

Profile

The Minnesota Government Data Practices Act (Minnesota Statutes Chapter 13) governs the City's use of the information contained in this application. Some of the information sought in this application is private data under the Act. The requested information will be used by the appointing authority to carry out the City's official appointment responsibilities. You are not required to provide any information. However, failure to answer the application questions may cause the appointing authority to reject your application. The majority of items contained in this application are public, including name, address, employment, skills, training and experience, and are therefore available to anyone requesting it. The remaining items on the application form are classified as private. The private data is available only to you and to other persons in the City who, because of work assignments, reasonably require access to the information.

Which Boards would you like to apply for?

- Business Review Council: Submitted
- Transportation Committee : Submitted
- Port Authority: Submitted
- Visit Saint Paul Board of Directors: Submitted
- Board of Zoning Appeals: Submitted
- Civil Service Commissioners and Alternates: Submitted
- Heritage Preservation Commission: Submitted
- Police Civilian Internal Affairs Review Commission: Submitted
- Planning Commission: Submitted
- Capital Improvement Budget Committee: Submitted
- Workforce Innovation Board: Submitted
- Public Housing Agency - Board of Commissioners: Submitted

Travis _____ R _____ Grundy _____
 First Name Middle Initial Last Name

 Email Address

Select Your Ward

None Selected

Select Your District

District 4 - Dayton's Bluff

 Street Address

 City

 Primary Phone

 Suite or Apt

 State

 Postal Code

 Alternate Phone

Interests & Experiences

Alyn Robert Economic Strategies

Employer

Economic Strategist

Job Title

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

I am eager to participate within the local community in a deeper and more meaningful way. I feel that being able to volunteer my time in order to help my local government is valuable, and will provide me with a stronger insight into local issues and needs, especially from an economic perspective.

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

Across all of the committees, I bring a strong sense of fairness, economic reasoning, and an outside diverse perspective that will add the the already rich views among the various boards. Further, my time is flexible enough to enable my participation on several boards that may require substantial commitment. Further, I feel that my varied working experiences allow me to bring a strong understanding of good business practices and efficiency. More specifically: - I am a keen proponent of a logical approach to reviewing and considering policies that will impact local businesses. - I believe in fair and equitable housing, as well as management of public housing to the long term benefit of the residents and the fiscal sustainability of the program. - I want to encourage long term, sustainable development within the community, that is culturally responsive, business friendly, economically empowering, and growth oriented. - I have a level head, and am able to approach various situations with tact and discretion.

Upload a Resume

Question applies to Police Civilian Internal Affairs Review Commission

Describe any personal attitudes, life experiences, and prior examples that demonstrate you can make objective, impartial, evidence - based decisions about complaints against the police.

Police Officers are required to make split second decisions everyday. In the course of understanding those decisions, I have to hear them fully, and assess all sides in a complaint. Officers should be held to a strong standard of discipline, however assuring they receive appropriate training is paramount. Failing to fully hear and understand all sides of a complaint does a disservice to all parties involved. Further, I don't watch news so I am able to approach most complaints from a sense of impartiality, or at least without any preconceived notions that would materially impede my ability to support a case review. My work with the US Army was not only in support of criminal litigation, but also in support of soldier defense.

Question applies to Police Civilian Internal Affairs Review Commission

Have you, a close friend, or a family member ever worked or volunteered in the criminal justice system? If yes, please describe.

I was a Paralegal in the Military, and supported Criminal Litigation of on-post offenses. Further I was trained to conduct victim witness interviews of on-post offenses. Further, I supported soldier defense, and various family law issues. Also, during my work at Hoover Dam, I worked closely with the local Police Department on various safety protocols for several large events held at the dam.

Question applies to Police Civilian Internal Affairs Review Commission

Describe your perceptions of the police and how you came to hold those perceptions.

I believe that police are generally good people, who have an exceptional responsibility to the community. They understand the difference between right and wrong, and do, or should, understand the consequences of any actions they may take. Due to the responsibility to the community, they should be held to a high standard, but should also be given some benefit of the doubt in some circumstances. My views have developed over many years. having worked with law enforcement, in close working conditions, and also in working with others who have had more critical views. I believe that my views are my own.

Question applies to Police Civilian Internal Affairs Review Commission

Have you or a family member ever participated in an organization that advocates a position regarding the police or the criminal justice system? If yes, please describe.

No.

Question applies to Police Civilian Internal Affairs Review Commission

Describe your comfort level disagreeing with a community member who thinks an officer engaged in misconduct, but the evidence does not support the allegation?

Members of the community need to have an outlet to vent their fears, concerns, and views on any government agency. Failure to hear the views of the community is the first step toward failing to meet the needs of the community. In dealing directly with a community member, I would be gracious allow them time to discuss their views, and then provide a response that as effectively as possible directly addresses their thoughts, but adds information that would help to provide clarity on why misconduct was not supported by the evidence provided. No one can be made happy all the time, and in a community as diverse as St. Paul, there will be concerned citizens who disagree with, and do not understand a decision. Especially in marginalized communities there is a far greater sense of distrust of the police, but I believe that my being a diverse individual would help to provide a sense of empowerment to such individuals.

Question applies to Port Authority

Are you aware this is a six year term?

Yes

Demographics

Ethnicity

Other

Gender

Male

11/15/1988

Date of Birth