

**Food and Nutrition Commission  
Proposed Appointment – October 2017**

**Mitchell Armstrong**

Ward 7

Caucasian/Non-Hispanic

Employer: North Saint Paul Public School District

Occupation: Special Education Teacher

**Why are you interested in serving on a board or committee?**

I am relatively new to Saint Paul and love the diversity here. As a proud gay man I see it as a responsibility to serve my community when possible. I am a special education teacher who specializes in low socioeconomic schools as that's where I find the students who want to learn the most. I am married and have an extremely supportive husband who supports that I want to be able to serve my community and be useful to the members of the community.

**What skills/training or experience do you possess for the committee(s) for which you seek appointment?**

I have been a special education teacher in low socioeconomic areas since 2013. I taught Self-contained Autism for four consecutive years before moving to Minnesota where I moved to a resource position to work with a larger number of students. I feel as though I can listen to the issues that need to be heard from individuals and then assist them in making sure they are heard loud and clear, all while remaining respectful and a part of the community in a positive way.