

VIDEO: Muni Minute - When Does the Fed Cut Again?

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In the latest Muni Minute, Greg Warner, CTP and Scott McIntyre, CFA — Co-Heads of Investment Management at HilltopSecurities Asset Management — discuss what the Fed's pause means after last year's cuts, and what could ultimately bring the next one.

Inflation remains the gate: CPI is tracking around 2.4% by the end of January, with shelter trends in focus — and the base case points to a June/July window for cuts to resume.

So what matters most between now and then? The conversation centers on a few key questions:

- Why is inflation (not one jobs print) driving the Fed's timing?
- Why does the June/July "summer window" matter?
- What could 2–3 cuts look like — and where does "neutral" fit?
- What do labor data revisions mean for interpreting growth and policy?

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