

LCC VOTER GUIDE

Residents and property owners in the four neighborhoods are eligible to vote in the elections. Ask or email LCC staff if you have questions.

Voting will be available in-person through April 17 at the following locations:

04.12 – East Lake Library, 1-5pm

2727 E. Lake Street

04.15 – LCC Office, 9am to 5pm

3101 Minnehaha Ave

04.16 – LCC Office, 9am to 5pm

3101 Minnehaha Ave

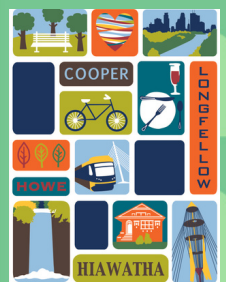
04.16 – Turtlebread, 12 to 4pm

4205 E 34th Street

Online voting will be open from April 12th – April 17th. Cast your ballot on our website or email us for accommodations.

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COOPER



ELEANOR COTTON

she/her

What is your favorite thing about the Greater Longfellow community?

The walkable community and community pride.

Why you would like to serve on the LCC Board of Directors?

I want to contribute to the vibrant community that is Longfellow! I am so amazed and impressed by everything that gets organized here and I want to add/give back in a small part to it!

**CHRISTINE
MARLO-TRIMESTA**

she/her

What is your favorite thing about the Greater Longfellow community?

Favorite thing about Greater Longfellow is the closeness of my neighbors, businesses, and parks including the only natural river gorge in the entire Mississippi River. No matter the differences of opinion, all are welcome here.

Why you would like to serve on the LCC Board of Directors?

I would like to rejoin the LCC Board because I want to give back to the neighbors who are supportive of each other. They give their time, their resources and their energy for the neighborhood. This is my way of doing that.



HIAWATHA

MIKE BERGER

he/him



What is your favorite thing about the Greater Longfellow community?

My favorite part about the Greater Longfellow community is that as residents, we get to experience living in multiple environments at once. From the getting to enjoy the businesses on Minnehaha and Lake Streets, to the parks and Mississippi River to the east, we get to experience the benefits of living in an urban environment and have the ability to enjoy all of the natural environment around us as well. It is truly the best of both worlds.

Why you would like to serve on the LCC Board of Directors?

I joined the LCC Board of Directors in late 2020 as a relatively new resident to the Hiawatha neighborhood with the hope of meeting other neighbors and learning more about how Minneapolis neighborhood organizations can provide value to the greater community. The last year and a half has certainly allowed me to do just that. If given the chance to continue to represent the Hiawatha neighborhood, I would look forward to continuing the work of strengthening the assets of the organization to prepare it for future years and future potential funding models, but also working with other board members to build civic engagement to ensure that the direction of the organization is in line with the community's priorities. In my mind, there has never been a more important time to be involved with groups who help provide a platform to identify local needs and amplify local voices, and LCC does just that.



HIAWATHA

DANA KOPONEN

she/her

What is your favorite thing about the Greater Longfellow community?

The people! I've lived in three separate locations within the Hiawatha and Howe neighborhoods, and on every block I've been impressed by the deep sense of connection and care that neighbors have for one another.

Why you would like to serve on the LCC Board of Directors?

I would like to serve on the LCC Board of Directors because I want to give back to the community that I love, and want to use my skills and abilities to make Greater Longfellow a more equitable and thriving community. My experience in community engagement and conflict resolution have given me valuable skills that I am keen to use in my own neighborhood. As a longtime Minneapolis resident, I have seen firsthand the important role that local community councils play in shaping our neighborhoods' futures. I am committed to working alongside residents and other board members to ensure that the LCC is achieving its goal of improving the well-being of all who live here.



LONGFELLOW



JESS SCHABERG

she/her

What is your favorite thing about the Greater Longfellow community?

The willingness of folks to come together and help each other.

Why you would like to serve on the LCC Board of Directors?

I would like to do what I can to make our community welcoming to new people, develop resources for residents, and to become generally more involved.

KRISTIN GREEN

she/they



What is your favorite thing about the Greater Longfellow community?

Being so close to Lake Street with all the variety of people there and businesses and vibrancy.

Why you would like to serve on the LCC Board of Directors?

I am committed to living in the neighborhood for the long term, I have been here 9 years and was in a different South Minneapolis neighborhood for 12 years before that, and I grew up in South Minneapolis. I would like to be a part of planning for the future of the neighborhood and a more involved person in the issues affecting my neighbors and I have the time in my life at this point in life to volunteer more.

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BEVERLY CONERTON

she/her

What is your favorite thing about the Greater Longfellow community?

I love the community spirit of those who live and own businesses in Greater Longfellow. I've seen that community spirit when neighbors help neighbors with snow removal, in litter cleanup events, in residents helping to protect businesses during the

unrest in 2020, and in community celebrations such as Open Streets or the River Gorge Festival. Community spirit is something that we can foster and build on to continue to make Greater Longfellow a welcoming place to live, work, and play.

Why you would like to serve on the LCC Board of Directors?

I am currently on the LCC Board of Directors. I'm also on LCC's Equitable Development Committee and the Board's Finance Committee. I am running for re-election to continue to work to improve the well being of our diverse community and to work on long-term issues, such as: (1) strategic planning to identify ways for LCC to better inform, connect, and advocate for residents and businesses; and (2) evaluation of long-term budget options to ensure that LCC continues to exist in the future, as funding becomes more limited. As we consider these issues, it is important to have community input and participation. With LCC now hiring a new executive director, I would like to help provide Board continuity and experience as we move into the future with this transition.



COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVE



ANNIE WANG

she/her

What is your favorite thing about the Greater Longfellow community?

The strong sense of community that makes it stand out from the other Minneapolis neighborhoods I've lived in. The closest I've felt like this was my old neighborhood in New York City. The thriving local businesses like Bungalow Club, Wildflyer, Milkweed, Laune makes it exciting and walk-able for my family.

Why you would like to serve on the LCC Board of Directors?

It is extremely important to me to help build that same sense of community, where my kid(s) can safely play with the other kids in the neighborhood, while balancing out building the neighborhood economy through small business. I currently sit on the Zoning Board for the city as the vice chair - I'm only able to see and voice my opinions about new construction and changes in the neighborhood only when there is a zoning variance request. I've seen first hand how seemingly nuanced and innocent changes can snowball into much bigger issues that impact access and affordability. I'd like to play a bigger role and have my voice be heard as a mother, immigrant and Taiwanese-American. I also find it important to build board diversity so it is reflective of the neighborhood it serves.

BUSINESS REPRESENTATIVE

KEN KOENSE

he/him



What is your favorite thing about the Greater Longfellow community?

The diversity, growing solidarity, and beautiful community.

Why you would like to serve on the LCC Board of Directors?

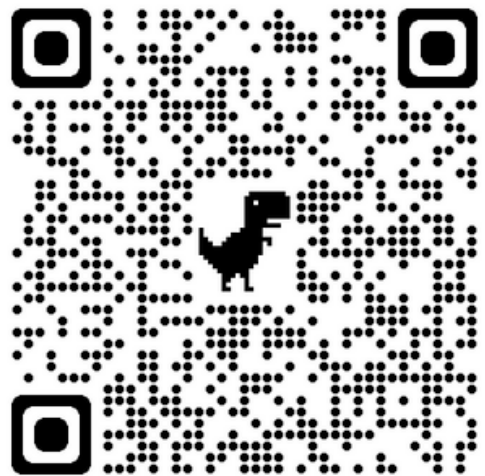
During the various times I have committed my efforts to our community I have witnessed a tremendous amount of growth, and strife, I am steadfast in the belief that Longfellow is a the precipice of great things. I am committed to seeing our organization grow our solidarity with neighboring organizations and create the most sustainable and diverse community in Minneapolis. It would be an honor to serve another term and be part of that growth.

VOTE ONLINE!

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