

**Heritage Preservation Commission  
Proposed Appointments – February 2017**

**Teresa Kimker**

Ward 1

Caucasian/Non-Hispanic

Employer: Nilan Johnson Lewis

Occupation: Lawyer

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

I have lived in Saint Paul most of my life and have always been interested in and proud of its architectural and cultural history and heritage. I have lived in my 100-year old home in Saint Paul for almost 20 years and have experienced first-hand some of the rewards and challenges of trying to maintain and update a historic home. I am particularly interested in how different immigrant groups have influenced Saint Paul history, culture, and architecture, and I am interested in exploring ways to maintain and celebrate that history.

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

I have experience serving on boards of non-profit organizations. Until very recently, I served on the Board of Directors and Executive Committee of ALFA International, an international law firm network. I previously served on the Board and Executive Committee of the Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under Law, a national civil rights organization based in Washington D.C. I have an undergraduate degree in history from the University of Minnesota, and I have been a member of the Minnesota Historical Society and the Ramsey County Historical Society for many years.

**Joseph Peroutka**

Ward 2

Native American

Employer: U Health

Occupation: Psychiatric Associate

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

The dynamic opportunity it offers to advance and inform the historic legacy of St Paul during a time of great change and progress.

Membership Ramsey County Historical Society, Cass Gilbert Society, Volunteer Public Art St Paul (2010-2015), downtown resident, BA University of Minnesota, environmentalist, Public transport user, bicyclist

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Beginning with the childhood discovery of million year old fossil on the banks of Mississippi River, at the foot of the Jefferson Avenue Path and continuing today with the revelation of every Lower town cornerstone, a life- long passion for the city Mark Twain heralded as the giant Young chief of the North" Provides me with the skills, training and experience to be a member of the City of St Paul Heritage Preservation Commission.