



House Local Government Committee

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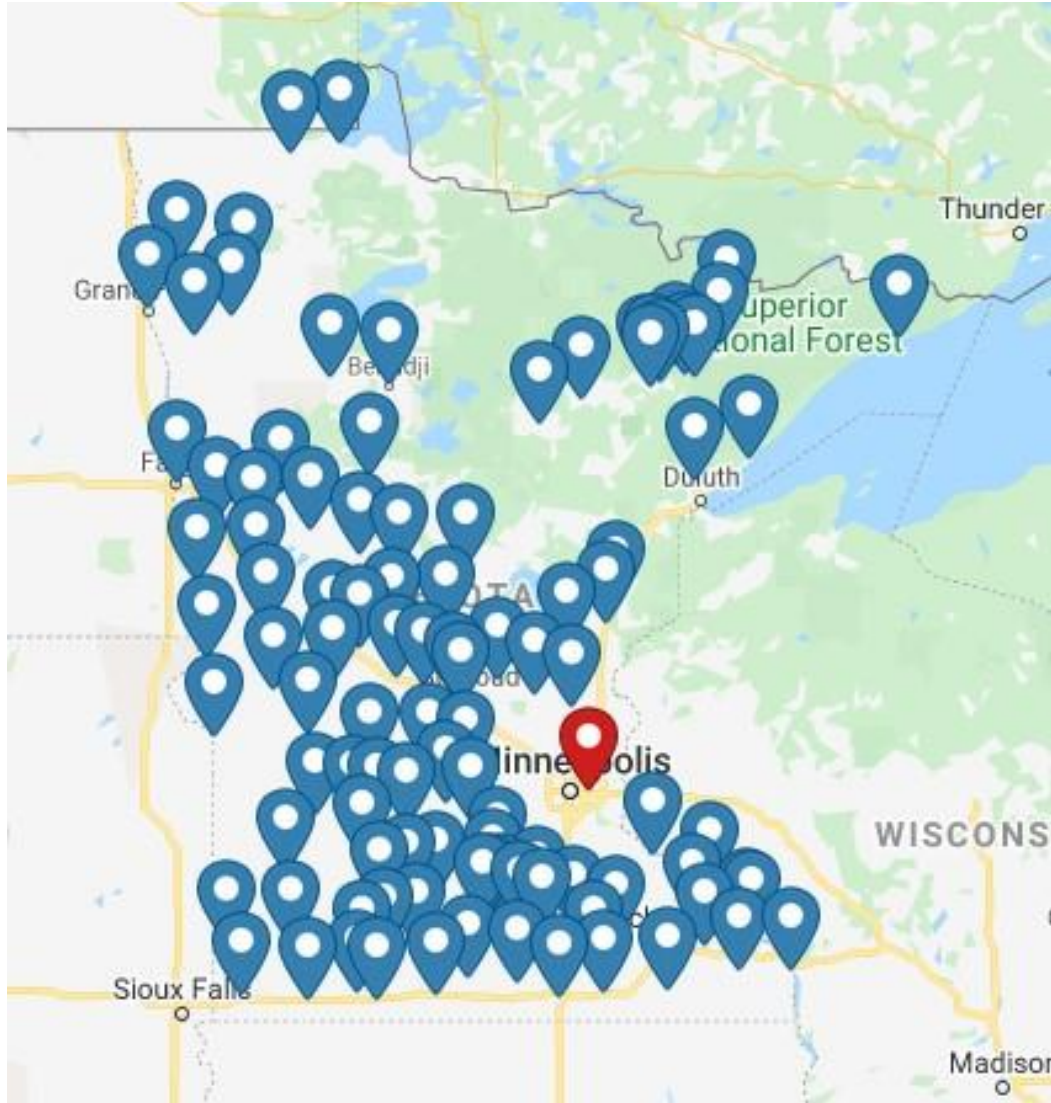
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CGMC Mission

The CGMC is dedicated to a strong Greater Minnesota. Our mission is to develop viable, progressive communities for businesses and families through strong economic growth and good local government.

To meet that goal, we support fair property taxes, good land use planning, sensible environmental regulation, a balanced transportation system, and effective economic development tools.



CGMC - 102 cities across the state working together

- LGA/Property Taxes
- Economic Development
- Annexation and Land Use
- Transportation
- Environment and Energy
- Labor and Employment

CGMC & Local Gov Committee

CGMC works closely with other government groups

- LMC will take lead on many issues before this committee, but CGMC supportive

CGMC Strives To Protect City's Annexation and Land Use powers

- Process by which Minnesota's land use goals are achieved
- Policy recognizes that sound urban development and preservation of agricultural land and open spaces essential to economic growth
 - City government best for intensely developed land. Townships best for ag, open space and rural

Annexation = Sound Land Use Policy

- Several methods of annexation
- Changing the annexation laws is contentious
- Best approach to legislation is achieving agreement between cities and townships
 - Without agreement, it's winners and losers in a zero-sum game.
- Current system could use tweaking, but needs to be mutually acceptable