

# **City of Milwaukee Business Improvement District No. 35**

## **Professional Biographies Proposed Board of Directors for BID #35**

### **David R. Ferron**

Dave is a 1981 School of Business Administration - Finance graduate of the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse.

He began his professional business career with Tews Company in 1982. He next served as Vice President of Operations and Administration for Lafarge Construction Materials from 1990 through the 1996. In 1996, Dave became Vice President General Manager of a \$50 million division of that worldwide industry leader. In 2000, David entered the general contracting industry for a \$100 million firm.

David joined Paul Davis Restoration and Remodeling / DBD Enterprises in 2004 as Manager of the Real Estate and Development Department. Recent accomplishments include the landing of the largest commercial office lease in Milwaukee in 2010 to a \$2.0 billion public company locating its first operation in Wisconsin and finding a home for St. Anthony's (largest Catholic elementary school in the country) for their first High School.

Dave has been actively involved in waterfront environmental protection and rehabilitation associations and projects in Wisconsin for over 20 years. He has been an active participant in WDNR and USEPA planning and promoting activities in Wisconsin for five years. He is a founding member of City of Milwaukee BID #35 and currently serves a Chairman. He is also President of the Kinnickinnic River Revitalization Association, Inc., a registered 501(c)3 non-profit organization.

### **Christopher Svoboda**

Chris is President and General Manager of Pier Milwaukee Yacht Storage and Pier Milwaukee, Inc. His activity with government and community associations include: Steering Committee Member for Ground Work Milwaukee, Member Ground Work USA-Sponsored by National Park Service, Steering Committee Member of the Urban Water Trails Program-Hosted by Friends of Milwaukee's Rivers, Citizens Advisory Committee Member, Metropolitan Milwaukee Sewerage District, Watershed Program of Clean Water Initiative, Milwaukee River Basin Partnership, KK Business Association.

### **Lloyd Stepien**

Lloyd is Owner & President of Commercial Heat Treating, Inc. located within BID #35 at 1952 S. 1st Street, Milwaukee. He is also the owner of the riverfront property located directly to the south of Commercial Heat Treating.