



Legislation Text

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**City Council Meeting Date:** January 7, 2020

**To:** City Council  
City Administrator

**From:** Mayor Rhonda Pownell

Consider Approval of Mayoral Board/Commission and Council Appointments.

**Action Requested:**

The Northfield City Council approves the following board/commission and Council appointments:

Arts & Culture Commission

- Karna Hauck reappointed to the Arts & Culture Commission for a three-year term ending December 31, 2022
- Matt Klooster appointed to the Arts & Culture Commission for a three-year term ending December 31, 2022
- Todd Edwards appointed to the Arts & Culture Commission for a three-year term ending December 31, 2022

Economic Development Authority

- Enoch Blazis reappointed to the Economic Development Authority for a six-year term ending December 31, 2025

Environmental Quality Commission

- Kim Smith reappointed to the Environmental Quality Commission for a three-year term ending December 31, 2022
- Bruce Anderson appointed to the Environmental Quality Commission for a three-year term ending December 31, 2022
- Mika Turner appointed to the Environmental Quality Commission for a three-year term ending December 31, 2022
- Erica Zweifel appointed to the Environmental Quality Commission as an ex-officio (non voting) Council liaison

Heritage Preservation Commission

- Alice Thomas reappointed to the Heritage Preservation Commission for a three-year term ending December 31, 2022
- Mike Meehan reappointed to the Heritage Preservation Commission for a three-year term ending December 31, 2022

Hospital Board

- CC Linstroth reappointed to the Hospital Board for a three-year term ending December 31, 2022
- Lynn Clayton reappointed to the Hospital Board for a three-year term ending December 31, 2022
- Charlie Mandile reappointed to the Hospital Board for a three-year term ending December 31, 2022
- Brad Ness appointed to the Hospital Board as an ex-officio (non voting) Council liaison
- Rhonda Pownell appointed to the Hospital Board as an ex-officio (non voting) Council liaison.

#### Housing and Redevelopment Authority

- Dayna Norvold reappointed to the Housing and Redevelopment Authority for a five year term ending December 31, 2024

#### Human Rights Commission

- Veronica Gamino appointed to the Human Rights Commission for a three-year term ending December 31, 2022
- Jonathon Woodyard appointed to the Human Rights Commission for a three-year term ending December 31, 2022
- Nina Mattson appointed to the Human Rights Commission for a three-year term ending December 31, 2022
- Linda Larson appointed to the Human Rights Commission to fill a vacancy for a term ending December 31, 2021
- Barbara Wornson appointed to the Human Rights Commission to fill a vacancy for a term ending December 31, 2021
- Lucy Gonzalez Miron reappointed to the Human Rights Commission as a non-voting Advisory Member for a one-year term ending December 31, 2020
- Clarice Grabau appointed to the Human Rights Commission as an ex-officio (non voting) Council liaison

#### Library Board

- Elizabeth Yang appointed to the Library Board for a three-year term ending December 31, 2022
- Richard Crouter appointed to the Library Board for a three-year term ending December 31, 2022
- Margit Zsolnay reappointed to the Library Board for a three-year term ending December 31, 2022

#### Northfield Alliance for Substance Abuse Prevention (NASAP)

- Carolyn Livingston appointed to NASAP for a three-year term ending December 31, 2022
- Allison Albright appointed to NASAP for a three-year term ending December 31, 2022
- Curt Benson reappointed to NASAP as a non-voting member for a one-year term ending December 31, 2020.
- Kathy Cooper reappointed to NASAP as a non-voting member for a one-year term ending December 31, 2020.

#### Northfield Area Fire and Rescue Services Joint Powers Board

- Brad Ness reappointed to the Northfield Area Fire and Rescue Services Joint Powers Board for a three-year term ending December 31, 2022
- Todd Edwardsen appointed to the Northfield Area Fire and Rescue Services Joint Powers Board for a three-year term ending December 31, 2022

Park & Recreation Advisory Board

- Neil Lutsky reappointed to the Park & Recreation Advisory Board for a three-year term ending December 31, 2022
- Peder Jothan reappointed to the Park & Recreation Advisory Board for a three-year term ending December 31, 2022
- Nathan Knutson appointed to the Park & Recreation Advisory Board for a three-year term ending December 31, 2022
- Michael Stanley appointed to the Park & Recreation Advisory Board for a one year term as a non-voting member
- Rhonda Pownell appointed to the Park & Recreation Advisory Board as an ex-officio (non voting) Council liaison

Planning Commission/Zoning Board of Appeals

- Will Schroeer reappointed to the Planning Commission & Zoning Board of Appeals for a three year term ending December 31, 2022
- Jacob Hamalian appointed to the Planning Commission & Zoning Board of Appeals for a three year term ending December 31, 2022
- Suzie Nakasian appointed to the Planning Commission & Zoning Board of Appeals as an advisory member (ex-officio non voting member)

Northfield Community Resource Center Future Planning Team (up to 4)

- Melissa Bernhard, Recreation Coordinator Northfield Public Schools Community Services
- Krista Danner, Chief Executive Officer YMCA
- David DeLong, City Councilor
- Rhonda Pownell, Mayor

Convention and Visitors Bureau

- Brad Ness appointed to the Convention and Visitors Bureau for a one-year term ending December 31, 2020
- Joel Olson appointed to the Convention and Visitors Bureau for a one-year term ending December 31, 2020

Mill Towns Trail Joint Powers Board

- Suzie Nakasian reappointed to the Mill Towns Trail Joint Powers Board for a one-year term ending December 31, 2020
- Erica Zweifel appointed to the Mill Towns Trail Joint Powers Board for a one-year term ending December 31, 2020

Rice/Steele 911 Center Board

- Brad Ness appointed to the Rice/Steele 911 Center Board for a one-year term ending December 31, 2020
- Suzie Nakasian appointed to the Rice/Steel 911 Joint Powers Board as an alternate for 2020

Rice County Community & Justice Council

- Rhonda Pownell

Beyond the Yellow Ribbon

- David DeLong - Council Liaison

Northfield Promise

- Clarice Grabau - Council Liaison  
Age Friendly
  - David DeLong - Council Liaison  
Mayor's Youth Council
  - Rhonda Pownell - Council Liaison  
Hiawathaland Transit Advisory Committee
  - Suzie Nakasian  
Finance Policy Subcommittee
  - David DeLong appointed to the Finance Policy Subcommittee as the Chairperson
  - Brad Ness appointed to the Finance Policy Subcommittee
  - Clarice Grabau appointed to the Finance Policy Subcommittee
  - Bron Scherer reappointed to the Finance Policy Subcommittee as an ex-officio community member liaison
- Council City Employment Committee
- David DeLong appointed to the Council City Employment Committee as the Chairperson
  - Clarice Grabau appointed to the Council City Employment Committee
  - Rhonda Pownell appointed to the Council City Employment Committee
- Northfield Transportation Committee
- Suzie Nakasian - Co-Chair
  - Rhonda Pownell - Co-Chair
  - Brandon Cash - St. Olaf Student Activities Director
- Riverfront Enhancement Advisory Committee
- Daniel Hollerung PRAB representative
  - Greg Siems NDDC ex-officio
  - Glenn Switzer or appointee City of Dundas ex-officio

**Summary Report:**

The City Council is being asked to approve the appointments as noted above. Additional appointments will be recommended in a supplemental memo next week as well as at an upcoming meeting. Copies of the proposed appointees' applications are attached. The City received 55 applications from many highly qualified individuals for 38 board/commission openings.

As part of the process, I met with available applicants for approximately 30 minutes each over the course of 12 days. These meetings provided me with a chance to get to know new applicants as well as provided a check-in time for those that I already know or that were re-applying for a position.

Please note that Mike Meehan is currently serving on the HPC in a vacated term that expires on December 31, 2020. He is being appointed to a full term expiring December 31, 2022.

**Alternative Options:**

N/A

**Financial Impacts:**

N/A

**Tentative Timelines:**

N/A