



## **Second Half July 2025 Newsletter • July 15, 2025**

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### **Learn more about Proposition A's impact on your business**

Although Proposition A's paid sick leave requirement and the automatic minimum wage adjustments based on inflation, which were set to begin in 2027 were repealed by recent legislation, the minimum wage increases to \$13.75 per hour on January 1, 2025, and to \$15 per hour on January 1, 2026, are still in effect.

There is a roundtable Wednesday, July 16, in Lee's Summit with some state legislators you may be interested in attending to get more details about which requirements in Proposition A are still in effect and which have been eliminated. Here is a link to register: [Prop A Roundtable - Kansas City area](#)

### **Preparing to attract more business for North Kansas City during 2026 FIFA World Cup**

The North Kansas City Business Council is actively engaged with tourism-focused organizations in Clay and Platte Counties to be able to attract "more than our fair share" of customers from among the 650,000 expected visitors to the Kansas City area next June and July.

While many will be here for the six World Cup soccer matches at Arrowhead Stadium, all of those people and many others will have lots of idle time, looking for things to do, places to eat and places to hang out. Hotels as far away as 50-100 miles will be booked heavily during the 6-week period. North Kansas City can claim to have some of the best attractions for those staying in hotels in our area and to the north along the I-35 corridor, the Worlds of Fun area and along the I-29 corridor.

Resources from the Clay County and Platte County tourism departments are being deployed to create a new website and marketing promotion under the brand "GO North KC". Planning is also underway to host multiple watch parties in Northland communities. Here is a link to

recent KCTV 5 coverage about a possible watch party in North Kansas City. [North Kansas City looks to host World Cup watch parties](#)

And here is the NKCBC 2026 FIFA World Cup web page: [World Cup 2026 in KC - North Kansas City Business Council](#)

### **MTS Contracting Recognized with Award**

Although MTS Contracting, based at 1019 Swift, has many customers and projects in the Kansas City area, they also had a significant presence in Iowa with a historic building in Des Moines, IA.

We are proud to receive the Adrian D. Anderson Award from the State Historical Society of Iowa Board of Trustees for our work on the William O. and Mattie M. Coffee House in Des Moines, IA (pictured below). This building is listed on the National Register of Historic Places and it was showcased as a model of purposeful restoration.

Our MTS crews in Ankeny, IA completed extensive work on this building. This included re-pointing the masonry, carefully removing and cleaning individual stones before re-laying them, and thoroughly cleaning and power washing the entire structure.

[Learn more!](#)



### **Is your business “employee-owned”?**

It has come to our attention recently that there are several ESOP, or employee-owned, businesses in North Kansas City. Two that have proudly made that claim are Mega KC, a prominent construction company, and Garney, another very large construction company.

Please let me know if your business, also, is a company-owned ESOP.

## KC SWING BAND AT FRIDAY IN THE PARK JULY 18

The KC Swing Band will bring the American Songbook to Friday in the Park at North Kansas City's Festival Pavilion in Macken Park from 11:30 AM to 1:00 PM. All concerts are free and open to the public, and every event features a drawing for prizes donated by local businesses. There is plenty of parking, playgrounds, restrooms and the park is completely handicap accessible. Sponsored by the City of North Kansas City.

For more information, visit the city website at [www.nkc.org](http://www.nkc.org) or contact City Hall at 274-6000

## North Kansas City Business Council Events

· **Monthly Membership Luncheon, Thursday, July 24** at North Kansas City Parks & Recreation Center, 1201 Clark Ferguson Drive featuring economist Chris Kuehl. Beginning at 11:30 a.m. Register and pay at this link: [Purchase Tickets](#)

**Note: Only North Kansas City Business Council member businesses will be featured in these enewsletters, although the distribution goes to ALL businesses to get more attention for the featured businesses. Whenever any member business is mentioned, I will also include the website address of that business so readers can inquire further about your business if they are interested.**

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