Bryan K. Barnett has served as Rochester Hills’ (MI) mayor for more than 13 years and is the longest serving mayor in the history of the city. At the time of his election, he was also the youngest mayor in the United States of a city with a population over 50,000. In November, 2015, Barnett won a historic third mayoral term as a write-in candidate, earning the largest write-in win in a general election in the history of the State of Michigan. He previously served on the Rochester Hills City Council for six years.

Mayor Barnett’s administration has received local, national, and international recognition for innovation, fiscal responsibility, operational excellence and environmental leadership. During his tenure, Rochester Hills has been recognized as “One of the Top Places to Live in America” numerous times by sources like CNN and Money Magazine. In addition, Rochester Hills has held the title “Safest City in Michigan” for the past three years. Mayor Barnett is a frequent national speaker on topics including innovative government, long-term sustainability, and economic development and has represented Rochester Hills and Southeast Michigan on multiple international delegations.

Barnett is a graduate of Oakland University’s School of Business with a degree in marketing. He served as Student Body President at OU and was the recipient of the university’s highest honor, the Alfred Wilson Award. He went on in his career to receive the Outstanding Michigander of the Year, Oakland County “Elite 40 Under 40,” and the prestigious John F. Kennedy School of Government Harvard Scholarship.

On July 1, 2019, Mayor Barnett was named the 77th President of the United States Conference of Mayors (USCM), the official nonpartisan organization of cities with populations of 30,000 or more. Barnett is one of only six mayors from Michigan to ever become President of the Conference since its inception in 1932. As President, Mayor Barnett is focused on three key priorities for the nation’s cities: Infrastructure, Innovation, and Inclusion. In this role, he will also advocate nationally about the importance of cities and advocate for the priorities of local government.

Mayor Barnett’s vision for Rochester Hills is to be the preeminent place in America to live, work and raise a family.