

BLUE CITIES: Most Southern cities are led by Democratic mayors

SIZE RANK	CITY	MAYOR AND POLITICAL AFFILIATION*	NOTES
1	Houston, TX	Sylvester Turner, registered Democrat	
2	San Antonio, TX	Ron Nirenberg, registered independent	Nirenberg is a registered independent but is considered to be more progressive than his Democratic predecessor.
3	Dallas, TX	Mike Rawlings, registered Democrat	
4	Austin, TX	Steve Adler, registered Democrat	
5	Jacksonville, FL	Lenny Curry, registered Republican	
6	Fort Worth, TX	Betsy Price, registered Republican	
7	Charlotte, NC	Vi Lyles, registered Democrat	Lyles will take office in December, replacing Democrat Jennifer Roberts.
8	El Paso, TX	Dee Margo, registered Republican	
9	Nashville, TN	Megan Barry, registered Democrat	
10	Memphis, TN	Jim Strickland, registered Democrat	
11	Louisville, KY	Greg Fischer, registered Democrat	
12	Atlanta, GA	Kasim Reed, registered Democrat	Runoff will be held on Dec. 5 between Democrat Keisha Lance Bottoms and independent Mary Norwood.
13	Raleigh, NC	Nancy McFarlane, registered unaffiliated	McFarlane defeated Democrat Charles Francis for re-election but has been endorsed by the local Democratic Party in the past.
14	Miami, FL	Francis Suarez, registered Republican	
15	Virginia Beach, VA	Will Sessoms, registered Republican	
16	Arlington, TX	Jeff Williams, registered Republican	
17	New Orleans, LA	Mitch Landrieu, registered Democrat	Runoff will be held on Nov. 18 between Democrats LaToya Cantrell and Desiree Charbonnet.
18	Tampa, FL	Bob Buckhorn, registered Democrat	
19	Corpus Christi, TX	Joe McComb, registered Republican	
20	Lexington, KY	Jim Gray, registered Democrat	
21	Greensboro, NC	Nancy Vaughan, registered Democrat	
22	Plano, TX	Harry LaRosiliere, registered Republican	
23	Orlando, FL	Buddy Dyer, registered Democrat	
24	Durham, NC	Steve Schewel, registered Democrat	Schewel will succeed Democrat Bill Bell in December.
25	St. Petersburg, FL	Rick Kriseman, registered Democrat	
26	Laredo, TX	Pete Saenz, registered Democrat	
27	Lubbock, TX	Dan Pope, registered Republican	
28	Norfolk, VA	Kenneth Cooper Alexander, registered Democrat	
29	Winston-Salem, NC	Allen Joines, registered Democrat	
30	Irving, TX	Rick Stopfer, registered Republican	

* Most mayoral races are nonpartisan; party affiliation was determined using voter registration records and media reports.

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SOURCES: U.S. Census Bureau, election and voter records, media reports