

# Louisville Metro Government

601 W. Jefferson Street  
Louisville, KY 40202



## Action Summary - Tentative

Thursday, November 19, 2020

5:15 PM

Council Chambers

### Committee of the Whole

*Jessica Green (D-1), Barbara Shanklin (D-2), Keisha Dorsey (D-3),  
Barbara Sexton Smith (D-4), Donna L. Purvis (D-5), David James (D-6)\*,  
Paula McCraney (R-7), Brandon Coan (D-8), Bill Hollander (D-9), Pat Mulvihill (D-10),  
Kevin Kramer (R-11), Rick Blackwell (D-12), Mark H. Fox (D-13),  
Cindi Fowler (D-14), Kevin Triplett (D-15), Scott Reed (R-16), Markus B. Winkler (R-17),  
Marilyn Parker (R-18), Anthony Piagentini (R-19), Stuart Benson (R-20),  
Nicole George (D-21), Robin Engel (R-22), James Peden (R-23),  
Madonna Flood (D-24), David Yates (D-25), Brent Ackerson (D-26)*

*\* Denotes the Committee Chair(s)*

## Call to Order

Council President James called the meeting to order at 5:17 p.m.

Council President James stated that the meeting was being conducted by video teleconference, pursuant to KRS 61.826 and in accordance with Senate Bill 150. He also spoke about provisions regarding any disruptions in remote access for Council Members, which would require a temporary suspension of the meeting, and the time allotted to regain remote access before the meeting resumes.

Council Members attended the meeting remotely, except for Council President James and Council Member Coan who were present in Chambers.

## Roll Call

A quorum was established.

**Present:** 26 - Jessica Green (D-1), Barbara Shanklin (D-2), Keisha Dorsey (D-3), Barbara Sexton Smith (D-4), Donna L. Purvis (D-5), David James (D-6), Paula McCraney (D-7), Brandon Coan (D-8), Bill Hollander (D-9), Pat Mulvihill (D-10), Kevin Kramer (R-11), Rick Blackwell (D-12), Mark H. Fox (D-13), Cindi Fowler (D-14), Kevin Triplett (D-15), Scott Reed (R-16), Markus Winkler (D-17), Marilyn Parker (R-18), Anthony Piagentini (R-19), Stuart Benson (R-20), Nicole George (D-21), Robin Engel (R-22), James Peden (R-23), Madonna Flood (D-24), David Yates (D-25), and Brent Ackerson (D-26)

## Support Staff

Genevieve First, Executive Assistant  
Hollie Hopkins, Jefferson County Attorney's Office  
Travis Fiechter, Jefferson County Attorney's Office  
Alice Lyon, Jefferson County Attorney's Office

## Clerk(s)

Sonya Harward, Clerk  
Lisa Franklin-Gray, Assistant Clerk

## Special Discussion

[ID 20-1566](#)

**Introduction of Cathy Kuhn, the New Executive Director of the Metropolitan Housing Coalition**

**Attachments:** [11-19-20 - Presentation by Cathy Kuhn.pdf](#)

Cathy Kuhn gave a presentation (attached hereto) about the Metropolitan Housing Coalition.

## Review of Metro Council Agenda

Council President James briefly reviewed the Metro Council agenda.

Council President James spoke about the Council Members recognizing the University of Louisville Interns.

The Clerk provided information about the Addresses to Council.

Council President James briefly reviewed the items under Special Legislation (item 38 - R-151-20 and item 39 - R-159-20). He reviewed the proposed timeline regarding the filling of the upcoming vacancy due to Council Member Yates being elected to the Kentucky Senate, which is as follows:

- Council Member Yates will submit his resignation around January 3, 2021, and it will be accepted by the Council at the January 4, 2021 meeting.
- Resumes must be submitted within seven business days of that meeting, which makes the deadline January 13, 2021.
- The Jefferson County Attorney's Office will have a week and a half to complete the background research on each person that applies.
- A special meeting of the Committee of the Whole will be held on January 25, 2021 to conduct interviews.
- At the regular Metro Council meeting on January 28, 2021, the Council will vote on who will fill the vacancy.

Council Member Shanklin briefly reviewed item 40 (O-395-19) and item 49 (R-146-20) that came out of the Community Affairs, Health and Education Committee.

Council Member Green briefly spoke about item 41 (O-481-20) that came out of the Public Safety Committee.

Council Member Flood briefly spoke about item 42 (O-426-20), item 43 (O-477-20), item 44 (O-504-20), and item 45 (O-505-20) that came out of the Planning and Zoning Committee.

Council Member Yates briefly spoke about item 46 (O-507-20) and item 47 (R-133-20) that came out of the Labor and Economic Development Committee.

Council Member Ackerson briefly explained that the Reappointment of Lee Weyland (item 48) was on Old Business so that Council Member Sexton Smith could abstain.

Council Member Blackwell briefly spoke about item 50 (O-500-20) and item 51 (NDF111120LHF06) that came out of the Appropriations Committee.

[ID 20-1581](#)

### Metro Council Agenda - November 19, 2020

**Attachments:** [Metro Council Agenda 11-19-20.pdf](#)

[ID 20-1580](#)

### Addresses to Council - November 19, 2020

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### Announcements

Council President James wished Council Member Blackwell, Council Member Reed, and Denise Bentley a happy birthday. [The Clerk also recognized Council President James' upcoming birthday.]

Council President James shared the sad news that Louisville Metro Police Officer Martez Hughes and retired Louisville Metro Police Colonel Kenny Brown both passed away earlier in the day and there would be a moment of silence for them during the Metro Council meeting.

Council President James stated that Metro's Information Technology (I.T.) staff is trying to work from home as much as possible and only have two employees on-site on a daily basis to handle hardware issues or issues that cannot be resolved remotely. If a device requires a technician to physically work on it, I.T. staff asks that Council staff call the Help Desk or Executive Support to schedule a time to drop the device off at 410 S. Fifth Street.

### Adjournment

Without objection, Council President James adjourned the meeting at 5:36 p.m.