



**Action Summary - Final  
Government Oversight and Audit  
Committee**

*Chair Brent Ackerson (D-26)*  
*Vice Chair Anthony Piagentini (R-19)*  
*Committee Member Barbara Sexton Smith (D-4)*  
*Committee Member Donna Purvis (D-5)*  
*Committee Member Brandon Coan (D-8)*  
*Committee Member Bill Hollander (D-9)*  
*Committee Member Kevin Kramer (R-11)*  
*Committee Member Rick Blackwell (D-12)*  
*Committee Member Cindi Fowler (D-14)*  
*Committee Member Stuart Benson (R-20)*  
*Committee Member Madonna Flood (D-24)*

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Tuesday, August 11, 2020

5:00 PM

Council Chambers

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**Call to Order**

Vice Chair Piagentini called the meeting to order at 5:04 p.m.

**Roll Call**

Vice Chair Piagentini introduced the committee members and non-committee members present. A quorum was established.

**NOTE: All committee members and non-committee members attended the meeting virtually, except Vice Chair Piagentini and Council Member Coan, who attended in Chambers.**

**Present:** 10 - Vice Chair Anthony Piagentini (R-19), Committee Member Barbara Sexton Smith (D-4), Committee Member Donna L. Purvis (D-5), Committee Member Brandon Coan (D-8), Committee Member Bill Hollander (D-9), Committee Member Kevin Kramer (R-11), Committee Member Rick Blackwell (D-12), Committee Member Cindi Fowler (D-14), Committee Member Stuart Benson (R-20), and Committee Member Madonna Flood (D-24)

**Excused:** 1 - Chair Person Brent Ackerson (D-26)

**Non-Committee Member(s)**

Council Member Jessica Green (D-1), Council President David James (D-6), Council Member Paula McCraney (D-7), Council Member Marilyn Parker (R-18)

**Support Staff**

Hollie Hopkins, Jefferson County Attorney's Office  
Travis Fiechter, Jefferson County Attorney's Office  
Althea Jackson, Mayor's Office  
Emily Liu, Planning and Design Services  
Cynthia Johnson, Planning and Design Services

## Clerk(s)

Lisa Franklin Gray, Assistant Clerk  
Sonya Harward, Clerk

## Special Discussion

1. [ID 20-0910](#)

**Special Discussion: Subpoenas**

Vice Chair Piagentini gave a status update on the issuance of two subpoenas for Chief Amy Hess, Mayor's Office and Chief Robert Schroeder, Louisville Metro Police Department.

## Pending Legislation

2. [O-290-20](#)

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE LOUISVILLE/ JEFFERSON COUNTY METRO COUNCIL TO APPROVE THE ANNEXATION BY THE CITY OF JEFFERSONTOWN OF A TRACT OF LAND SOUTH AND EAST OF JEFFERSONTOWN, WHICH LAND IS CONTIGUOUS WITH THE EXISTING BOUNDARY OF THE CITY OF JEFFERSONTOWN, BUT NOT CONTIGUOUS TO THE BOUNDARY OF THE FORMER CITY OF LOUISVILLE, AND BEING IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREA OF THE FORMER COUNTY OF JEFFERSON.**

**Sponsors:** Primary Kevin Kramer (R-11)

**Attachments:** [O-290-20 V.1 072320 Annexation for Landherr - Jeffersontown.pdf](#)  
[O-290-20 ATTACH Annexation Request Packet.pdf](#)  
[O-290-20 ATTACH Written Consents.pdf](#)  
[Jtown Annexation Meeting Attendance.pdf](#)

A motion was made by Committee Member Kramer, seconded by Committee Member Benson, that this Ordinance be recommended for approval.

The following spoke to the item:

- Committee Member Kramer
- Vice Chair Piagentini
- Committee Member Hollander
- Mayor Bill Dieruf, City of Jeffersontown
- Schuyler Olt, Attorney

The following was discussed:

- This type of legislation has been passed by the Metro Council in the past.
- This is a small subdivision that is bounded on three sides by Jeffersontown.
- Two years ago, the residents of Landherr Estates contacted the District 11 office requesting to be annexed by Jeffersontown.

- The residents have taken the necessary steps in the process to be considered for annexation.
- This subdivision sees many benefits and amenities that Jeffersontown may provide for them in close proximity.
- The City of Jeffersontown sees this annexation as a benefit for both Jeffersontown and Louisville Metro.
- The intent of this annexation is to build community and working together for a greater community.
- This neighborhood area has been carefully analyzed as stated in the memorandum to the Metro Council.
- The City of Jeffersontown cannot support or fund a neighborhood that is not within its limits.
- This annexation will allow the City of Jeffersontown to provide waste management, police and fire, and infrastructure repairs.
- In 2014, a Resolution was passed that set procedural guidelines for approving annexations going forward. This legislation called for a public hearing during the annexation process before the Metro Council to ensure the neighborhood had complied with the law.
- Questions regarding whether a public hearing has been conducted during this process.
- Considerations of conducting annexations by Ordinance.
- Louisville Metro must also assess the benefits and deficits for the annexation such as, maintaining the roads and losing insurance taxes.
- Concerns voiced that several procedural steps may have been overlooked during this process.
- Metro Council has a fiduciary duty to effectively review these requests.
- The City of Jeffersontown has held a public meeting.
- There are 185 homes in the subdivision with 143 acres.
- Questions on whether there will be further development.
- Suggestions that Planning and Design Services, Public Works, etc., take part in future processes.
- Questions on miscalculations on insurance taxes.
- In some cases it is difficult to estimate these calculations, but the City of Jeffersontown endeavored to be reasonable and consistent.
- Perhaps, if Louisville Metro improves its services, residents will no longer find the need for annexation.

The motion carried by the following vote and the Ordinance was sent to the Consent Calendar:

**Yes:** 10 - Piagentini, Sexton Smith, Purvis, Coan, Hollander, Kramer, Blackwell, Fowler, Benson, and Flood

**Absent:** 1 - Ackerson

3. [AP081120PK](#)

**APPOINTMENT OF PETE KIRVEN TO THE CHEROKEE TRIANGLE ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW COMMITTEE (ARC). (TERM EXPIRES NOVEMBER 2023)**

**Attachments:** [APT Cherokee Triangle Architectural Review Committee 07.30.20.pdf](#)  
[PeteKirven\\_CTARC.pdf](#)

A motion was made by Committee Member Coan, seconded by Committee Member Purvis, that this Appointment be recommended for approval.

The following spoke to the item:

- Vice Chair Piagentini
- Committee Member Kramer
- Committee Member Sexton Smith
- Emily Liu, Planning and Design Services
- Cynthia Johnson, Planning and Design Services
- Committee Member Coan

The following was discussed:

- Questions on incompatible offices if participating on these type of Committees.
- This is a new appointment.
- The appointee is a resident of Cherokee Triangle.
- The appointee is very involved in historic preservation issues in the neighborhood.
- Recommendations for the appointee for their commitment and dedication in community service.

The motion carried by a voice vote and the Appointment was sent to the Consent Calendar.

4. [AP081120JS](#)

**APPOINTMENT OF JENNIFER SCHULTZ TO THE CHEROKEE TRIANGLE  
ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW COMMITTEE (ARC). (TERM EXPIRES NOVEMBER 2023)**

**Attachments:** [APT Cherokee Triangle Architectural Review Committee 07.30.20.pdf](#)  
[JenniferSchultz\\_CTARC.pdf](#)

A motion was made by Committee Member Coan, seconded by Committee Member Purvis, that this Appointment be recommended for approval.

The following spoke to the item:

- Vice Chair Piagentini
- Committee Member Kramer
- Committee Member Sexton Smith
- Emily Liu, Planning and Design Services
- Cynthia Johnson, Planning and Design Services
- Committee Member Coan

The following was discussed:

- Questions on incompatible offices if participating on these type of Committees.
- This is a new appointment.
- The appointee is a resident of Cherokee Triangle.
- The appointee is very involved in historic preservation issues in the neighborhood.
- Recommendations for the appointee for their commitment and dedication in community service.

The motion carried by a voice vote and the Appointment was sent to the Consent Calendar.

5. [RP081120GM](#)

**REAPPOINTMENT OF GAIL MORRIS TO THE CHEROKEE TRIANGLE  
ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW COMMITTEE (ARC). (TERM EXPIRES NOVEMBER 2023)**

**Attachments:** [APT Cherokee Triangle Architectural Review Committee 07.30.20.pdf](#)  
[GailMorris\\_CTARC.pdf](#)

A motion was made by Committee Member Coan, seconded by Committee Member Purvis, that this Reappointment be recommended for approval.

The following spoke to the item:

- Vice Chair Piagentini
- Committee Member Kramer
- Committee Member Sexton Smith
- Emily Liu, Planning and Design Services
- Cynthia Johnson, Planning and Design Services
- Committee Member Coan

The following was discussed:

- Questions on incompatible offices if participating on these type of Committees.
- This is a reappointment.
- The appointee is a resident of Cherokee Triangle.
- The appointee is very involved in historic preservation issues in the neighborhood.
- Recommendations for the appointee for their commitment and dedication in community service.

The motion carried by a voice vote and the Reappointment was sent to the Consent Calendar.

6. [AP081120EC](#)

**APPOINTMENT OF ERIC CROWLEY TO THE INDIVIDUAL LANDMARKS  
ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW COMMITTEE (ARC). (TERM EXPIRES NOVEMBER 2023)**

**Attachments:** [APT Individual Landmarks Architectural Review Committee  
07.30.20.pdf](#)  
[ECrowley\\_IndivARC \(1\).pdf](#)

A motion was made by Committee Member Coan, seconded by Committee Member Benson, that this Appointment be recommended for approval.

The following spoke to the item:

- Vice Chair Piagentini
- Cynthia Johnson, Planning and Design Services

The following was discussed:

- This is a new appointment.
- The appointee has a background in Real Estate and historic preservation.
- The appointee has exemplary qualifications and experience in the field.
- The appointee is very involved in historic preservation issues in the neighborhood.
- Recommendations for the appointee for their commitment and dedication in community service.

The motion carried by a voice vote and the Appointment was sent to the Consent Calendar.

7. [AP081120KN](#)

**APPOINTMENT OF KATHY NICHOLS TO THE INDIVIDUAL LANDMARKS  
ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW COMMITTEE (ARC). (TERM EXPIRES NOVEMBER 2023)**

**Attachments:** [APT Individual Landmarks Architectural Review Committee  
07.30.20.pdf](#)  
[KNichols\\_IndivARC-REDACTED.pdf](#)

A motion was made by Committee Member Coan, seconded by Committee Member Benson, that this Appointment be recommended for approval.

The following spoke to the item:

- Vice Chair Piagentini
- Cynthia Johnson, Planning and Design Services

The following was discussed:

- This is a new appointment.
- The appointee is the Executive Director of Farmington, which is a local historic site.
- The appointee has exemplary qualifications and experience in the field.
- The appointee is very involved in historic preservation issues in the community.
- Recommendations for the appointee for their commitment and dedication in community service.

The motion carried by a voice vote and the Appointment was sent to the Consent Calendar.



8. [RP081120DP](#)

**REAPPOINTMENT OF DAN PRESTON TO THE INDIVIDUAL LANDMARKS  
ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW COMMITTEE (ARC). (TERM EXPIRES NOVEMBER 2023)**

**Attachments:** [APT Individual Landmarks Architectural Review Committee  
07.30.20.pdf](#)  
[DPreston\\_IndivARC.pdf](#)

A motion was made by Committee Member Coan, seconded by Committee Member Benson, that this Reappointment be recommended for approval.

The following spoke to the item:

- Vice Chair Piagentini
- Cynthia Johnson, Planning and Design Services

The following was discussed:

- This is a reappointment.
- The appointee has a background in architecture.
- The appointee has vast technical experience in the field.
- The appointee is very involved in historic preservation issues in the neighborhood.
- Recommendations for the appointee for their commitment and dedication in community service.

The motion carried by a voice vote and the Reappointment was sent to the Consent Calendar.

9. [RP081120HS](#)

**REAPPOINTMENT OF HERB SCHULHAFER TO THE INDIVIDUAL LANDMARKS  
ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW COMMITTEE (ARC). (TERM EXPIRES NOVEMBER 2023)**

**Attachments:** [APT Individual Landmarks Architectural Review Committee  
07.30.20.pdf](#)  
[HSchulhafer\\_IndivARC \(1\).pdf](#)

A motion was made by Committee Member Coan, seconded by Committee Member Benson, that this Reappointment be recommended for approval.

The following spoke to the item:

- Vice Chair Piagentini
- Cynthia Johnson, Planning and Design Services

The following was discussed:

- This is a reappointment.
- The appointee has a background in architecture.
- The appointee has vast technical experience in the field.
- The appointee is very involved in historic preservation issues in the neighborhood.
- Recommendations for the appointee for their commitment and dedication in community service.

The motion carried by a voice vote and the Reappointment was sent to the Consent Calendar.

10. [RP081120RL](#)

**REAPPOINTMENT OF RHONDA LAWSON TO THE LIMERICK ARCHITECTURAL  
REVIEW COMMITTEE (ARC). (TERM EXPIRES NOVEMBER 2023)**

**Attachments:** [APT Limerick Architectural Review Committee 07.30.20.pdf](#)  
[RhondaLawson\\_LIARCapp.pdf](#)

A motion was made by Committee Member Kramer, seconded by Committee Member Coan, that this Reappointment be recommended for approval.

The following spoke to the item:

- Vice Chair Piagentini
- Committee Member Hollander
- Cynthia Johnson, Planning and Design Services
- Emily Liu, Planning and Design Services

The following was discussed:

- This is a reappointment.
- The appointee is a Real Estate profession with experience serving on the board.
- The appointee is very involved in historic preservation issues in the neighborhood.
- Recommendations for the appointee for their commitment and dedication in community service.
- Questions regarding appointees serving on more than one committee. Is there any possible violations of Statute or State Rules.
- The Architectural Review Committees are sub-committees of the Historic Landmark Commission and because of the composition and requirement for committee members, there are many times when a member will serve on more than one committee.
- The Codes and Regulations Director serves on all the committees.
- Some committees do not meet very often.

The motion carried by a voice vote and the Reappointment was sent to the Consent Calendar.

11. [RP081120SP](#)

**REAPPOINTMENT OF STEPHEN PETERSON TO THE LIMERICK ARCHITECTURAL  
REVIEW COMMITTEE (ARC). (TERM EXPIRES NOVEMBER 2023)**

**Attachments:** [APT Limerick Architectural Review Committee 07.30.20.pdf](#)  
[StephenPeterson\\_LIARCapp.pdf](#)

A motion was made by Committee Member Kramer, seconded by Committee Member Coan, that this Reappointment be recommended for approval.

The following spoke to the item:

- Vice Chair Piagentini
- Cynthia Johnson, Planning and Design Services

The following was discussed:

- This is a reappointment.
- The appointee is the Chair of the Committee.
- The appointee has been extremely active before joining the Committee.
- The appointee is very involved in historic preservation issues in the neighborhood.
- Recommendations for the appointee for their commitment and dedication in community service.

The motion carried by a voice vote and the Reappointment was sent to the Consent Calendar.

12. [AP081120JD](#)

**APPOINTMENT OF JEANA DUNLAP TO THE LIMERICK ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW  
COMMITTEE (ARC). (TERM EXPIRES NOVEMBER 2023)**

**Attachments:** [APT Limerick Architectural Review Committee 07.30.20.pdf](#)  
[JeanaDunlap\\_LIARCapp \(1\).pdf](#)

A motion was made by Committee Member Kramer, seconded by Committee Member Coan, that this Appointment be recommended for approval.

The following spoke to the item:

- Vice Chair Piagentini
- Cynthia Johnson, Planning and Design Services

The following was discussed:

- This is a new appointment.
- The appointee is a former Louisville Forward employee.
- The appointee has a great deal of experience in historic preservation and redevelopment.
- The appointee is very involved in historic preservation issues in the neighborhood.
- Recommendations for the appointee for their commitment and dedication in community service.

The motion carried by a voice vote and the Appointment was sent to the Consent Calendar.

13. [AP081120BS](#)

**APPOINTMENT OF BRENT SCHANDLING TO THE LIMERICK ARCHITECTURAL  
REVIEW COMMITTEE (ARC). (TERM EXPIRES NOVEMBER 2023)**

**Attachments:** [APT Limerick Architectural Review Committee 07.30.20.pdf](#)  
[BrentSchandling\\_LIARCapp \(1\).pdf](#)

A motion was made by Committee Member Kramer, seconded by Committee Member Coan, that this Appointment be recommended for approval.

The following spoke to the item:

- Vice Chair Piagentini
- Cynthia Johnson, Planning and Design Services

The following was discussed:

- This is a new appointment.
- The appointee is a property and business owner in the Limerick neighborhood.
- The appointee is very involved in historic preservation issues in the neighborhood.
- Recommendations for the appointee for their commitment and dedication in community service.

The motion carried by a voice vote and the Appointment was sent to the Consent Calendar.

14. [AP081120JK](#)

**APPOINTMENT OF JONATHAN KLUNK TO THE OLD LOUISVILLE ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW COMMITTEE (ARC). (TERM EXPIRES NOVEMBER 2023)**

**Attachments:** [APT Old Louisville Architectural Review Committee 07.30.20.pdf](#)  
[JonathanKlunkOL.pdf](#)

A motion was made by Committee Member Coan, seconded by Committee Member Purvis, that this Appointment be recommended for approval.

The following spoke to the item:

- Vice Chair Piagentini
- Cynthia Johnson, Planning and Design Services

The following was discussed:

- This is a new appointment.
- The appointee is a resident of the Old Louisville neighborhood.
- The appointee has vast experience in the Real Estate field.
- The appointee is very involved in historic preservation issues in the neighborhood.
- Recommendations for the appointee for their commitment and dedication in community service.

The motion carried by a voice vote and the Appointment was sent to the Consent Calendar.

15. [RP081120RL2](#)

**REAPPOINTMENT OF RHONDA LAWSON TO THE PARKLAND ARCHITECTURAL  
REVIEW COMMITTEE (ARC). (TERM EXPIRES NOVEMBER 2023)**

**Attachments:** [APT Parkland Architectural Review Committee 07.30.20.pdf](#)  
[RhondaLawson\\_PRKLNDArcCapp \(1\).pdf](#)

A motion was made by Committee Member Purvis, seconded by Committee Member Coan, that this Reappointment be recommended for approval.

The following spoke to the item:

- Vice Chair Piagentini
- Cynthia Johnson, Planning and Design Services

The following was discussed:

- This is a reappointment.
- The appointee is a Real Estate profession with experience serving on the board.
- The appointee is very involved in historic preservation issues in the community.
- Recommendations for the appointee for their commitment and dedication in community service.

The motion carried by a voice vote and the Reappointment was sent to the Consent Calendar.



16. [RP081120RL3](#)

**REAPPOINTMENT OF RHONDA LAWSON TO THE WEST MAIN ARCHITECTURAL  
REVIEW COMMITTEE (ARC). (TERM EXPIRES NOVEMBER 2023)**

**Attachments:** [APT West Main Architectural Review Committee 07.30.20.pdf](#)  
[RhondaLawson\\_WMARCapp \(2\).pdf](#)

A motion was made by Committee Member Purvis, seconded by Committee Member Coan, that this Reappointment be recommended for approval.

The following spoke to the item:

- Vice Chair Piagentini
- Cynthia Johnson, Planning and Design Services

The following was discussed:

- This is a reappointment.
- The appointee is a Real Estate profession with experience serving on the board.
- The appointee is very involved in historic preservation issues in the community.
- Recommendations for the appointee for their commitment and dedication in community service.

The motion carried by a voice vote and the Reappointment was sent to the Consent Calendar.

17. [RP081120EN](#)

**REAPPOINTMENT OF EDIE NIXON TO THE CLIFTON ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW  
COMMITTEE (ARC). (TERM EXPIRES NOVEMBER 2023)**

**Attachments:** [APT Clifton Architectural Review Committee 07.30.20.pdf](#)  
[Nixon\\_CLARCAapplication.pdf](#)

A motion was made by Committee Member Benson, seconded by Committee Member Coan, that this Reappointment be recommended for approval.

The following spoke to the item:

- Vice Chair Piagentini
- Cynthia Johnson, Planning and Design Services

The following was discussed:

- This is a reappointment.
- The appointee is property and business owner in the Clifton neighborhood.
- The appointee has served as Chair of the committee.
- The appointee is very involved in historic preservation issues in the community.
- Recommendations for the appointee for their commitment and dedication in community service.

The motion carried by a voice vote and the Reappointment was sent to the Consent Calendar.

18. [RP081120JM](#)

**REAPPOINTMENT OF JOHN MOORE TO THE LOUISVILLE REGIONAL AIRPORT  
AUTHORITY BOARD. (TERM EXPIRES JULY 15, 2024)**

**Attachments:** [APT Louisville Regional Airport Authority Board 08.03.20.pdf](#)

[John Moore 08.03.20.pdf](#)

[Applicants for Board - Louisville Regional Airport Authority  
08.03.20.pdf](#)

[Current Board - Louisville Regional Airport Authority 08.03.20.pdf](#)

A motion was made by Committee Member Coan, seconded by Committee Member Kramer, that this Reappointment be recommended for approval.

The following spoke to the item:

- Vice Chair Piagentini
- Committee Member Benson
- Althea Jackson, Mayor's Office
- John Moore, Appointee

The following was discussed:

- This is a reappointment.
- The appointee is the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Atria Senior Living.
- The appointee is a District 9 resident.
- The appointee is eager to continue serving on the board and believes the airport is an economic engine for Louisville Metro.
- The airport is an asset to the community.
- Discussion on the economic impact of COVID-19 on the airport and expectations for expansion and rebounding in the future.
- The airport is an underestimated asset for the Louisville Metro and the State that facilitates transportation and supports extensive workforce.
- Quality air travel service is a great benefit to the community.
- The upgrades and amenities to the airport are tremendous.
- This board has diversity on this board by virtue of the Governor's appointments.
- Questions on the need for general aviation and Bowman Field
- Bowman Field is a great asset and should be assessed to show its value to the community.

The motion carried by a voice vote and the Reappointment was sent to the Consent Calendar.

19. [AP081120CC](#)

**APPOINTMENT OF CORNELIUS COTTON TO THE KENTUCKIANA WORKS -  
GREATER LOUISVILLE WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD. (TERM EXPIRES  
MARCH 8, 2023)**

**Attachments:** [APT Kentuckiana Works - Greater Louisville Workforce Development Board 08.03.20.pdf](#)  
[Cornelius Cotton 08.03.20.pdf](#)  
[Applicants for Kentuckiana Works - Greater Louisville Workforce Development Board 08.03.20.pdf](#)  
[Current Kentuckiana Works - Greater Louisville Workforce Development Board 08.03.20.pdf](#)

A motion was made by Committee Member Benson, seconded by Committee Member Coan, that this Appointment be recommended for approval.

The following spoke to the item:

- Vice Chair Piagentini
- Committee Member Purvis
- Althea Jackson, Mayor's Office
- Cornelius Cotton, Appointee

The following was discussed:

- This is a new appointment for a proscribed seat on the Workforce Development Board.
- The appointee is filling the Labor Organization seat.
- The appointee is the President and Business Manager with the LIUNA, Local #576
- The appointee is a resident of District 23.
- The appointee is a past Vice President of the Greater Louisville Central Labor Council.
- The appointee is eager to work with the board.
- The appointee has over 30 years of labor experience and lead the local union for the past 11 years.
- Labor jobs are incredibly in high demand across Louisville Metro
- Discussion on the economic impact of COVID-19 and suggestions to help workers to rebound and move the local economy.

The motion carried by a voice vote and the Appointment was sent to the Consent Calendar.

20. [RP081120MH](#)

**REAPPOINTMENT OF MICHAEL HICKS TO THE URBAN RENEWAL COMMISSION.  
(TERM EXPIRES JUNE 30, 2024)**

**Attachments:** [APT Urban Renewal Commission 08.03.20.pdf](#)

[Michael Hicks 08.03.20.pdf](#)

[Applicants for Board - Urban Renewal Commission 08.03.20.pdf](#)

[Current Board - Urban Renewal Commission 08.03.20.pdf](#)

A motion was made by Committee Member Sexton Smith, seconded by Committee Member Purvis, that this Reappointment be recommended for approval.

The following spoke to the item:

- Vice Chair Piagentini
- Committee Member Sexton Smith
- Hollie Hopkins, Jefferson County Attorney's Office
- Althea Jackson, Mayor's Office

The following was discussed:

- This is a reappointment.
- The appointee is a Director of Online Education with Simmons College of Kentucky.
- The appointee is a resident of District 4.
- The appointee has been a great contributor to the board and is eager to work with the board.
- Committee Member Sexton Smith is a Trustee at Simmons College of Kentucky and for that reason will abstain from voting to dispel any appearance of conflict of interest.

The motion carried by the following vote and the Reappointment was sent to Old Business:

**Yes:** 9 - Piagentini, Purvis, Coan, Hollander, Kramer, Blackwell, Fowler, Benson, and Flood

**Absent:** 1 - Ackerson

**Abstain:** 1 - Sexton Smith

21. [R-100-20](#)

**[AN EMERGENCY] A RESOLUTION CREATING THE COMMITTEE ON EQUITY AND INCLUSION AS A STANDING COMMITTEE OF METRO COUNCIL (AS AMENDED).**

**Sponsors:** Primary David James (D-6) and Primary Nicole George (D-21)

**Attachments:** [R-100-20 V.2 081120 - Amend Rules to Create Comm. on Equity and Inclusion.pdf](#)  
[R-100-20 PROPOSED CAM 072820 - Amend Rules to Create Comm. on Equity and Inclusion.pdf](#)  
[R-100-20 V.1 072320 - Amend Rules to Create Comm. on Equity and Inclusion.pdf](#)

A motion was made by Committee Member Coan, seconded by Committee Member Purvis, that this Resolution be recommended for approval.

The following spoke to the item:

- Council President James
- Committee Member Hollander
- Vice Chair Piagentini
- Committee Member Flood
- Committee Member Sexton Smith
- Committee Member Kramer
- Committee Member Blackwell

The following was discussed:

- Purpose of the Resolution is to allow for the President to serve on the Committee.
- This is an important Committee in our day and time to address equity and Inclusion.
- Council Member George is temporarily leading the Committee until this legislation is passed.
- Questions regarding the President Chairing this Committee and the creation of a new Committee.
- This is the first time this has taken place and is necessary to inform the public and let them know they are heard.
- The President has the authority under the Metro Council Rules to create committees at his/her discretion.
- The President may determine the size of the Committee and select Chairs and Vice Chairs, as well as seek Committee recommendations from the separate Caucuses.
- Currently, the Metro Council Rules are explicit about the President not sitting on any Committee, being a voting Member of a Committee and it precludes him/her from Chairing a Committee.
- This legislation gives the President the opportunity to Chair and vote in Committee.
- Upon passage, this will be a standing Committee going forward.
- Some concerns were raised about the President being the Chair of the Committee although it is an important Committee.
- There are other Committees that are important that the President does not Chair, this may set an unfavorable precedent.

- The language of the Resolution states the President may serve on the Committee and may Chair the Committee.
- This committee will give greater assurance to the public that their concerns are heard by the Metro Council and this is why it is important for the President to be Chair.

A motion was made by Vice Chair Piagentini, seconded by Committee Member Kramer, that this Resolution be amended.

The motion to amend carried by a voice vote.

The motion to recommend for approval carried by a voice vote and the Resolution was sent to Old Business.

## Adjournment

Without objection, Vice Chair Piagentini adjourned the meeting at 6:31 p.m.

**\*NOTE:** Items sent to the Consent Calendar or Old Business will be heard before the full Council at the Metro Council Meeting on August 20, 2020.