# Council Member Diane Hofstede

## Ward 3

## City of Minneapolis

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### 3rd Ward Neighborhoods

**Beltrami**
P.O. Box 18297 Mpls. MN. 55418
612-623-2454
jonathan.d.dekok@wellsfargo.com
1st Monday, 6:30-8:30 p.m.
1111 Summer St. NE

**Bottineau**
2205 California St. N.E. #107
Mpls. MN 55418
612-782-2145
bna@bottineauneighborhood.org
4th Thursday, 7-9 p.m.
Eastside Neighborhood Services
1700 2nd St. NE

**Hawthorne**
2944 Emerson Ave. No.
Mpls. MN 55411
612-529-6033
bworra@hawthornecommunity.org
2nd Thursday, 7-9 p.m.
Farview Park, 609 29th Ave. No.

**Marcy-Holmes**
415 4th Ave. S.E. #209
Mpls. MN 55414
612-623-7633
mhna@pro-ns.net
3rd Thursday 7:30-9:30 p.m.
Univ. Luth. Church of Hope
601 13th Ave. SE

**McKinley**
P.O. Box 11066 Mpls. MN 55411
612-668-2293
Mckinleycommunity@yahoo.com
1st Monday, 6:30-8:30 p.m.
City View School
3350 No. 4th St.

**Nicollet Island/East Bank**
27 Maple Place Mpls. MN 55401
612-340-7934
www.nieba.org
3rd Monday, 6:30-8:30 p.m.
(meets odd months only)
Times Café
201 East Hennepin Ave.

**Warm Holiday Greetings**

My staff and I would like to send sincere Holiday Greetings to all residents of the diverse Third Ward which encompasses many different religious and ethnic Holiday celebrations. Each is wished a prosperous, peaceful and joyful season.

**Community and Resource Exchange Committee (CARE)**

The mission of the CARE Committee is to coordinate diverse City agencies in conjunction with Third Ward neighborhood organizations by focusing each member's expertise on difficult safety and problem property issues, thus promote timely and innovative solutions.

- Police Officer Richard Jackson was named to the 4th Precinct's Problem Property Division and is a working member of the Third Ward CARE Committee.
- CARE Committee meetings are held the 3rd Wednesday of the month; the next one will be December 20, 2006 from 7-8:30 p.m. at East Side Neighborhood Services located at 1700 2nd Street NE.; next meeting January 17, 2006 from 7-8:30 p.m. at Farview Park, 609 29th Ave. No. All residents are invited to participate.
- Issues can be submitted for discussion by completing a problem property/complaint form and submitting it to CM Hofstede's office.

**New Chief of Police Approved**

Tim Dolan has been named the new City of Minneapolis Police Chief directing a department of 800 officers. He is a native of North Minneapolis and a graduate of DeLaSalle High School. The City Council in his confirmation, requested the new police chief to focus on:

- Reversing the increase of violent crime in Minneapolis
- Improving the relationship between police officers and citizens
- Discipline officers guilty of misconduct
- Recruit and retain a more diverse force.

At the recent Third Ward Summit Police Chief Tim Dolan announced that half of the new graduating police recruits will be assigned to the 2nd Precinct.

**Council Supports Police Department through Use of Contingency Fund**

City Council headed off a possible layoff of police officers due to Police department budget constrictions through the end of 2006.

- Funds were taken from the City's Contingency Fund to cover the shortfall.
- The Police department moved several items or projects from 2006 into 2007.
- New technology used in police cars will now allow vehicles to be turned off, thus saving money and cutting pollution emission outputs.

**Grocery Store Task Force Works**

Thanks go to the Grocery Store Task Force for helping close a long time problem property in the Third Ward that severely impacted the surrounding community. In November the City Council voted to revoke the Grocery, Food Manufacturing and Tobacco Dealer License held by 4-You Food Market/Wafana's, located at 2326 Lyndale Avenue N. It also denied the request of the licensee for a stay of revocation decision while pending an appeal.

**St. Anthony East**
909 Main St. N.E. Mpls. MN 55413
maryjanepartyka@aol.com
saenanrp1@aol.com
2nd Tuesday, 7-9 p.m.

**St. Anthony West**
909 Main St. N.E. Mpls. MN 55413
612-378-8886
www.stawno.org
2nd Thursday, 7:30 – 9:30 p.m.
Catholic Eldercare Atrium
871 Main St. NE

**Sheridan**
1226 2nd St. N.E. Mpls. MN 55413
612-379-0728
sno@sheridanneighborhood.org
4th Monday, 7-9 p.m.
Eastside Neighborhood Services
1700 2nd St. NE

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## THIRD WARD SUMMIT IN ACTION

Over 200 residents participated

A time to share information and meet new people and city staff.

## Vacant Homes Raided for Metal

Boarded up buildings in Minneapolis are having their copper pipes removed by vandals to be sold for their recycled value. This has created a dangerous situation in such instances where the home has either caught on fire or a gas explosion has occurred. Please call 311/911 if you have any reason to suspect this is happening to a property near you.

## Industrial Land Use & Employment Policy Plan Adopted

The Industrial Land Use & Employment Policy Plan determines the most appropriate areas in the City for industrial use and a framework that will maintain and support new industrial jobs in these zones. Amendments that affect the Third Ward were added and approved including; acknowledging the importance of bikeways to the connection of neighborhoods and greenways, and ensuring the Plan was consistent with the Above the Falls Master Plan.

## NECDC Receives One Year Extension in Beltrami Neighborhood

The Northeast Community Development Corporation gained a one year extension of exclusive development rights at Buchanan St NE between Winter and Spring Streets NE in collaboration with the Beltrami neighborhood who envision converting this industrial site to housing. Before MnDot (Minnesota Department of Transportation) will consider selling the site to the City the following is being done.

- A site investigation contract will need to be executed.
- A draft Phase I report and investigation work plan will be given to the Pollution Control Agency for review in December.
- Drilling will be done during the first several months of 2007.
- Testing results should be available in early 2007.

The NECDC is coordinating site analysis, marketing and neighborhood facilitation.

## DeLaSalle Athletic Facility Gains a new Perspective

DeLaSalle High School is looking at possible new designs for the creation of an athletic field on Nicollet Island with assistance of the architectural firm MS & R (Meyer, Scherer and Rockcastle, Ltd.). The firm brings a new perspective to the project in that they are approaching the project from the perspective of creating an amenity for the school and the surrounding neighborhood; they are skilled in Urban Design with an example being the renovation and creation of the Mill City Museum; and they are a local firm and thus familiar with the City and surrounding neighborhood's special needs and amenities.

## Southeast Lund's Store Opens

Amid sausage cutting ceremonies complete with polka music the new Lund's store at 25 University Ave NE opened. Third Ward residents can now access on site numerous services including Caribou Coffee, White Way Cleaners, Prairie Store Pharmacy, and Minneapolis Floral. Store hours are 6 a.m. to 11 p.m. with free parking in the ramp.

## Snow Emergency Reminder

Yes, it is that time of year again. To find out if a snow emergency has been declared:

- Call 348-7669 (SNOW); or go to city website at www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us
- TTY callers can use MN Relay Service or call 673-2116
- Watch the City Cable TV channels 14 and 79

If your car is towed a new feature of 311 provides you all the information that is needed:

- To determine if you car has been towed provide your license plate number
- You will be informed of where your car has been towed
- What you need to bring along to retrieve your car
- What the amount of your fine is and the methods of payment that are acceptable

**Coming in next edition**: Learn more about the Third Ward Summit for October 2007 and more information about getting involved in activities in the Third Ward.

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