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## New Members Added to KC2026 Executive Committee

KANSAS CITY, MO (September 27, 2021) – Today, the Kansas City 2026 FIFA Men’s World Cup™ Bid Executive Committee, which is comprised of elected officials, thought leaders and representatives of Kansas City’s sport community, announced the following additions to the group:

- **Lieutenant Governor Mike Kehoe**, State of Missouri
- **Lieutenant Governor David Toland**, State of Kansas
- **Trent Armbrust**, Chief Strategy Officer, Kansas Department of Commerce
- **Christopher D Long**, Co-Founder/Owner, KC NWSL & CEO, Palmer Square Capital Management
- **Angie K Long**, Co-Founder/Owner, KC NWSL & CIO, Palmer Square Capital Management
- **Randall Landes**, Interim President & CEO, Visit KC
- **Alfonso Navarro-Bernachi**, Head Consul, Consulate of Mexico in Kansas City
- **Morgan Said**, Chief of Staff for the Mayor’s Office, City of Kansas City, MO

“All of our new members have played critical roles in moving Kansas City and our region forward in their various industries,” says Katherine Fox, KC2026 World Cup Bid Director. “We are thrilled they’ve elected to join our Executive Committee and look forward to leveraging their perspective and expertise as we move through the next phase of the bid process.”

Click [here](#) to view the KC2026 Leadership Team and full list of Executive Committee members.

Kansas City is one of 17 U.S. cities currently in contention to be named a Host City, a decision that is targeted to be made by June 2022. Each U.S. Host City anticipates hosting between 5-7 matches, which is estimated to generate up to \$620 million in incremental economic activity according to a 2018 study done by leading global management consulting firm Boston Consulting Group.

### About The 2026 FIFA World Cup™

The Fédération Internationale de Football Association (FIFA) is soccer’s world governing body. On June 13, 2018, FIFA’s member nations voted 134 to 65 to select the United Bid of the United States, Canada, and Mexico to host the 2026 FIFA World Cup™. For the first time, 48 nations will participate in the month-long competition that is scheduled to run from mid-June to mid-July, 2026. A total of 80 matches will be played in 16 cities across North America. Kansas City is among 17 finalists vying to be among the U.S. Host Cities. Other competing U.S. cities are Atlanta, Baltimore, Boston, Cincinnati, Dallas, Denver, Houston, Los Angeles, Miami, Nashville, New York/New Jersey, Orlando, Philadelphia, San Francisco Bay Area, Seattle, and Washington, D.C.

### About The Kansas City Sports Commission and Foundation

The mission of the [Kansas City Sports Commission & Foundation](#) is to drive Kansas City’s overall sports strategy, to enrich the quality of life, create economic impact and raise visibility for our region. As a privately-funded nonprofit, we are entirely dependent on your support. For the latest on Kansas City Sports Commission news, follow on [Twitter](#), [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#) and [YouTube](#). Also follow the Garmin Kansas City Marathon on [Twitter](#), [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#).

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