



# Member Update

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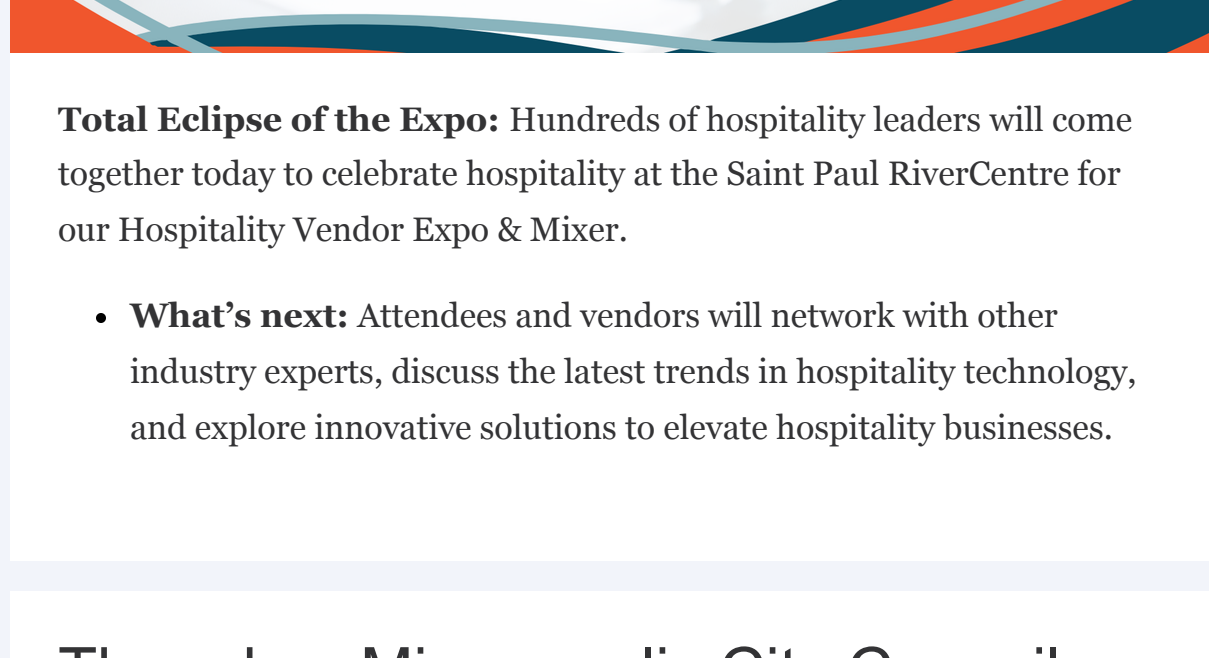
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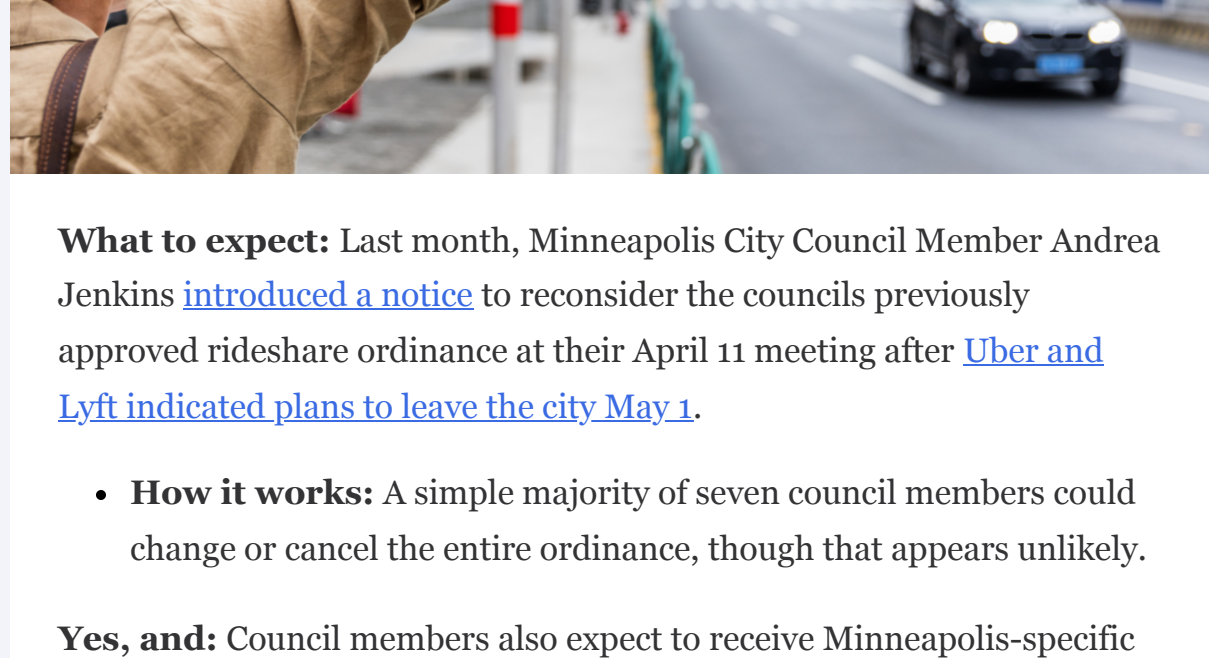
## Happening Now: Hospitality Vendor Expo & Mixer



**Total Eclipse of the Expo:** Hundreds of hospitality leaders will come together today to celebrate hospitality at the Saint Paul RiverCentre for our Hospitality Vendor Expo & Mixer.

- **What's next:** Attendees and vendors will network with other industry experts, discuss the latest trends in hospitality technology, and explore innovative solutions to elevate hospitality businesses.

## Thursday: Minneapolis City Council Expected to Begin Rideshare Reconsideration



**What to expect:** Last month, Minneapolis City Council Member Andrea Jenkins [introduced a notice](#) to reconsider the councils previously approved rideshare ordinance at their April 11 meeting after [Uber and Lyft indicated plans to leave the city May 1](#).

- **How it works:** A simple majority of seven council members could change or cancel the entire ordinance, though that appears unlikely.

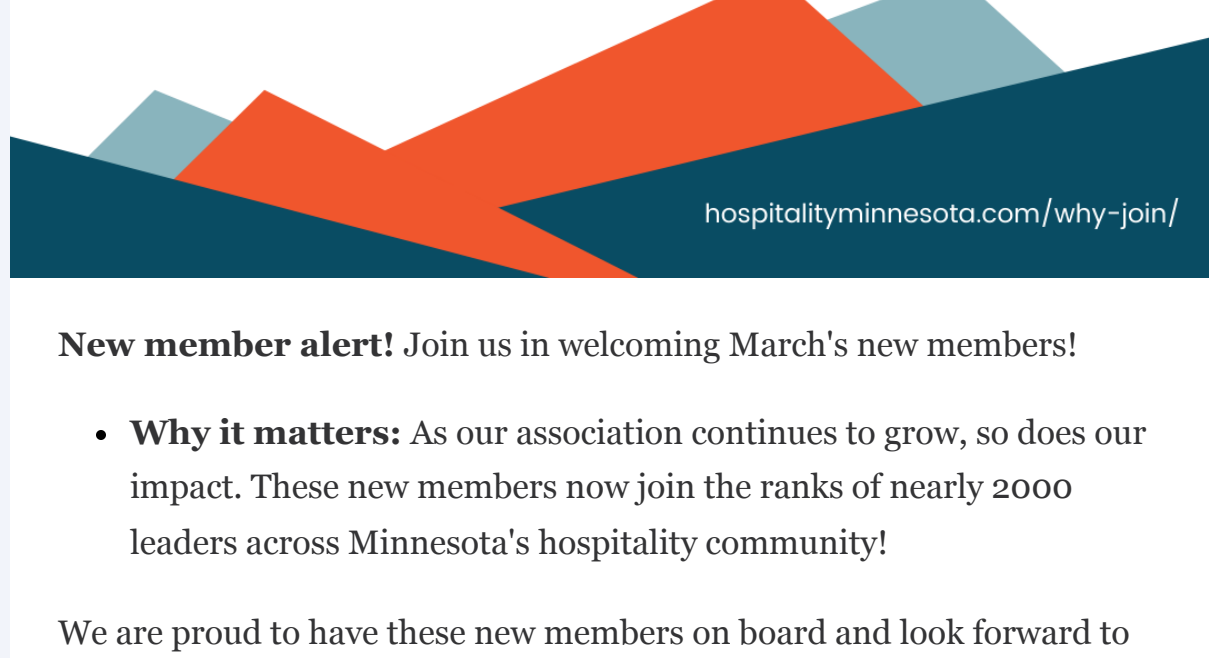
**Yes, and:** Council members also expect to receive Minneapolis-specific rideshare data on April 15, and some have indicated that they would like to wait until they get that information before the reconsideration vote.

- **Then what?** If the city-specific data suggests a lower regimen of minimum-pay requirements could work, council members [could approve](#) those new minimums at their April 25 meeting.

**Beyond Minneapolis:** State lawmakers could also override the Minneapolis ordinance with statewide regulations, and [multiple rideshare bills are being considered in the legislature](#).

**Go deeper:** Read more about the ordinance and major rideshare departure [here](#), and encourage those who live in Minneapolis to contact city council about the ordinance [here](#).

## Welcome to Our Newest Members!



### WELCOME MARCH 2024 NEW MEMBERS!

- FIRM GROUND Architects & Designers
- Nardini Fire Equipment—A Pye Barker Company
- North Risk Partners
- RESIDENZ LLC
- RR Donnelley (RRD)
- St. Croix Linen
- Sun Control of MN
- Wallaweigh

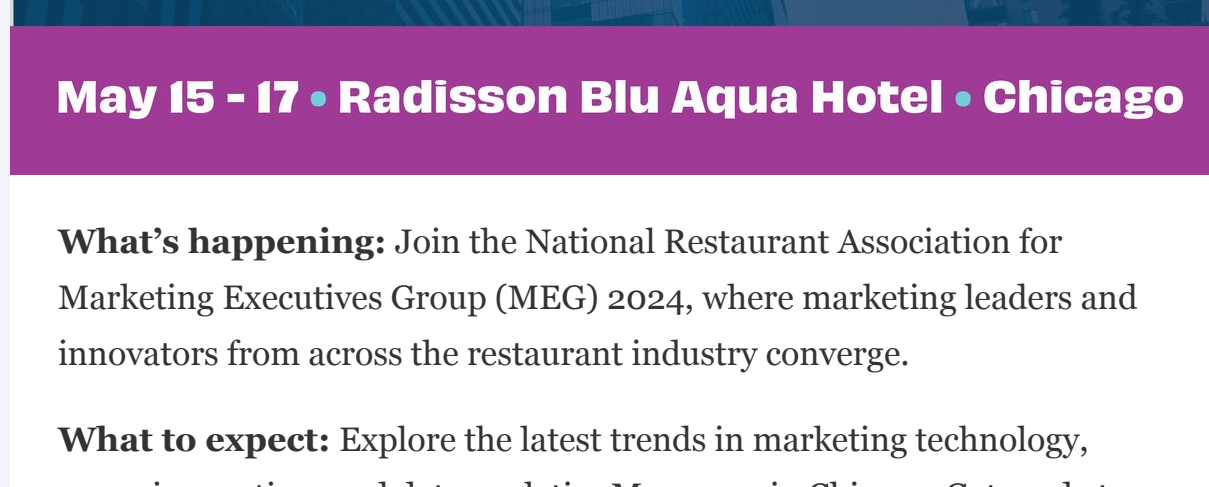
[hospitalityminnesota.com/why-join/](http://hospitalityminnesota.com/why-join/)

**New member alert!** Join us in welcoming March's new members!

- **Why it matters:** As our association continues to grow, so does our impact. These new members now join the ranks of nearly 2000 leaders across Minnesota's hospitality community!

We are proud to have these new members on board and look forward to supporting them in their endeavors. Please join us in congratulating them and check out their fantastic industry offerings!

## Attention marketing professionals: Register for MEG today!

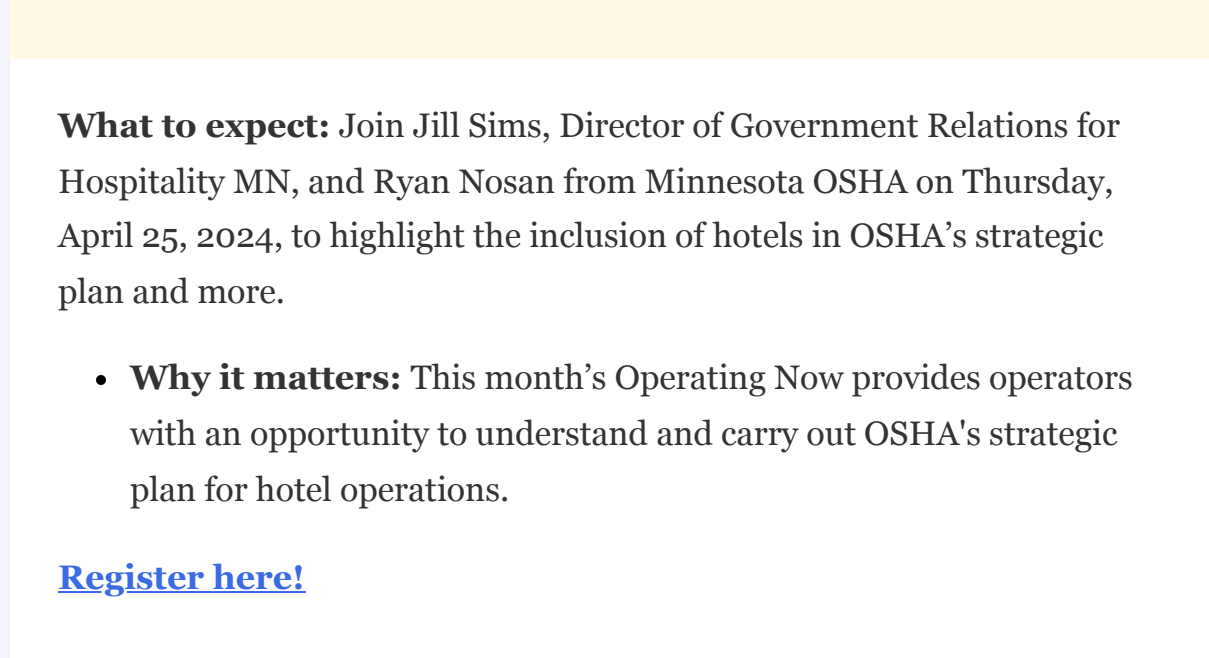


**What's happening:** Join the National Restaurant Association for Marketing Executives Group (MEG) 2024, where marketing leaders and innovators from across the restaurant industry converge.

**What to expect:** Explore the latest trends in marketing technology, menu innovation, and data analytics May 15-17 in Chicago. Get ready to engage with marketing professionals in every segment, from quick service to fine dining.

- [Learn more and register today.](#)

## Register for Operating Now - Hotel Workplace Safety Consulting

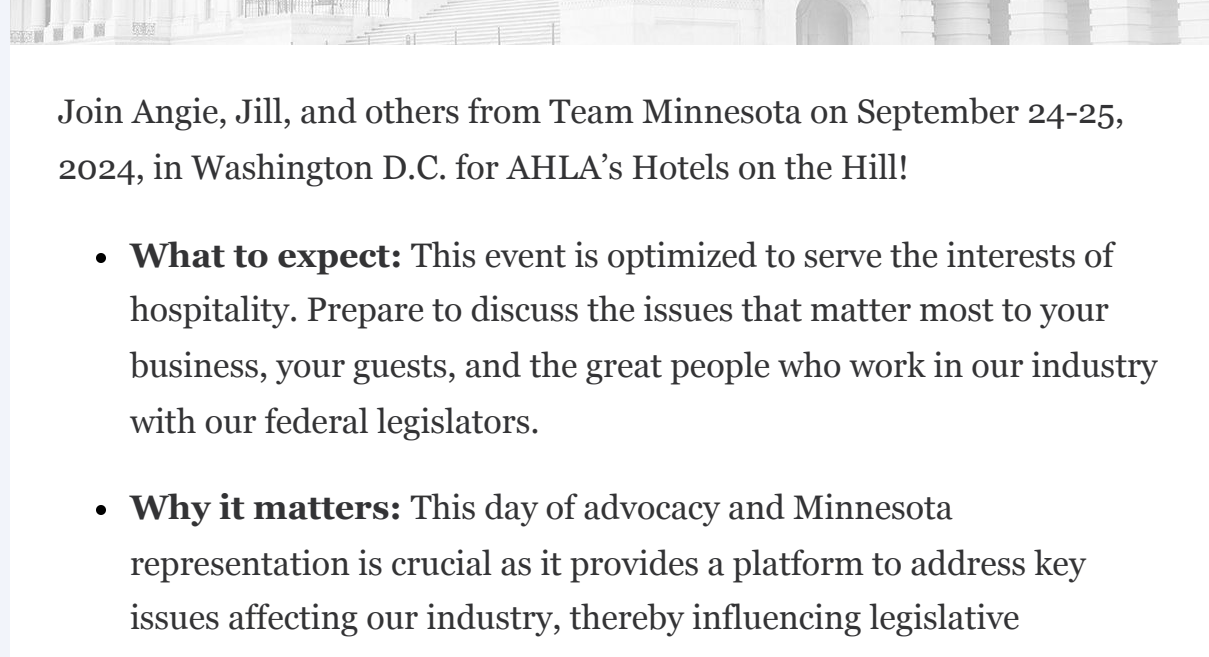


**What to expect:** Join Jill Sims, Director of Government Relations for Hospitality MN, and Ryan Nosan from Minnesota OSHA on Thursday, April 25, 2024, to highlight the inclusion of hotels in OSHA's strategic plan and more.

- **Why it matters:** This month's Operating Now provides operators with an opportunity to understand and carry out OSHA's strategic plan for hotel operations.

[Register here!](#)

## Join Team Minnesota for AHLA's Hotels on the Hill 9/24-9/25

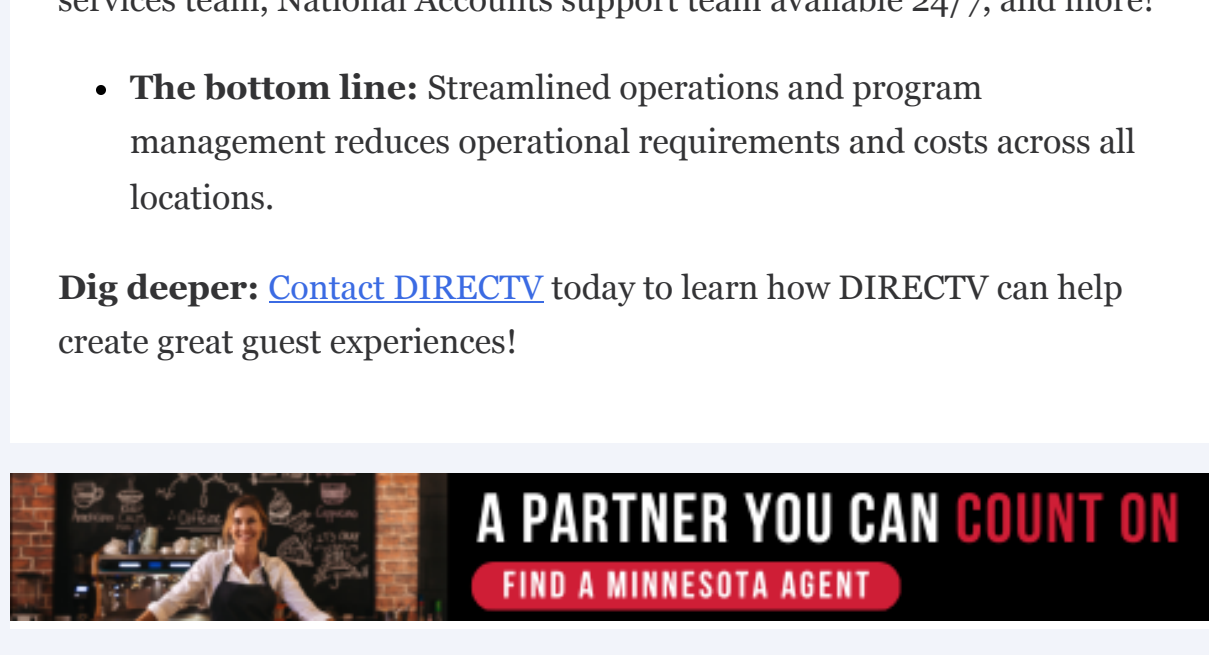


Join Angie, Jill, and others from Team Minnesota on September 24-25, 2024, in Washington D.C. for AHLA's Hotels on the Hill!

- **What to expect:** This event is optimized to serve the interests of hospitality. Prepare to discuss the issues that matter most to your business, your guests, and the great people who work in our industry with our federal legislators.
- **Why it matters:** This day of advocacy and Minnesota representation is crucial as it provides a platform to address key issues affecting our industry, thereby influencing legislative decisions that can enhance business operations, guest satisfaction, and employee welfare.

**Dig deeper:** [Learn more about Hotels on the Hill and register here.](#)

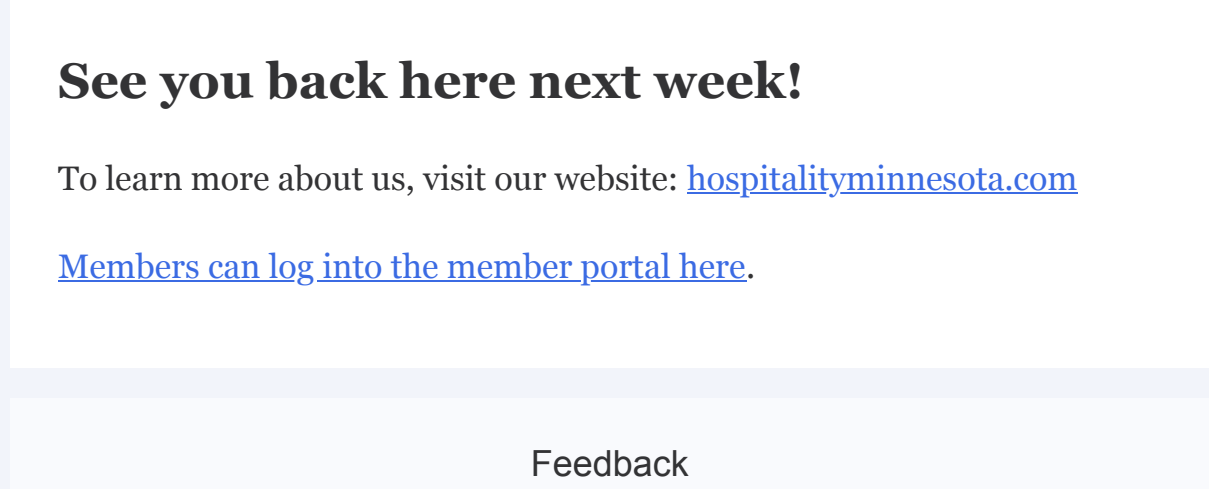
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## In the News

- [The 2024 Restaurant and Chef Award Nominees](#) | James Beard Foundation
- [Twin Cities tourism business braces for impact of Uber departure](#) (Angie Whitcomb quoted) | Star Tribune
- [Dairy Queen hires Gregg Benvenuto to lead franchise development](#) | Minneapolis/St. Paul Business Journal

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