Kansas City Election Board Readies Voters for October 7 TDD Election

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (September-12, 2017) – The Kansas City Board of Election Commissioners (KCEB) announces details for the upcoming October 7 Election. Following are the specifics to ensure that voters have the information needed to participate:

**Date, Time, Place:** The election is Saturday, October 7, 2017. There will be 6 polling locations, spread throughout the Transportation Development District. Poll hours are 6:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

**What’s on the Ballot?**
Voters will choose seven Directors for the Kansas City Main Street Rail Transportation Development District (TDD).

Sample ballots are available online at [www.kceb.org](http://www.kceb.org).

**Absentee Voting:** In-person absentee voting begins on Wednesday, September 13 and ends on Friday, October 6 at 5:00 p.m. All mail-in absentee ballots must be received by the election office no later than 7:00 p.m. on Election Day, Saturday, October 7.

The last day to submit an absentee ballot application for the October 7 election is Monday, October 2, 2017.

In Missouri, voters need one of six reasons to vote absentee:

1) Will be absent from their voting jurisdiction on Election Day
2) Are incapacitated or confined due to illness or physical disability, or caring for an incapacitated person
3) Are restricted by religious belief or practice
4) Are employed by an election authority
5) Are incarcerated, but have retained all voting qualifications
6) Are a certified participant in the address confidentiality (SAFE at Home) program established under sections 589.660 to 589.681 because of safety concerns
**Polls:** Voters may find their polling location online at [www.kceb.org](http://www.kceb.org) by entering a last name and birth date in the **Check Your Voter Status** box, or by checking the Poll Log on the KCEB website under the tab “Elections” subcategory “Next Scheduled Election.”

**Voter Registration Deadline:** September 13 is the last date to register in order to vote in the October 7 Election.

**Election Notice Cards:** Eligible voters will be sent an election notice postcard the week prior to Election Day. The polling location and address are printed on each election notice card.

**What’s New This Election:** Polls will be piloting our brand new electronic poll book tablets during the October 7 Election. KCEB will be phasing in all new equipment over the next two to three elections.

**Voter Identification:**

*Photo identification is now required to vote in Missouri:* In November 2016, Missouri voters elected to make Missouri a Photo I.D. state. Missouri’s new Voter I.D. law went into effect on June 1, 2017. Missouri voters will now be asked to present a current government issued photo I.D. when checking in to their polling location. Call the *ShowIt2Vote* Hotline toll-free (866) 868-3245 or visit [www.sos.mo.gov/showitzvote](http://www.sos.mo.gov/showitzvote) for help obtaining your non-driver license for voting purposes or to ask any questions about Voter Identification.

*Accepted “Option 1” Voter Identification:* In order to obtain a ballot and vote with no extra steps, voters must present one of four accepted forms of current (non-expired) government issued photo identification, these forms of accepted “Option 1” identification include:

1) Missouri driver’s license

2) Missouri non-drivers license

3) U.S. Passport

4) Current Missouri or Federal Government identification with photo

*Accepted “Option 2” Voter Identification:* If a voter does not possess current “Option 1” identification, they may present one of several secondary forms of identification and sign the provided identification statement. These accepted forms of “Option 2” identification include:

1) Out-of-state driver’s license or non-drivers license, or expired licenses

2) Missouri higher education I.D. (college or university)

3) Local election authority issued I.D.

4) Current bank statement, utility bill, government paycheck, regular paycheck or government document containing the voter’s name and current address
“Option 3” I.D. Provisional Voting:

Voters who arrive at their polling location with no form of identification, or who chose not to sign the “Option 2” statement, will be given the option to vote with a blue provisional packet. These voters must have a current voter registration found within the MCVR database. If so, their vote will count one of two ways: 1) If they return to the poll with proper “Option 1” Identification or 2) If the signature on their I.D. provisional envelope matches the signature on their MCVR original voter registration.

Additional Facts:

Number of Polls: 6
Number of Precincts: 42
Total Registered Voters: 34,928
Estimated Election Cost: $45,518

For additional information or assistance, please contact kceb@kceb.org or call (816) 842-4820.

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