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## The MPD budget



BY TONY BOUZA

The Minneapolis Police Department budget document itself is a turgid piece of bureaucratic invention intended to obfuscate and mislead you into thinking your \$200 million is being sensibly spent.

It ain't.

The pages are replete with references to how sedulously they monitor and invest your dollars, how carefully they listen to your views and how much they care for your well-being. Please tell that to the brave citizens pleading with the cop killing George Floyd. The cops sure were listening hard, no?

And please tell me what an Assistant Chief is. I never heard of one. And what wonderful secrets does "The Chief's Detail" conceal? I bet there are grotesque boondoggles behind that anodyne descriptive. For example, does it conceal the oxymoronic Public Information Officer? I bet it does. When I was chief, I had one aide and two receptionists. My door was always open, and I was the Public Information Officer.

Other atrocities stand out.

The chief should con-

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## Southside Pride Sample Ballot

### Mayor:

1. Sheila Nezhad
2. Kate Knuth

### City Council:

- Ward 1: Elliott Payne  
Ward 2: Cam Gordon  
Ward 3: Steve Fletcher  
Ward 4: Phillipe Cunningham  
Ward 5: Jeremiah Ellison  
Ward 6: Abdirizak Bihi

### Ward 7: Nick Kor

- Ward 8: Andrea Jenkins  
Ward 9: Jason Chavez  
Ward 10: Aisha Chughtai  
Ward 11: Jeremy Schroeder  
Ward 12: Andrew Johnson  
Ward 13: Mike Norton

### Park Board:

- At Large: Londel French,  
Charles Rucker

### District 1: Billy Menz

- District 2: Becka Thompson  
District 3: AK Hassan  
District 4: Elizabeth Shaffer  
District 5: Charles Rodgers  
District 6: Bob Fine

### Board of Estimate and Taxation:

- Samantha Pree-Stinson  
Steve Brandt

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## Get out and vote

BY ELINA KOLSTAD

It may not be a major national election year, but Tuesday, Nov. 2, is still a very important election. If you are new to Minneapolis or haven't voted in recent years here is some information I hope will get you started.

If you are not currently registered to vote you can quickly and easily register online at the Minnesota Secretary of State's website (<https://mnvotes.sos.state.mn.us/VoterRegistration/VoterRegistrationMain.aspx>) or you can register on election day with an ID that has your current name and address on it or a picture ID combined with evidence of residency, such as a utility bill. Fun fact: those who are homeless and those who have a prior criminal record are able to register to vote. For more information you can also call the Secretary of State's office at (651) 215-1440.

If you're homeless you must provide your current residence when you vote - this can be a shelter, the house of a friend or, if you sleep outside, a description of the location must be put on line four of your voter registration application. The Minnesota Secretary of State gives the example of, "In the NW corner of Jefferson Park near the intersection of Winston Ave. and Smith St." If you fill out your application with an outdoor location your ballot will be marked "challenged" which means you will be required to swear under oath that you are living in that location at the polling place on election day. You can also register to vote



on election day if you are homeless, but you must be able to prove residency. If you live in a shelter a staff person can go with you to confirm that you live in that shelter or you can go to the polling place with a registered voter from your precinct to sign an oath confirming where you live (<https://www.sos.state.mn.us/elections-voting/register-to-vote/im-homeless/>). You can also call the Secretary of State's office at (651) 215-1440 for help with this process.

If you have a criminal record you can vote in the following circumstances: you were charged with or convicted of a misdemeanor or gross

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# Comings and goings and moving to new spots in and around the Midtown Global Market

BY DEBRA KEEFER RAMAGE

Midtown Global Market's 2021 is faring better, slightly, than its 2020 did. There have been four or five vendors who have left the market, some for larger spaces elsewhere, and two or three new ones have moved in since we last visited. There has also been some shifting around.

Andy's Garage and Leila's Brow Art have moved to new positions nearer what I think of as "the front" of the market, i.e., where you enter coming from the lobby of the Midtown Exchange instead of from the street or transit station side. As far as I can tell, Andy's Garage hasn't changed in any other way. The only way Leila's Brow Art has changed is that it's growing. Even with the pandemic to consider, they seem to have taken on new threading artists, and where they used to manage the waiting list by a sheet of paper, they now have number slips, which work better. If you are someone who has been getting facial waxing for years, you might want to check out threading. It's slightly gentler, and slightly more affordable. It does give you a marvelously smooth chin.

Another service you can now get

at Midtown Global Market (MGM), though you could also call it health care, is an eye exam and new glasses or contact lenses. Midtown Eye Care was an optometrist



Dessert from Soul to Soul

practice and dispensary of lenses on Chicago Avenue, right near the corner just outside the Market, but unfortunately also right near the Midtown mini cop-shop which fell victim to arson in the uprisings of 2020. And Midtown Eye Care lost not only the building in which they rented space, but thousands of dollars' worth of equipment, inventory, patient records, pretty much everything.

They finally got back up and running in January of this year,

now in the lobby space of Midtown Exchange in what used to be the back of house for Ziadi's restaurant, and before that The Rabbit Hole. There was also further expense and time involved in converting and building out the new space. They were able to do this through a combination of insurance, grants, and a long GoFundMe campaign.

Midtown Eye Care's co-owner and spokesman is Ahmed Muhumud. (Warning - MGM's website connects to Midtown Eye Care's old website that still has their Chicago Avenue address and pre-pandemic hours. Check their Facebook page for more up to date information, or call or drop in with questions.) Midtown Eye Care accepts most health insurance coverage, and both Spanish and Somali are spoken there as well as English. They are closed on weekends.

MGM has also become the home, as we mentioned briefly last year, of the Indigenous Food Lab (IFL). At that time, planned classes were in abeyance and the lab kitchen was being used by volunteers with its parent organization NATIFS (North American Traditional Indigenous Food Systems) to prepare free meals for distribution to those in need. This year it

is apparent that a lot more is going on. Between social media accounts and the IFL blog, we can see that they have done a live food demo to raise funds for NATIFS, they had a big State Fair event, they won an

complaining; I like food a lot more than I like shopping.) One of my favorites is The Art Shoppe. It is open for limited hours for browsing, but there are other ways you can interact with and support this huge



'My Allis Chalmers Tractor' print by Diane Michele May at The Art Shoppe

award from the Minnesota Twins (and got to throw out the ceremonial first pitch), chef and executive director Sean Sherman appeared on Rachel Ray, and they have gradually taken on a trainee or two to kick off the training program.

MGM has a number of interesting retail (non-food) vendors, even though food and drink take up the majority of their space. (I'm not

collective of south Minneapolis artists. They have an email newsletter you can sign up for, which will give you advance notice of events, and who the new featured artists are, and what discounts or incentives there are for their products. Also, The Art Shoppe has a fantastic online ordering website. Check out theartshoppemgm.com.

There are two small, but choice,

*Soleil Ramirez, chef and owner*

The Venezuelan Chef and owner of Arepa Bar, Soleil Ramirez, left Caracas, Venezuela and moved to Minnesota in 2016. She was Chef de Cuisine at a prominent restaurant in Saint Paul, MN. There, she oversaw a staff of over 50 people as the only Latin woman in the Cities to hold that position in over 10 years. Arepa Bar is the only true Venezuelan Restaurant in the Twin Cities. Here, we want the world to know the amazing food Venezuela has to offer. We want you to experience a delicious and fresh menu with incredible customer service. Most of all, we want you to feel at home and enjoy every second of this experience with us.

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grocery stores at MGM that are well worth a visit. The first is The Produce Exchange which, unlike its name suggests, actually



**Co-owner Ahmed Muhumud at Midtown Eye Care's new location**

sells way more than just produce. You can order online from them through Mercato for delivery or pickup. Another longtime favorite is Grassroots Gourmet, which sells locally-sourced grocery and deli offerings as well as grab-and-go lunches on Monday through Friday. They have a carefully curated selection of mouth-watering regionally-made cheeses, artisan-cured meats sliced to order, plus other farmstead meat and dairy items, as well as honey, maple syrup, cookies, gluten-free baking mixes and more.

A couple of other vendors in the MGM combine food service with retail sales of food: Mapps Coffee & Tea and the new (from late fall 2020) Oasis Market & Deli. Mapps Coffee is one of the original founding vendors at MGM. They are a coffee roaster as well as a coffee and tea shop. Their amazing selection of fresh roasted coffee beans is available in typical 12-ounce coffee bags. Or you can sit in their small seating space after ordering great coffee drinks and snacks and pastries at the counter.

Similarly, Oasis Market & Deli offers an array of food-related experiences. Prepared foods, from sandwiches to full meals, and even desserts can be ordered at the deli for consuming in their dining area or for takeout. And there is quite an extensive market for your grocery shopping needs, including pantry staples, spices, refrigerated and frozen items, and a well-stocked halal butcher counter.

Dining options are almost back to pre-pandemic levels at the Market. The big interior space lends itself well to social distancing, and mask compliance when not actually eating or drinking is very high. The percentage of people getting takeout is higher than before the pandemic, and seating is spaced out more and never crowded that I have seen.

Eastlake Craft Brewery has got events! They are having Taproom Trivia on Sundays through the end of the year, at 7 p.m. Eastlake sells beer on draft or in crowlers (a very large can, basically) from their taproom and also sells crowlers online. In fact, you can sit in their outdoor patio and order on-

line and they'll bring it out to you. Instead of the old, crowded seating inside the taproom, they now have a seating area just outside the taproom, between Manny's Tortas and Soul to Soul Smokehouse. And, although I haven't tried this yet, you apparently can order crowlers online and food from Soul to Soul Smokehouse and it will be delivered. By a giant rabbit on a bicycle, if the strange, inscrutable website is to be believed.

Soul to Soul Smokehouse is the new tenant of Taco Cat's old spot. They are a welcome addition of soul food and barbecue to the eclectic food mix available at the Market. As their website says: "Soul to Soul Smokehouse comes from three guys who learned to cook from their Mamas and their Aunties, from their Dads and their Uncles, over the BBQ." Their menu is tried-and-true favorites like smoked turkey, beef brisket, ribs of either pork or beef, whole smoked chicken or barbecue chicken wings and things. With sides like corn-

bread, collard greens, mac and cheese and black-eyed peas. There are a few surprises in the dessert section - Kola ice cream, sweet potato ice cream and a Pecan Bourbon Cake.

Manny's Tortas started out in the other Lake Street incubator, Mercado Central. It was one of their great success stories, and moved their main outlet (they have others) to the MGM. They sell a few other Mexican favorites, but their main thing is tortas, which is a somewhat European-style sandwich but with that lavish Mexican twist. A crusty white roll is filled with meat and onions and peppers and cheese from the grill, then topped with lettuce, avocado and sauce. It's juicy and warm and very flavorful.

Although a lot of things around the Lake Street corner and along Lake Street were destroyed in the uprising, particularly the dollar store right next door which is now a grassy lot, being taken over by nature and surrounded by a sev-



**Division of Indian Work's mural of thanks**

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**The Roe Family Singers**

en-foot chain link fence, there is one MGM neighbor I want to shine a light on. The Division of Indian Work is a great nonprofit that has a large building across Lake Street at 10th Avenue. Check out their Facebook page to see all the great things they do for Native American youth and families. They did sustain some damage in the uprising, but their community and the Lake Street community rallied round. In gratitude they have painted their street facade with a Thank You (in several Native languages) mural.

The thing that really took a big hit from the pandemic was the program of community and cultural events at the Market. These are getting back into full swing, if gradually. Family Fridays are back. On Oct. 15, at 5 p.m., the Roe Family Singers will be featured. This is free music in the middle of the market. Check out the MGM's website, on the Events page, to see future events.

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# We had to call 911

BY DEVIN HOGAN

The CRUNCH was so massive it shook the earth. I was tooling around in the back yard when I heard squealing tires, followed by that visceral blow of what sounded like a car accident.

I ran around to the front of the house, and, to my surprise, found a man in a power wheelchair – my neighbor – fully tipped over on his side. The crunch was from his chair falling over. It had run off the sidewalk and landed against a freshly planted boulevard tree. The wheels were still spinning.

I asked if he needed anything and he had me turn off the chair and brush away the ants that had begun crawling over his arm, neck and face. A neighbor who was with him, a woman on the sidewalk in a power wheelchair, offered to dial 911.

As a white masculine cis-passing person, the most agreeable outcome I could imagine was to file a police report and answer questions I did not feel like answering. I offered to round up a few neighbors to lift the man and the extremely heavy chair onto the sidewalk and they both concurred.

I crossed the street to knock on the door of the matriarch of the multigenerational Mexican family I had just spent my birthday with. I explained the situation to her in my broken Spanish, she took a look from the front porch and said she would send over her sobrino (nephew). I then knocked at my next-door neighbor's and asked the person I was meeting for the first time at the door for some immediate physical and emotional help and

they promptly agreed.

Waiting for the additional neighbors to come outside, I went over to the woman on the sidewalk to see if anyone from the supportive housing designed for people in power wheelchairs where they both lived could help. No, she said. Nobody on duty. Not enough staff.

This brought to mind all kinds of broken systems and infrastructure leading up to where we were. Basic care, jobs, housing and sidewalks, the simplest and most vital public space that forms the capillaries of our cities.

This particular stretch of sidewalk is white and crescent-shaped, a cutout poured around what was probably the enormous, bulging roots of an original elm tree narrowing the right of way, now gone. It's not brand new, but still the shiniest on the block.

The nephew across the street was the first to arrive. He looked at the situation and said, I don't know man. They're going to see this and ask how it got this way. They're going to ask questions like why are YOU here?

I understood the skepticism but couldn't register why he was so upset. We were all basically agreeing to possibly injure ourselves in order to avoid risking an interaction with armed police.

The next-door neighbor showed up. I recommended we at least give it one good try, and we did. After situating ourselves to lift, it became immediately clear that the massive weight of such an incredible machine would not budge. So I called 911.

It is important to note that our

911 is an elite, award-winning public service to be proud of as Minneapolis residents. Besides the department's quiet, steady work behind the scenes, it is also evidenced by their actions during George Floyd's murder and subsequently at Derek Chauvin's trial.

911 was prompt and professional, answering in under three rings. I was asked of the emergency, location, if an ambulance was necessary (no), and race of the person in the incident. Just after 10 minutes a full-length ladder firetruck arrived at the end of the block. I waved them over to come up the street and four firefighters got out.

I noticed the nephew neighbor across the street was watching with hope and interest but out of obvious sight. It became clearer to me why he had been so upset earlier.

It took all the might of four firefighters to lift and right my neighbor and his power wheel-



chair fully onto the sidewalk. There were some scary moments as it still spun around and swerved. Once things settled, the firefighters left and everyone went home.

That was it. Friendly assistance and an exit with no guns and no paperwork. An appropriate response.

911 is a modern miracle. Imagine if every time we called 911 we could feel confident the need would be met with an appropri-

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trol the department through the use of a tough Internal Affairs Division reporting directly to him/her. Uh, not so much, here. Two supervisors (read: "editors" or "massagers of truth") stand between the chief and IAD. How much does that cost? The budget doesn't tell us. An organizational scandal.

References to "overtime," "attrition," "disability" and "medical departures" conceal malingering. A word notably absent.

Featherbedding appears (or is, more accurately, concealed) in references to a Fifth Precinct. When I was chief I reduced the number of precincts from six to four to reduce the costs of maintenance and staff. Adding a fifth wheel does not improve efficiency.

Self-pitying justifications, evasions, or other lame explanations dot the document. It's all about service and why they can't deliver it. Every excuse is piously asserted, but no references to aggressive (and constitutional) police tactics such as decoys, stings, stakeouts,

single-person patrols, etc.

Slavish devotion to the wonders of horse and bike patrols. Wow. Don't kids love petting those beasts? Isn't it reassuring to see those bikers? Potemkin villages in Minneapolis? Really? How much does all that cost?

Typical of the document's obsession with truth is its wellness program. What is it intended to treat? Not a word on any addiction or other human weakness, just some reverent references to "personal difficulties" or "stress." How comforting.

Defunding the police is the simple-minded grasping at appealing slogans. But a measured, surgical excising of bloat, waste and duplication would require thought, real devotion to serving the people and a willingness to take on the union. Another absence.

The police budget is – to put it bluntly – an insult to the citizens of this city. Any public official supporting this document is complicit in the fraud visited on unknowing (and, frequently, uncaring) citizens by the officials sworn to serve

ate response. Yes, sometimes that means armed peace officers (per state law), but for the majority of needs almost anything else might suffice.

A Department of Public Safety with a wider scope and range of tools and trained professionals available can offer this opportunity to Minneapolis. The department would be created and governed in the open through the public hearing and budget process like literally any other city department. It's not complicated.

Voting yes on Question 2 is a no-brainer. There is nothing crazy or radical about wanting something better for ourselves.

If a Department of Public Safety is good enough for Mankato, Cottage Grove, Lino Lakes, New Brighton, Plymouth, Fridley, Richfield, Woodbury and Maplewood – then it's good enough for Minneapolis, dammit!

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misdemeanor; you are in jail, but are not currently serving a felony sentence; you have been charged with a felony, but you haven't been convicted; you have been given a stay of adjudication; or you have finished all parts of your felony sentence. Sometimes it can be hard to tell if a felony charge results in a felony conviction – if you are unsure seek legal advice from an attorney. It is best to register before election day, but you can also register to vote on election day. NOTE: You can NOT vote if you are currently serving a felony sentence, or your stay of adjudication was revoked and you are currently serving a fel-

ony sentence (<https://www.sos.state.mn.us/elections-voting/register-to-vote/i-have-a-criminal-record/>). You can also call the Secretary of State's office at (651) 215-1440 for help with this process.

Once you are registered, assuming you do so well before election day, there are many options of how to vote. You can vote early by mail, vote early in person, or vote in person on election day. For more information on all of these options go to the Minnesota Secretary of State's website (<https://www.sos.state.mn.us/elections-voting/other-ways-to-vote/>) or you can call toll free (877) 600-VOTE [8683].



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# Charter amendment #2

BY ELINA KOLSTAD

Nov. 2, 2021, will be a referendum on the murder of George Floyd and whether residents feel the city did enough to fix the problems within the Minneapolis Police Department (MPD) that brought us to the center of international news, in the worst light possible, last summer. The outcome of this election will determine whether we get real change towards a public safety perspective where every effort is made to prevent crime before it happens or whether we stick with business as usual with wallpaper glued over the moldy, rotting interior that is our criminal “justice” system.

A lot of attention has focused on ballot question #2 which would replace the MPD with a Department of Public Safety and move oversight from the mayor to the City Council. There has been a lot of fear surrounding this ballot question and candi-

dates like Sheila Nezhad who feel major structural changes are needed to combat police brutality. There is a strong fear that lawlessness and chaos will reign if major changes go through. Those against major changes feel the focus should be on reform of the MPD, not a complete overhaul of how we approach public safety. This perspective is dependent on the idea that Derek Chauvin and the officers with him were just “bad apples,” that small reforms will be plenty to make sure nothing like the brutal murder of George Floyd happens again, and that removing the MPD from the city charter and replacing it with a Department of Public Safety will automatically lead to more crime and therefore directly threaten these individuals’ personal safety.

But Derek Chauvin wasn’t just a random officer, a bad apple, he was an officer whom the leadership thought highly enough of to train in other officers. Chau-

vin was, in fact, in the process of training officer Thomas Lane when he murdered George Floyd that day. This was after numerous complaints against him for brutality over the course of many years. There is clearly a cultural problem within the MPD and it is also clear that the only reason the “blue wall of silence” crumbled during the Chauvin trial was that those officers in charge knew that to stand by Chauvin as usual would inevitably mean the MPD would be defunded. They had less of a problem with what Chauvin did than with the fact that he got caught. In this light many of us feel that the simple reforms proposed and what little has so far been implemented will not prevent future rampant brutality on the part of the MPD.

But perspective matters; the vast majority of those I’ve seen criticizing a new approach to public safety are unlikely to ever be on the receiving end of police

brutality. They do, however, feel very threatened by “crime.” Admittedly, a truly lawless society would be terrifying. Unfortunately, a lawless society is what our neighbors in heavily policed BIPOC neighborhoods face on a daily basis when dealing with armed “peace officers” who are above the law 99.99% of the time.

When making the argument that we need the police for safety, what these people are saying is that Black lives are the price we have to pay, as white people, to be safe. Or, more accurately, for them to FEEL safe. Not only is this argument abhorrent, but it is also patently false. The police do nothing to prevent crime. The police, by their very nature, step in AFTER a crime has been committed. In contrast a public safety approach would be able to use funds now limited to after-the-fact crime management and the purchase of overstock military equipment towards crime

prevention through social services and harm reduction measures.

It sucks to be the victim of crime. Recently my husband forgot to lock our car overnight. Someone discovered this and made off with most of the stuff. Things stolen included a phone charger, phone cables, a blanket, spare masks and hand sanitizer. Given that there is a homeless encampment a few blocks away from us and based on the nature of what was taken, we assume the person who stole these items came from there. Admittedly it’s frustrating to have to replace these items but we can, and easily. The fact that not everyone in this city shares that reality is gutting.

I will be voting yes on ballot question #2. I will also be voting for Sheila Nezhad for mayor and for challenger Abdirizak Bihi for Ward 6 council member. Whatever your perspective, I hope you get out to vote as well.

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## Ballot, from page 1

### Charter Amendments:

- 1 More power to the mayor – No
- 2 Restructure police – Yes
- 3 Rent Control – Yes

### Commentary:

#### Mayor:

If these were ordinary times, Jacob Frey would be a wonderful mayor. He’s photogenic, personable and bright, the perfect glad-hander to welcome tourists. But these are not ordinary times. The major challenge to Frey’s leadership came with the verdict in the wrongful death civil suit against the city on behalf of the heirs of Terrance Franklin. Frey brushed it aside, paid out the million dollars in damages, and refused to discipline the officers whom a jury believed murdered Terrance Franklin. Just a few weeks later, believing he could get away with murder, Derek Chauvin murdered George Floyd.

Young people were outraged. Over 1.4 billion people worldwide watched the video. Sheila Nezhad got to work and by organizing citywide got the City Council to establish an Office of Violence Prevention. She was a major force in organizing the petition drive to transform the Police Department into a Department of Public Safety – the second Charter Amendment. We believe she is the best hope we have to make the changes we need.

Kate Knuth supports positive changes in the MPD. She is our second choice. There is a distinct possibility that neither Frey nor Nezhad will get more than 50% as first choice for mayor, and that both sides would pick Knuth as their second choice and, totaling first and second choices, Knuth could win a majority when counting first and second choices.

#### City Council:

Ward 1: Please, enough of Kevin Reich, one of the most conservative members of the City Council. He was a key vote in supporting the Vikings Stadium and bankrupting downtown. He has been consistently reactionary on important votes. Elliot Payne would be a welcome breath of fresh air.

Ward 2: Probably the most difficult choice. Robin Wonsley Worlobah is perhaps the most radical candidate for City Council running this year. From her website: “After Jamar Clark’s life was taken by MPD, Robin joined Socialist Alternative, Black Lives Matter Minneapolis, and the Twin Cities Justice for Jamar Clark Coalition.” But Cam Gordon is perhaps the most progressive member of the present City Council. In addition to being consistently progressive, he gets very good marks on his constituent service; he listens to people in his ward, and he is actively involved in solving their problems. And he is comfortable discussing public policy on public forums – a distinct exception to the universally aloof consensus of the rest of his colleagues on the City Council. We support Cam Gordon for another four-year term, but we hope Robin Wonsley Worlobah will stay involved and remain active in the local struggle for justice.

Wards 3, 4 and 5 are in North Minneapolis. The incumbents, Steve Fletcher, Phillipe Cunningham and Jeremiah Ellison, have acknowledged the critical problem of a lack of accountability in the Minneapolis Police Department. Their solution is flawed, imperfect and not fully developed. It interposes another layer of bureaucracy between the cops and elected officials. But, and this is most important, they have a commitment to making cops more accountable. That’s worth supporting.

Ward 6: Jamal Osman has been a consistent disappointment, voting always with the most reactionary elements on the Council. Most recently he destroyed the hopes of people in his ward who have planned for years to make an urban garden out of the 7.5-acre contaminated industrial site in Phillips. [See “Justice in the Green Zone?” by Kay Schroven in this issue.] Vote for Abdirizak Bihi.

Ward 7: The incumbent Lisa Goodman is certainly pushing the outer edges of incumbency. Nick Kor is a better choice.

Ward 8: Andrea Jenkins has a walk.

Ward 9: Jason Chavez is head and shoulders above the pack.

Ward 10: Aisha Chughtai seems clearly the most progressive here.

Wards 11 and 12: Jeremy Schroeder and Andrew Johnson are thoughtful and progressive, and they pay attention to problems in their wards. I wish they wouldn’t have voted for that part of the 2040 Plan that increases the zoning in the inner city that will displace communities of color and replace them with Young Urban Professionals, and I wish they would have done something to hold officers responsible for the deaths of Terrance Franklin and Jamar Clark, but they are better than their alternatives.

Ward 13: Mike Norton is committed to progressive changes in reforming the police.

**Park Board:**

At Large: Vote for Londel French and Charles Rucker. You can vote for three, but you don’t have to. These are the two candidates we believe who will most effectively preserve the park system we all love. Voting for just two gives them a better chance against the herd.

District 1: Billy Menz is running unopposed.

District 2: Becka Thompson seems the most progressive.

District 3: AK Hassan has supported change where change was needed and stability when that was best.

District 4: Elizabeth Shaffer could be a fresh new voice on the Board.

District 5: Charles Rodgers represents a new voice that should be heard. The incumbent wasted over a million of our tax dollars planning a project that didn’t have the support of the Board or the public. She needs to be retired and Rodgers needs to be hired.

District 6: Bob Fine has the experience and judgment that’s needed on the Board.

**Board of Estimate and Taxation:**

Samantha Pree-Stinson is probably the most progressive person to run for the BET, ever. Vote for her so the voices that never get heard get listened to.

Steve Brandt covered City Hall for years for the Star Tribune. Probably no one has ever come to this job with that kind of depth of experience.

**Charter Amendment #1** would give the mayor the power to appoint department heads and run the city. People who support this say this would be more efficient with clear lines of accountability. What we have now is the remnants of a kind of parliamentary system. Before there was a City of Minneapolis, there was St. Anthony Village. They organized their local government into a parliamentary system. There were three City Council members elected to two-year terms, and those council members organized the administration of the Village. When the Village merged with the City of Minneapolis, each ward elected two members for two-year terms. In the 1950s, two got reduced to one. Mayor Fraser got passed a revision to the Charter that increased the terms of office for mayor and City Council from two to four years, and

he concentrated more power in the mayor’s office. Notice a trend here? Over the years, the structure of government for the city has grown increasingly undemocratic. Decisions are concentrated in fewer hands with fewer chances for the electorate to vote on their representatives. This slide into autocracy prepares the way for a bully fascist like Trump to appeal to the basest fears of a frightened electorate, and scapegoat vulnerable minorities as proper sacrifices for law and order. Democracy is tedious and tiresome. There’s so much to think about. But, please, don’t give up on it. Vote No on #1.

**Charter Amendment #2** would change the Police Department into a Department of Public Safety overseen by a commissioner. The commissioner would be appointed by the mayor and the appointment would be approved by the City Council. I originally opposed the amendment because I believed interposing another layer of bureaucracy between elected officials and cops out of control would make errant cops even less accountable. But the earnest hope and faith of young people in transforming the system has converted me to believing that positive change can happen if enough people believe in it and are determined to make it work. [Please read essays by Elina Kolstad and Devin Hogan in this issue for more details.] For the best hope for the future of our city, please vote Yes on #2.

**Charter Amendment #3:** If you believe we need affordable housing for those low-paid workers in the service industry in restaurants, or health aides in nursing homes and hospitals, or minimum wage earners everywhere, then vote Yes for rent stabilization. The 2040 Plan adopted by the city envisions the inner city swept clean of poor people and home to a new class of Young Urban Professionals (YUPPIES). If you believe diversity makes us stronger, then please vote Yes on #3.



# How could I forget Sociable Cider Werks?

## Plus, new restaurants and other food news, and one mini-review



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BY DEBRA KEEFER RAMAGE

### More great cider!

Last month The Dish 2.0 covered a couple of innovative cideries in Minneapolis, and we didn't even mention Sociable Cider Werks! I apologize for that, and I am going to make up for it by telling you all the cool things Sociable has to offer. First, of

has the Twin Cities bike scene. And it has all the amenities you would expect: live music, open mic nights, special events, food trucks. In fact, Sociable has an interesting approach to the food thing. They actually own an unbranded food truck and feature a rotation of various creative chefs who come in to use it for a few months and provide food.



### Sociable Cider group bike rides

course, there is cider. They have five flagship varieties and four seasonal choices. All of them have clever names, mostly relating to bicycles, such as Training Wheels, Freewheeler, and Mead for Speed, in the flagship group, and the upcoming fall and winter seasonals, Rusty Chain and Fat Tire, respectively. The summer cider is a Hibiscus-Rose blend that's brewed in collaboration with Fair State Cooperative (a brewery close to my heart because a number of my friends work there).

Sociable also has a legendary taproom at 1500 Fillmore

(It is currently the plant-based Francis Burger Joint.)

Sociable will also deliver crows\* to your home, via a service called Craft Couriers. You can also find Sociable Cider as a guest brew at many pubs and restaurants, and of course at bottle shops, and the wine section of both downtown groceries, Trader Joe's and Whole Foods. And that's not all! They have also branched out into two non-alcohol beverage types: Switchel from Superior Craft Elixirs and flavored seltzers from Squeeze. (\*Crowler is a portmanteau word combining can and growler. They are 25.4-ounce cans.)



### Bella and Myles of Coconut Whisk


St. NE. This taproom is the departure and return point for group bike rides. Some cideries have pickleball courts, Sociable

### New food options in town

We introduced a number of new(ish) restaurants, cafes and taprooms last month. So many, in fact, that I didn't have room for all of them, so this month I'll be highlighting some left-behind places that are not really that new anymore but may be new to you. I was really taken by Coconut Whisk, which is located in

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**HERE'S THE CITY COUNCIL'S PLAN FOR PUBLIC SAFETY AND POLICING, IF QUESTION 2 PASSES:**



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Voters are expected to decide whether to blow up the existing police department in favor of ... what? No one knows exactly. There is no plan for what would come next, what the transition would look like, what the new structure would be, or what would happen to existing operations, even though the amendment would go into effect just 30 days after the vote is in.

Editorial, Aug. 30, 2021

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# 2021 Education

## School openings, community schools vs. GOP culture war, labor and funding shortages, changes at the federal level

BY DEBRA KEEFER RAMAGE

### New Secretary of Education

At least we don't have Betsy DeVos anymore! In March of this year the new Secretary of Education, Miguel Cardona, was appointed, and he couldn't be any more of a refutation of DeVos if he had been designed by a computer that was programmed just to refute DeVos.

- Cardona was born to Puerto Rican immigrant parents in Meriden, Conn.; the family lived in a housing project for his early years. DeVos was born the daughter of a billionaire and later married a billionaire.

- Cardona struggled when he started kindergarten speaking only Spanish, but persevered to become a great scholar boosting bilingual education and cultural literacy. DeVos is apparently not that interested in either of those, and is certain that school vouchers will solve any achievement gaps that actually exist.

- Cardona began his career as a high school teacher in his hometown, became the youngest principal in Connecticut history at age 28, and became the first Hispanic Connecticut state education leader in 2019. DeVos has no experience in education.

- Cardona attended a technical high school in Connecticut, and two Connecticut universities. He was a scholarship student for his undergraduate degree at the first, and obtained a doctorate in education at the second. His doctoral dissertation was titled "Sharpening the Focus of Political Will to Address Achievement Disparities." DeVos attended a private Christian secondary school and got a BA in business economics from a private evangelical college.

- Cardona puts faith in public school excellence, strong families and communities, multicultural and

multilingual learning environments and community public schools. DeVos puts faith in evangelical Christianity, school "choice," privatization, the GOP and getting comfortable with obscene wealth disparities.

### The GOP war on Critical Race Theory

Nationally, there seems to be a turn away from school choice as a panacea, gimmicky education schemes, and passive teachers' unions, and toward the concept of community schools, multicultural learning experiences including ethnic studies and language im-

mersion programs, and strong, activist unions with solidarity among all classes of education workers. This is all in stark contrast to the GOP's hysterical attack on the teaching of "critical race theory," sometimes shortened to CRT, in elementary and secondary schools.

Which is ludicrous. Critical race theory is not a subject to be taught, and if it were, it would not be a subject for any but university-level students. It is just what it says on the label - a theory about education, which is a subject area. But of course, education is not taught in early education or high school, because it is about teaching itself. What the GOP is really trying to protest and prevent is the teaching of history and other social studies in a way that is indirectly informed by critical race theory to include non-majority views of historical events, and to unearth major historical events that have been suppressed. What the GOP is trying to promote is a consequence-free continuation, and perhaps even an extension, of the white supremacy project of rewriting and censoring history.

With this level of sloppy logic, it's easy for the "anti-CRT" lobby to assume that CRT is also responsible for such threatening ideas as bilingual education, culturally specific programs, or ethnic studies such as African American or Latin American studies. However, all of these subject areas have been



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# Section



## North High cheerleaders

around longer than Critical Race Theory, let alone its backlash. These are not quite the same thing as suppression of history in the service of white supremacy, but often go hand in hand with it. These programs too, along with gender studies and queer studies at the secondary and post-secondary level, are also under attack from the same factions.

### Community schools

Community schools should be an area of great interest to Minneapolis parents, students and educators, because the reorganization of schools in the district, called Comprehensive District Design or CDD, hinges very much on the promotion of community schools. So what is a community school and how is it different from a plain vanilla local public school?

Wikipedia offers this definition of Community Schools [United States]:

“According to the Coalition for Community Schools, a branch of the Institute for Educational Leadership, a community school is ‘both a place and a set of partnerships between the school and other community resources’ with an integrated focus on academics, health and social services, leadership, and community engagement. Community schools are generally public, i.e., government ... funded, though many private and charter schools have also adopted the model. One of the difficulties the movement has encountered is the sheer diversity of institutions claiming to be community schools. This, coupled with the decentralized structure of American education, has hampered efforts to quantify the number of community schools nationally extant.”

An excellent piece in the magazine In the Public Interest (ITPI), “The Real Grassroots Movement Reshaping Public School Curriculums,” ties both of these issues together – the false narrative about CRT and its related pedagogy, and the actual surge in demand for and validation of community schools, bilingual programs, and ethnic studies. I must quote extensively (order changed for clarity):

“Countless studies show that students who participate in ethnic studies perform better academically and graduate at higher rates. A 2016 study of an ethnic studies pilot in San Francisco high schools showed an increase in ninth-grade student attendance by 21 percentage points, GPA by 1.4 grade points, and credits earned by 23.

“In June [of 2021], the Los Angeles Unified School District (LAUSD) board voted to spend \$63 million on community schools. This will add ten more community schools to the 30 already existing in the district.

“LAUSD’s new community school money will fund ethnic studies lessons that uplift the stories of diverse communities. This happened because – counter to the right-wing narrative – students, parents, and the community demanded it.

“Los Angeles isn’t alone. New Mexico recently committed \$6.6 million

uitable education.

The Deer River School District has 900 students in all. The town of Deer River also contains 900 residents, but the school district brings in students from surrounding areas. The district also lies wholly within the Leech Lake Reservation, home to nearly 10,000 members of the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe. Native Americans, a population known to be underserved by education in Minnesota, comprise a third of Deer Lake’s student population. Economic indicators show this as an area of extreme poverty, with two-thirds of the student population coming from households under the federal poverty line. Of 900 students, 85, nearly one out of ten, are counted as homeless, and a quarter of the students qualify for special education.

As Lahm carefully traces the five-year journey from when the rural district adopted the full community school model to its present state of improvement and progress, despite COVID and other setbacks, the case is made that community schools, done right, are just as transformational for rural districts as for urban ones.

### The view from MPS

Getting back to Minneapolis Public Schools, there are bigger problems for us to face this 2021-22 school year than the CDD. School systems across the nation are grappling with the problems of reopening schools in “in-per-

son” mode. The 2020-21 school year was hard on teachers, students, families and the economy, although you couldn’t call it a failure. Most systems avoided being pandemic hotspots, at least. When plans were laid for this year to be the major return, the view was more hopeful than it is now, with surges, breakthrough infections, and more than one in every 500 Americans a COVID death statistic.

But in fact, the problem getting the most attention right now in Minneapolis is the unprecedented shortage of school bus drivers. This is just a part of the nationwide labor shortage that has a number of causes, including both direct effects (deaths, quarantines,

long-COVID) and indirect effects (stagnant wages, inadequate protection, people switching career paths) of the pandemic.

### Some recommendations for more information or involvement

Check out the Facebook page Cashing in on Kids for lots of links to articles like those cited here. \*\*\* Subscribe to ITPI’s newsletter to get the latest articles by email. \*\*\* Read the book “Teacher Unions and Social Justice,” edited by Michael Charney, Jesse Hagopian and Bob Peterson. It contains over 60 articles on the topic of organizing within education.



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# Justice in the Green Zone?

BY KAY SCHROVEN

Low-income communities, Indigenous communities and communities of color in Minneapolis (and many cities) experience unequal health, wealth, employment and education, and also are often overburdened by environmental conditions such as traffic and stationary pollution sources, brownfield sites (real property that may be compromised by the presence or potential presence of hazardous

substance, pollutant or contaminant) blight and substandard housing.

The idea for developing Minneapolis Green Zones (GZ) initiative came from the Minneapolis Climate Action Plan/Environmental Justice Working Group in 2012 (<https://www2.minneapolismn.gov/government/programs-initiatives/climate/climate-action-goals/>). Implementation began in 2015, and in 2017 the City Council adopted the Northside and Southside Green Zones - policy initiatives aimed at improving health and supporting economic development using environmentally conscious efforts in communities that face the cumulative effects of environmental pollution, as well as social, political and economic vulnerability.

Following the adoption of the Green Zone boundaries the Minneapolis City Council along with Mayor Frey appointed the Southside Green Task Force (since renamed the Southside Green Zone Council), made up of 16 individuals

with various expertise in environmental matters, city planning, law, health and community representation.

The priorities of the GZC are improving air and soil quality, healthy food access, health in energy and housing intertwined

with the social economic priorities of anti-displacement, self-determination and accountability. In short, priorities include investments in air, soil, food, housing and energy, with air quality a top priority.

The Southside Green Zones

include the Phillips/Cedar-Riverside neighborhoods with high BIPOC representation (Black, Indigenous, people of color) in the communities. These zones were established in 2017 by the

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The Dish, from page 6

one of my favorite Nicollet Mall spots, the Young Quinlan Building at the corner of 9th Street and the Mall.

Coconut Whisk was already a going concern for a few years in the form of a seller of gluten-free and vegan baking mixes. The co-founders are Bella (Nhi) Lam and Myles Olson, who met in college (Lam is the first generation of her family to be college-educated) where they won a business competition with the concept. The cafe was launched in May 2021 and is a ground floor tenant in the historic building at 901 Nicollet Mall. The ready-to-eat food sold there includes various pastries, waffles and cakes made with their mixes, which come with a variety of vegan toppings, and boba tea, Vietnamese coffee and other drinkable treats, also vegan due to the use of Bella's own formula of vegan "mylk" which can also be used in a foam topping.

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Hark! Cafe

Whisk's baking mixes to use at home at the cafe, and also a curated selection of other innovative food and drink products by local BIPOC or women producers. Bella was especially happy that she was able to launch her brick-and-mortar business, which she hopes will be a community gathering space and place for calm and healing, during Asian-American Pacific Islander Heritage Month.

Another new spot downtown is also riding the wave of popularity of plant-based food indulgences. This is Hark! Cafe in the North Loop, located in the historic Kickernick Building at 430 N. 1st Ave. They have two distinct menus – the Tuesday through Friday breakfast and lunch menu, and the weekend brunch menu (with some overlap). There is also a bakery menu and a small but thorough cocktail menu, as well as all the normal coffee drinks (normal but vegan).

A new bakery has appeared in the Seward neighborhood with the sensible name of The Bakery on 22nd Street. They produce a different handcrafted loaf of sourdough bread weekly, which you can order for pickup on Friday. You can also get a monthly subscription. Delivery is available to locations within a five-mile radius for an additional cost of just 70 cents. Check the website ([www.bakery22st.com/](http://www.bakery22st.com/)) for more details.

Another interesting bakery phe-

nomenon I discovered in covering restaurants in the neighborhoods is the behind-the-scenes supplier of sweet baked treats called Lutunji's Palate. Owned and operated by a Black woman, the eponymous Lutunji, this business was founded



Lutunji Abram of Lutunji's Palate

due to the popularity of her cakes and cobblers with an influential African American pastor. Lutunji has been in business since 2012 and has grown to the point where she has outgrown more than one kitchen.

Lutunji's Palate products can be purchased online ([lutunjispalate.com/order-online](http://lutunjispalate.com/order-online)) and also found at Lunds & Byerly's and several farmers markets and specialty food markets. They are also on the menu at several fine eateries, including Handsome Hog and The Gnome in St. Paul and Pimento Jamaican Kitchen in Minneapolis.

Mini-review – J. Selby's

I had an indoor dining experience at J. Selby's (169 N. Victoria St.) just in time. The plant-based powerhouse in St. Paul has been very cautious in its approach to business during the pandemic, and had been open for indoor dining as well as outdoor "patio" seating and takeout, only since spring of 2021. But the recent COVID surge caused them to regroup, and indoor dining is now closed for as long as deemed necessary.

If you visited J. Selby's before the pandemic, you will now find some changes. In the past, whether you were eating outdoors or indoors or getting takeaway, you stopped at a front of the house counter (which is in the back actually) and ordered your food there, then took a table or waited in a small waiting area for your order. Now it's two different routes. If you're dining outside or getting to-go, you don't even need to come in at all, because they constructed a takeout window back in 2020. So you order there in the normal way, either to take it home or grab a picnic table outside.

For indoor dining (while it lasted, that is, and presumably if it comes back) there is a very fancy no-contact system. You have to have a smartphone, and you scan a QR code at your table which pulls up the menu for online ordering, with the table number embedded



J. Selby's

in the order. J. Selby's is a no-tip restaurant, but you can include a donation to the pay-it-forward fund. You can also order one of the menu items, the Community Bowl, to be held for someone who can't afford to eat out to claim later. (They always had that.)

In my rare outing to a real sit-down restaurant in St. Paul, one that's completely vegan to boot, I had a burger. To be specific I had a Solo Burger, with a kale salad as my included side, and a whole order of fries (which are excellent, but such a huge serving that I took half home) and an Arnold Palmer. (That's a half-and-half mixture of lemonade and iced tea.)

MAJOR shoutout and kudos to J. Selby's – although just what I would expect from this restaurant that places ethical practices at the center of its philosophy – there was a "no straw" option on the drink order in this no-contact menu. Lesser restaurants: please take note and learn from this! The food was, as always, excellent.

Green Zone, from page 11

City Council. Since then the city has approved free home energy audits for Green Zone residents, inexpensive tree sales, and 20% reimbursement up to \$40,000 for energy efficiency or pollution reduction for businesses through the Green Zone Cost Share program. While these efforts are commendable, they are not transformative.

The Green Zone Council established a Work Plan in 2019. The plan has 70 action items to achieve goals of healthy air and environmental quality, housing and economic success.

The Southside Green Zone work has been supported by a mix of city and private funding. In 2017 the city received \$150,000 from the McKnight Foundation and Funders Network to support the Southside Green Zone. The City Council provided one-time funding for Green Zones in 2018 and 2019 through city budgeting. Continued support is needed. There is no law or ordinance with teeth that requires the City Council to continue the work. Kelly Muellman, Sustainability Program Coordinator for Minneapolis, says the Southside GZ Council is still learning about the best structure to support advancing initiatives.

The Southside Green Zone is supported by the City of Minneapolis Sustainability Division. The Sustainability Office has five full-time staff and is focused on integrating concepts into the other city departments and policies, while also leading efforts related to mitigating climate change. They also have a project in development with the Minneapolis Health Department toward using sensors to monitor air quality in Green Zones and gather data.

We want clean water and we deserve the right to breathe

The East Phillips story is one of multiple environmental offenses and strong, sustained pushback by

residents and activists. Home to Smith Foundry, Bituminous Roadways and the Roof Depot (seller of exterior building products including roofing, siding and windows near 28th Street. and Longfellow Avenue), the neighborhood struggle has been long and, as recently as Sept. 22, very disappointing. East Phillips is a diverse and polluted neighborhood. Seventy-one percent of residents are people of color and 45% earn less than \$35,000 a year, according to Minnesota Compass. It used to be the site of CMC Heartland Partners Lite Yard. From 1938 to 1963 CMC leased the property to Reade Manufacturing which produced arsenical pesticides. In 1994, while constructing Hiawatha Avenue, arsenic was discovered and it was declared a Superfund site. Unsafe arsenic levels were identified in 600 neighborhood homes. By 2011, 50,000 tons of contaminated soil had been removed. In 2008 the neighborhood was classified as an "environment justice community" by the state legislature, citing high levels of asthma and other diseases linked to pollutants.

Dating back to 1991, the city has been discussing consolidating three sites into one and identified the Roof Depot as the site for demolition and new construction of a water distribution facility and maintenance operation with sewer and fleet services. The reasoning was that having services consolidated would make operations more efficient and reduce emissions from city trucks. The proposed \$75 million project would include a jobs training center and a parking garage for 400 diesel vehicles that would be coming and going two times a day. The facility has been owned by the city since 2016 and still sits empty. The East Phillips Neighborhood Institute (EPNI) proposed an alternate plan with strong community input. It has come to be known as the Urban Farm Project. The group seeks to purchase the Roof Depot build-

ing as a community-owned and operated property, converting it into a multipurpose facility containing aquaponics, solar gardens, a communal kitchen, coffee and bicycle shops (since it's near the Greenway) and affordable housing.

The discussions and disputes over these proposals have gone on for years and have become one of the principal battlegrounds for the environmental justice movement. There have been efforts to compromise, such as the city keeping 7.5 acres and giving the community three acres. This proposal infuriated lobbying residents. The city has spent \$12.9 million in planning costs. And while the Policy and Government Oversight Committee stalled the project they fell short of granting the community activists development rights, leaving the Roof Depot temporarily in limbo and the city unsure of how to recoup the nearly \$13 million.

Minneapolis is not the only city to fight the good environmental fight. Los Angeles has the Clean Up, Green Up ordinance. Kansas City has identified Green Impact Zones and has long-term plans to use federal stimulus funds. Buffalo, N.Y. has had its PUSH program (People United for Sustainable Housing) since 2008, identifying 25 square city blocks to be the focus of environmental improvement.

Hopes dampened

On Wednesday, Sept. 22, the Minneapolis City Council voted 7 to 6 to reinstate plans to build a new water maintenance facility in the Phillips neighborhood. The decision sent activists reeling. The plan sets aside several acres for community development, causing grave disappointment for lobbying residents who wanted to repurpose the entire site into the Urban Farm Project. Council Members Alondra Cano and Andrea Jenkins voted against the plan. Cano, who represents the Phillips neigh-

borhood, said the decision is an example of the city being weaponized by shutting down conversations with a community trying to figure out its future. Council Member Lisa Bender continues to emphasize the budgetary impact of canceling the project which has already incurred \$12.9 million. A

representative of the Phillips community called it another example of the city using an underserved community as a dumping ground for the city and its pollutants.

Business as usual? The neighborhood says it will continue to fight, even if the city isn't backing down.



POWDERHORN EDITION

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#### Safe Place Homework Help

**School Days 3:30 to 6 p.m.**

2001 Riverside Ave., Mpls.

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#### Mizna's Twin Cities Arab Film Fest

**Sept. 29 – Oct. 3**

**In-person and online**

Trylon Cinema

2820 E. 33<sup>rd</sup> St., Mpls.

The 15th edition of Mizna's Twin Cities Arab Film Fest returns to Minneapolis–St. Paul Sept. 29 through Oct. 3, 2021. This year's fest will be held in a hybrid format, combining in-person and online film screenings and events. The in-person components of the festival will take place at Trylon Cinema in Minneapolis and virtual screenings will be accessible across the U.S.

In addition to classic and contemporary films, the festival will include panel discussions with filmmakers, scholars and film industry professionals. TCAFF audiences can expect to attend a virtual conversation on the eclectic cultural scene of 1970s Morocco. Additionally, Lebanese documentarian Sarah Francis and Palestinian artist Mona Benyamin will discuss how themes of lunar colonization appear in each of their films, exploring questions about exile and displacement.

For more information, go to <https://mizna.org/event/2021arabfilmfest/>.

#### 'Hold Us Tight' Exhibition

**On view through Nov. 6**

**Opening Reception, Friday, Oct. 8, 6 to 8 p.m.**

**Artist Talk, Friday, Nov. 5, 6 to 8 p.m.**

Fresh Eye Gallery

4238 Nicollet Ave., Mpls.

Fresh Eye Gallery announces its

upcoming group exhibition, "Hold Us Tight," curated by Benjamin Merritt. The artists featured in this group exhibition interpret the word "Hold" in all its forms. Works range from enigmatic and visceral, to familial and sentimental. Layered text draws us in to decipher the message and contemplate our own interpretation. Photographs, drawings and paintings of people sharing a moment or embrace, parallel lines that draw near without touching, these works ask us to consider the many ways we are held and the ways we hold others. Disability, health and self-care are among the other themes drawn from these selections. This exhibition features local and national artists, together with artists supported by progressive art studios here in the Twin Cities as well as Portland, Ore. Free and open to the public.

[www.fresheye-gallery.com](http://www.fresheye-gallery.com)

#### DARE Micro Art Market

**Sunday, Oct. 10, noon to 4 p.m.**

DARE Minneapolis

406 E. 48th St., Mpls.

The DARE Micro Art Market will feature multiple phenomenal artists including Carla Bode, Emily Stark Photography, Scrappy Productions, The Twisted Pumpkin, Boxy Mouse, Sick Kitty Ceramics and Biafra. A portion of monthly sales always goes to Voices for Racial Justice and OutFront Minnesota. Come check out the artists and give back to your community in more ways than one! <https://darempls.com/>

#### CFPA Community Celebration

**Wednesday, Oct. 13, 6 to 9 p.m.**

Center for Performing Arts

3754 Pleasant Ave., Mpls.

The Center for Performing Arts (CFPA) is hosting an outdoor celebration to mark the completion of its addition and the end of a year-long construc-

tion project. The 20,000-square-foot expansion has doubled the CFPA's physical size, helping the organization deepen its mission, and add programming and services through new tenants Illusion Theater, Sandbox Theatre and Ragamala Dance Company, among others.

The Community Celebration is hosted by CFPA founder and executive director Jackie Hayes. It will start with a reading commemorating the expansion by poet Halee Kirkwood, and a drumming performance by Mahto Peta Toispaye Drum group, featuring members of the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe, White Earth Nation.

Guided tours of the expansion, food and a cabaret of performances will follow. This free event will be outdoors.

#### Four Seasons Foraging October Events Foraging Through Fall

**Saturday, Oct. 16, 10 a.m. to noon**

Fall is an abundant time of year for foragers, with roots, nuts and late-season fruits ripe and ready for the picking! Join Maria Wesslerle and Four Season Foraging to learn about wild harvesting through this bountiful season. We will discuss laws and ethics around foraging, as well as identification, harvest and preparation of edible species. This workshop will be held in the city of Minneapolis. The exact location will be sent to registrants in an email. Sliding scale \$15-\$35. Pre-registration required. For more details, please email [info@fourseasonforaging.com](mailto:info@fourseasonforaging.com), call (612) 440-5958, or visit [www.fourseasonforaging.com/events](http://www.fourseasonforaging.com/events).

#### Fall Urban Forage

**Sunday, Oct. 17, 3 to 5 p.m.**

The days may be getting shorter and the weather colder, but that doesn't mean the foraging season has come to a close! On the contrary – fall is the time to harvest roots, nuts and

late-season fruits. Join Maria Wesslerle of Four Season Foraging as we amble along the Midtown Greenway and learn what bounty fall has to offer the urban forager. We will discuss the identification, harvest and preparation of a variety of wild edibles, including chokeberries, hackberries, nanny-berries and rosehips. Sliding scale \$15-\$35. Pre-registration required. For location and other details, please email [info@fourseasonforaging.com](mailto:info@fourseasonforaging.com), call (612) 440-5958, or visit [www.fourseasonforaging.com/events](http://www.fourseasonforaging.com/events).

#### Minnesota Dance Theatre

**'Hope Lives Here'**

**Saturday, Oct. 16, 4 p.m.**

Orchestra Hall

1111 Nicollet Mall, Mpls.

MDT joins forces with VocalEssence Chorus & Ensemble Singers for "Hope Lives Here," a concert at 4 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 16 at Orchestra Hall in Minneapolis. Celebrating an enthusiastic return to in-person performances, the program will offer reflections of the pandemic journey and optimism for the future. Choreographic highlights include a fresh interpretation of Leonard Bernstein's "Chichester Psalms" with choreography by Minnesota-born, Munich-based Alexander Hille. The evening will also feature a clever juxtaposition of Astor Piazzolla's tango-infused tribute to Vivaldi's "Four Seasons" with choreography by McKnight Dance Fellow Elayna Waxse. Single tickets (\$10-\$40) will be on sale September 16 at [minnesotaorchestra.org](http://minnesotaorchestra.org).

#### Children's Theatre Company

**2021-2022 Season**

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2400 Third Ave. S., Mpls.

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"Bina's Six Apples," Jan. 9 – Feb. 13, 2022, ages 9 and up  
"Circus Abyssinia Tulu," Jan. 18 – Feb. 13, 2022, all ages

"Something Happened in Our Town," Feb. 27 – March 27, 2022, ages 7 and up  
"Diary of a Wimpy Kid: The Musical," April 22 – June 18, 2022, all ages  
Single tickets to all performances now on sale at <https://childrenstheatre.org/>.

#### Mary Ann Key Book Club

**'Minor Feelings: An Asian American**

**Reckoning' by Cathy Park Hong**

The Mary Ann Key Book Club, a collaboration with columnist Myron Medcalf that uses reading to better understand past and current injustices, has announced the next read for Fall 2021! The discussion will center around "Minor Feelings: An Asian American Reckoning" by Cathy Park Hong. In her book, poet and essayist Cathy Park Hong blends memoir, cultural criticism and history to confront the Asian American condition and examine the complex relationships between race, family, heritage and society in America. "Minor feelings arise," she writes, "upon hearing a slight, knowing it's racial, and being told, Oh, that's all in your head." For details, see [www.hclib.org/programs/books-reading/mary-ann-key-book-club](http://www.hclib.org/programs/books-reading/mary-ann-key-book-club).

#### 'Kindertransport – Rescuing Children on the Brink of War'

**Through Oct. 31**

American Swedish Institute

2600 Park Ave., Mpls.

"Kindertransport – Rescuing Children on the Brink of War," illuminates the story of the Kindertransport (German for "Children's Transport"). This astonishingly successful rescue effort brought approximately 10,000 Jewish children from Nazi Germany to Great Britain and other countries, including Sweden, between 1938 and 1939. The exhibition explores the children's difficult and often heartbreaking journeys through original artifacts, audio testimonies and moving personal stories. The regional debut of this exhibition is accompanied by "The Story is Here," developed by ASI, which features the experiences of Midwest families impacted by the Kindertransport. The ASI Museum, Museum Store and FIKA Café new hours are Thursday 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. and Friday through Sunday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information, visit [www.ASImn.org](http://www.ASImn.org) or call 612-871-4907.



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 Plymouth invites you to a new worship offering each Sunday evening at 5 p.m. starting on Oct. 2. Rooted in contemplative practices, “Sundays at Five” will feature a slightly different focus and style each Sunday evening at 5 p.m. This worship service is designed to be quieter and more intimate than our Sunday morning services. These opportunities will include:  
 Evensong (first Sundays) – worship that features thoughtful singing, periods of brief silence and contemplation, and a series of contemporary and scriptural readings for reflection.  
 Sensing the Sacred (second Sundays) – a time for resting in centering prayer/meditation; participating in the sacred reading (Lectio divina) of word, art, or nature; and the sharing of group prayer.  
 Celtic Weavings (third Sundays) – a service that celebrates the cycles of land, sea, and sky, affirming our connection to and the presence of Mystery within it.  
 Testimonies: Transformation through Stories (fourth Sundays) – an opportunity to explore the narratives of our lives as pathways for growth or hindrance and the spiritual freedom found in sharing them.  
 Taize Worship (fifth Sundays) – a gathering focused around simple melodic singing that also includes readings, prayers, and periods of quiet.  
 We invite you to join us for any or all of these services, which will meet outdoors under the “Big Top” and then move inside in mid-October. Please invite your friends to join us! “Sundays at 5” represent a way of connecting with the Holy that will appeal to many. [www.plymouth.org/worship/](http://www.plymouth.org/worship/)

**Church of the Holy Name**  
**Virtual Fall Festival**  
**Sunday, Oct. 10, 1 to 3 p.m.**  
**Online**  
 Participate live on Zoom or Facebook Live, or catch us later on our YouTube channel! Door prize opportunities for those who tune in live or give a donation to this event! Our Fall Festival will also

include opportunities to text and give; a silent auction (bidding begins Oct. 1); children’s coloring contest (win a prize!); and music by Mark Mraz and special guest performers. Visit our website for more information: [www.churchoftheholyname.org](http://www.churchoftheholyname.org).

**4th Annual Challenging Islamophobia Conference**  
**Tuesday, Oct. 12, 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.**  
**Online**  
 Save the date! The Council on American-Islamic Relations (CAIR) Minnesota has announced that the 4th Annual Challenging Islamophobia Conference will take place virtually on Tuesday, Oct. 12, 2021, from 8.30 a.m. to 4 p.m. If you purchased tickets for the 2020 event, they can be used to participate in this year’s rescheduled conference. To share your thoughts about the upcoming conference, including topic ideas, please complete their survey form at [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSd6-8D\\_K25oDE2\\_Ogs9WtiBKsSA-We\\_01061JGelJ7gEDgl7w/viewform](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSd6-8D_K25oDE2_Ogs9WtiBKsSA-We_01061JGelJ7gEDgl7w/viewform).

**Help Needed for Afghan Evacuees**  
 From the Minnesota Council of Churches: While we continue to resettle individuals with refugee status, in September we also expect to receive numerous families evacuated from Afghanistan. Most will be coming to Minnesota having been granted “humanitarian parole,” which means that they won’t be eligible for all the same financial and program supports as refugees.  
 Will you help? We need your support to meet families’ direct needs and help MCC connect Afghan and refugee families to housing, schools, health care, and the community resources they need to start their lives in Minnesota. You can help by:

- Donating money. This will help us fill in the gap for families’ housing and food needs.
- Donating household items.
- Contacting us about volunteering or co-sponsoring a family, whether from Afghanistan or another refugee family. Email Kathryn at [rsvolunteers@mnchurches.org](mailto:rsvolunteers@mnchurches.org) to let us know if you are interested in co-sponsorship, helping set up apartments, or helping transport individuals to key appointments.

We know Minnesotans are incredible and we are so thankful to be partnering with you in this rescue operation.

**Minneapolis Friends Meeting (Quaker)**  
 4401 York Ave. S., Mpls.  
 Fall schedule: Unprogrammed (silent) worship service – 9 to 10 a.m.; Mid-Morning program: 10:15 to 11 a.m.; Semi-programmed worship service: 11:15 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. Meetings will continue on Zoom while we monitor safety and put a hybrid system into place. Zoom link available by emailing the office. All are welcome. Please visit our website to learn more about us: [www.minneapolisfriends.org](http://www.minneapolisfriends.org). Office email: [office@minneapolisfriends.org](mailto:office@minneapolisfriends.org).

**Bahá’i Center of Minneapolis**  
 3644 Chicago Ave., Mpls.  
 Devotions at the Bahá’i Center and via Zoom, Sundays at 10 a.m., and Tuesdays via Zoom at 6:30 p.m. Please visit the Bahá’i community of Minneapolis website at [www.minneapolisbahai.org/](http://www.minneapolisbahai.org/). Here you will find information about upcoming and past Holy Day celebrations, as well as news, announcements and information.

**Calvary Lutheran Church**  
 3901 Chicago Ave. S., Mpls.  
 Sunday Worship at 10 a.m. See our website at [www.clchurch.org](http://www.clchurch.org) for more information.

**Catholic Church of St. Albert the Great**  
 E. 29th St. & 32nd Ave. S., Mpls.  
 In-person Masses with limited seating on Saturdays at 5 p.m. and Sundays at 9:30 a.m. and noon. Front door entry preferred. Weekday Masses M, T, TH, F at 8:15 a.m. in the Chapel, east door and elevator entry. Please see our website at [www.saintalbertthegreat.org/](http://www.saintalbertthegreat.org/) for more details. Sunday 9:30 a.m. Mass also streamed on our Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/StAlbertTheGreatMpls/](http://www.facebook.com/StAlbertTheGreatMpls/).

**Faith Evangelical Lutheran Church**  
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 Sunday Worship (with safety measures in place) at 9 a.m. We will continue to post videos online for Sunday morning for those who can’t join us yet on YouTube

and Facebook [www.facebook.com/felc-mpls/](http://www.facebook.com/felc-mpls/). Bible classes on Sundays at 10:15 a.m. and Wednesdays at 10 a.m. NA groups Wednesdays 7:30 p.m.

**First Free Church**  
 5150 Chicago Ave. S., Mpls.  
 Sunday services at 9 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. (in-person and online). Child care provided during both services. Student ministries during 9 a.m. service. Visit our website at [www.firstfreechurch.org](http://www.firstfreechurch.org) for more information.

**Holy Cross Lutheran Church**  
 1720 E. Minnehaha Pkwy., Mpls.  
 Sunday Worship at 9:30 a.m., Bible Study at 10:30 a.m. Sunday Worship recordings available online at [www.holycrossmpls.org](http://www.holycrossmpls.org).

**Living Spirit United Methodist Church**  
 4501 Bloomington Ave., Mpls.  
 Worship In-Person or Online at 10:30 a.m. Sundays  
 Online: [livingspiritumc.org/live](http://livingspiritumc.org/live).

**Messiah Lutheran Church**  
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 4101 37th Ave. S., Mpls.  
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**New Creation Baptist Church**  
 1414 E. 48th St., Mpls.  
 Sunday Worship in person at 10:45 a.m. and also on Facebook: [www.facebook.com/NewCreationBaptistChurch/](http://www.facebook.com/NewCreationBaptistChurch/)  
<https://newcreationbaptistchurchmn.org/>

**Nokomis Heights Lutheran Church**  
 5300 10th Ave. S., Mpls.  
 Sunday worship 10 a.m., outdoor, in-person on the church lawn (also online). Adult Forum at 9 a.m. begins Sunday, 9/19/21, outdoor, on the church lawn (weather permitting). Sidewalk Sunday School begins 9/19/21. Held every Sunday outside, 9 to 9:55 a.m.

Masks required.  
 Online worship continues every Sunday. Find us on Facebook and YouTube! [www.nokomisheights.org](http://www.nokomisheights.org) or [www.facebook.com/NokomisHeights/](http://www.facebook.com/NokomisHeights/).

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 Saturday, 5 p.m. in the Church  
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**Trinity Lutheran Congregation**  
 Augsburg College, Hoversten Chapel  
 Riverside & 22nd Aves., Mpls.  
 Sunday Worship 11 a.m.  
[www.trinitylutherancongregation.org](http://www.trinitylutherancongregation.org)

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**Calvary Lutheran Church**  
**3901 Chicago Ave., Mpls.**  
**612-827-2504, ext. 205**  
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**Groveland Emergency Food Shelf**  
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# Who is running in the 6th Ward?

BY ED FELIEN

Southside Pride sent the following to the two candidates running to represent the 6th Ward on the Minneapolis City Council, Abdirizak Bihi and the incumbent, Jamal Osman:

"Southside Pride will be publishing a Guide for Voters in the 6th Ward in our upcoming Riverside edition coming out Sept. 20. We would like you to answer the following three questions. Please write no more than 50 words as your answer for each question. Please return your answers to me no later than noon

on Wednesday, Sept. 15.

1. Do you support the part of the 2040 Plan that calls for unrestricted zoning in the Phillips West, Ventura Village and Seward neighborhoods?

2. Would you support residency for City employees?

3. What steps would you take to hold Minneapolis police officers accountable?"

Neither candidate contacted us by deadline.

Southside Pride has strongly objected to that part of the 2040 Plan that calls for changing the zoning of the inner city from Broadway in the north to 42nd Street in the south to allow construction of three- and four-story apartment buildings. The Phillips West, Ventura Village and Seward neighborhoods

are a wonderful mix of ethnic communities. They are NOAH's Ark - NOAH stands for Naturally Occurring Affordable Housing. This zoning change will evict those communities and replace them with Young Urban Professionals. That process is called gentrification - eliminate the minorities and poor people and replace them with Yuppies.

We also support residency for city employees, particularly for police and fire personnel. People who work for the city should love it enough to live there. We don't want cops coming to work thinking they're part of an invading army.

The City Council hasn't had direct authority over the police department, but they do have the power of the purse. They



Abdirizak Bihi, left, and incumbent Jamal Osman

appropriate the funds and sign the checks. They can hold public hearings and demand accountability from city staff. The budget for the MPD should be public. If you ask for a line-item budget from City Council members, you get a 20-page promotional press statement that is long on platitudes and very short on specifics. The City Council has no idea how the money is actually being spent. How can the City Council hold the MPD accountable if they don't know what they're doing?

Those are some of the answers we had hoped to get from candidates seeking to represent us on the City Council. Instead, the candidates chose to remain

inscrutable.

Have you ever tried to contact your City Council member? They're never in their office. They don't answer the phone. Their policy aide doesn't answer the phone. Their other aide doesn't answer the phone or respond to voice mail. The only contact you can get after being on hold for 15 minutes is some very overworked 311 operator. This is a city that is no longer working.

As for the race in the 6th Ward, the incumbent doesn't seem to care enough to show up for work or answer the phone, so let's try something different. We would vote for Abdirizak Bihi.

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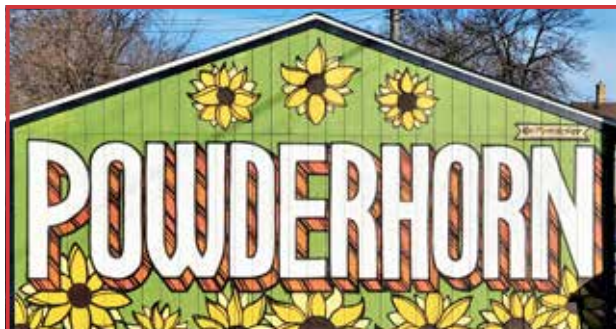
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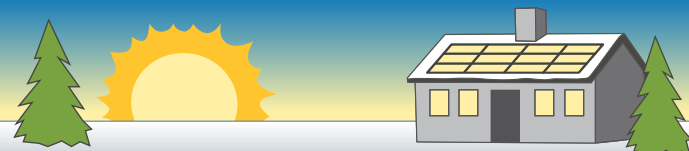
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