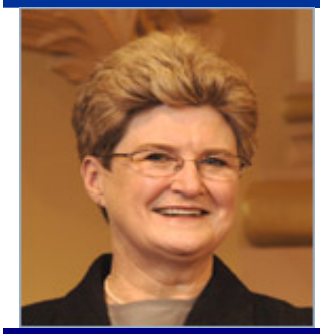

Fourth Ward Report

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Minneapolis 311

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E-mail 311: **Minneapolis311@ci.minneapolis.mn.us**

311 Online Services: **http://www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/311/online-services.asp**

4th Ward Neighborhood Group Links

Cleveland

Folwell

Lind Bohanon

Jordan

Shingle Creek

Victory

Webber Camden

Current Open Appointments

The City of Minneapolis conducts an open appointments process to increase public involvement in the city's decision-making process by selecting members to fill vacancies on numerous boards, commissions and task forces.

There are vacancies on three boards at this time:

1. The Civilian Police Review Authority was created by ordinance in 1990 to provide fair and impartial investigation of citizen allegations of misconduct on the part of officers of the Minneapolis Police Department and make conclusions based on findings of fact.

2. The Senior Citizen Advisory Committee to the Mayor and City Council was created by in 1976 to advise the Mayor and City Council on concerns relating to senior citizens & to recommend actions to solve such concerns, to act as a liaison for the senior citizen community, and to advise and suggest programs and activities of value to senior citizens and the City of Minneapolis. There is a vacancy for a 4th Ward resident.

3. The Minneapolis Telecommunications Network (MTN) is a Public Non-profit Corporation (PNC). The articles of incorporation authorize the corporation in 1992: (1) to promote the use of cable communication systems for community and public access in the City of Minneapolis; (2) to address the information and cultural needs of residents, businesses, non-profit organizations, and governmental bodies; (3) to regulate, control and manage dedicated public channels; and (4) to make recommendations on other franchise issues.

For more information about open appointments visit http://www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/boards-and-commissions/questions-answers-home.asp

Camden Music School

Congratulations to the Camden Music School for celebrating their 5 year anniversary this month. The Camden Music School offers a wide variety of music classes for young and old. For more information about their programs visit www.camdenmusicschool.com

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Camden Bridge

Minneapolis Public Works is in the process of reviewing bids for the Camden Bridge project. They hope to have a contract in place by mid-February so the contractor can order materials and mobilize equipment before road restrictions go into effect. The plan still is to close the bridge March 15th with the bridge reopening by Labor Day. For more information visit http://www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/cip/camden/

Census 2010

The census is a count of all residents in the United States and is taken every 10 years. The census determines representation in the U.S. Congress. Minnesota currently has eight Congressional Representatives. The 2010 census will determine how many Congressional Representatives we have in the next decade. The 2010 census will take place on April 1, 2010. Questionnaires will be sent to every address in the nation. Local governments have been working with the U.S. Census Bureau to ensure that all addresses are included. The census is required by the U.S. Constitution. An accurate count of Minneapolis in the 2010 census is vitally important to the city's future. Census data is used to determine how nearly $300 billion is annually distributed for 170 Federal programs. Census data is also used to determine the need for additional social services, including community development block grants and other grant programs essential to many communities. It is estimated that for every 100 people who are not counted, $1 million is lost to the people of Minneapolis over the next decade. What's more the census count is used to distribute Congressional seats to states and Minnesota is on the cusp of losing one of those seats. The census is required by law and all the information that can identify respondents or households must remain confidential for at least 72 years. Even the President of the United States cannot access your personal information. If you have any questions about the census, or if you would like to get involved as a volunteer, please e-mail Census2010-minneapolis@ci.minneapolis.mn.us or visit http://www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/2010census/index.asp

Top 5 Fourth Ward Service Requests to 311

Minneapolis 311 is a simple, three-digit number residents, businesses and visitors can call to reach the City to inquire about services, report problems, check the status of issues, or get information.

December, 2009

Rank	Department Name	Service Request Type	Number of Service Requests
1	PW Transportation Maintenance & Repair	Sidewalk Snow & Ice Complaint	188
2	PW Transportation Maintenance & Repair	Street Snow & Ice Complaint	67
3	Police	Abandoned Vehicle	47
4	Regulatory Services	Housing - Exterior Complaint	31
5	Regulatory Services	Housing – Interior Complaint	26