

Perspectives on Homeowner Association (HOA) Insurance

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Topics

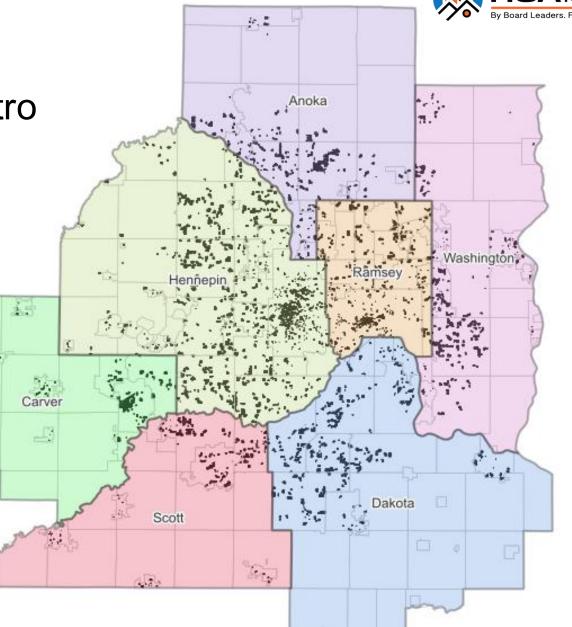
- 1. Metro Area CICs and HOAs
- 2. The HOA Board and Homeowners
- 3. HOA Master Insurance and HOA Homeowner HO6 Insurance
- 4. Managing HOA Insurance

Metro HOAs

7 county Mpls. – St. Paul metro

4,200 CICs and HOAs

• 202,000 housing units



Metro Regional Parcel Dataset 2025 HOA Leadership Network



The HOA Board

- Need and want to be successful
- Volunteers elected by fellow homeowners
- Source of authority and fiduciary duties
 - Minnesota Common Interest Ownership Act (515B)
 - HOA Governing Documents
- HOA purpose to protect and maintain HOA property values



HOA Master Insurance

- Property insurance on common elements at full replacement cost
- Commercial general liability insurance
- Cost shared by all homeowners
- May not include items inside housing units

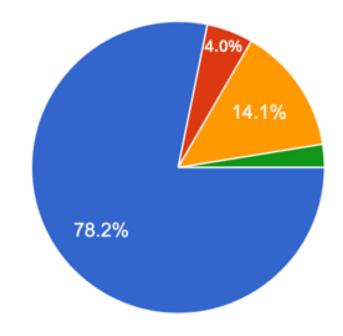
HOA Homeowner HO6 Insurance

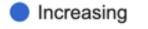
- Covers HOA Master insurance loss assessment
- Covers fixtures inside housing units
 - Flooring, cabinetry, furnishings, improvements
- Personal property
 - Electronics, clothing, furniture, artwork
- Cost paid by homeowner



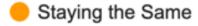
HOA Monthly Dues Increasing

In 2026, are your HOA's monthly dues increasing, decreasing, or staying the same? 78 responses









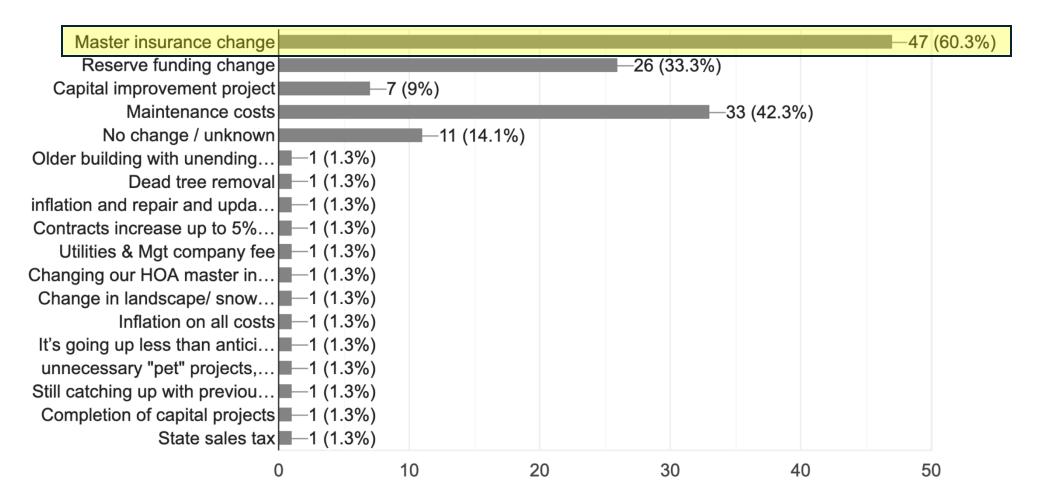
Don't know / Not Yet Determined



HOA Master Insurance Premiums Increasing

What are the main reason(s) for the increase or decrease in your monthly dues? (Choose all that apply)

78 responses





Managing HOA Insurance

HOAs Can't Control

- 1. Number of housing units
- 2. Age of housing units
- 3. Building replacement cost
- 4. Natural events
- 5. Available carriers
- 6. Coverages offered
- 7. Cancel & non-renewal
- 8. Industry oversight

HOAs Can Control

- 1. Risk management
- 2. Homeowner assessments
- 3. Type of Coverage
- 4. Deductible & loss assessment
- 5. Separation of Insurance
- 6. Insurance company
- 7. MN FAIR Plan
- 8. Homeowner HO6 insurance*
- 9. Improve understanding



1. Risk Management

- Inspections and preventive maintenance
- Reserve studies
- Reserve funding

2. Homeowner Assessments

- Increase annual assessments (monthly dues)
- Special assessments



3. Change Master Insurance Type

- All-in coverage → Bare walls
- Reduce insurable value
 more bids

4. Deductibles and Loss Assessment

- 5 10% of building replacement cost for wind/hail damage
- Loss assessment maximum amount per building



5. Separate insurance from operating budget

- Fund insurance premiums as special assessment
- Better control HOA operating budget

6. Change insurance company

Insurance broker or association manager

7. Minnesota FAIR Plan

Reduced coverage at higher premium



8. Homeowner HO6 insurance

- Educate and promote
- Loss assessment coverage = Master insurance loss

9. HOA insurance awareness and understanding

- Understand HOA insurance best practices
- Advocate for HOA insurance oversight



Thank you.

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