



**n Minneapolis Neighborhood Association
Elections to the Board of Directors**

CANDIDATE PROFILES

Tomasz (Tomek) R. Rajtar - 314 Hennepin Ave.

Tomasz moved to Minneapolis in 1985 from the East Side of St. Paul, and use to work at Dayton-Hudson Corp, as the end Administrator for their HQ...NCA=Network Accounting System.

Tomasz has resided at The Archie Givens' Atrium Apartments/314 Hennepin Ave., of the Minneapolis Public Housing Authority {MPHA} since 2002. MPHA owns and manages 42 Low-Income High Rises in Minneapolis, totaling 42 Buildings and 5000 Tenants. Tomasz has been awesomely blessed to Serve 4 cycles (or 8 years) Upon the Tenant Organization; Minneapolis High Rise Representative Council {MHRC} as an MHRC Board Delegate, bringing info Up into MHRC from the Atrium Apartments Resident Council to MHRC, and MANDATORY Information back down to the level of the individual tenant while also being a trusted servant of the Atrium Resident Council Officers and the Board or Tenants at-large out of 299 Units/Apartments.

For at Least 4---8 Year Cycles, Tomasz has also been blessed, to chair the MHRC City-Wide Security Advisory Committee, which also has a seat upon the MHRC Executive Committee. These actions/activities have Taught Tomasz, to greater appreciate the diversity within the city of Minneapolis, as well as the needs of low-income renters' or tenants residing within the city of Minneapolis.

I humbly request your considering me as a DMNA Board Member. However, since I am brand new to DMNA after ONLY 3 meetings, please know...that I will continue to serve as a person dedicated to The Atrium Resident Council of 314 Hennepin Ave., within Downtown West, as well as Assisting in the needs and burning Desires, of DMNA; including everyone else who Lives in Downtown Minneapolis, as well as those who work here, and do their shopping here!

I applaud, CM Frey's vision, to Grow our Metropolis considerably within 8-9 Years, and for a Healthy, Wholesome, Growing Metropolis!!!

Carletta Sweet – 401 1st Street S.

Carletta is a homeowner at RiverWest Condominiums in the Downtown West neighborhood of Minneapolis and an editor for a small business consultancy also located in the Downtown West neighborhood.

Carletta promotes public and private sector collaborative relationships that foster affordable housing, business development, and cultural as well as educational opportunities for the residents, businesses, employees and visitors to downtown Minneapolis. To accomplish these goals she has been instrumental in forging relationships between DMNA and: [Aeon](#) on whose board she served as chair; the [East Downtown Council](#) on whose board she currently serves as vice president; [2020 Partners](#) as the DMNA representative; the [Minneapolis Riverfront Partnership](#) on whose board she currently serves as secretary/treasurer; and the [Above the Falls Citizen Advisory Committee](#) on whose board she currently serves as the downtown neighborhood representative.

Carletta joined the DMNA to assist in making the downtown neighborhood attractive, safe, economically viable, and a great place to live, work, play and visit, similar to what she experienced during the renaissance in the late 1980s and early 1990s in the South Loop (Burnham Park Neighborhood) downtown community of Chicago, Illinois.

Carletta has been a DMNA board member since 1998 and brings a rich historical perspective of the issues that impact the community.

Dianne Walsh - 215 10th Avenue S.

Dianne Walsh has resided in downtown Minneapolis for twenty years. Prior to that, she and her husband raised two sons in the Highland Park neighborhood of St. Paul.

Dianne retired from the practice of law with Heacox, Hartman, Koshmrl, Cosgriff & Johnson in June of 2015. She had concentrated her law practice in workers' compensation, representing employers, insurance companies, and self-insured employers. She litigated numerous cases, resolved complicated issues through mediation, and counseled her clients regarding procedural, medical, and litigation issues. Dianne maintained the highest Martindale-Hubbell rating throughout her years of practice.

Dianne and her husband reside at the Bridgewater where she is active on various committees including the Pet Committee (of which she is chair), the Communications Committee, and the Bridgewater Neighbors and Friends of the Arts. Dianne is secretary of the Board of Directors of the homeowner's association at her family's lake place. Two days a week, Dianne volunteers at Paul Wellstone International High School working with ESL students to improve their reading, writing, and speaking skills.

Dianne would bring to the DMNA strong writing and organizational skills. She is committed to living downtown and developing the downtown area into vibrant residential neighborhoods. Having observed two decades of change in the number of people living downtown, she is aware of the importance of neighborhood communication. Having also worked in downtown Minneapolis for more than twenty years of her practice, she is committed to supporting businesses and employees in the downtown area.