

Arnie Fielkow was elected Councilmember-at-Large in May 2006 and re-elected Councilmember-at-Large in February 2010. Through active leadership, Councilman Fielkow demonstrates the value he places on several fundamental areas of governance, namely: economic development, good government reforms and youth and recreational issues.

On Saturday, October 2nd, 2010, Councilmember Fielkow achieved his greatest success in office to date. The City Charter amendment to abolish the New Orleans Recreation Department as a City Hall department and replace it with a new agency, the New Orleans Recreation Development Commission, won with 74 percent of the vote. This public private partnership creates a more stable governance structure, as well as increases the funding of recreation.

CM Fielkow continues to build opportunities for sustainable business growth and retention, expansion of international trade in New Orleans, improving services and support for the city's small businesses, and the development of a downtown medical district. Councilman Fielkow has worked tirelessly to establish the city's first inclusive and collaborative economic development public-private partnership, the NOLA Business Alliance, which is currently being implemented.

A particularly notable accomplishment from his first term was the enactment of legislation expediting the creation of an Office of Inspector General for the City of New Orleans. The Office of Inspector General is a critical position intended to ensure that every dollar of taxpayer's money is spent fairly and efficiently.

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