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Summer 2011 Newsletter

Urban Land Minnesota Newsletter is a quarterly update focusing on programs and initiatives that fulfill our mission of creating thriving sustainable communities.

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DID YOU KNOW?

Information about the actions and strategies being implement by ULI Minnesota to drive decision-making, and to educate and inspire leaders in our region can be found in one place. [View and download the flyer.](#)

GET CONNECTED!

Follow us on Twitter (#ULIMN) or link up with other District Council members on the ULI Minnesota LinkedIn group. We're working to build valuable connections among our members, but we need your help to make it a meaningful network. Please connect us with us today!



NAVIGATING THE NEW NORMAL WORKSHOP

Navigating the New Normal is a ULI Minnesota workshop that offers a practical approach to the new challenges of development and redevelopment. It focuses on your city – or a cluster of cities – in a way that strengthens your understanding of today's realities of development and redevelopment. Navigating the New Normal is designed to foster a dialogue about the opportunities and challenges inherent in a new economy based upon shifts in the market and changing demographics.

There is no cost to participate. Navigating the New Normal is an outreach program designed to foster meaningful dialogue between public and private sector leaders. ULI Minnesota is able

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to provide this workshop through the generous financial support from the Family Housing Fund and Minnesota Housing. In addition, access to Community Change Data is possible through a funding partnership with the Metropolitan Council. Host communities are only asked to arrange for a meeting location, cover printing costs, and provide refreshments for participants.

Become a [sponsor](#).

Contact [Katie Anderson](#), at 612-338-1332 for more information.

URBANPLAN

The 2010-2011 school marked significant growth for the UrbanPlan program in Minnesota. ULI Minnesota recently completed its third year of UrbanPlan at Benilde-St. Margarets. BSM also expanded its UrbanPlan curriculum this year to include two classes. Ten new ULI members were trained as classroom volunteers. UrbanPlan is also taught at Roseville Area High School.

We are hoping to add UrbanPlan to more high schools for the 2011-2012 school year. If you know of a school that would be a good fit for Urban Plan or are interested in volunteering, please contact [Chris Kennelly](#) for more information or call him at 612-353-3316.

"I am a recent Roseville Area High School graduate attending the University Of Minnesota College Of Liberal Arts. During my senior year at RAHS my microeconomics class, taught by Mr. Bekemeyer, participated in UrbanPlan. I had an absolute blast. UrbanPlan inspired me to pursue a career in the urban planning field."

– Connor Schaefer

INITIATIVES

Minnesota Housing Policy Toolbox

Building on a national platform of tools to support affordable and workforce housing, ULI Minnesota and the Center for Housing Policy have prepared a Minnesota-specific web based toolbox that provides local tools, strategies and best practices in support of the development and preservation of housing choices. Check out the updated web site for the [Tool Box or access its resources](#).

UPCOMING EVENTS

Inside the Leadership Studio

Thursday, September 22, 2011, 4:00 – 5:00 pm

Dorsey & Whitney, 15th Floor, Minnesota Room

This session will feature a 45-minute interview with Hussein Samatar, Executive Director of the African Development Center and Minneapolis School Board member. Eliza Clark, J.D., LEED AP will moderate this dynamic and informative event. [Learn more and register.](#)

Moving Toward Success: Dallas Area Rapid Transit

Wednesday, September 7, 2011, 4:00 – 5:30 pm

Dorsey & Whitney, 15th Floor, Minnesota Room

To create a successful transportation initiative, local communities must work in close partnership with the real estate development community and the transit agency. The suburban communities of Dallas have done just that, implementing strategies that capture TOD benefits and opportunities around DART's transit system. Presenters will be: David Leininger, Senior Vice President, Chief Financial Officer, DART; Jack Wierzenski, Director Economic Development, DART; Gary Slagle, former Mayor Richardson, TX. Come and learn from key leaders in the creation of this success story. [Learn more and register.](#)

Thursday, September 8: The DART team will present the Southwest LRT Community Works Workshop. Selected leaders and staff will learn from the Dallas region regarding key public and private initiatives and implementation strategies surrounding the DART line. This workshop builds on the November 10, 2010 Policy Leader Mobile Tour and Work Shop and is supported by the Family Housing Fund and the Living

Cities Integration Initiative. [Read the Finance & Commerce SW Corridor update.](#)

Compact Development in the Suburbs: Solving Infrastructure and Financing Challenges (ULI National Forum)

Monday, October 10, 2011, 8:30 am – 4:00 pm

Dorsey & Whitney, 15th Floor, Minnesota Room

Although compact development is one of most sustainable ways to grow, suburban places can find it difficult to build in compact ways. One key challenge, among others, is building and funding the infrastructure that can support more compact growth.

This ULI National forum will identify trends in the use of traditional infrastructure funding tools, explore approaches being used by regions and projects, analyze the changing roles of the public and private sectors, identify policy and practice gaps and barriers, and formulate recommendations. This will be a rare opportunity for private sector developers, financial sector leaders, municipal and public sector officials, and transportation officials to dialogue on a national level about the challenges and opportunities of building out a regional transit system. [Learn more and register.](#)

Succeeding by Innovation

Monday, October 10, 2011, 4:00 – 5:30 pm

Dorsey & Whitney, 15th Floor, Minnesota Room

Presenter Tom Murphy, Senior Resident Fellow, ULI/Klingbeil Family Chair for Urban Development will address the impact of economic development and job creation; strategies on city revitalization; demographic changes and what they mean for cities; how the region is tackling infrastructure issues from highways to schools; and challenges and opportunities facing our region today. You will want to join other private and public sector leaders to get the best ideas and techniques for sparking and growing innovation economies in our region. [Learn more and register.](#)

ULI National Fall Meeting

October 25-28, 2011

Los Angeles, CA

[Learn more and register.](#)

SAVE THE DATE!

6th Annual Economic Outlook

Tuesday, November 15, 2011, 8:00 – 10:00 am

Dorsey & Whitney, 15th Floor, Minnesota Room

Presenter: Brian Beaulieu, Institute for Trend Research

Watch your email for more information.

Downtown 2025: The Future is Exciting!

Tuesday, December 6, 2011, 8:00 – 9:30 am

Dorsey & Whitney, 15th Floor, Minnesota Room

Presenter: Sarah Harris, Chief Operating Officer, Minneapolis Downtown Improvement District

Watch your email for more information.

ULI MINNESOTA PROGRAM RECAPS

May 24, 2011

3rd Annual Housing Initiative Conference

ULI Minnesota hosted its 3rd Annual Housing Initiative Conference featuring Chris Leinberger of The Brookings Institution as the keynote speaker. Leinberger discussed the importance of developing walkable urban places as the basis for successful communities. He provided seven key points for developing these places and explained a five-point "to do" list for specific to the Minneapolis-St. Paul region. [View Leinberger's presentation \(.pdf\).](#)

ULI MINNESOTA WELCOMES NEW LEADERSHIP AND MEMBERS

Advisory committee: Irene Quarshie, Target

Regional Council of Mayors: Mayor Jo Emerson, White Bear Lake; Mayor Jeffery Lunde, Brooklyn Park

New members: Adetula Abiodun, Nick Anderson, Kyle Brasser, Richard Brustad, Jo Emerson, Nathan Gundrum, Matthew Hendricks, David Hyde, Vincent Lim, Andrew Long, Jeffree Lunde, Dan Markee, Thomas McElroy, Ted Redmond, David Sternberg, Jeremy Striffler.

PEOPLE & IDEAS

Mayor Lampi Scholarship Sponsorship Fund

Steve Lampi, Brooklyn Park Mayor for eight years, and a member of the Regional Council of Mayors (RCM), served as the Co-Chair of the ULI MN/RCM Housing Initiative passed away in late February. In appreciation for Mayor Lampi's regional leadership and to honor his legacy, ULI Minnesota created a Young Leader Scholarship Fund that provides a one year ULI young leader membership and registration for all local education programs. [Learn more or become a sponsor.](#)

ULI BOOKSTORE: SUPPORT ULI MINNESOTA

Next time you order a book from the [Bookstore](#), be sure to use the ULI Minnesota code "8117". Our district council will receive a share of the proceeds!

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