

## **Municipal Governance and Policy and Freedom of Information Act in SC**

Tuesday, May 19, 2026

- 9:00 – 9:25 a.m. Registration**
- 9:25 – 9:30 a.m. Welcome to Your Regional Council of Governments**  
*Council of Governments Facilitator*
- 9:30 – 10:40 a.m. Part 1: Municipal Governance and Policy (1-hour 15 min.)**  
*Carolyn Sawyer, Moderator*  
*Charlie Barrineau, Field Services Manager, Municipal Association of SC*  
*Rick Osbon, Former Mayor, City of Aiken*  
*Eric Shytle, General Counsel, Municipal Association of SC*
- 10:40 – 10:50 a.m. Break for Short Discussion/COG Presentation About Services**
- 10:50 – 11:00 a.m. Lunch — Participants Complete Lunch During Part 2 of the Program**
- 11:00 a.m. – noon Part 2: The Freedom of Information Act in SC (45 min.)**  
*Carolyn Sawyer, Moderator*  
*Charlie Barrineau, Field Services Manager, Municipal Association of SC*  
*Jeff Shacker, Former Field Services Manager, Municipal Association of SC*
- Noon – 12:30 p.m. Question and answer session via Microsoft Teams**
- 12:30 p.m. Training ends & Evaluation Survey**

**Note:**

Information on municipal governance in the *Handbook for Municipal Officials in SC*

Chapter 1 – The Governing Body

Chapter 3 – Municipal Meetings and Legislation

Chapter 8 – Municipal Officials, Departments, Boards and Commissions

**Note:**

Information about FOIA in the *Handbook for Municipal Officials in SC*

Chapter 9 – Freedom of Information and Ethics

***Mark your calendar now for upcoming events and training sessions***

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| July 15 – 19 | Association’s Annual Meeting, Greenville, SC (MEO Graduation)                       |
| September 22 | MEO Institute: “Municipal Economic Development” and “Forms of Municipal Government” |
| October 14   | Advanced MEO Institute, Columbia, SC ( <i>MEO graduates only</i> )                  |

**On-demand classes are available at [www.masc.sc](http://www.masc.sc) (keyword: MEO).**