Minneapolis Tree Advisory Commission
Membership Roster for 2023

The Minneapolis Tree Advisory Commission (MTAC) was established in 2004 by the Minneapolis Park & Recreation Board (MPRB). The charge of the MTAC is to provide advice on the enhancement of the Minneapolis urban forest and its long-term health. The goals are to coordinate issues related to trees across City jurisdictions; to evaluate issues related to trees; to report annually to the MPRB and City Council; and to explore new ways to acquire resources that increase support for urban forest establishment and management.

There are currently 18 voting MTAC members representing specific agencies and geographic areas of the City. These are as follows:

1. Citizen Representative – At Large: Tim Keane
2. Citizen Representative – MPRB Commissioner District 1: Chris Linde
3. Citizen Representative – MPRB Commissioner District 2: Giuseppe Marrari *
4. Citizen Representative – MPRB Commissioner District 3: John Kruse
5. Citizen Representative – MPRB Commissioner District 4: Mary Bolla
6. Citizen Representative – MPRB Commissioner District 5: Carol Sersland
7. Citizen Representative – MPRB Commissioner District 6: Barb Schlaefer
8. MPRB Commissioner - District 1: Billy Menz
9. City Council Member or designate: Linea Palmisano – City Council Vice President / Ward 13
10. Tree Care Professional member: VACANT
11. Minnesota Shade Tree Advisory Committee member: Steve Nicholson
12. City Trees Program Coordinator: Sydney Schaaf
14. MPRB Director of Forestry: Ralph Sievert
15. City Public Works representative: Steve Collin
16. Mayor or designee: Don Willeke
17. University of Minnesota representative: Peter MacDonagh *
18. Minneapolis Public Schools representative: Curt Hartog

Members of the MTAC are all volunteers. Meetings are held virtually or at the MPRB South Side Operations Center, 3800 Bryant Ave S., Minneapolis, MN from 5:30PM to 7:00PM on the third Thursday of each month (with adjustments for conflicting holidays).

* Co-Chairperson


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