



FOR A GREATER KANSAS CITY



City Council Elections 2019

Quinton Lucas – Mayor



About Quinton

Quinton began his career as a law school professor at the University of Kansas and as an attorney at German May. He was then elected to City Council in 2015, where he chaired the Housing Committee.

Key Issues

- Prioritize incentives for affordable housing near bus lines and transportation hubs
- Reform municipal incarceration and make sure violations are focused on criminal activity
- Take a future-oriented approach to improving transportation and infrastructure to connect people to businesses

Kevin O'Neill - District 1 (at-large)



About Kevin

Kevin has been a reporter and columnist for the Labor Beacon Newspaper since 1992.

Key Issues

- Support tax incentive reform
- Ensure that the GO Bond-funded infrastructure repairs and upgrades that voters approved in 2017 are carried out in an efficient and accountable way

Teresa Loar – District 2 (at-large)



Meet Teresa

Teresa first served on City Council from 1995-2003 and was elected again in 2015. Prior to this she worked in both the public sector as the President of the North KC Board of Education and in the business world as a senior executive at Black and Veatch and then Tetra Tech.

Key Issues

- Combat homelessness in northern KC
- Advocate for economic vitality in the northland

Brandon Ellington - District 3 (at large)



Meet Brandon

Brandon was elected to the MO House of Representatives in 2011, where he represented parts of Jackson County and Independence. He most recently served as the House Minority Whip.

Key Issues

- Ensure affordable housing by freezing property taxes in needed areas and cutting developer zoning regulations
- Foster an economically diverse city to reduce crime and increase tourism

Katheryn Shields – District 4 (at large)



About Katheryn

Katheryn served on City Council from 1987 to 1994, and she was then elected again in 2015. Between that time, she served as Jackson County executive for an unprecedented 3 terms.

Key Issues

- Improving infrastructure with a focus on improving existing streets before expanding to new road systems
- Support the issuance of airport bonds for the new terminal

Lee Barnes, Jr. – District 5 (at large)



About Lee

This is Lee's 2nd term on City Council. He is currently the Director of Operations for the Swope Corridor Renaissance/Upper Room, Inc., a non-profit organization whose goal is to transform neighborhoods by developing educational programs and rehabilitating abandoned housing.

Key Issues

- Equitably repair infrastructure through the promotion of Opportunity Zones and Central City Sales Tax dollars

Andrea Bough - District 6 (at large)



About Andrea

Andrea is a member at Lewis Rice Law Firm, focusing on real estate and land use law. She has also been a small business owner and served on numerous local boards and fundraising commissions.

Key Issues

- Focus on the delivery of basic services to all, including snow shoveling, street repairs and affordable housing
- Use her knowledge of land use and development law to work for tax incentive reform

Heather Hall - District 1



About Heather

Heather is the first President of her Homes Association and has served 8 years on the Greater Kansas City Council on Philanthropy Board of Directors. Heather was first elected to the City Council in 2015.

Key Issues

- Continuing to repair infrastructure and construct and update parks.
- Small business recruitment and resource development to help businesses grow and thrive.

Dan Fowler – District 2



About Dan

Dan has been a member of City Council since 2015. He has practiced law in the Kansas City area for more than 30 years and is currently a member of Collins Fowler LLC.

Key Issues

- Grow the KCI Corridor to generate tax revenue and attract high-paying jobs
- Ensure the new airport terminal is built on-time and on-budget

Melissa Robinson - District 3



About Melissa

Melissa has served as the Director of Crisis Intervention at Ad Hoc Group Against Crime, assisting families in navigating the region's social service and criminal justice systems. She then became the President of the Black Health Care Coalition along with the host of "Voices From Midtown and Beyond," a weekly radio program. She has also served as the President of the Kansas City Public Schools Board.

Key Issues

- Implement a community-based approach in selecting Public Improvements Advisory Committee to ensure PIAC funds are utilized strategically to spur job growth.
- Improve education through community partnerships and investments with local teams like the Chiefs and Royals.

Eric Bunch - District 4



About Eric

Eric co-founded and grew BikeWalkKC, which advocates for walkability and provides educational programming to 10,000 students across the region.

Key Issues

- Improve infrastructure and transportation by better integrating bicycles, cars, and buses among streets and sidewalks
- Ensure policies that provide affordable housing
- Universal Pre-K in the city's most vulnerable areas

Ryana Parks-Shaw - District 5



About Ryana

Ryana has over 25 years of experience working in the healthcare industry and has served as the Associate Administrator at Truman Medical Centers. She is now the Director of Health Care Partnerships at Hospice Partners of America.

Key Issues

- Ensuring quality affordable housing and supporting neighborhood rehabilitation
- Support the growth of jobs and businesses through increased training, education about financial literacy and more resources to small businesses

Kevin McManus – District 6



About Kevin

Kevin has served on City Council since 2015, and before that he served in the MO House of Representatives for 5 years. He is also an attorney in private practice, focused on business law and civil litigation in state and federal court.

Key Issues

- Safe neighborhoods and affordable housing
- Improving failing infrastructure and city services such as code enforcement and trash pickup