

# 2026 Legislative Priorities

- A growing community in the Kansas City area.
- Sixth largest city in the state of Missouri.
- Population 107,281.

## **NATIONAL RECOGNITION**

Shopping opportunities, outstanding community health facilities and award-winning parks and schools - including the Missouri Innovation Campus. One of US News and World Reports top places to live in Missouri for 2025-26.

## **RESIDENTS ARE TOP PRIORITY**

Educational, social and recreational opportunities are available to residents and businesses in order to pursue their lifelong goals.



## **TRANSPORTATION**

### **WE SUPPORT:**

- Revising the current revenue models and methods for funding transportation.
- Cost-sharing opportunities for projects in our City.
- Funding for priority projects within the community.
  - I-470 improvements.
  - Third Street and Hwy. 50 improvements.
  - Continue support for Amtrak - three trains daily.
  - Increase funding for right-of-way maintenance and litter clean up.



## **REVENUE**

- Citizens desire local control of revenue sources.
- Opportunity for revenue should be fair to all.
- Tax legislation should protect municipal revenue.
- Support reform to reassessment process while maintaining and protecting municipal revenue.



## MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY

### WE BELIEVE THE BEST GOVERNMENT IS CLOSEST TO THE PEOPLE IN LOCAL:

- Land-use decisions including home-based businesses.
- Right-of-way control.
- Eminent domain decisions.
- Transportation and housing regulations.
- Update the law to allow digital records to serve as official permanent records.



## LOCAL ELECTIONS

- Municipal elections should maintain their own day.
- Nonpartisan local elections should stay nonpartisan.
- Current tax vote majorities should be maintained.



## ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

- Maintain local authority over economic incentive tools.
- Encourage workforce development partnerships. Provide the workforce with higher education, trade and vocational opportunities.
- Maintain the authority of special taxing districts to approve taxes within their boundaries.
- Support economic development tools to encourage next-generation and high-tech businesses.
- Explore opportunities for growth and recreation.