



# Commitment to Kansas City

In a city that works, elected officials hold themselves accountable to their constituents. As a verification of my sincerity in serving the People of Kansas City, I agree to be bound by the following commitment statement.

- I will make it my top goal to increase satisfaction with city services.
- I will conduct the city's business in an open and honest manner, and I will not do insider deals.
- I will listen to the people of Kansas City, continually soliciting residents' input through surveys, focus groups, a regularly scheduled live call-in show on Channel 2 and through grassroots canvassing of neighborhood communities.
- I will provide citizens with timely, understandable and useful information about city performance.
- I will serve the best interests of our city and all its people, not special interests.
- I will work to increase professionalism in city government, making it a top priority that city workers be well-trained, well-equipped and competitively compensated.
- I will create cooperative relationships with neighboring communities to effectively meet the metropolitan area's shared challenges, and to build an effective regional transportation system offering an array of choices.
- I will reinstate funding for maintenance of streets, sidewalks, sewer and drainage systems, parks and public facilities, in accordance with the guidelines set by the Citizens Infrastructure Committee.
- I will back the recommendations for making the police department more efficient and effective in Police Chief James Corwin's "Blueprint for the Future."
- I will back the recommendations of the "Report of the Housing Policy and Oversight Committee" chaired by Father Norman Rotert.
- I will shift the focus of Downtown revitalization toward the goal of attracting more people to ensure that projects now being built are successful.
- I will follow the mandate of Kansas City's renewed charter to establish a policy for economic development that is controlled by, and for the benefit of, our city as a whole.
- I will be a cooperative partner with the Kansas City Missouri school district; I will support accountable parental school choice.