## Rayna Morgan, Commissioner

**Bio:** My personal dedication and involvement with North Linden kind-of snowballed, starting with bad reasons, and changing to good reasons.

When first moving to North Linden in 2000 with my husband (whose been in NL since 1988) we pretty much kept to ourselves. Shortly after, a lot of burglaries were happening so we found the KP Facebook group, and joined the newly formed Kenmore Park Block Watch.



After the original BW Coordinator resigned, my husband took over and from

that point on, I've been heavily involved with volunteering for our neighborhood. I recently transitioned from the residential seat to one of the 2 business seats on the Commission, as I am a Real Estate Agent with an LLC registered at my home address on Weldon Ave.

I like to be as knowledgeable as possible so I can educate clients that want to purchase homes in this area, and I feel being a Commissioner does this in a big way. This is my 4th year on the Commission. I enjoy being involved in decisions, initiatives, programs and ideas that impact where I live.

I serve as both Secretary and Treasurer for the NLAC and would appreciate your vote that will allow me to serve as a Commissioner for another 2-year term.

**Biggest Issue Facing North Linden:** I feel that North Linden has quite a few issues that need addressed both by the city and by its area citizens. One main thing is folks need to be is vigilant and aware. Take care of the neighbors either next door or on the next street. Help them mow the yard if needed. Help them fix a loose gutter or paint the porch posts. It takes a village sometimes and I feel Linden NEEDS a village. If you are all about the neighborhood instead of just your own property, it helps everyone!

As both a resident of North Linden and a licensed Real Estate agent with e-Merge, I have a finger on the pulse of the housing status. I am involved with the Linden: My Home program hosted by the Sisters of Empowerment. This is a first-time homeowners program to educate those that desire to own a home instead of renting. I am happy to be a part of this program because I LOVE to help buyers get into homes, especially if it's their first; as well as help revitalize the Linden area by getting folks OUT of their rentals and into their own homes here.

I am also currently Chair of the Code Enforcement committee for the Commission. I have direct contact with the zone attorney, and the code enforcement supervisor for the Linden area. They are very responsive in helping with problem properties. Especially if it's an absentee landlord or owner, code enforcement can help get problem properties on the city's radar so something can be done.

I hope to be reelected for another term as Commissioner.