

Shelby County Board of Commissioners



Melvin Burgess, Commissioner
District 7

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Commissioner Melvin Burgess was elected to the Shelby County Board of Commissioners in the August 2010 general election to represent District 2 Position 3 and re-elected in August 2014 to represent District 7, one of 13-new single member districts which includes Frayser/Raleigh, Klondyke, Smokey City and Overton Park. Melvin Burgess currently serves as Director of Internal Audit for Shelby County Schools with 26 years of experience in the field of accountancy as well as a member of the Superintendent's Executive Cabinet. He is responsible for providing independent, evidence-based measures, evaluations and reports on adequacy, effectiveness and efficiency of accounting and operational controls for the school system and the general compliance with local and state rules and regulations.

Mr. Burgess is Block Captain of the Evergreen Historic District Association, and a Deacon at the Metropolitan Baptist Church. He has also served on the Industrial Development Board of Memphis and Shelby County and the Board of Directors for the Tennessee Association of School Business Officials (West TN).

Commissioner Burgess is a product of Memphis City Schools and graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Accounting from Grambling State University. He is a member of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc., Treasurer of the PTSA at Central High School, as well as a member of the Snowden School PTA. Melvin Burgess has been married to Sandra for 20 years and they have 2 children, Lindsey and Lauren.

Commissioner Burgess currently serves on the following Commission Standing Committees:

- Audit - **Chairman**
- Budget & Finance - **Vice Chair**
- Public Works
- Land Use, Planning, Transportation & Code Enforcement
- Conservation
- Education
- General Government
- Delinquent Tax



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