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## Duluth's second district city councilor to exit council at end of month

[DULUTH, MN] Duluth City Councilor Mike Mayou officially announced today that he plans to step down from the Duluth City Council at the end of June, pending the successful closing of his family's home sale & purchase in Duluth. Mayou previously announced that he would not be running for re-election in November to prioritize his family.

"We've loved living in the Chester Park neighborhood for the past several years, but due to accessibility and mobility needs for my wife and growing family, we have needed to move to a more accessible home," said Mayou. "We had been looking diligently for a house within the district but due to the tight housing market in Duluth, we were not able to find something within the district."

Mayou has served as a City Councilor in District 2 since 2021.

"It has been an honor to serve on the council, and I am so grateful that the people of Duluth's second district elected me to this seat back in 2021," said Mayou of his time on the council. "While we are happy to have found a home that suits the needs of our family, I am sad to have my time cut short on the Council, as there is still work yet to be done this year during a critical city budget cycle in the midst of federal chaos."

"Councilor Mayou has been a strong and passionate advocate for his district," said Mayor Roger Reinert. "Anyone who heard him welcome attendees to the 2025 State of the City saw the heart he has for those neighborhoods."

Reinert added, "I'm genuinely disappointed to see Mike step away. While we didn't always agree, we still built a relationship rooted in trust and respect and together got some big things done for Duluth."

Per Duluth City Charter, a vacancy on the council requires City Council appoints an eligible replacement.

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