

# RCM

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The nationally recognized Regional Council of Mayors (RCM) was formed in 2004 as a voluntary opportunity for regional mayors to convene and focus on issues of regional significance. The RCM provides a nonpartisan platform for networking, learning, collaboration, and action that supports the region's overall economic competitiveness, prosperity and quality of life. The RCM forms initiative advisory committees to catalyze action strategies focused on relevant and timely issues, e.g., housing, environment, transportation, jobs, healthy communities. The RCM is supported by the Urban Land Institute Minnesota (ULI MN).

**Meetings:** RCM meetings are held the second Monday of each month, hosted by Dorsey & Whitney, located at 50 South 6<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 1500, Minneapolis, MN 55402. Mayors are encouraged to participate on a consistent basis.

**Governance:** The RCM operates without a formal legal structure. It is guided by two co-chairs who serve two year, staggered terms. A RCM Executive Committee, (current and former chairs and the ULI MN Executive Director), set agendas and recommend leadership positions. Initiative advisory committees are co-chaired by a mayor and a private sector leader. Initiative committee terms are open ended.

**Financial Support:** There are no dues. The RCM is supported by contributions from Target, BlueCross and BlueShield MN and the Family Housing Fund; parking, lunch and staff support are provided. RCM mayors are encouraged to join ULI as individual members or under the public agency program.

**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.



“I am a **better leader today** because of the wisdom of the Regional Council of Mayors. Mayors are learning and working together to **find good, progressive solutions** to the real world problems we are facing at the city level. The conversations/topics are highly focused and I can guarantee that I take away **a valuable lesson from every meeting.**”

– Mayor Brad Tabke, City of Shakopee



FROM 8 MAYORS IN 2004...



TO 54 MAYORS IN 2014



## 2015 RCM

### RCM Co-chairs:

Mayor James Hovland, Edina  
Mayor Mary Giuliani Stephens, Woodbury  
Mayor Sandy Martin, Shoreview, Previous Co-Chair  
Mayor Elizabeth Kautz, Burnsville, Previous Co-Chair

### RCM Advisory Committee Co-chairs:

Mayor Debbie Goettel, Richfield, HRC  
Mayor Mike Maguire, Eagan, Housing  
Mayor Terry Schneider, Minnetonka, CTLUS

### RCM Members:

Mayor Jim Adams, Crystal  
Mayor Dave Bartholomay, Circle Pines  
Mayor Ardell Brede, Rochester  
Mayor Chris Coleman, Saint Paul  
Mayor William Droste, Rosemount  
Mayor Jo Emerson, White Bear Lake  
Mayor Jerry Faust, St. Anthony  
Mayor David Grant, Arden Hills  
Mayor Ken Guenther, Corcoran  
Mayor Mary Hamann-Roland, Apple Valley  
Mayor Shep Harris, Golden Valley  
Mayor Ken Hedberg, Prior Lake  
Mayor Kathi Hemken, New Hope  
Mayor Betsy Hodges, Minneapolis  
Mayor Tim Hultmann, City of Long Lake  
Mayor Jeff Jacobs, St. Louis Park  
Mayor Marvin Johnson, Independence  
Mayor Stan Karwoski, Oakdale  
Mayor Jerry Koch, Coon Rapids  
Mayor Sandra Krebsbach, Mendota Heights  
Mayor Denny Laufenberger, Chanhassen  
Mayor Matt Little, Lakeville  
Mayor Peter Lindstrom, Falcon Heights

Mayor Scott Lund, Fridley  
Mayor Jeffrey Lunde, Brooklyn Park  
Mayor Judson Marshall, Mahtomedi  
Mayor Gene Maxwell, Hopkins  
Mayor Lili McMillan, Orono  
Mayor Tim McNeil, Dayton  
Mayor Regan Murphy, Robbinsdale  
Mayor Tom O'Connor, Victoria  
Mayor Mike Pearson, Lake Elmo  
Mayor Duane Poppe, Osseo  
Mayor Phil Rice, Anoka  
Mayor Dan Roe, Roseville  
Mayor Tom Ryan, Blaine  
Mayor Nora Slawik, Maplewood  
Mayor Mark Steffenson, Maple Grove  
Mayor Brad Tabke, Shakopee  
Mayor George Tourville, Inver Grove Heights  
Mayor Nancy Tyra-Lukens, Eden Prairie  
Mayor Mark Wegscheid, Mound  
Mayor Ken Willcox, Wayzata  
Mayor Janet Williams, Savage  
Mayor Gene Winstead, Bloomington  
Mayor Scott Zerby, Shorewood

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