# **2019 PLANNING COMMISSIONER BIOS**

## AQUANETTA ANDERSON - Appointed to Planning Commission in 2017 - current term expires 2021

360 Colborne Street, Saint Paul 55117 Aquanetta Anderson resides in Ward 5. She works for Saint Paul Public Schools as Project Coordinator for the Parent Academy. The flexible nature of her work allows her the time to dedicate to the Planning Commission. She is active in many community groups (African American Leadership Council, International Association for Public Participation, National Alliance of Black School Educators, Education Minnesota, Saint Paul Federation of Teachers) and chairs the site council for Crossroads Science and Montessori Elementary School. Aquanetta brings a vast network with her and experience tackling projects collaboratively or on her own. She says she tends to be very organized.

### CEDRICK BAKER – Appointed to Planning Commission in 2017 – current term expires 2021

360 Colborne Street, Saint Paul, 55102 Ward 2 Cedrick Baker Cedrick Baker is Chief of Staff for St. Paul Public Schools (SPPS). He currently works in the Office of the Superintendent and oversees the coordination of day-to-day operations and implementation of the strategic plan for the school district. In 2017, he worked as the Board Administrator for SPPS Board of Education and served as policy advisor and spokesperson for school board members. In 2016, Cedrick also served a short appointment as interim director of the Board due to a resignation.

Prior to joining SPPS in 2017, Cedrick worked for the Metropolitan Council for nearly five years: first in its Program Evaluation and Audit department and then leading equity implementation work throughout the organization.

Cedrick is a Big Brother with the Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Greater Twin Cities and serves as a board member for the Citizens League. He has a B.A. in Sociology from the University of Florida and Master of Public Administration from Georgia State University.

# ANNE DEJOY – Appointed to Planning Commission in 2014 – current term expires 2019

965 Payne Avenue, Saint Paul 55130 Ward 6 District Council 2 Anne DeJoy has more than 25 years' experience in community-based economic development. For ten years, DeJoy served as the Executive Director of the Riverview Economic Development Association (REDA). She was appointed as an Assistant to the Mayor in 1999 where she served under two administrations. DeJoy is an alumna of Middlesex College in New Jersey where she studied Marketing Art and Design. She received training in Economic Development and Real Estate Finance from the National Development Council (NDC) and completed Economic Development Strategies training by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). DeJoy received a proclamation from Governor Carlson for her leadership on the Economic Development Committee for the Chicano Latino Affairs Council. She has participated in panel discussions focused on economic development and neighborhood planning and has served on numerous boards and committees including the West Side Citizen's Organization, Saint Paul Riverfront Corporation, Mayor's Committee on Cultural Relations, Neighborhood Justice Center and the Payne Arcade Business Association and others. DeJoy is currently the Director of Commercial Development for the East Side Neighborhood Development Company, Inc.

# DAN EDGERTON – Appointed to Planning Commission in 2012 – current term expires 2021

1157 Como Blvd. West, Saint Paul: 55103Ward 5District Council 10Dan Edgerton leads the Water Resources Team in the Saint Paul office of Stantec, a consulting engineering and<br/>planning firm. The focus of his work is infrastructure planning and sustainable stormwater management. Dan received<br/>his B.S. and M.S. in Civil and Environmental Engineering from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. He and his<br/>family have lived in the Como Park neighborhood for the past 26 years.

### KRIS FREDSON - Appointed to Planning Commission in 2016 - current term expires 2019

333 Warwick Street, Saint Paul 55105 Ward 3 District Council 14 Kris Fredson is the Campaigns & Member Communications Director for LIUNA Minnesota & North Dakota, representing more than 12,000 skilled construction & blue-collar Laborers who join in union & raise the bar for all of us. Fredson is responsible for managing campaigns & member communications in support of LIUNA Minnesota & North Dakota-endorsed candidates & legislative priorities including jobs, transportation & energy infrastructure. From 2010-2016, Fredson served as Political Director for the Minnesota AFL-CIO, the state's largest labor federation representing more than 300,000 union members, and from 2006-2009, Fredson served as Deputy Chief of Staff for Saint Paul Mayor Chris Coleman. Prior to working for Mayor Coleman, Fredson worked as an organizer for the Service Employees International Union, U.S. Senator Paul Wellstone's 2002 campaign & Saint Paul City Councilmember Jay Benanav's 2001 mayoral campaign. Fredson graduated with a bachelor's degree in Social Studies Education & Political Science from Hamline University in 2001. Fredson's proudest accomplishments include managing Coleman's 2005 mayoral campaign, working with the Saint Paul Living Wage Coalition to write & pass Saint Paul's Living Wage Ordinance in 2006, leading the Raise the Wage Coalition's 2014 campaign to raise & index Minnesota's minimum wage, & receiving the Minnesota DFL Party's Paul Wellstone Award for Lifetime Commitment to Organized Labor in 2015. Fredson was born & raised in Esko, Minnesota, & has lived in Saint Paul since 1996.

# TAQEE KHALED - Appointed to Planning Commission in 2016 - current term expires 2019

1750 Yankee Doodle Road, Eagan 55104Ward 4District Council 11Taqee Khaled is a lifelong Minnesotan and a resident of the Hamline-Midway community. He is a former<br/>healthcare management consultant and currently a corporate strategist at Blue Cross Blue Shield of Minnesota.<br/>He attended the University of Minnesota where he studied neuroscience and epidemiology.

Taqee is a passionate believer in the subtly expansive role of place in modifying lived experience, (positively and negatively), for all people - especially in terms of population health and well-being. He spends his free time with his family and coaching soccer.

#### CHONG LEE - Appointed to Planning Commission in 2017 - current term expires 2019\_

1661 Fremont Avenue, Saint Paul 55106Ward 7District Council 4Chong Lee's family fled a war-torn country and sought refuge in America for a better life. Since moving to<br/>Minnesota, the city of Saint Paul has been her home for decades. She now owns a home and lives on the east<br/>side of Saint Paul with her three children and husband for the past 4 years. She received her bachelor's degree<br/>in Social Work and a master's degree in Advocacy and Political Leadership from the Metropolitan State<br/>University. She has experience in nonprofit management, policy, advocacy, and public administration. She is<br/>an active community member in Saint Paul where she participated in numerous issues and electoral campaigns.<br/>She is a passionate individual who will fight for social, racial, and economic justice for all. She recently<br/>accepted a position as the Executive Administration Assistant at New Millennium Academy.

### WILLIAM LINDEKE – Appointed to Planning Commission in 2012 – current term expires 2021

148 West George Street, #7 Avenue, Saint Paul: 55107 Ward 2 District Council 3 Bill Lindeke is a PhD from at the University of Minnesota Department of Geography and specializes in transportation planning, public space, and urban design. He is a local writer, reporter, and urban planning consultant. His work has appeared in Minnpost, City Pages, MSP Magazine, the Growler, and other places, and he is the author of Minneapolis-Saint Paul: Then and Now. He is on the board of urbanism non-profit streets.mn, and lives on the West Side.

### KATHY MOUACHEUPAO – Appointed to Planning Commission in 2016 – current term expires 2021

2324 University Avenue, Ste. 114, Saint Paul 55114 Ward 5 District Council 6 Kathy Mouacheupao grew up in Saint Paul and currently lives in the North End neighborhood. She is the Executive Director for the Metropolitan Regional Arts Council and believes that everyone should have access to the arts. Most recently Kathy served as Program Officer for Creative Placemaking with the Twin Cities Local Initiatives Support Corporation (TC LISC) and before that she served as the executive director of the Center for Hmong Arts and Talent (CHAT). She was a 2016 Roy Wilkins Fellow and a 2011 Bush Leadership Fellow. Currently, she is a co-chair for the Asian American/Pacific Islanders in Philanthropy MN Chapter and is a member of the Coalition of Asian American Leaders (CAAL).

#### CHRISTOPHER OCHS - Appointed to Planning Commission in 2011 - current term expires 2020

850 Dayton Avenue, Saint Paul 55104Ward 1District Council 8Christopher Ochs is a twenty-one-year resident of Ward 1 Saint Paul where he and his wife are raising their<br/>young family of four children. He is an award-winning landscape designer with Windsor Companies; holds a<br/>Bachelor's degree in Environmental Design, two Master's degrees from the University of Minnesota in<br/>Landscape Architecture and Urban & Regional Planning; and has served the District 8 Planning Council, Selby<br/>Area CDC, and the American Society of Landscape Architects. Chris is well traveled and draws a<br/>considerable amount of geographical and cultural experiences from visiting or residing in bustling cities and<br/>rural villages across the globe. He hopes his experience and sense of community will contribute to the well-<br/>being of the City of Saint Paul.

# TREVOR OLIVER – Appointed to Planning Commission in 2011 – current term expires 2020

2021 Margaret Street, Saint Paul 55119Ward 7District Council 1Trevor Oliver is research consultant for the majority caucus at the Minnesota House of Representatives. Prior to taking<br/>that position, Trevor practiced municipal and land use law at Kelly & Lemmons, a Saint Paul law firm. Trevor<br/>received a bachelor's degree from the University of Chicago and obtained his law degree from the University of<br/>Minnesota. He lives on St. Paul's Eastside with his wife and three children.

#### ADRIAN PERRYMAN – Appointed to Planning Commission in 2017 – current term expires 2019

1282 Concordia Avenue, Saint Paul 55104 Adrian Perriman is a Ward 4 resident. He served on the Midway Stadium Task Force and works at Concordia University in Saint Paul as Assistant Director of Academic Advising and previously worked at Admission Possible. He has been active on other community boards as well, such as the Snelling/Midway Community Advisory Committee and other non-profits. He believes that in Saint Paul, there is room for expansion, but also the ability to do that and maintain livability – that there's room for peace and quiet and opportunity for expansion for businesses and entrepreneurs. He believes in "long term planning, not quick fixes." He's also focused on creating good spaces for children in Saint Paul.

### LUIS RANGEL MORALES - Appointed to Planning Commission in 2017 - current term expires 2020

500 Laurel Avenue, Saint Paul 55102Ward 3District Council 14Luis Rangel Morales is a Staff Attorney and Director of Community Outreach for the Neighborhood ServiceCenter ("NJC"). NJC is a non-profit criminal defense organization that helps low income communitymembers receive criminal defense services in Ramsey, Dakota, and Washington county. Mr. Rangel Moralesgraduated summa cum laude from the University of St. Thomas and cum laude from the University ofMinnesota Law School.

## ELIZABETH (Betsy) REVEAL - Appointed to Planning Commission in 2011 - current term expires 2020

*Sid Superior Street, Saint Paul 55102* Betsy Reveal returned to St. Paul in 2009, after working in various American cities and abroad. She served as the chief budget officer, chief financial officer, or chief operating officer in Washington D.C., Philadelphia, PA., Seattle, WA, and the Kennedy School at Harvard, Amtrak and the United Nations Foundations. For the past fifteen years she has maintained a national and international consulting practice. She served as an ex-officio member of Planning Commission in Philadelphia and worked closely with Planning Departments and Commissions in Seattle and Washington, D.C.

## JEFFREY RISBERG – Appointed to Planning Commission in 2017 – current term expires 2019

1181 Portland Avenue, Saint Paul 55104Ward 1District Council 13Since moving with his wife to St. Paul from San Francisco in 1990, Jeff has been committed to building a<br/>stronger community. He is a planning director at the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency, working on a wide<br/>range of water policy, stakeholder engagement, and program development issues. Jeff also had the honor of<br/>serving as a Director on the St. Paul School Board in 2011 and has served on the boards of several local<br/>nonprofit education, community and conservation organizations. Prior to working for the State of Minnesota,<br/>his broad career has included nonprofit management as executive director of the Minnesota Center for<br/>Environmental Advocacy, corporate public relations and marketing, and he served on legislative staffs in<br/>Congress and the Office of the Vice President. He enjoys outdoor recreation with his family in all four of<br/>Minnesota's seasons, and is an avid fisherman and swimmer.

### WENDY UNDERWOOD - Appointed to Planning Commission in 2014 - current term expires 2020

212 Colborne Street, Saint Paul 55102 Wendy Underwood lives in the West Seventh neighborhood of Saint Paul. She is currently the Senior Director of Advocacy and Government Affairs with the Office for Social Justice at Catholic Charities of Saint Paul and Minneapolis. She has served in a variety of leadership roles at the Minnesota Department of Human Services and Target Corporation. Wendy also served as Director of Government Affairs for the City of Saint Paul. Wendy is currently a board member of the Fort Road Federation District Council and serves on various state and local community advisory boards. Wendy and her husband, Darren Tobolt, enjoy volunteering in the neighborhood and working on projects with their 1882 Victorian home.

## LUE VANG - Appointed to Planning Commission in 2017 - current term expires 2020

495 Fred Street, Saint Paul 55130 Ward 5 District Council 5 Lue Vang is currently at The Foundation for Children's Hospitals and Clinics of Minnesota where he supports physicians, directors, and managers with their program funding. In addition, he provides monthly financial reports on contributions, capital and program supports, and restricted funds to the management team. He is actively involved in the community. He sits on the board of directors for Saint Paul Neighbor Networks (SPNN) as Vice President. Prior to SPNN, he sat on the boards for Youthprise and Center for Hmong Arts and Talent.