

**RCM Priorities: 2016**

*The RCM provides a nonpartisan platform for networking, learning, collaboration and action to support the region's overall economic competitiveness, prosperity and quality of life.*

**Full range of housing choices**

Mixed income tools and funding mechanisms

Housing preservation mechanisms: funding programs; rental licensing and code enforcement; administrative citations; neighborhood safety and enhancement programs; 'housing choice' vouchers

Condo liability reform legislation

Fair Housing/Supreme Court new ruling: Housing Summit 2016

Housing Tools: ULI MN Housing Policy Toolbox; MHFA/METC/ULI MN comp plan working group (connecting goals and resources); community land trusts; MN Challenge affordable housing talking points; culturally enriched communities principles

(Re)Development Ready Guide

Demographics/changing market preferences

**Building healthy and resilient communities**

Regional Indicators Initiative; Green Steps Cities

Vertical urban farming

METC water supply and management update; storm water best practices

Renewable energy: e.g. solar, wind

Operating cost implications of growth policies

Native Habitats

**Infrastructure**

Roads, bridges and transit funding; system improvement updates

Rail roads: crossings, safety, routing

Electric grid security

Broadband access

**Economic Vitality**

GREATER MSP talent attraction/retention initiative

Entrepreneurship: VentureLake Partnership; Kauffman Foundation