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## **PLDO Partner Allan W. Fung Will Present “Best Practices For Using COVID-19 Fiscal Recovery Funds” to Rhode Island City and Town Executives**

Rhode Island – June 14, 2021 – Pannone Lopes Devereaux & O’Gara LLC ([PLDO](#)) Partner Allan W. Fung, a leading public policy and fiscal management attorney and former Mayor of the City of Cranston, will present a webinar on “Best Practices for Using Your Local COVID Fiscal Recovery Funds” to Rhode Island city and town executives on June 16, 2021 from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. (EDT). Joining Attorney Fung for the live webcast is Jeff Stevens, CEM, MEP, VP of Emergency Management for iParametrics, LLC. The online seminar, hosted by the Rhode Island League of Cities and Towns, will cover the American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act of 2021, including details and examples of eligible uses in four categories – public health and economic impacts, public sector revenue loss, premium pay for eligible employees, and water, sewer and broadband infrastructure. The seminar will also educate executives about ARP restrictions, reporting requirements and other compliance issues under the law.

“Local leaders are moving at lightning speed to craft ways to strategically use this once in a generation influx of federal ARP funds to assist residents and businesses in their communities,” explained Attorney Fung. “I am excited to help educate our municipal chief executives, council members, solicitors, as well as their staff about ways to visualize, mobilize and realize their greatest dreams of making a lasting impact in their communities.”

Attorney Fung is widely recognized as a leading voice and frequent speaker at national and international forums on a wide range of issues including economic development, pensions, fiscal management, and diplomacy and international trade, as well public private partnerships (P3s) and other policy and legislative matters. He has extensive experience working on complex legal matters regarding federal, state and municipal regulatory and compliance issues. In his capacity as Mayor of the City of

Cranston that spanned from 2009 to January 2021, he oversaw budgets in excess of \$300 million and a workforce of more than 660 employees and successfully negotiated multiple collective bargaining agreements, reformed the city's severely underfunded locally administered pension plan, and led multi-million-dollar commercial development projects and the emergency management and recovery effort for city residents during multiple declared disasters, including managing the onset of the COVID-19 global pandemic.

He earned his J.D., *cum laude*, from Suffolk University Law School in Boston, is a Rhode Island Bar Foundation Fellow, and admitted to practice in state and federal courts in Rhode Island and Massachusetts.

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