maintaining perspective, recognizing the early signs of burnout, and building sustainable habits in offices of any size. Effective leadership plays a central role in attorney well-being and we'll examine how supervisors can identify early signs of burnout, support staff during high-pressure periods, and foster a culture of camaraderie where meaningful work is sustainable.	Kimberly Rehberg & Meghan Goddard
10:15 AM – 10:30 AM Salt Lake Foyer	<b>Coffee Break</b>	
10:30 AM – 12:00 PM Salt Lake A/B	<b>Challenges on State Preemption in Home Rule and Dillon's Rule States</b> The first part of the presentation will discuss how to preserve home rule. Many state constitutions grant some form of "home rule" authority to municipalities, a cornerstone of local autonomy and authority. The extent of local home rule authority can be hotly contested between localities and their state governments. Today, land use matters are front-and-center of many home rule battles. The presenters, who work in Oregon – considered one of the most favorable home rule states – will take the audience on a ride along the Oregon Trail, discussing the battles to preserve home rule. The presentation will	Amanda Guile-Hinman, Jayme Pierce & Lina James

	<p>highlight strategies, both litigation and adopted policies, being employed by local jurisdictions to protect and preserve their home rule authority.</p> <p>The second part of the presentation will discuss lessons from recent testimony (mayor, manager, police chief) before the General Assembly and ongoing audits by the State Auditor/Treasurer regarding public safety and "DEI-related" contracts.</p>	
10:30 AM – 12:00 PM Salt Lake C	<b>First Amendment and City Council</b>	Todd Sheeran & Neal Falgoust
12:00 PM – 1:30 PM Regency AB	<b>Lunch On Your Own</b> Regency AB will be open if you would like to bring lunch and eat with other attendees, or feel free to eat lunch out in Salt Lake City or the hotel.	
1:35 PM – 2:35 PM Salt Lake A/B	<b>1,4 Dioxane: Emerging Contaminants in Drinking Water</b> PFAS has been the focus of regulators and many water providers in recent years. An emerging contaminant-1,4 Dioxane- is following a similar path in terms of regulation and litigation. This session will introduce 1,4 Dioxane to municipal attorneys, discuss the regulatory frameworks that currently exist and possible future regulation, and explore opportunities to ensure that your public water system and municipality are ahead of the game when it comes to identifying and responding to 1,4 Dioxane.	Michael Stag & Ashley Liuzza
1:35 PM – 2:35 PM Salt Lake C	<b>Future-Proofing the Legacy City</b> Many of America's most successful municipalities are reaching a new stage of maturity, requiring leaders to balance redevelopment, fiscal sustainability, and evolving community expectations. This session will explore how established suburban communities can remain competitive for corporate investment, attract and retain top employers, and strategically expand their tax base while preserving quality of life. This presentation will also discuss how cross-departmental collaboration among the city manager's office, legal department, economic development, planning, and other key functions helps drive sustainable growth, revitalize commercial districts, and position cities for long-term success. Attendees will gain practical insights into the legal, policy, and governance strategies that enable municipalities to thrive in an increasingly competitive landscape.	Karen Kennard, Paige Mims & Mark Israelson
1:35 PM – 2:35 PM Salt Lake D	<b>Investors' Claims: Counties' Hidden Tool</b> Investor litigation is a well-known avenue for recovering investment losses and strengthening counties' fiduciary stewardship with their beneficiaries. But an overlooked consideration for engaging in investor litigation is the possibility to pursue corporate accountability on issues that affect the safety and well-being of the communities that counties serve.	Ashley Price
2:45 PM – 3:45 PM Salt Lake A/B	<b>Setting the Rules for AI: An Attorney's Guide to Drafting GenAI Policies for Local Governments</b> As generative AI tools become increasingly embedded in government operations, local government attorneys play a critical role in helping their jurisdictions establish responsible, risk-conscious AI use policies. This presentation will examine the emerging landscape of state and local government GenAI policies — drawing on frameworks adopted by Oregon, New York, Maine, Washington, Georgia, Kansas, and cities including New York City, San Jose, Seattle, and Boston — to identify common principles and best practices that attorneys can adapt for their own communities. Attendees will gain practical guidance on drafting policies that define clear boundaries for acceptable and prohibited AI uses, mandate human oversight and accountability for AI-generated content, and protect sensitive, confidential, and personally identifiable information from unauthorized exposure through AI systems. The session will also address key legal considerations, including how AI-generated content intersects with public records laws, copyright obligations, and contractor and vendor requirements.	Tenee' Frazier
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	<p>Municipal law departments are confronting a pivotal moment: four generations working side-by-side with differing work styles while satisfying ABA Rules 1.1, 1.3, and 1.4 through competent, diligent, and well-communicated transitions. There is a growing retirement wave with a loss of undocumented knowledge poses a direct threat to consistent, competent legal representation under Rule 1.1. This presentation will explore how municipal attorneys can maintain ethical competence and continuity under the ABA Model Rules while preparing for inevitable turnover through structured succession planning and modern knowledge-preservation tools. Structured knowledge-transfer systems and cross-training are essential to uphold supervision duties under Rules 5.1 and 5.3 during staff changes. Using a real case study from a large city attorney's office, the session highlights practical, technology-supported strategies to safeguard institutional memory and strengthen future operations.</p>	
<p>2:45 PM – 3:45 PM Salt Lake D</p>	<p><b>Undesirable Zoning</b></p> <p>Sometimes an urban planning idea can sound great in a presentation but lead to consequences no one imagined. This presentation explores zoning decisions in Dallas and Austin that led to undesirable planning outcomes and the legal consequences of those decisions, along with tips to help guide your planning and zoning officials from making the same mistakes.</p>	<p>Casey Burgess &amp; Patricia Link</p>
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4:00 PM – 5:00 PM Regency D	<p><b>Diversity Session TBA</b></p>	Jeannine Williams & Tianna Kalogerakis
5:00 PM – 6:00 PM Salt Lake Foyer	<p><b>Networking Reception</b> - Included in all full Conference registrations. This reception will provide an additional opportunity for attendees to network with one another. Plan to come and enjoy light hors d'oeuvres and drinks while getting to know more attendees. Included in all full Conference registrations. (Time and Date may change)</p>	

## Saturday – September 26, 2026

Time	Session	Speaker(s)
8:45 AM – 12:15 PM	<b>IMLA Registration</b>	
8:00 AM – 9:00 AM	<b>IMLA Past Presidents Breakfast</b>	
9:00 AM – 10:30 AM Salt Lake A/B	<b>Federal Funding Update</b>	Lisa Marcus & Barak Vaughn

9:00 AM – 10:30 AM Salt Lake C	<b>Rock and Roll Employment Law Update</b>	Justin Pierce, Rebecca Hayward & Meredith Everhart
10:30 AM – 11:00 AM Salt Lake Foyer	<b>Coffee Break/Passport Drawing</b> Participating exhibitors will provide prizes as attendees visit all exhibitor booths to be eligible for the prize drawing.	
11:00 AM – 12:30 PM Salt Lake A/B	<b>Data Centers TBA</b>	Leo Rogers
11:00 AM – 12:30 PM Salt Lake C	<b>Counties Update</b> This session will feature three attorneys from very different counties talking about where their jobs overlap and diverge, from current concerns impacting counties to the variety of unpredictable matters that come up in a daily basis. Discussion will include a range of topics, such as the role of county attorneys in the upcoming elections, the status of tax sale procedures in light of the Pung ruling, and helping elected officials and boards navigate complex legal issues in uncertain times.	Ben Schweigert, Roscoe Leslie & Joseph Cardamone
2:00 PM – 5:00 PM	<b>Land Use Tours</b>	
6:00 PM – 8:00 PM Riverside Park	<b>Softball Game</b> You're killing me, Smalls... you won't want to miss this! Step back in time and join us at Riverside Baseball Field, the legendary ballpark featured in the classic film The Sandlot. 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.	

## Sunday – September 27, 2026

<b>Time</b>	<b>Session</b>	<b>Speaker(s)</b>
8:00 AM – 12:00 PM Salt Lake Foyer	<b>IMLA Registration</b>	
8:00 AM – 8:30 AM Regency BCD	<b>Business Meeting</b>	
8:00 AM – 8:30 AM Salt Lake Foyer	<b>Coffee Break</b>	
8:30 AM – 9:30 AM Regency BCD	<b>Working with Elected Officials</b> This presentation will provide practical advice to assist attorneys in developing and maintaining a positive working relationship with their councils.	Patrick Baker
9:45 AM – 10:45 AM Regency BCD	<b>Cruising the Circuits</b> A timely and fast-paced review of recent federal circuit court cases.	Douglas Haney
10:45 AM – 11:00 AM Salt Lake Foyer	<b>Coffee Break</b>	
11:00 AM – 12:00 PM Regency BCD	<b>Ethics for Government Attorneys: Interactive Scenarios</b> In this interactive presentation, speakers will discuss different ethics scenarios and how to address them. The presentation will then go over the professional rules (including ABA Rule 1.11, 1.7, 1.9, and 3.3, 4.1, 8.4), and cases that apply to the situation and provide the 'answer' to the dilemma.	Darren Shulman & Alan Bojorquez

Please note the agenda is tentative and subject to change.

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## 2026 Annual Conference Programs

**Institute for Local Government Lawyers (ILGL)**

**Wednesday – September 23, 2026**

Time	Session	Speaker(s)
8:30 AM – 9:30 AM	<p><b>Personnel and Employment Law</b></p> <p>It often has been said that one of the largest components of a local government budget is for personnel and labor costs. While there are many similarities between guiding employers between the public and private sectors, public employers have some additional concerns not faced by their private employment counterparts. This presentation provides some road maps and guideposts to help navigate through the maze of federal and state statutory employment requirements along with discussion of some common issues that arise in public sector employment.</p>	Deidra Norris Sullivan
9:40 AM – 10:40 AM	<p><b>Land Use 101</b></p> <p>A foundational look at municipal land use encompassing comprehensive planning, zoning and eminent domain.</p>	Ellie Neiberger
10:40 AM – 10:55 AM	<b>Coffee Break</b>	
10:55 AM – 11:55 AM	<p><b>Fundamentals of Municipal Finance and Borrowing</b></p> <p>This presentation will provide an overview of legal issues that may arise in generating, expending, and borrowing money. The overview will include identification of basic legal issues related to identifying a public purpose, distinguishing between taxes and fees, and municipal borrowing.</p>	Eric Shytte
11:55 AM – 12:55 PM	<b>Lunch Break</b>	
12:55 PM – 1:55 PM	<p><b>Parliamentary Procedure</b></p> <p>Municipal and county governing boards are often populated with dedicated public servants who have little experience or knowledge of parliamentary procedure. Consequently, they may conduct their meetings informally, applying procedural rules loosely and perhaps even inconsistently. This relaxed approach might appear to work well when the board is dealing with noncontroversial matters. Yet when controversy arises – and it always does – the result can be multiple motions made in rapid succession and members who are confused about what they are being asked to vote on. In such situations, the presiding officer is likely to seek the advice of counsel. This presentation will arm local government attorneys with basic principles of parliamentary procedure, examine the legal sources of those principles, and review common procedural problems.</p>	Benjamin Mount
2:05 PM – 3:05 PM	<p><b>Establishing Good Relationships as a Young Professional</b></p> <p>Municipal government is unique in that each unit of government is a diverse organization that largely functions on the ability to forge effective, professional relationships with elected and administrative officials and staff. By considering and tending to these relationships in a thoughtful and intentional manner, officials and staff can ensure that the organization is successful into the future. This session presents a framework to analyze and improve one's professional relationships and suggest techniques to repair relationships that are less than effective.</p>	Wynetta Massey
3:05 PM – 3:20 PM	<b>Coffee Break</b>	
3:20 PM – 4:50 PM	<p><b>Negotiations</b></p> <p>This presentation will outline the steps in preparing for a negotiation, discuss factors to consider in picking a strategy, and demonstrate both how to use and how to counter some of the most common negotiation tactics.</p>	Mac McCarley

## Code Enforcement Program

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Time	Session	Speaker(s)
8:45 AM – 9:45 AM	<b>Code Enforcement: Nuts and Bolts</b> This presentation will provide you with the basics about common legal issues. This presentation will cover Search/Seizure, Takings, Due Process, Preemption, and Causes of Action.	Trish Link
9:55 AM – 10:55 AM	<b>I Saw the Sign...And They're Claiming It's Free Speech</b>	Hannah Hungate
10:55 AM – 11:10 AM	<b>Coffee Break</b>	
11:10 AM – 12:40 PM	<b>Strategies to Abate Nuisance Activity in and Around Service Provider Facilities</b> Over the past couple years, more and more service providers have come to us through our normal filters for criminal activity. Most provide housing and/or services to homeless individuals. This presentation will cover strategies to address these situations and include a litigation case study.	Steve Dunbar
12:40 PM – 2:00 PM	<b>Lunch</b>	
2:00 PM – 3:30 PM	<b>Annual Code Enforcement Case Law Update</b>	Sherri Russell
3:30 PM – 3:45 PM	<b>Coffee Break</b>	
3:45 PM – 4:45 PM	<b>Coordinating County-Municipal Responses to Nuisance Abatement</b>	Sarah Pomeroy

## Utah Day

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Time	Session	Speaker(s)
1:05 PM – 2:05 PM		
2:15 PM – 3:15 PM	<b>Utah League of Cities and Towns Legislative Update</b>	
3:15 PM – 3:30 PM	<b>Coffee Break</b>	
3:30 PM – 4:30 PM		