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Cindy Claycomb Launches Reelection Campaign for Wichita City Council District 6

June 13, 2021 (Wichita, KS) – Cindy Claycomb, City Council member for District 6 and longtime Wichita community champion, launched her reelection campaign for Wichita City Council today with a bicycle ride through the heart of District 6.

Since beginning her first term on City Council in January 2018, Claycomb has played a significant role in:

- Construction of a badly needed new facility to ensure safe drinking water for current Wichita residents and generations to come.
- Providing new or updated pools and splash pads for neighborhoods throughout the city, including renovated pools at Minisa Park and Orchard Park and a new water playground at Evergreen Park in District 6.
- Creating a new District 6 community center at 25th and Arkansas. Opening later this year, the community center will house the Evergreen Neighborhood Resource Center, Branch Library and several non-profits focused on small business development and career/workforce readiness services.
- Adopting revised economic development guidelines to encourage small business development.
- Opening the new Advanced Learning Library, a wonderful resource for the whole community, located in District 6.
- Providing dedicated funding to make public art part of city projects, including streets, bridges, parks, buildings and other facilities.
- Assisting HumanKind Ministries in providing 54 permanent supportive housing units for people experiencing homelessness.

“Many of us in District 6 who have worked with Cindy know she is a strategic thinker and a strong leader dedicated to working together on neighborhood and quality of life initiatives,” said Barry Carroll, founder of Bike Walk Wichita, campaign co-chair and District 6 resident.

With the primary election less than two months away, Claycomb has garnered numerous supporters and volunteers pledging to work on her reelection campaign. “I have been honored by the outpouring of support I have received from all corners of District 6, and beyond,” Claycomb said. “I love Wichita. I am committed to continue working together with my community to move Wichita forward in a fiscally responsible manner.”

A life-long Wichita area resident, Claycomb has lived in District 6 for the past 16 years and is a community champion dedicated to working for a strong local economy, thriving neighborhoods and a vibrant quality of life for all Wichitans.

During her time on City Council, she has worked tirelessly in District 6 to save the Evergreen Branch Library from closure, create a river path volunteer patrol with assistance from the Wichita Police Department, adopt a neighborhood plan for Delano, assist in securing City funding for parks and playground equipment and intensely engage with neighborhoods on zoning, street and other issues of importance to them.

“Cindy cares about our neighborhoods and her actions prove it,” said Makayla Welch, resident of Historic Midtown in District 6.

Cindy has volunteer leadership roles on the boards of Botanica, Downtown Wichita, WSU Tech, Arts Council, Old Town Association, Mental Health and Substance Abuse Coalition, Hispanics in Real Estate and HumanKind Ministries.

In addition, she serves on the Executive Committee of the Regional Economic Area Partnership (REAP) of South Central Kansas, the Wichita Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (WAMPO) Transportation Policy Body, the Raise My Head Foundation advisory group and the Health and Wellness Coalition advisory group. Her other work includes Empower Evergreen founding advisor, efforts to re-establish passenger rail to Wichita, branch libraries planning committee, South Central Kansas Transportation Coalition, baseball stadium oversight, parking and multi-modal study, and 2021 co-chair of the HumanKind Humanitarian Awards Banquet.

“I support Cindy because she cares about her district. It is a very large district with a lot of great things happening but also many issues. She seeks to address these issues with community input and involvement,” said Angela Martinez, District 6 North End community advocate.

Claycomb graduated from Wichita State University with both Bachelors and Masters of Business Administration, and Oklahoma State University with a Ph.D. in Marketing. Her previous professional experience includes almost 25 years at Wichita State University holding various positions, including Interim Dean of the W. Frank Barton School of Business. She co-chaired the university’s strategic planning process that resulted in a bold new vision and mission for Wichita State University. She spent almost 12 years in industry working at both Pizza Hut headquarters and Boeing in Wichita.

City Council District 6 boundaries are roughly: Douglas on the south; Washington/I-135 on the east; as far north as the City limits; and the Big Ditch on the west (with a one-mile appendage north of the Sedgwick County Zoo). Claycomb and her husband of 40 years, Charlie, have an adult daughter, son-in-law, three grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren.

The primary election is August 3, 2021. The general election is November 2, 2021.

The Claycomb campaign Facebook account is Claycomb4ICT; website is CindyClaycomb.com.

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