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The Mayor-CAO Relationship – Building a Foundation for Success

Co-hosted by AMO & OMAA

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AMO and OMAA are hosting a conversation on a key ingredient to a successful, effective and high-performing municipality- the relationship between a Mayor and CAO. This critical partnership sets the tone for your organization and can be a key factor in retention and attraction of employees as well as community relationships. In today's climate, setting the tone and nature of the Mayor-CAO relationship is a win-win approach.

Join us in discussion as we explore the key elements of a productive **Mayor-CAO relationship**.

We have assembled an expert panel to explore:

✔ **Defining Roles & Responsibilities** – Avoiding overreach and conflict by respecting professional boundaries. How have things changed since Strong Mayor powers have been brought in?

✔ **Building Trust Through Communication** – How regular, honest, and transparent dialogue aligns priorities and strengthens collaboration.

✔ **Maintaining Professionalism & Neutrality** – Why the CAO's non-partisan approach and the Mayor's support of professional administration matter.

✔ **Fostering Innovation & Proactive Governance** – Encouraging creative solutions for better municipal outcomes.

Join AMO, OMAA and your municipal colleagues to gain valuable insights, hear real-world examples, and enhance the leadership dynamic in your municipality.

Panelists:

- Mayor Darrin Canniff and CAO Michael Duben from the Municipality of Chatham-Kent
- Mayor Lynn Dollin and CAO Oliver Jerschow from the Town of Innisfil

Moderator:

Lindsay Jones, AMO Director of Policy

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