

# Liz Wielinski

Your voice on the Park Board for District One



Trusted  
neighborhood  
leader who will  
deliver for  
our parks

As the mother of a small child, it was challenging to find activities in the parks that my son enjoyed, but one of the things he really loved was splashing around in the “turtle” pool at our neighborhood park.

When Bobby was three, I learned that the Park Board planned to close our pool. My neighbors and I organized to Save Our Pool. We went door to door with petitions, pushed a calling effort to our commissioner, and went to meetings in the effort to Save Our Pool. We won. Now all the kids in the neighborhood have a place to play and cool off in the summer.

While advocating to save our pool, I saw the need for a strong park system that fairly represents the diverse needs and interests of ALL of the citizens in our city. In the six years since then, I have been working hard to make that happen.



## My vision for our independent parks:

- Community engagement to ensure sustainable, safe and welcoming parks
- Diverse recreational opportunities—one size does not fit all
- Collaboration with the city and schools to best use our resources
- Transparency, accountability and fiscal responsibility

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“Over the years I’ve worked with scores of volunteer leaders on all types of problems—Liz stands out for her on-going dedication, doing her homework and proposing smart strategic solutions, forging partnerships and her never flagging passion for creating improved opportunities for all. She does it with a much appreciated sense of humor that keeps diverse interests working together.” Rep. Diane Loeffler (59A)

“Liz is proactive in protecting our natural environment. She understands that wise investments now can prevent future problems.”  
Sierra Club Northstar Chapter

“If I were going to imagine the perfect possible Park Board Commissioner, perfection would be Liz Wielinski. Liz has an extraordinary command of Park Board finances, and she’s a Mom that became involved in parks originally because services were being cut.” Jeremy Wieland

“Liz would be a welcome partner at the Park Board for collaboration with the state on our Minneapolis riverfront parks. Her broad knowledge of park finances would allow her to lead on fiscal issues from her first day in office.” Rep. Phyllis Kahn (59B)

“I am very impressed with the amount of time that Liz, as a private citizen, has devoted to our parks. She has regularly attended Park Board meetings for years, and her knowledge about park issues is outstanding. She listens carefully to the needs and ideas of others regarding our parks. With her thoughtful, intelligent, and inclusive style, I think she will make an excellent Park Board Commissioner.” Joyce Vincent



*Liz lives in Northeast's Columbia Park Neighborhood with her husband Andy, a member of GMP local 63B and her son Bobby, a fourth grader at Cityview School.*

## Invested in the Community—a partial list

Park Board Comprehensive Plan Community Leader  
Above the Falls Citizens Advisory Committee  
Columbia Park Neighborhood Association  
Earth Day Cleanup Coordinator for Columbia Park  
Neighbors 4 NRP  
Shoreham Area Advisory Committee  
Senate District 59 DFL, past treasurer  
Minneapolis Citizens for Park Board Reform PAC  
Minneapolis Park Watch, cofounder  
Save the Hi-View Turtle Pool

## Endorsements

Stonewall DFL  
DFL Latino Caucus  
MN Women's Political Caucus  
DFL Feminist Caucus  
Sierra Club Northstar Chapter

## Supporters

Joyce Vincent  
Ted Tucker  
Peter Vevang  
Representative Diane Loeffler  
Jill Davis, School Board  
Katie and Rick Fournier  
Dori Eder  
Joan Farrell  
Representative Phyllis Kahn  
Kate and Jeff Towle  
Amy Fields  
Jim Temple  
Chris and Lilly Bubser  
Sally and Gary Cagle  
Carla Bates, School Board  
Robin and Steve Marty  
Gregg Mau  
Pat Lewis  
Dean DeGroot  
Leslie Watson  
Judith Martin  
Debbie Evans  
Shawne FitzGerald  
Arlene Fried  
Harrison Nelson  
Rick and Norma Hill  
Dar Gerber  
Polly Harrison-Townsend  
Marcea Mariani  
Pat Vogel  
Mark and Mandy Tempel  
John Townsend-Harrison  
Jeremy and Karlene Wieland  
Bill Kahn  
Bob and Anna Margl  
Laura McQuiston  
Christa Laird  
Steve Christenson  
Lisa Hondros  
Debbie Nelson  
Bill Lloyd  
Cheryl Luger  
Mike Vennewitz  
Vivian Mason  
Gavin and Toni Watt  
Marcia Thomas  
Barbara and John Sullivan  
Molly McCarthy  
Kathy Munson  
Clareyse Nelson  
Donna Norberg  
Maia Rumpho-Stellpflug  
Andrew Sinning  
Dianne Haus  
Connie Sullivan  
Ruthann and Adrian Swanson  
John Chaffee  
Don Anderson  
Sandy Daly  
DeWayne Townsend