



# **COUNCIL CONFERENCE MEETING**

**April 11, 2022**

**5:30 PM**

**Fridley Civic Center, 7071 University Avenue N.E.**

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## **AGENDA**

1. Interviews for New Member for the Fridley Housing and Redevelopment Authority
2. Park System Improvement Plan Financing (No written report.)

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# AGENDA REPORT

**Meeting Date:** April 11, 2022

**Meeting Type:** City Council Conference Meeting

**Submitted By:** Roberta Collins, Assistant to the City Manager

## Title

Interviews for New Member for the Fridley Housing and Redevelopment Authority

## Background

On June 9, 2022, there will be a vacancy on the Fridley Housing and Redevelopment Authority (HRA). Staff received the attached applications from Fridley residents who are interested in serving on the HRA. Some of the applicant data is considered private data on individuals and has been redacted pursuant to Minnesota Statute § 13.602 subd. 3.

The applicants were asked to attend this meeting and are here to converse with the City Council.

## Financial Impact

None.

## Discussion

HRA applicant interviews.

## Focus on Fridley Strategic Alignment

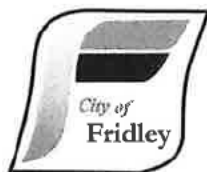
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<input type="checkbox"/> Financial Stability & Commercial Prosperity	<input type="checkbox"/> Public Safety & Environmental Stewardship
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Organizational Excellence	

## Attachments and Other Resources

- Exhibit A: Application of Troy Brueggemeier
- Exhibit B: Application of Nikki Karnopp
- Exhibit C: Application of Suad Maow
- Exhibit D: Application of Kelli Brillhart

## Vision Statement

We believe Fridley will be a safe, vibrant, friendly and stable home for families and businesses.



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**Name** Troy Brueggemeier [REDACTED]

**Address** [REDACTED]

**Home Phone** [REDACTED] **Number of Years/Months Resident of Fridley** 1.7

**Employer** Ameriprise Financial **Work Phone** [REDACTED]

**Address** 8300 Norman Center Dr Suite 550 - Bloomington - 55437

**Email** [REDACTED]

Please rank in order, the commissions on which you wish to serve. (Leave blank any Commissions on which you do not wish to serve.)

- 2 Charter Commission
- 1 Housing & Redevelopment Authority
- Planning Commission
- Environmental Quality & Energy Commission
- Parks & Recreation Commission

**Prior Experience on City Commissions, City Boards, etc.:** Current board member, vice president, for my homeowner's association.

**Work Experience:** 18 years with Ameriprise Financial. Currently, a senior financial analyst responsible for client service and providing guidance on financial planning and investment transactions.

**Civic, Professional and Community Activities:** MN AIDS Walk steering committee member (16 years) and chairperson (2 years). I also served on the Board's development committee (4 years)

(Over)

**Why do you want to be on a Fridley commission?** Until I bought my home in Fridley in 2020,  
I rented for a long period of time. Now, as a homeowner and resident of Fridley, I would like to have  
input in the growth of our city. I've also had an interest in getting into government work since high school.

**What skills, strengths or abilities do you believe you will add to the commission?**  
I bring the experience of working on many committees / boards over the years. Currently,  
as an HOA board member I work with our homeowners to look for areas to improve and maintain the  
beauty of our community while being mindful of our budget and how it will impact our homeowners.

**Does your work require you to travel?** No **How often?** \_\_\_\_\_

**Additional Comments:** \_\_\_\_\_  
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**References (Optional):**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Phone No.</u>
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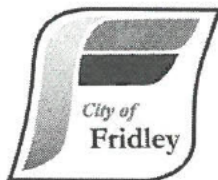
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**Signature**

**Date**

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Name Nikki Karnopp  
 Address [REDACTED]  
 Home Phone [REDACTED] Number of Years/Months Resident of Fridley 16/4  
 Employer Brand Safeway Work Phone [REDACTED]  
 Address 1994 County Road C west, Roseville  
 Email [REDACTED]

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- 5 Charter Commission
- 1 Housing & Redevelopment Authority
- 3 Planning Commission
- 4 Environmental Quality & Energy Commission
- 2 Parks & Recreation Commission

Prior Experience on City Commissions, City Boards, etc.: current  
member of Charter Commission (2020-present)

Work Experience: Sales - modular buildings, commercial construction  
cleaning, decorative lighting (multi-family, senior living, hospitality),  
and work access (scaffolding, shoring, swing stages), commercial relocation  
project management and consulting  
 Civic, Professional and Community Activities: Fridley Heights Lightning Soccer,  
Fridley Hoops, Cool2B Kind

(Over)

Why do you want to be on a Fridley commission? See attached

What skills, strengths or abilities do you believe you will add to the commission?

See attached

Does your work require you to travel? infrequently How often? 1-2 x / yr

Additional Comments:

**References (Optional):**

Name

Address

Phone No

Avonna Starck

Jason Karsten (FYSA President)

Mandy Meisner

Jeff Seamans (former boss - professional reference)

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**Signature**

3/30/22

**Date**

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**Why do you want to be on a Fridley Commission?**

I care very deeply for this community. I want everyone that lives here to thrive here.

We are a small town in a big city, very similar to where I grew up. This "small town in a big city" positions Fridley to be incredibly unique – Fridley can be flexible and cutting-edge while still being connected and united with the community.

I have lived in Fridley for 16+ years. In this time, I have observed a lot of changes in our city – mostly good. I agree with the HRA and city's recent decisions to bring in multi-family housing and believe it is appropriate and realistic development for our city.

I want this city to continue to be a city that young adults and families return to because they're proud of where they grew up and they love this city and want the same for their kids. My son is 10 and I would be so happy if one day he returned to raise his family here and invest in this community like my husband and I do.

I want Fridley to remain affordable but alter that "drive through" reputation by seeing our city develop as a modern place to live, work, and play.

Giving the residents our very best is paramount. To me that means finding ways to increase tax revenues without imposing the entire burden directly on home-owner residents. Also important - cultivating programs for residents to return their properties to their original, simple glow.

**What skills, strengths, and abilities do you believe you will add to the commission?**

Authentic curiosity and critical thinking - Learning desired outcomes of our community and educating residents are key to our mission. Making decisions that produce long term residents would be my main focus while accepting that critics and nay-sayers rarely have a holistic view needed to make sound assessments of recent and upcoming choices for our city.

I have a fundamental understanding of the economic development process, land development and commercial real estate in general. I attribute that capacity to unconscious assimilation of those concepts from 16 years of selling in the commercial construction industry. I have resources for mentorship from professional relationships as I uncover gaps in my understanding.

Sales experience – aside from selling in commercial construction (which is both a previous and current professional role), I spent time in packaging, insurance, and market research. All lending to good overall experience, understanding of commerce, supply chain, psychology).

Other professional experience – project admin/contracts, small business owner

Community Experience – being active in many community organizations supports organic connections and discussions with local residents and friends about their desires and concerns.

Other important skills - Time management, Critical thinking, Project and process management, Contracts



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**Name** Suad Maow

**Address** [REDACTED]

**Home Phone** [REDACTED] **Number of Years/Months Resident of Fridley** 2/1

**Employer** Hennepin County **Work Phone** [REDACTED]

**Address** Government Center, 300 S 6th Street Minneapolis MN

**Email** [REDACTED]

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- Charter Commission**
- 2   **Housing & Redevelopment Authority**
- 1   **Planning Commission**
- Environmental Quality & Energy Commission**
- 3   **Parks & Recreation Commission**

**Prior Experience on City Commissions, City Boards, etc.:** I was on the team that was tasked with finding a new

imam for the Islamic Society of Boston Cultural Center. This was a national search that lasted 5 months, with multiple sub teams focusing on specific regions and qualifications.

The mosque had about 1500 congregants for a typical Friday prayer and provided many programs for community members (English classes, food pantry, daily prayers).

**Work Experience:** I moved to the Twin Cities in Fall of 2019 and recently started working at Hennepin County in the Assessors office.

Prior to that, I worked for five years at Cross Blue Shield of MA as a healthcare data analyst. My role consisted of working with large data sets

and putting into a format that was easy to understand. My role prior to BCBSMA was at Liberty Mutual Insurance as a Business Analyst.

**Civic, Professional and Community Activities:** I volunteered with the ISBCC for nearly a decade as a civic and  
community engagement lead. I ran multiple voter registration drives as well as voter education events by inviting local political candidates.

**(Over)**



**Why do you want to be on a Fridley commission?** I want to be part of the commission to not only use my skills and experiences

in community engagement, but to also cement my roots in my new home city. I moved to Fridley fall of 2019 and with the pandemic, I didn't get the chance to fully get to know

Fridley or meet community members. I am hoping being on the commission will help me feel fully part of the Fridley community and meet community members.

**What skills, strengths or abilities do you believe you will add to the commission?**

I have excellent written and verbal communication skills. I love planning events and activities. And I have an outgoing personality.

**Does your work require you to travel?** No **How often?** \_\_\_\_\_

**Additional Comments:** \_\_\_\_\_

**References (Optional):**

**Name**

**Address**

**Phone No.**

**Suad Maow**

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**Signature**

**Date**

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## COMMISSION AND BOARD MEMBER APPLICATION

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Please indicate your interest in each Commission by using the following the following numerical scale: (1=highly interested; 2=moderately interested, 3=not interested at all).

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| <u>1</u> Charter Commission                  | <u>1</u> Environmental Quality and Energy |
| <u>2</u> Planning Commission                 | Commission (EQEC)                         |
| <u>2</u> Park and Recreation Commission      | <u>3</u> Appeals Commission               |
| <u>3</u> Housing and Redevelopment Authority |   |

Name	Kelli Brillhart		
Home Address (include zip code)	[REDACTED]		
Home Phone	[REDACTED]	Work Phone	[REDACTED]
Cell Phone	[REDACTED]	E-mail Address	[REDACTED]
How long have you been a resident of Fridley? 9 years			
Are any members of your immediate family in the same household presently:			
• Employed by the City of Fridley		Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
• Serving on a City Committee, Commission or City Council?		Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
If yes, please explain:			
Employer:	Medtronic, Inc.	Occupation:	Paralegal
Does your employer require you to travel? ___ Yes <u>x</u> No			
If yes, how often do you travel?			
Professional/Civic Membership and Activities:			
None currently.			
As some of the Commissions or Board require specific knowledge or expertise, please check the knowledge or expertise you have:			
___ Finance ___ Banking ___ Engineering <u>x</u> Law ___ Development or construction			
___ Parks or recreational activities ___ other _____			

Please check which skills you have that would help you as a member of a Commission:

- ☒ Ability to think independently or outside the box
- ☒ Ability to provide an opinion without being overpowering
- ☒ Have the eagerness and excitement to serve
- ☒ Have the time needed to serve on Commission
- ☒ Have the best interest of the community in mind when making decisions
- ☒ Come to meetings prepared
- ☒ Have good listening skills
- ☒ Have good Decision-making and problem solving skills

Signature of Applicant: *Kelli Brillahrt*

Date: January 3, 2018

*Please attach a brief narrative telling us about yourself, outlining your qualifications for the commission(s) you are interested in and why you are interested in serving in that capacity. You may also provide a copy of your resume if you would like to. Please review "Information for Applicants to City of Fridley's Commissions and Board" document prior to submittal of application. Return your completed application with attachments to:*

**Roberta Collins, City Manager's Office.**  
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[roberta.collins@fridleymn.gov](mailto:roberta.collins@fridleymn.gov)

#### Tennesen Warning

The information you supply on this application will be used to assess your qualifications for the position for which you applying. You are not legally required to provide the information, but we will not be able to consider your application without it. The information is requested to distinguish you from other applicants; to identify you in our volunteer commission files; to determine if you meet the minimum qualifications of the position for which you are applying; and to contact you for an interview.

Prior to being appointed, your information on this application will be considered private data on individuals pursuant to the Minnesota Government Data Practices Act. If you are certified as eligible for a commission vacancy, your name will become public data. If you are appointed by the City of Fridley, all information you supply on this application will become public data, except your street address and phone number.

The information you voluntarily provide on the separate form "Confidential Equal Employment Opportunity Information" will be at all times considered private data. It can only be accessed by you or a city official who has a bona fide need for it to comply with affirmative action and equal opportunity mandates.