



# Minnesota

## Regional Council of Mayors

### LEADING INTO THE FUTURE

The nationally recognized Regional Council of Mayors (RCM) is a nonpartisan coalition building civic trust through connected relationships, inquiry, positive intentions, and collective action focused on issues of regional significance.

*Equip mayors for unifying, complex, adaptive leadership  
Exchange of ideas and emerging innovation  
Seek to understand and find the common good  
Foster access, inclusion, diversity, and equity*

### MEETINGS

Held the second Monday of each month and hosted by Dorsey & Whitney.\* Mayors are encouraged to participate on a consistent basis.

\*COVID: Until in-person events are possible we are hosting RCM meetings via Zoom.

[Link to RCM Meeting Notes & Presentations](#)

### FINANCIAL SUPPORT

There are no dues. The RCM is supported by contributions from Target, Comcast, and Dorsey & Whitney; parking, lunch and staff support are provided. RCM mayors are encouraged to join ULI as individual members or under the [public agency package](#) program.

### RCM CO-CHAIRS



**Mayor Doug Anderson**  
City of Lakeville



**Mayor James Hovland**  
City of Edina

### GOVERNANCE

The RCM operates without a formal legal structure. It is guided by two co-chairs, an RCM Executive Committee, (current and former chairs and the ULI Minnesota RCM Program Director and ULI Minnesota Executive Director), set agendas and recommend leadership positions.

### ACTIONS

The RCM, as an informal organization, will not take actions that obligate or act on behalf of participating mayors or their city. From time to time, Mayors and/or their cities will lend their support on matters of regional significance, which have been vetted by the RCM, through resolutions, testimony or letters.

The RCM offers an immediate opportunity to meet and establish relationships with regional mayors. While each RCM city is unique, the collective sharing of resources, ideas, and experiences helps everyone. Mayors and cities are being asked to take on more in this time of new localism. The collaboration, rapport, trust, and support from other mayors, along with content experts provided by ULI Minnesota, is invaluable. We can accomplish so much more when we work together.



# 2021 REGIONAL COUNCIL OF MAYORS

## RCM CO-CHAIRS

Mayor Doug Anderson, Lakeville  
Mayor James Hovland, Edina

## RCM EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Mayor Elizabeth Kautz, Burnsville, RCM Founder  
Mayor Mike Maguire, Eagan  
Mayor Rhonda Pownell, Northfield  
Mayor Jake Spano, St. Louis Park  
Mayor Janet Williams, Savage

## RCM MEMBERS

Mayor Marylee Abrams, Maplewood  
Mayor Jim Adams, Crystal  
Mayor Kirt Briggs, Prior Lake  
Mayor Anne Burt, Woodbury  
Mayor Tim Busse, Bloomington  
Mayor Melvin Carter, Saint Paul  
Mayor Ron Case, Eden Prairie  
Mayor William Droste, Rosemount  
Mayor Laurie Elliott, Newport  
Mayor Mike Elliott, Brooklyn Center  
Mayor Jo Emerson, White Bear Lake  
Mayor Jimmy Francis, South Saint Paul  
Mayor Mike Franklin, Jordan  
Mayor Jacob Frey, Minneapolis  
Mayor Mary Gaasch, Lauderdale  
Mayor Jason Gadd, Hopkins  
Mayor Shep Harris, Golden Valley  
Mayor Kathi Hemken, New Hope  
Mayor Courtney Johnson, Carver  
Mayor Marvin Johnson, Independence  
Mayor Joe Julius, Elko New Market  
Mayor Jerry Koch, Coon Rapids  
Mayor Stephanie Levine, Mendota Heights

Mayor Jaci Lindstrom, Minnetonka Beach  
Mayor Chris Lund, Hamburg  
Mayor Scott Lund, Fridley  
Mayor Julie Maas-Kusske, Maple Plain  
Mayor Amáda Márquez Simula, Columbia Heights  
Mayor Judson Marshall, Mahtomedi  
Mayor Sandy Martin, Shoreview  
Mayor Johanna McCarthy, Wayzata  
Mayor Deb McMillan, Victoria  
Mayor Charlie Miner, Long Lake  
Mayor Kim Norton, Rochester  
Mayor Mike Pearson, Lake Elmo  
Mayor Duane Poppe, Osseo  
Mayor Maria Regan Gonzalez, Richfield  
Mayor Paul Reinke, Oakdale  
Mayor Dan Roe, Roseville  
Mayor Elise Ryan, Chanhassen  
Mayor Mark Steffenson, Maple Grove  
Mayor Randy Stille, St. Anthony Village  
Mayor Lisa Whalen, Minnetrista  
Mayor Brad Wiersum, Minnetonka  
Mayor Jeff Wosje, Plymouth

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## FROM 8 MAYORS IN 2004



## TO 51 MAYORS IN 2021

