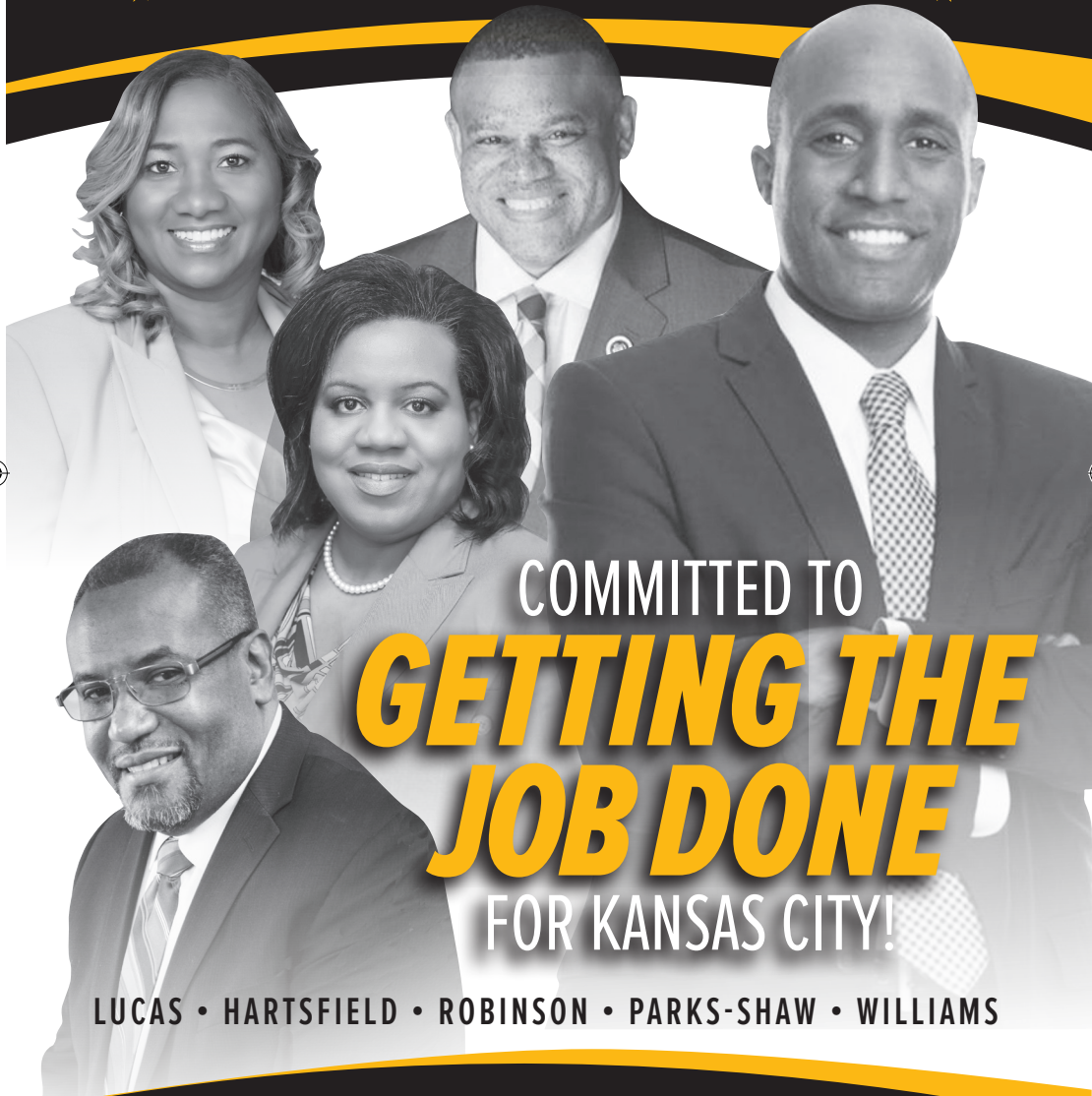


# OFFICIAL VOTERS GUIDE

# FREEDOM FORWARD



★ ★ ★ *Over 55 Years of Service—Est. 1962* ★ ★ ★



COMMITTED TO

**GETTING THE  
JOB DONE**

FOR KANSAS CITY!

LUCAS • HARTSFIELD • ROBINSON • PARKS-SHAW • WILLIAMS

BRING THIS TO THE POLLS & VOTE FREEDOM'S BALLOT!

**TUESDAY, APRIL 2, 2019**



## Freedom Stands Together For Our Children

Freedom, Inc., the Kansas City Public Schools (KCPS) Board along with the 14 Cooperating School Districts of Greater Kansas City, and many community organizations have done their homework and unanimously **STAND TOGETHER AGAINST THE MAYOR'S PRE-K 3/8 PERCENT SALES TAX!** Here are the top three reasons why:

**#1 It is a regressive tax, which will have a disproportionate negative impact on low-income families.**

(A regressive tax is applied uniformly, taking a larger percentage from low-income people than from high-income people.)

**#2 It will funnel public tax dollars to private schools, in violation of the Missouri Constitution Article IX.**

**#3 It will take Pre-K program governance away from school leaders and teachers and put it in the hands of City bureaucrats.**



**FOR OFFICE OF MAYOR**

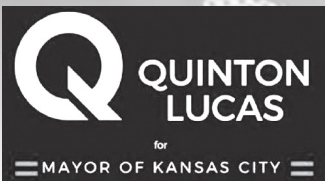
# **QUINTON LUCAS**

## **QUALIFICATIONS**

- Attorney in practice, specializing in business disputes and government investigations
- University of Kansas School of Law Professor
- Current City Councilman At-Large 3rd District

## **PLATFORM HIGHLIGHTS**

- ★ Attract more jobs to Kansas City.
- ★ Invest in small businesses, especially those that hire people from within our communities.
- ★ Increase City services, so trash is picked up, debilitated houses and buildings are removed, streets are plowed, and potholes are fixed.
- ★ Reduce City water and sewer bills.
- ★ Work with neighborhoods and law enforcement to address violent crime throughout our City.
- ★ Allocate more funds to support local health care, including mental health and drug abuse.





# FOR OFFICE OF CITY COUNCIL

## 1<sup>ST</sup> DISTRICT AT-LARGE **KEVIN O'NEILL**

- ★ Create good, sustainable jobs for Kansas Citians.
- ★ Work with community leaders, neighborhood groups and law enforcement to slow the wave of violent crime that is hurting our collective quality of life.
- ★ Ensure that the GO Bond-funded infrastructure repairs and upgrades that voters approved in 2017 are carried out in an efficient and accountable way.



## **FREEDOM-ENDORSED CANDIDATES** —

When vetting the candidates for Kansas City's next Mayor and City Council, Freedom, Inc. focused on the candidate's history of leadership, accomplishments and teamwork.

Over the next four years, the new administration in City Hall will be tasked with the tremendous responsibility of overseeing, delegating and expending more than **\$20 BILLION OF OUR TAX**



**"Making sure everyone in our City has the opportunity to succeed, no matter their zip code."**

**—QUINTON LUCAS FOR KC MAYOR**



**GO BONDS-INFRASTRUCTURE  
& NEW BUCK O'NEIL MEMORIAL  
BRIDGE—\$1 BILLION**



***“As an elected councilmember, I stand with the residents of Kansas City. The voters speak through the ballot box. They are my employer. I work for them.”***

**2<sup>ND</sup> DISTRICT AT-LARGE  
RE-ELECT COUNCILWOMAN  
TERESA LOAR**



- ★ Small business support, especially those owned by minorities, women, and veterans.
- ★ More funding for first-responders, improved response times with new police and fire stations, and a community approach to solving crime in at-risk neighborhoods.
- ★ Affordable water and sewer rates for working families and the elderly.

**— THE RIGHT PEOPLE LEADING KC!**

DOLLARS on capital infrastructure projects and annual operating budgets. We are confident that FREEDOM-ENDORSED CANDIDATES are more than qualified to **GET THE JOB DONE!**

**OUR VOICES MUST BE HEARD!  
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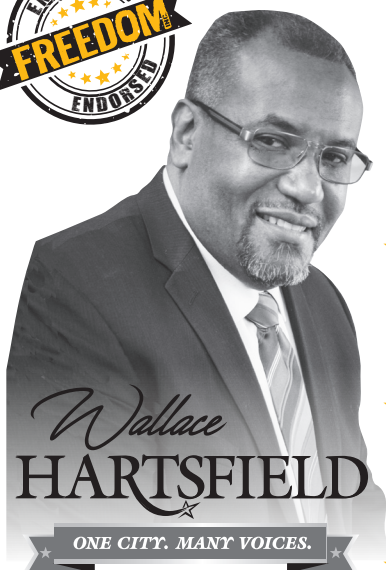


**“My mission is to create safe, prosperous and growing neighborhoods for all Kansas Citizens.”**

**—WALLACE HARTSFIELD FOR COUNCILMAN AT-LARGE 3<sup>RD</sup> DISTRICT**



**COMBINED SEWER OVERFLOW  
PROJECT—\$10 BILLION  
(APPROX. \$2.5 BILLION PER YEAR)**



## 3<sup>RD</sup> DISTRICT AT-LARGE **WALLACE HARTSFIELD II**

- ★ SAFETY – Neighborhood improvements and crime prevention programs, universal access to affordable and healthy housing, and better delivery of City services.
- ★ PROSPERITY – Jobs and training opportunities, easier access to financial capital for small businesses, and community wealth building programs.
- ★ GROWTH – Robust, smart economic development with a sustainable positive impact on the community.



## 4<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT AT-LARGE **RE-ELECT COUNCILWOMAN KATHERYN SHIELDS**

***“I know how government works and how it SHOULD work for us!”***



**PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT ADVISORY  
COMMITTEE (PIAC) SALES TAX  
FUNDS—\$120 MILLION**



**COUNCILWOMAN KATHERYN SHIELDS, 4<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT  
AT-LARGE, stands and fights for a living wage and  
proper treatment of the KC workforce.**

# 3<sup>RD</sup> DISTRICT MELISSA ROBINSON

## QUALIFICATIONS

- **Masters of Business Administration (MBA)**
- Over a decade of service with the **AdHoc Group Against Crime**
- President of the **Black Health Care Coalition (BHCC)**
- Chair of the **Kansas City Public Schools (KCPS) Board**
- Member of the **KCMO Public Improvement Advisory Committee (PIAC)**, directed over **\$16 million** for public services and infrastructure and secured over **\$23 million** in federal funds for the Brush Creek redevelopment
- Four-year term on the **KCMO Neighborhood Development and Tourism Fund** committee



# 4<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT GEOFF JOLLEY

## QUALIFICATIONS

- **Kansas City Firefighter**, serving and protecting citizens
- Over 13 years as **District Director** and **General Counsel** for **Congressman Emanuel Cleaver**, working in KC communities:
- ★ **Reinvesting federal resources in the region.**
- ★ **Creating economic development and jobs.**
- ★ **Building lasting and productive relationships.**



**NEW PASSENGER TERMINAL AND PARKING GARAGE AT KCI AIRPORT – \$2 BILLION**



**MELISSA ROBINSON, CANDIDATE FOR 3<sup>RD</sup> DISTRICT COUNCILWOMAN**, talks with residents about what needs to happen to continue the City's progress.

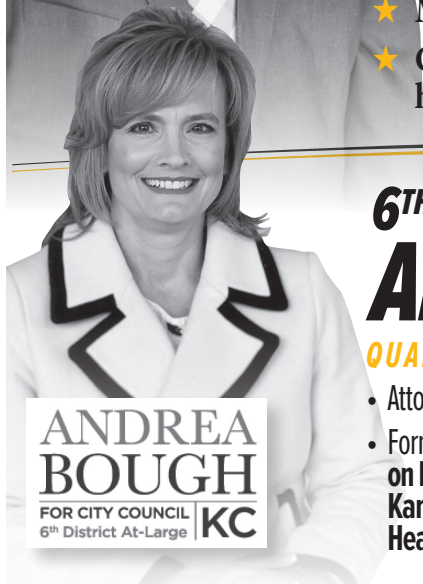


# 5<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT AT-LARGE **DWAYNE WILLIAMS**

## QUALIFICATIONS

- President and CEO of the **Twelfth Street Heritage Development Corporation**
- Former Board member of the **Economic Development Corporation (EDCKC)**
- **KCMO Neighborhood Tourism Development Fund** committee member

- ★ **Booming economic growth, new development and renewal – *citywide!***
- ★ **More technical and trade skills programs.**
- ★ **Clean, safe and affordable housing and home-ownership opportunities.**



**ANDREA BOUGH**  
FOR CITY COUNCIL | KC  
6<sup>th</sup> District At-Large

# 6<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT AT-LARGE **ANDREA BOUGH**

## QUALIFICATIONS

- Attorney, specializing in local government for over 20 years
- Former member of the **Mayor's Blue Ribbon Commission on Ethics Reform**, **Charter Review Commission for Kansas City** and **Jackson County Community Mental Health Fund Board**



**GEOFF JOLLEY, CANDIDATE FOR 4<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT COUNCILMAN**, with his wife Kim, and **Congressman Emanuel Cleaver** meet for a night in the Historic 18th & Vine District.



**DWAYNE WILLIAMS, 5<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT AT-LARGE COUNCILMAN CANDIDATE**, presents the annual **Twelfth Street Heritage Santa's Wonderland Toy Giveaway** in 2018.



# 5<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT RYANA PARKS-SHAW



## QUALIFICATIONS

- Over 25 years of leadership in healthcare, including Associate Administrator for **Truman Medical Center**
- Former **Kansas City small business owner**
- Member of the **Eastern Jackson County Workforce Development Board**, working to reduce unemployment and improve economic development in the region

***“Raising my family in KC’s 5<sup>th</sup> District, I understand the ‘kitchen table’ issues we face. I will bring them to the forefront and provide solutions as your Councilwoman.”***

# 6<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT RE-ELECT COUNCILMAN KEVIN McMANUS



## ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Vice Chair of **KCMO Transportation and Infrastructure**, Co-Chair of the **Legislative Committee**, and member of the **Finance Committee**
- Overseen the passage of the **Public Improvement Advisory Committee (PIAC)** funding, **\$800 million in GO Bonds** and **new Passenger Terminal at KCI**



**RYANA PARKS-SHAW, CANDIDATE FOR 5TH DISTRICT COUNCILWOMAN**, talks with Jackson County Executive **Frank White** about the issues facing citizens.



**KCMO ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGETS**  
**– \$6 BILLION**  
**(APPROX. \$1.5 BILLION PER YEAR)**



## FOR KCPS SCHOOL BOARD

*"I support Superintendent Dr. Mark Bedell, the KCPS Strategic Plan, and Board policies and principles to provide quality education and success for our students."*

—ATTORNEY CLINTON ADAMS

KCPS DIRECTOR SUB-DISTRICT 4 **WRITE-IN:**

**CLINTON ADAMS**

**COMMITTED COLLABORATIVE EFFECTIVE STRONG**



*Mark's lifelong passion and dedication to better educating children and women's rights is exactly what KCMO Schools need.*

**Mark Wasserstrom**  
for KCPS DIRECTOR SUB-DISTRICT 5

FREEDOM, INC.

# OFFICIAL BALLOT

MUNICIPAL PRIMARY & SCHOOL ELECTION – APRIL 2, 2019



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CITY OF KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI

PRE-K ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT SALES TAX

**DON'T BE FOOLED!**

**QUESTION #1**  **VOTE "NO"**

THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF KANSAS CITY, MO

FOR SCHOOL DIRECTOR SUB-DISTRICT FOUR

**WRITE-IN CLINTON ADAMS**

FOR SCHOOL DIRECTOR SUB-DISTRICT FIVE

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