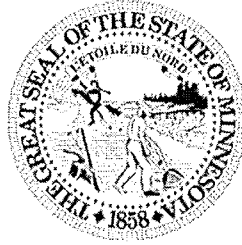


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Governor Tim Walz

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT

Deb Barber

Because of the special trust and confidence I have in your integrity, judgment, and ability, I have appointed you to the office of:

District 4 Representative
Metropolitan Council

Effective: July 3, 2023

Expires: January 4, 2027

This appointment carries with it all rights, powers, duties, and emoluments granted by law and pertaining to this position until this appointment is superseded or annulled by me or other lawful authority or by any law of this State.

Signed and sealed June 27, 2023.



Tim Walz
Governor

Steve Simon
Secretary of State

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Reappointment

Part I: Position Sought

Agency Name: Metropolitan Council
Position: District 4 Rep.

Part II: Applicant Information

Name: Deb Barber
Phone: (612) 819-0848
County: Scott
In House District: 55A
S House District: 2
Recommended by the Appointing Authority: False

Part III: Appending Documentation

Cover Letter and Resume

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Cover Letter	application/pdf
Resume	application/pdf

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Additional Documents (.doc, .docx, .pdf, .txt)

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Part V: Signature

Signature: Deborah A Barber
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SUMMARY

A strategic and effective planner with an undergraduate degree in Biomechanics and a Master's Degree in Engineering Mechanics. Over 25 years of experience in the medical device industry. Significant experience in product development and the evaluation of products at all stages of the design process. Recognized as a creative and innovative thinker that takes very complex projects and provides simplified and efficient solutions.

An active and engaged community leader who has served on boards at the regional, county, city and school level. Appointed to the Metropolitan Council to represent Scott and Carver County in 2015 by Governor Dayton. Reappointed in 2019 by Governor Walz. Known as an accessible and responsive Council Member who has taken an active leadership role at the Council.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

2015-Present Metropolitan Council—Council Member District 4

- Chair Transportation Committee (2018-Present)
- TAB Liaison (2018-Present)
- Co-Chair Metro Mobility Task Force (2017)
- Member Transportation Committee (2015-2018)
- Member Community Development Committee (2017-2019)
- Member Management Committee (2015-Present)
- Member Equity Advisory Committee (2016-2017)
- Workgroup Council Representation: Transportation Policy Plan Council Member Workgroup, Regional Growth Strategies Workgroup, Transportation Performance Measures Workgroup, Metro Cities Livable Communities Review Group, Transit Policy Workgroup, Climate Workgroup

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2009-Present Scott County

- Chair Health and Human Services Resource Council (2009-2013)
- Member Community Health Advisory Committee (2009-2011)
- Board Member Scott County First Stop Shop Economic Development Group (2012-2020)
- Member Scott County Live, Learn, Earn Housing Work Group (2016-Present)

2011-2015 City of Shakopee

- Vice-Chair Shakopee Economic Development Advisory Committee (2011-2015)
- Founding Member Shakopee Diversity Alliance

2008-2015 ISD 720- Shakopee

- Sweeney Elementary PTO Member and Board Member (2008-2014)
- Shakopee School District Guiding Coalition (2014- 2015)

WORK EXPERIENCE

2004-Present Co-Founder & Owner, *Canopy Medical*

- Co-founded Canopy Medical, which provides integrated scientific, technical and regulatory solutions for projects in the medical device, biologics, and pharmaceutical industries. The company offers a full range of services to innovators, start-up companies, emerging firms and global corporations while providing strategic alignment with client's business needs.

- Developed and implemented strategic approaches for technical projects from a multi-faceted approach to accomplish business, market, clinical and regulatory goals in a streamlined fashion to provide for agile and efficient product development and commercial launch.
- Assembled cross-functional teams to develop health economics profiles for new and existing product lines to provide messaging and marketing tools for commercialization efforts.
- Served as project manager for numerous, complex, large scale projects including mobile diagnostic systems, coronary interventional products, orthopedic and spinal implants.
- Conducted preclinical research for implantable devices, such as biomaterials investigation, mechanical and functional testing, background clinical research, risk management, design and development, and master validation plan development.
- Successfully achieved regulatory clearances navigating complex regulatory pathways for numerous products.
- Managed risk management evaluations, design evaluations and investigations.
- Conducted numerous training sessions with executive management.

2000-Present Owner, *Monarch Medical LLC*

- Launched an independent consulting firm focused on utilizing expertise in medical device industry. Worked on projects focused on product development, project management and research and development in a highly technical field.

1995-2000 Medical Device Industry/Defense Industry

- Worked at several medical device companies. Held various positions including: Quality Assurance Engineer, Senior Product Development Engineer, Project Manager and R & D Engineer.
- Worked at a defense industry contractor as a manufacturing engineer and project manager for complex, joint-services projects.

EDUCATION

1996 MS- Engineering Mechanics, *Montana State University*
 1991 BS- Biomechanics, *Montana State University*

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Dear Governor Walz and Lieutenant Governor Flanagan:

President of the Senate

The Greater Minneapolis-St. Paul region is unlike any other. The urban core, suburban cities, rural centers, and agricultural areas of our region all bring strengths that make us economically competitive and the envy of our peer regions. In Minnesota, we are innovative and creative and know how to leverage our differences to make positive change. It was this type of collaborative vision that led to the formation of the Metropolitan Council. The Council allows a broad ranging, dedicated group of people to come together to tackle issues that cross the boundaries of cities and counties.

I am writing to apply for reappointment to the Metropolitan Council as the representative for District 4. I have extensive experience with the Council and the work it does. I was appointed to the Metropolitan Council in 2015 by Governor Dayton and reappointed in 2019 by your administration. I am proud of the work we have accomplished as a Council. I enjoy serving my district and the region and believe the Council would benefit from the kind of continued servant leadership I offer, informed by both my experience and my vision for the region.

My professional background includes many years of experience in the medical device industry, and I currently own Canopy Medical, a Medical Device Consulting Firm. With my training as an engineer, I work with companies to develop highly complex products, navigate complicated regulations, and achieve their company goals using my expertise in strategic planning and project management. I have had the opportunity to work with everything from agile startup organizations to large corporations. In each scenario, I have been able to quickly learn the needs of the organization and to assemble teams to accomplish the needs of our clients. I have excelled in my profession due to my ability to take complex problems and come up with simplified and practical solutions through collaboration.

I have been able to apply these skills to my work at the Council. I am an engaged and accessible Council Member for the citizens and communities I represent. It was important to me to be involved with elected representatives from the counties, cities, and townships in District 4. I think that has been the key to my success. Through establishing and maintaining relationships, I have improved the dialogue between the communities and Metropolitan Council. I firmly believe that it is because of this improved communication that the communities I represent reach out to me and continue to engage. My knowledge of the Council and the relationships I have built have allowed me to be an effective leader with an eye towards regional goals while maintaining the ability to advocate on behalf of my district.

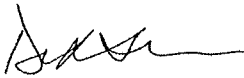
Prior to my time on the Metropolitan Council, I had, and continue to have, a proven track record of service to my community. I have served on boards and committees at the county, city, and school level.

This broad base of community involvement coupled with my business and technical background has translated well to the work I perform at the Council. I have had the opportunity to serve on the Transportation, Community Development, Management and Equity Advisory Committees. I also co-chaired the legislative Metro Mobility Task Force. I currently chair the Council's Transportation Committee and serve as the Council Liaison to the Transportation Advisory Board.

It has always been important to me to be involved in the community and to have an active voice in shaping the future of our region. I am proud to know that I have had a positive impact on our region. We have seen great successes and have engaged with our changing, diverse population. I know that these things only happen when citizens get involved and contribute their time and knowledge. I also know that there is more work to do. We continue to have the chance to shape the region through good policy and planning. Throughout my professional and service career, I have been a leader who can bring people together and believe that my background prepares me to continue to be an exceptional representative for District 4 as a Metropolitan Council Member.

I would welcome the opportunity to serve in this role at the pleasure of the Governor and appreciate your consideration of my application.

Sincerely,



Deb Barber

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