



# Louisville Metro Government

## Action Summary - Tentative Public Safety Committee

*Chair Mark H. Fox (D-13)*  
*Vice Chair James Peden (R-23)*  
*Vacant (D-1)*  
*Committee Member Barbara Shanklin (D-2)*  
*Committee Member Paula McCraney (D-7)*  
*Committee Member Marilyn Parker (R-18)*  
*Committee Member Madonna Flood (D-24)*

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Wednesday, March 9, 2022

3:30 PM

Council Chambers/Virtual

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### Call to Order

Chair Person Fox called the meeting to order at 3:31 p.m.

### Roll Call

Chair Person Fox introduced the committee members and non-committee members present. A quorum was established.

**\*NOTE:** All committee members and non-committee members present attended virtually, except Chair Person Fox, Council Member Hollander, Council Member George, and Council President James, who attended in Chambers.

**\*\*** In his capacity as President, Council President James constituted a quorum for the Committee.

**Present:** 6 - Committee Member Barbara Shanklin (D-2), Committee Member Paula McCraney (D-7), Chair Mark H. Fox (D-13), Committee Member Marilyn Parker (R-18), Vice Chair James Peden (R-23), and Committee Member Madonna Flood (D-24)

### Non-Committee Member(s)

Council President David James (D-6), Council Member Bill Hollander (D-9), Council Member Pat Mulvihill (D-10), Council Member Rick Blackwell (D-12), and Council Member Nicole George (D-21)

### Support Staff

Alice Lyon, Jefferson County Attorney's Office  
Jason Fowler, Jefferson County Attorney's Office

### Clerk(s)

Lisa Franklin Gray, Assistant Clerk  
Sonya Harward, Clerk

## Pending Legislation

### 1. [O-073-22](#)

#### **AN ORDINANCE CREATING A NEW SUBSECTION TO LOUISVILLE/JEFFERSON COUNTY METRO GOVERNMENT CODE OF ORDINANCES (“LMCO”) SECTION 72.033 REGARDING THE OBSTRUCTION OF CURBSIDE MAILBOXES (AS AMENDED).**

**Sponsors:** Primary James Peden (R-23)

**Attachments:** [O-073-22 V.2 031022 Creates New LMCO 72.033 RE Obstruction of Curbside Mailboxes.pdf](#)  
[O-073-22 V.1 030322 Creates New LMCO 72.033 RE Obstruction of Curbside Mailboxes.pdf](#)

A motion was made by Vice Chair Peden, seconded by Committee Member Flood, that this Ordinance be recommended for approval.

The following spoke to this item:

- Vice Chair Peden
- Committee Member Flood

The following was discussed:

- There was a discussion regarding greater volume of vehicles parked on streets.
- There was a discussion regarding vehicle parking that blocks residents' mailboxes.
- There was a discussion regarding similar legislation in peer cities that prohibit individuals from blocking others' mailboxes.
- There was a discussion regarding parking causing increased challenges for mail carriers as they deliver mail in later hours and are often unable to access mail boxes due to parked vehicles.
- There was a discussion regarding the legislation prohibiting individual's from blocking others' mailboxes during the time frame of 7am to 7pm.
- There were several questions regarding whether the time frame could be adjusted as some mail carriers are later in some areas.

A motion was made by Committee Member Flood, seconded by Vice Chair Peden, that this Ordinance be amended to change the time frame ranging from "7am to 8pm" to prohibit parked individuals from blocking residents' mailboxes.

The motion to amend carried by a voice vote.

The motion to recommend for approval carried by the following vote and the amended Ordinance was sent to Old Business:

**Yes:** 6 - Shanklin, McCraney, Fox, Parker, Peden, and Flood

2. [R-011-22](#)**A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF KENTUCKY GENERAL ASSEMBLY SENATE BILL 19  
AUTHORIZING TRAFFIC SIGNAL MONITORING SYSTEMS.**

**Sponsors:** Primary Rick Blackwell (D-12), Additional David James (D-6), Additional Keisha Dorsey (D-3) and Additional Mark H. Fox (D-13)

**Attachments:** [R-011-22 V.1 020322 RES IN SUPPORT - KENTUCKY SB 19  
AUTHORIZING TRAFFIC SIGNAL MONITORING SYSTEMS.pdf](#)

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

The following spoke to this item:

- Council Member Blackwell
- Chair Person Fox
- Council President James
- Vice Chair Peden
- Committee Member Parker

The following was discussed:

- There was a discussion regarding the scope and intent of the Resolution.
- There was a discussion regarding the use of traffic light monitoring systems that may track drivers that are speeding, running red lights, etc.
- There was a discussion regarding an increased number of drivers that are running red lights.
- There was a discussion regarding how this practice also impacts current traffic patterns.
- There was a discussion regarding how this act also impacts public safety as there are currently staffing shortages in the Louisville Metro Police Department.
- The goal of the legislation is to garner support in the Kentucky General Assembly in order to conduct a study to consider whether utilizing the software/equipment would be beneficial to the community.
- There was a discussion regarding whether similar legislation being adopted in the Kentucky General Assembly would alleviate the need for Louisville Metro Police officers in minor accidents.

Chair Person Fox requested to be added as a co-sponsor.

- There were several questions regarding how Louisville Metro would oversee enforcement and whether a third-party vendor may be utilized.
- There were several questions regarding the accuracy of the equipment.
- There was a discussion regarding due process concerns.

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

3. [O-004-22](#)**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 135 OF THE LOUISVILLE METRO CODE OF ORDINANCES ("LMCO") RELATING TO THE DISCHARGE OF FIREARMS WITHIN LOUISVILLE METRO. (AMENDMENT BY SUBSTITUTION)**

**Sponsors:** Primary Pat Mulvihill (D-10), Primary Bill Hollander (D-9), Primary Nicole George (D-21), Primary Kevin Triplett (D-15), Primary David James (D-6) and Additional Rick Blackwell (D-12)

**Attachments:** [O-004-22 V.2 CABS 030922 \(2\) AMEND CH 135 - LOUISVILLE METRO CODE OF ORDINANCES \("LMCO"\) RELATING TO THE DISCHARGE OF FIREARMS.pdf](#)  
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A motion was made by Vice Chair Peden, seconded by Council President James, that this Ordinance be untabled.

The following spoke to this item:

- Council Member Mulvihill
- Council Member Hollander
- Council Member George
- Chair Person Fox
- Vice Chair Peden

The following was discussed:

- There was a discussion regarding the scope and intent of the Ordinance overall, as well as a proposed amendment.

A motion was made by Council President James, seconded by Vice Chair Peden, that this Ordinance be amended by substitution as shown in the attached document titled, "O-004-22 PROPOSED CABS 030922 (2) AMEND CH 135 - LOUISVILLE METRO CODE OF ORDINANCES ("LMCO") RELATING TO THE DISCHARGE OF FIREARMS.pdf."

- There was a discussion regarding the language which states "no individual may discharge a firearm within 300 feet in the direction of a structure."
- There was a discussion regarding the removal of language regarding the permit requirements for individuals.

The motion to amend by substitution carried by a voice vote.

The motion to recommend for approval carried by the following vote and the amended Ordinance was sent to Old Business:

**Yes:** 4 - McCraney, Parker, Peden, and Flood

**No:** 1 - Fox

**Absent:** 1 - Shanklin

## **Adjournment**

Without objection, Chair Person Fox adjourned the meeting at 3:59 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 March 17, 2022.**