

2026 Self-Storage Association Meeting Recap

by Ben Vestal

As they do each fall, self-storage top executives and entrepreneurs gathered in Las Vegas this month to discuss industry trends, market fundamentals, investor sentiment, and the overall market outlook heading into the end of the year. Despite continued rising interest rates putting downward pressure on valuation and still-sluggish operating fundamentals throughout the industry, the overall sentiment was cautiously optimistic in Vegas. The consensus is that the industry continues to feel the effects of the slower housing market, overbuilding, and lower overall demand across the board. These current market headwinds have kept investors in check even though occupancy and rental rates seem to be showing signs of stabilizing. Most industry veterans remain optimistic about the industry long-term (3-7 years) and have a positive outlook. However, they are also very clear that if you need to sell an investment today or have a fully leveraged project you will need to be realistic about your options.

We all had our fingers crossed that the 2026 leasing season was going to be true sign of market improvement. But as we sit here today at the end of Q3, it is clear there was very little meaningful improvement in occupancy. Rental rates did show signs of stabilizing, but the improvements were modest at best. At the Large Operator's Council meeting, Public Storage CEO Tom Boyle pointed out that self-storage is flat or slightly up over the first three quarters of 2026 compared to other asset classes that are experiencing much bigger corrections. This has led to a very open and fluid transaction market. Today there is no shortage of willing and able buyers for appropriately priced self-storage investments with many investors feeling good about the long-term outlook for self-storage over the next 3-5 years. Today our bid sheets have never been deeper for properties in the top 25 MSA's, while secondary and tertiary market valuations and buyer pools are starting to show signs of softness.

It is also clear that the global bond market is showing signs of volatility with the 10-year treasury hitting 5% this week for the first time since October 2023. This increase in the 10-year treasury has most investors taking a pause as it is a benchmark for all investing which influences the cost of CRE capital. The silver lining to the current self-storage market is that our debt markets have remained open and fluid during the last 2-3 years while the industry experienced some operational headwinds. We have seen interest rates rise but self-storage debt has remained readily available and has allowed self-storage investors to continue to operate and reposition assets in today's market. Any kind of major disruption in the self-storage capital markets leading to even higher interest rates and less liquidity would be devastating to the overall investment market as we continue to work through oversupply, slower than expected lease up deals, and rental rate corrections across the country. The takeaway from the 2026 Fall Self-Storage Association meeting is that there is a possible crossroads in the market and the window may be closing. The circumstances of this changing market leave self-storage owners and operators with many challenges, and my experience tells me that owners have three options.

Option 1: Batten Down the Hatches

You want to hold on to your property for the long haul. The questions you must consider are: Are you willing to hold the property for five years or more? Do you have solid financing currently in place for a contractual period of at least three to five years? Do you have liquid resources to cover the debt service in the event that your revenues decline 10%-20%? Are you among the five most competitive properties in your 3-mile submarket? Can your submarket absorb a new competitor? If you cannot answer "yes" to these questions then you will likely have a problem reaching your objective of holding the property for a long period. If you have not locked in long term financing, don't believe you have the superior location and product in your submarket, and/or you are uncomfortable with the likelihood of reduced cash flow, try Option 2 below.

Option 2: Time to Move on, the Market is Changing

If you are thinking of retiring, lowering your risk, looking for more liquidity, or are concerned about your submarket or the general economy, then maybe you should think about selling. The necessary questions to answer are: Are you willing to sell at the current market price? Do you understand that cap rates have gone up and generally range from 5.25 to 8.5 (much lower than they should be, considering the ten-year treasury has been hovering around 5%), depending on the market and location of the property? For serious sellers, the right answer is "yes!" In summary, the serious buyers today are still active and well capitalized, very knowledgeable about self-storage valuations, and for the foreseeable future are only looking for projects that are priced correctly. The net result is that if you expect to sell in today's marketplace, you must be realistic on your pricing, be ready to move quickly, and be emotionally ready to recognize the market as it is! If any of your answers are "no," you may want to think about Option 3 or return to Option 1.

Option 3: Denial

Denial, by simple default or negligence, is often a popular choice when presented with rather stark and limited options. By any standards the first two options are more difficult and denial is easier – for now! However, the other two options give you some ability to protect the fruits of your labor and investment and are very likely to improve your future options. Thoughtful action is always more productive than worrying about doing nothing!

As advisors to the industry for over 30+ years, myself and our many Argus colleagues in the business can help you understand the market and assist you in buying, selling or positioning your assets for success in these changing times. Please contact your local Argus broker to receive a FREE no obligation valuation that will allow you best assess your next step. Although we wish we could change the market, we hope to be able to work with self-storage owners to find them the best solutions in today's rapidly changing environment. **MM**

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NEW

Bullhead City, AZ \$1,000,000

- 32,166 RSF
- 96 Units
- 100% Occupied
- Strategic Tri-State Location
- Rental Rate Upside
- Expansion Potential
- Owner-Managed with Operational Upside
- Recreation-Driven Demand

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NEW

Longmont, CO Call for Offers

- Offers Due 10/28/26
- 181,743 RSF
- 540 Units
- 91% Occupancy
- Premier Boulder County Location - Affluent demographics, supply constraints, and Boulder County's desirability support durable demand and a deep pool of private investment capital.

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NEW

Santa Maria, CA Call for Offers

- Offers Due 9/23/26
- 47,988 RSF
- 473 Units
- 99% Occupancy
- High-Visibility Location- 67,000 to 70,000 vpd on US-101.
- Strong Demographics - Blended in-place \$1.07/SF vs \$1.54/SF TractIQ market average - clear mark-to-market upside.

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NEW

ID & WA Portfolio \$7,300,000

- Two-Property Portfolio
- 75,930 RSF
- 485 Units
- Premier value-add opportunity with an immediate pathway to increased yield through sophisticated operational optimization
- Both facilities are stabilized occupancy and cash flow positive day one.

Ryan Layton
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NEW

Colorado Springs, CO Call for Offers

- Offers Due 10/15/26
- 162,850 RSF
- 875 Units
- 99% Occupancy
- Strong Demographics - Affluent trade area with ~126K avg. 3-mile household income.
- Diverse Unit Mix - Interior, drive-up, enclosed RV, and parking product.

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NEW

Elk River, MN \$1,000,000

- 11,710 RSF
- 72 Units
- 93% Occupancy
- Fenced, gated, storEDGE powered, online rentals live today.
- Direct corridor exposure with established drive-by signage.
- 17,192 residents within 3 miles, 19,270 projected by 2031, \$117,233 median income.

Alex Ihrke
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NEW

Moss Point, MS

\$980,000

- 21,029 RSF
- 146 Units
- 95% Occupancy
- Direct frontage on Highway 613 with convenient access to I-10; 14,100 – 15,500 vehicles per day.
- Well-located self-storage facility in Moss Point, MS, offering versatile storage options.

Bill Barnhill, CCIM, Stuart P. LaGroue, Sr. & Sharon R. Wright, CCIM
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NEW

Gun Barrel City & Tool, TX

Call Broker for Price

- 116,420 RSF
- 641 Units
- 76.5% Occupancy
- Two well-occupied, locally owned and operated self-storage facilities in the Cedar Creek Lake market (Tool and Gun Barrel City, TX)
- 43 outside boat/RV and vehicle parking spaces at the Tool location
- Current ownership does not charge for Tenant Insurance

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NEW

New England Portfolio

Call for Offers

- Offers Due 10/1/26
- 716,737 Storage RSF
- 96,065 Parking SF
- Market Density - 17 properties across NH, MA, and CT
- Portfolio Scale - 5,612 total units with a 73% current occupancy (4,089 occupied units), offering both immediate cash flow and significant lease-up potential.

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NEW

Walla Walla, WA

\$2,150,000

- 24,850 RSF
- 175 Units
- 1.15 Acres
- New construction – low maintenance costs and energy efficient
- Located along highway 12 with great visibility
- Multiple sizes of storage units available

Greg Meager
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NEW

Klamath Falls, OR

\$1,500,000

- 14,200 RSF
- 97 Units
- 1.6 Acres
- Well-maintained facility benefiting from convenient highway access and strong visibility
- Exceptional location with strong traffic counts of ~8,818 vpd and easy left/right access directly from Hwy 97

Scott King
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NEW

Oroville & Tonasket, WA

\$3,650,000

- Three-Property Portfolio
- 64,815 RSF
- 319 Units
- 8.02 Acres
- Market Dominance: Own (3) of the (4) storage facilities in a market.
- Outside Covered Parking: Outdoor covered RV / Boat parking adjacent to locally frequented Osoyoos Lake.

Ryan Layton & Greg Meager
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Our complete list of available properties is detailed below. For additional information, visit www.argus-selfstorage.com or contact your local Argus Broker Affiliate.

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Loxley \$3,250,000 Bill Barnhill/Sharon Wright 251-432-1287

Arizona

Bullhead City \$1,000,000 Darsh Desai 701-405-3665
Phoenix Call Broker Jeff Gorden 480-331-8880
Phoenix **SOLD** Darsh Desai 701-405-3665
San Tan Valley \$2,100,000 Darsh Desai 701-405-3665
Yuma **SOLD** Jeff Gorden 480-331-8880

Arkansas

Highland \$950,000 Larry Goldman/Derek Arnold 913-707-9030
Hot Springs \$475,000 Larry Goldman/Derek Arnold 913-707-9030
Little Rock \$1,200,000 Larry Goldman/Derek Arnold 913-707-9030
Pine Bluff \$400,000 Larry Goldman/Derek Arnold 913-707-9030

California

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Colorado

Aurora Call Broker Cole Carosella/Matthew Cox 720-909-8602
Colorado Spgs. Call Broker Cole Carosella/Matthew Cox 720-909-8602
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Longmont Call Broker Cole Carosella/Matthew Cox 720-909-8602

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Brookfield \$750,000 Guy Blake 845-522-5900

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Cape Coral Call Broker Josh Koerner 904-594-0140
Fort Myers Call Broker Josh Koerner/Rob Schick 904-594-0140
Fort White \$2,400,000 Josh Koerner 904-594-0140
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Marianna \$2,000,000 Josh Koerner 904-594-0140
Palm Coast Call Broker Josh Koerner 904-594-0140
Port Charlotte \$1,500,000 Josh Koerner 904-594-0140
Stuart Call Broker Josh Koerner 904-594-0140

Georgia

Alma \$310,000 Ryan Haney/Josh Koerner 904-591-1556
Atlanta Call Broker Ryan Haney/Josh Koerner 904-591-1556
Cataula Call Broker Brooks Dove 678-439-8441
Canton Call Broker Ryan Haney/Josh Koerner 904-591-1556
Douglas \$2,200,000 Ryan Haney/Josh Koerner 904-591-1556
Douglasville \$1,200,000 Ryan Haney/Josh Koerner 904-591-1556
Dublin \$2,400,000 Ryan Haney/Josh Koerner 904-591-1556

Idaho

Post Falls \$7,300,000 Ryan Layton 509-435-2424

Illinois

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Rockford \$3,300,000 Bruce Bahrmassel 312-518-3550

Indiana

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Iowa

Prole \$535,000 Nathan Gottlieb/Tom Flannigan 612-790-3747

Kansas

Gardner \$1,600,000 Larry Goldman/Derek Arnold 913-707-9030

Maine

Corinna \$575,000 Matthew Robinson 603-714-3426
Shapleigh \$825,000 Matthew Robinson 603-714-3426
Winthrop \$650,000 Jessie Gilton/Joe Mendola 617-820-8443

Massachusetts

Spencer \$1,790,000 Jessie Gilton/Nathan Robinson 603-714-4019

Michigan

Middleville Call Broker Kevin Friedman 847-436-5483
New Baltimore Call Broker Kevin Friedman 847-436-5483
Romulus Call Broker Kevin Friedman 847-436-5483

Minnesota

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Herman \$289,000 Nathan Gottlieb/Tom Flannigan 612-790-3747
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Stacy \$3,200,000 Alex Ihrke/Tom Flannigan 612-790-3747
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Madison \$2,125,000 Bill Barnhill/Stuart LaGroue 251-432-1287
Moss Point \$2,125,000 Bill Barnhill/Stuart LaGroue 251-432-1287

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Carrollton \$400,000 Larry Goldman/Derek Arnold 913-707-9030
Dexter \$1,175,000 Chad Snyder/Tyler Trahant 817-813-5642
Kirksville \$1,725,000 Chad Snyder/Tyler Trahant 817-813-5642
Marshall \$1,675,000 Chad Snyder/Tyler Trahant 817-813-5642
St. Robert \$1,825,000 Chad Snyder/Tyler Trahant 817-813-5642

Nevada

Fallon \$13,300,000 Jeff Gorden 480-331-8880

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New Mexico

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Oregon

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Klamath Falls \$1,500,000 Scott King 541-890-6708

Pennsylvania

Bechtelsville \$1,350,000 Chuck Shields 610-828-0100

Tennessee

Smyrna \$1,300,000 Josh Koerner/Ryan Haney 904-591-0140

Texas

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Beaumont \$8,165,000 Chad Snyder/Tyler Trahant 817-813-5642
Bowie/Honey Grove \$945,000 Chad Snyder/Tyler Trahant 817-813-5642
Bridgeport \$2,800,000 Chad Snyder/Tyler Trahant 817-813-5642
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Gun Barrel & Tool \$8,250,000 Chad Snyder/Tyler Trahant 817-813-5642
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San Angelo Call Broker Chad Snyder/Tyler Trahant 817-813-5642
Wichita Falls \$1,375,000 Chad Snyder/Tyler Trahant 817-813-5642

Utah

Apple Valley \$1,800,000 Jeff Gorden/Darsh Desai 480-331-8880

Washington

Spokane Valley \$10,500,000 Greg Meager/Ryan Layton 509-795-4431
Oroville & Tonasket \$3,650,000 Greg Meager/Ryan Layton 509-795-4431
Walla Walla \$2,150,000 Greg Meager 509-795-4431

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Ashland \$1,500,000 Alex Ihrke/Tom Flannigan 612-790-3747

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Congratulations to **Jeff Gorden, CCIM & Darsh Desai of The Gorden Group** who sold Economy Self Storage in Phoenix and Cactus Storage in Yuma, AZ! Contact the team at 480-331-8880 for details.



Congratulations to **Cole Carosella & Matthew Cox of Argus Self Storage Advisors** who sold iBox Self Storage in Aurora, CO! Contact the team at 720-909-8602 for details.



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