

**Captioning Transcript of Labor and Economic Development Committee Meeting -
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"Chair Dorsey"

We'll start in 30 seconds.

Remember so, I just want to remind you to please turn on your cameras welcome to the regularly scheduled labor and economic development committee meeting I'm your chair Council. I'm indoorsy I'm joined in chambers by councilman Mark Fox.

I'm joined virtually by councilman Robin angle by councilman Amy Stewart by councilman Mulvihill by councilman Nicole George by councilman Madonna purpose.

And that is all at this point, I do ask for an excuse tardiness, unless he is able to show for councilman ackrason as well as councilman. Kevin Kramer Madam clerk please read the disclaimer.

And then the 1st item into the record for me. Please

"Olivia Bennett"

this meeting is being held pursuant to Kara 61.816 council rule 5, a red and full number. 1 is our dash 106 dash 22 a resolution pursuant to the capital and operating budget ordinances, approving the appropriation to fund the following non competitively negotiated.

approving the appropriation to fund the following non competitively negotiated

Professional service contract for the office of resilience and community services RCS concerning gets employment of a director of the RCS homeless services division University of Louisville, 123,260 dollars and 17 cents right? And full.

"Chair Dorsey"

Thank you who do I have to here to speak to this item to make alert the director for the office of resilience and community services. Okay. Thank you. May have a motion

"Vice Chair Engel"

to approve angle.

"Chair Dorsey"

2nd Dorsey go ahead.

"Tameka Laird"

Sorry. Thank you. Um, this is an actual contract for the continuation of a director, which is a working title.

If she was actually under us, it would be an assistant director for the purpose of the homeless services division and moving that forward. As far as the scope of work.

"Chair Dorsey"

So there were several questions that came up about this particular contract for 1. why are we contracting this role out versus it? Being a full time? Have we been it looked that bidding this contract out previously?

What's the continuum of work, et cetera looking at this contract?

Originally, it's 123,000 on the resume it did state as though it was a, and that resume is attached to the contract bid.

attached to the contract bid

So, I forgot the young lady's name as though she was working on several grants at 1 time.

So, how much work or time in regard to a full, which would be approximately 40 hours a week, how much time is she dedicating to RCS, et cetera to, you know, this program.

"Tameka Laird"

So, originally, back last year, it was a dual role. It still is a dual role with you avail.

The resume represents all of her work as far as what she has done, which is what all resumes do as far as the skill sets and experience. So, that's what that actually claims to.

"Chair Dorsey"

So, I understand that but she has listed 4 different grants to with the city going on at 1 time. So she rendering a full, 40 hours a week.

"Tameka Laird"

She is. Now, she is actually this year, she's actually reduced.

Her hours that you avail and focused on the actual homeless services division, full time and she's with us Monday through Friday, Wednesday, she works remotely

"Chair Dorsey"

so Monday through Friday rendering a full hour or a full.

So approximately 40 hours a week. Was that done previously? In the past,

"Tameka Laird"

um, in the past, she still worked about that same time period. It just wasn't an actual fold as far as reported. I mean, she still worked 40 hours a week.

She gave us 40 hours the Clearings and everything that we do. And.

Office, she's actually the oversee of that and then any other complaints and concerns they come in so really, she's given us more than 40 hours a week. She's really working operationally on Saturdays and Sundays. If any concerns come up.

Um, we have seen that happen and she's reached out to me. We've been on the phone, like, to 78 o'clock, trying to work out situations with our actual street homeless. homeless

"Chair Dorsey"

Same here. Yeah, we don't get paid that much and so with that being said what was the pay for last year was it? What is it on par with what we're seeing is 103

"Tameka Laird"

yes.

Um, and actually her contracts, only until February, because of the new administration, and we wanted to give them time for them to come in and get acclimated to our overall local metro government as a whole. And then they can be able to assess the work that we're doing in the homeless services division.

"Chair Dorsey"

Well, have we chosen not to make this a full while. a full while We chose to vet this out and why haven't we vetted this out to say, like the Coalition for the homeless or something on another organization on par, with coalition?

"Tameka Laird"

Well, we thought that we looked at best practices across our other cities and everything, and how they have utilized colleges and schools for best practices and expertise. So we thought if we would bring that in and incorporate that within our actual scope of work, it would actually give us a return on investment that's profitable for us and make a better impact. Our community,

"Chair Dorsey"

so I understand as a study, or as part of the continuum of care, but as part of our operations, we just thought it best the contract that work out and not folded in. Because my, my concern is with it being contractual work. Not being an, we lose that continuum of care if that contract does come up for bid. Or if we bring in another we don't have an employee able to stabilize that work with the amount of money that this council has even. Invested in homeless work, we lose that legacy. We lose that history. It goes back to the university because we don't have that embedded and I. I think they're homeless. This is probably 1 of our top 5 probably number 2 issue actually, outside of, uh, if we look at homelessness in regard to substance abuse and that correlation, probably number 2. so, we have not prioritized that as a city for that to be internalized. We think it's best funded out with the University, and we're willing to lose that that legacy.

"Tameka Laird"

We're not going to lose that legacy.

We're documenting everything and actually creating policies and procedures around there for documenting the homeless services division. And we're coming up with an actual homeless course of action where we're looking at and working with.

"Chair Dorsey"

Is she documenting that or what's the where Where's our function in regard to the homeless services division?

"Tameka Laird"

She is actually the overseer and managing all of the operations for our homeless services division.

"Chair Dorsey"

Do we have someone ready to take that role?

We saw a similar situation last week where we heard the administration state, this was important for us to fold this role into the administration and to our staff.

And if that looks like the pattern that we're going into, who are we preparing someone to.

Be able to take over the role if her role.

Is to sunset as the contract sunsets in February.

"Tameka Laird"

Well, you do know that I was doing that work before her, and I'm still am part of that, so

"Chair Dorsey"

that's exactly my point.

"Tameka Laird"

So I am, I'm considered the legacy. Okay. And so initially we're doing it in partnership and in tandem.

It's just that I don't have the capacity to do all of that.

"Chair Dorsey"

We don't we don't expect you to really? My concern to make it is that we do not have a person who is.

An employee underneath you that is responsible in the way in which we hold you accountable for that work.

So, if we are paying a director on part of a 123,000, but we cannot hold that person responsible over long term as a council. long term as a council

In accordance with the same way that we hold you responsible and we're really what we're looking at our peers almost we're not looking at a subordinate type of situation.

It puts us at a disadvantage as a city and it puts the entire responsibility on you at a critical point when we are in a transition because she will be some setting because we do have an administration coming in.

And then we're expecting you as a director to be able to host that entire.

Your continuum, for not just RCS, but really, what's almost the branch services on its own, which is the homeless services, the vision so I don't think it's an issue of this council not wanting to approve it. I don't think it's an issue of best practice, looking at universities in partnership. I think it's an issue of investment and legacy and where we've put so much money and having that sunset and not having that. We Actually value your expertise and would like to see an accountable to you that would be able to assist you through the transition. So that responsibility does not lie all within you.

I'm going to open the queue metro council members. Do you have any questions or concerns.

Speak now forever. Hold your piece. We have been joined by councilman Kevin Kramer. Did we join.

All right misled. I really thank you for.

A councilman Nicole George councilman. Oh, I see. Eric councilman George.

"Council Member George"

Thank you chair and I was, I'm not on this committee and I wasn't at the last committee meeting, but I would just say, I think you are asking a lot of good questions.

Um, and so I just want to go that level of support that we continue to answer these questions and also recognize, um.

The role that director layered and Dr have done over the last, um. 2 years now, thank you. Thank you.

"Chair Dorsey"

So we got I really hope excuse me director layer.

I hope that you have the support you need during the transition to be able to have the book of work for homelessness.

In such a way in, which you are not overwhelmed in the month of February during transition, considering that level of investment, the amount of work that has gone into that as well as the amount of investment.

And I'm just in the back of my mind. I'm thinking about almost as of once, and the amount of money we put with the homelessness officers, and being able to sunset that and really the amount of importance that.

Is the city to have a full time dedicated to that work over and beyond yourself and the capacity that 1 person is really able and expect it to be able to handle at 1 time. Um, so I appreciate that work.

I do want to say that publicly.

I do hope the administration and any future administration looks to support you with a full and not just you, but really support the city with the full and look at these taxpayer dollars that we are putting as a council.

Behind homelessness in the city and respect that by making sure that we have a continuum of professionals here on staff. That can address this.

That can account, or be accountable to this council, in addition to the community as well as be accountable for you or to you as a director as we hold you accountable for the entire division. So we, thank you for that. Nothing else being said, and in the queue, this is a resolution allowing for someone.

In the queue counsel on purpose, household and purpose feel free.

"Committee Member Purvis"

Thank you hope you guys can hear me, uh, Madam chair. I just wanted to say that. I totally agree with you. Um, I'm, I'm just concerned. Where do we go from here?

If this resolution does not pass I really don't want to overwhelm MS. alert. So, I I see both sides.

Um, so if this does not pass.

Uh, can we talk about where do we go from here?

"Chair Dorsey"

I think we have the votes for it to pass. I think the stress to the administration is to understand the amount of stress that it will put on 1 director to carry essentially 2 roles.

At the point of in transition of an administration. We want to put on record 1 that it is not fair. We understand the equity behind that 2. that is it does not reflect the amount of investment that this council has put into the homeless.

In regard to override city issue and 3, we need to look at continuum of services in regard to the investment that the council has made. I do think it will pass, but I do want to put on the record in regard to the timing of the contract.

The scope of work that we have looked at or resume as far as allocation and breadth of services something there's a lot of things going on in 2021. and I know that's reflective of, of, you know, you said she's given 40 hours a week, but they're about.

week but they're about

4 different projects that are happening there, and we really do need someone who can be accountable to that. Probably over 40 hours as I would think any council member right now through here is probably working for 40 hours a week.

But I do think this resolution has the support, um, as the council has continued to put lots of support and resources behind our homeless efforts here in this city. Um, is anyone else in the queue? I think we're good to go.

This is a resolution allowing for a voice vote, all those in favor.

Please signify by saying, aye.

Hi, all those opposed.

This resolution classes, please move this item to consent. Thank you, Madam. Thank you. Director layer, Madam clerk. Please read item number 2 into the record.

"Olivia Bennett"

Item number 2 is our dash 106,022 a resolution pursuant to the capital and operating budget ordinances, approving the appropriation to fund the

following non competitively negotiated sole source contract for hosting maintenance and support of the revenue commissions tax system. Fast enterprises for 390,000 dollars right? In full. enterprises for three hundred and ninety thousand dollars right in full

"Chair Dorsey"

If you're here to speak to this item, please come forward. Can I get a motion in a 2nd.

"Committee Member Purvis"

Motion 4th purpose.

"Chair Dorsey"

Thank you who's here to speak to this

"Josh Steele"

Josh steal a local metro revenue commissioner and executive administrator.

Uh, this is a resolution to.

Uh, for another year of hosting services associated with the tax system that was bid in 2018 a bit and awarded.

Competitively, uh, subsequent to the award of the original contract are, um.

Server hardware was reached the end of life.

And we needed a solution, so the solution presented was a cloud based service for about by.

The provider of the tax service system.

This, as I said, last year was the 1st, year of this hosting services that they provided, and this is just a continuation for another year.

"Chair Dorsey"

Thank you and you said this was competitively bid in 2018? Yes. That's correct. What's the length of that contract?

"Josh Steele"

Uh, it's 5 years.

"Chair Dorsey"

We are, and what year of the contract okay. Excuse me is it on par for approximately 390,000 annually? Is that what we are expecting to pay?

"Josh Steele"

That is correct

"Chair Dorsey"

is that a flat fee was that previously negotiated as a part of the contract. Are there any enhancement services fixes updates proprietary equipment? We should be looking for coming forward to us in the future.

"Josh Steele"

No, not add an additional cost. It's embedded in the price of the contract.

"Chair Dorsey"

Awesome. of the contract awesome

Us that's the way we like it. Are there any questions from the committee? I appreciate this being competitively bid. I do assume it will be competitively, but again, at the end of its term.

"Josh Steele"

That's correct.

"Chair Dorsey"

All right. That's exactly what we want to hear. Um, this is a resolution allowing for a voicemail, all those in favor signify by saying, aye. Aye, aye all those opposed the resolution passes. Please move this item to consider. We've been joined by President James. Please re, item number 3 into the record. For me. Please

"Olivia Bennett"

number 3 is our dash 107 dash 22 a resolution pursuant to the capital and operating budget ordinances, approving the appropriation to fund the following noncompetitively negotiated contract for local metro police department for the boarding of the mounted patrols horses. Samantha temple DBA simple question for 70,000 dollars meaningful.

"Chair Dorsey"

If you here to speak to this item please come forward. Can I get a motion in a 2nd. a motion in a second
2nd.

I have a motion in a 2nd, please announce yourself for the record.

"Sgt. Brandon Savage"

Sergeant. Brandon's still have jumped the commander of the local metro police amount of patrol.

"Chair Dorsey"

Thank you. Please feel free.

"Sgt. Brandon Savage"

Oh, um, my understanding is that I'm here because, uh, there was a, um, put a purchase order in, I guess, for a contract to pay for our boarding fees and, um, it was not dead out. And that. I'm here to discuss. Uh, why that's the case I believe, and why we're not at Iroquois anymore.

"Chair Dorsey"

So there were a couple of questions that did come in 1, in the justification it did say an extensive search was performed. The question is, why wasn't extensive search versus a bid performed what was the differential in costs between EHR coin? And where it's housed now in motion, and then any additional cost with it being housed in Goshen versus airport. And I do want to acknowledge I do have councilman Fox. So, if you could answer those for me, I will then. Allow calcium in box and then, uh, the rest of council members, if you have a queue, you'll have to get in line behind our outside member thoughts. Please feel free. Thank you.

"Sgt. Brandon Savage"

So, um, the reason we're not at Iroquois anymore is in, um, which I brought a report from our inspections and compliance unit in 2020. there was a site inspection done on the barn.

And there were multiple, um, over a page of issues with the barn. Um, that was not suitable to have officers or horses in it. There was a lot of mold. lot of mold

The barn was falling down, um, 25 different leaks in the roof, uh, stalls, falling in and was just not safe for anyone to be there. Uh, the city came out, looked at it realized that it was not a safe place for the horses or the officers.

And at that time deemed that they would, the amount of patrol would need to find a new home. Um, I was not there at that time. I've only been in the unit since July or the end of July of last year.

So, all, this is going off conversations that I've had with previous commanders of the unit. unit

Um, and so, at that point, they were told that they needed to find a home immediately. They searched within Jefferson County looking for farms that could take on.

I believe at that time, they had 9 horses along with 5 officers and the trailers and the equipment. Um, our horses require 2 to 3 acres a piece to just sustain a good healthy horse.

We, um, so that was looking for someone that might have upwards the 20 acre pasture that would be open for our horses and they could not find. Within Jefferson County to lease, they looked at properties that might be for sale. They found a couple was my understanding, but they were multi 1Million dollar properties. The city did not want to spend that money. They went to outside counties, Shelby county and Oldham county. They found 2 places and Oldham county 1 was on the outside of the range 1 was in both of them were willing to take us on and met those requirements that our large horses needed.

The person who was running the farm in the Grange. They did a criminal bag.

Down on him, and he did not meet the criteria that the department felt was needed to.

Have a business with him and so that left the location that we are currently at, in, um.

I do not know why they did not did it out at that point. This was in 2020 that they moved there, February of 2020. so I don't know why it wasn't bit out. But I know that they looked and tried to find is, you know, comparable places. And this was the only place at the time. That could How's our amount of patrol unit

"Chair Dorsey"

is being out of your control. You did a really good job explaining that all right counsel with box. that all right counsel with box

"Council Member Fox"

Thank you, ma'am a sponsor of this piece of legislation and seeing the non competitively negotiated wording in it. I did a little digging myself, uh, for anybody it's a home, a horse owner.

Uh, you know, it's difficult to find boarding for a horse. The local police mounted patrol has 7 horses with 1 in training.

Uh, so in the near future, I have a total of 9 horses and to find to find just simply stable room.

For that number of animals is very, very difficult.

To do, um, the, uh, also the size requirements of the stalls differs based on the way to the horses.

These are not the pony type staples that you would you would get for for yourself, or for family member. These horses are very large enough.

My memory is correct, require 12 by 12 stall and there's very few of those available on the market as well. So there's a number of reasons in addition to the fact that this is a full service.

Storage facility, if you will, uh, feeds included, uh, cleaning stalls is included not a horse gap, but I think it's called mucking install. Is that right?

So, uh, but anyway there's a number of reasons why.

Well, this is a, uh, is a non, competitively bid contract and I, just as the sponsor wanted to speak to that. So thank you, Madam chair.

"Chair Dorsey"

Thank you for those who may have caught a laugh we have great colleagues. Here we work together. We got to have a little thunder in our meetings. Um, president James.

"Council President James"

Thank you Madam chair. Thank you. Thank you for being here. Uh, just a couple of questions. So the.

How far is the ghosting location from Jefferson County?

"Sgt. Brandon Savage"

I'm not sure exact mileage, but my guess would probably be 8 miles.

Okay, um, well, 8 miles, if we were to come back into Chris would to 71 if you were to go through prospect, it might be a little bit less.

"Council President James"

Gotcha, and then I guess my other question is for an officer that is getting ready to go on patrol with the horse. How much time is required to prepare.

For that event, you know, getting the horse ready and putting in the trailer and all that. And then how much is required to at the end of the shift to.

To rest of the horse, I guess. How much time is it for listing audience that.

Or watching this right now.

"Sgt. Brandon Savage"

Oh, typically, um, once we get there for us to get the horse out to the, sometimes they need bads, depending on what they did the night before.

Um, but, uh.

To pay them to get, em, groomed to get the tack on and get us ready and and you get to a location, depending on how far away is it could be as as long or as little as 2 hours to 3 hours.

Depending on how far we have to go, um, when we get back to unload them and tag them, get everything, put away for the evening, make sure they're fed and and put out the pasture, it would be another. If you include some travel time. And there probably another 2 hours at the end of the shift. So, you know, you sometimes have 4 hours that are eaten up.

Every day, you know, moving, getting getting ready, moving them out to make sure they're presented to the community correctly and then bring them back.

"Council President James"

Thank you. And I know the patrol divisions are on 12 hour shifts. Are you all on 12 hour shifts also around 10 hour shift shift.

"Sgt. Brandon Savage"

It helps for the horses to have every other week and to have a longer break because of the size of our horses. They're able to work longer. If they're not overworked. And so we get on patrol 15 years and then another.

5, usually in training, um, which is a good bit of longevity for a horse.

"Council President James"

That was my next question. All right. Thank you. So, very much.

"Committee Member Kramer"

And Kevin Kramer, thank you, Madam chair. Um, I have a couple questions. You mentioned the amount of acreage necessary.

Per horse, and trying to find a place, uh, how big was the area that we were in at Iroquois.

"Sgt. Brandon Savage"

Um, my understanding is that and that the acreage that we had there was approximately 2 to 3 acres total, um, which was not good for the horses. You can see our horses now versus when they were at Iroquois.

Now that they have a 30 acre pastor. Uh, they have more muscle mass they're healthier. Their, their, their hair looks better at shiny or and just overall they're a happier horse. And when we have a horse that's relaxed and feels better and looks better.

And it makes.

For a better patrol horse, it's safer on the street. Um, can can, could we keep a horse at a place like that? Are there units that do that? Yes. Is it is it the best thing for the horse? Um, absolutely not.

"Committee Member Kramer"

Okay. Thank you. Now, that that's certainly answer my question. Um, my next was how often do.

Do these horses work

"Sgt. Brandon Savage"

so we work for 10 hour shifts and they're used every day that we work.

Um, our, our unit is is.

Mostly at this point, community engagement, we, uh, we, we patrol, but we try to go to places where we're going to see as many people as possible. We like to go to the parks. We go to schools. We go to neighborhoods. Um, we also do a lot of special events.

We'll get invited to all festivals and parades, just festivals within a city limits that we do wherever. We can see as many people as possible and try to build the relationships with the citizens of the police.

Department is what we try to.

Do 1 day a week we do stay at the farm and train the horses are constantly being trained. Even when we're out on patrol we're training with them. There's 6,800 to 2400 pounds.

They are an animal and we want to make sure that we control them and can make it a safe environment for everyone since we're coming in contact with tens of thousands of people a year. of thousands of people a year

"Committee Member Kramer"

So, let me ask that differently. Um, how, how many times in the last 2 months have these horses been? Um.

I deployed, I don't know if that's the right language, but I'm curious how many times we've actually needed to use these horses to perform actual police work.

"Sgt. Brandon Savage"

Well, every day, though, every day that we have, every day that we have them out, we're doing police work. We're engaging with the community we're patrolling. you're asking if we're using them for crowd control or a crowd management

"Committee Member Kramer"

I'm asking you, or I'm not even asking that. I'm asking you. How many times have those have have we had those horses out in the public in the last 2 months

"Sgt. Brandon Savage"

we, they have them out we have them out 3 days a week. Because we work 4 days, 1 day's training the other 3 days that are out on patrol somewhere or at an event somewhere in the city.

"Committee Member Kramer"

So, if I looked at a calendar over the last 2 months, 3 days of the week, they've been out at some kind of an event.

"Sgt. Brandon Savage"

That's correct if we are now, if you wanted to look at the past month, we were at a week long competition in Lexington, a national competition, but if we're not doing, but if we are working and the weather is appropriate, it's not under 32 degrees or over 100 something that's dangerous for the horses. We are out somewhere on horseback. on horseback

"Committee Member Kramer"

Okay, so last week you actually work in 5 days in other weeks?

"Sgt. Brandon Savage"

It's, it's 3. Oh uh, well, the the way the week is, we work every Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday we're off every Thursday, Friday and then every other weekend.

So, yes, I guess you would say 5 days, it really be Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Saturday so it'd be 4 days in a 7 day work week.

"Committee Member Kramer"

Okay, okay. Thank you. I may double check.

"Chair Dorsey"

All right, I have a unique relationship with those horses as a former pooper scooper. So, uh, those are pretty big boys, but I do appreciate that work. I have seen them down in, um.

Around the shiny and Chicago park, the kids are very excited when they see them. Um.

They call them horses, uh, plural, but I do want to say, having them especially in city parks. And I think that goes to councilman Kramer's point where it's not just, um, forgive him upon a dog and pony show. But also, where it really does have a sense of security, because it's not just the horse, but it's also an officer. It's a unique form of engagement. It it does not feel threatening. It's not the traditional patrol car.

It has a sense of element of attractiveness almost.

Kids are attracted to and even adults are attracted to the horse, and then by by consequence also attracted to that officer mini conversations start, I would like to see more types of this deployment.

I see the 4 by four's the bikes the little pathways. I think the unique forms of engagement outside of the traditional patrol car are things that I like to praise.

This does not. I did a little.

Research myself, this looks on par, uh, the 70,000 I wanted to know how expensive it would be or should be, or should not be. It does tend to be on par with the leasing of a farm.

That's just what I looked up in regard to acreage, but I do want to praise the type of engagement that these horses provide the community and I think to councilman Kramer's point outside of the traditional events, just having them in the parks. parks

Working crowd control is a really unique form of engaging the community while also providing that security and public safety element and anytime we're able to get out of the cars and engage differently and uniquely should be praised. Um, you get enough flack in other places, but this, this is 1 point that I do think, um, creates a really unique situation for engagement of community. I'm gonna throw it back to President James and then we'll take it for a vote.

"Council President James"

Thank you and, uh, I did everything that you just said there, Madam chair. Um, I had a quick question. Can you tell me the interaction the horse unit has with the little police foundation?

Do they purchase the horses and right and support you will

"Sgt. Brandon Savage"

so our, the police foundation is a, is a huge supporter of our unit. We could not have a unit without them.

Um, they, they are responsible for going out on their own accord, obviously, but they go out and they, they solicit donors to purchase. All of our horses, so that that is not an encumbrance that the city has to take on, um, this year. Uh, we've gotten donations to put deposits down on 2 new horses that we will get in 2025. that's a 4 year training program that they get at Asbury University.

They buy them as so they're very for several months old and then we get them when they're 4 years old. So we've got that deposit for those.

They've purchased all the horses that we currently have in the unit, um, through donors and then they also just purchased.

they also just purchased

70+1000 dollar horse trailer. That was safer for our horses. In case. They were in an accident. They weren't slant loaded in. Um, it's a safer way for the horses ride and healthier. And so they, um, we approached them about that, and they were able to come up with the funds to purchase that for our unit. So, uh, we love our, our foundation and the relationship that we have with them. with them

"Council President James"

Thank you that that's outstanding information. Do they also buy your vehicles for.

"Sgt. Brandon Savage"

They do not the city takes care of, um, buying our trucks. Um, and they and the city has bought other stuff for the unit, but when we have a need, if the city is unable to provide that, we will ask the foundation and in my understanding. And what I've dealt with them, they've always come through for us when we needed them.

"Council President James"

Thank you very much. It's a little metro police foundation. Great organization. Yes, thank you.

"Sgt. Brandon Savage"

Darcy, do you mind if I speak to 1 more thing?
So, this free 70,000 dollars that I requested, um, because if you look at the map, 7, horses of the math, 7 horses at, um, 700 dollars a month equals, you know well, less than 140,000 was allotted to me in my budget. Um, because of. my budget um because of Inflation and price is changing and feed and electric, I went ahead and just requested the additional amount of money. Um, I just wanted you to understand that it's around 58,000. I believe, is what the actual cost is currently to what, uh, MS. temple has requested for us. for us

"Chair Dorsey"

And this is something 1 of 2 things.
I would like to see the spit it out, but I do think looking at the cost of inflation in regard to rent for land. I do think we are getting a good price.
Um, when I review that contract, just looking at commercial properties regarding farms. Um, and then, secondly, I think this is something that we should continue to invest in. Um, like I said, previously, I do have 1 question.
You may not know the answer to this. It's a little off topic. Do we own the.
Boy, stable.
Is that city owned?

"Sgt. Brandon Savage"

I, I do not know. For a fact I have asked well, no, I believe I was told that they believe that Metro parks owned it, and then it was city owned, but I, I do not have that answer.

"Chair Dorsey"

So, that's something we, we should look at, in regard to different maintenance that that's really where I was placing that, um, when you were saying how the staples had dilapidated looking at the time period, is that something else we add to our deferred maintenance lists um, again Thank you for the good work. You did a really good job justifying this. Um, as it was put in your lap this is a resolution allowing for a voice vote, all those in favor signify by saying, aye. All those opposed Madam Clark, please move this item to consider please read item number 4 into the record. For me. Please.

"Olivia Bennett"

And number 4 is dash 140 Dash, 22 a resolution pursuant to the capital and operating budget ordinances, approving the appropriation to fund the following on competitively negotiated professional service contract for local Metro, public, health and wellness concerning gets employment of a coded response coordinator, University of global for 45,000 dollars, right? In full.
thousand dollars right in full

"Chair Dorsey"

If you're here to speak to this, please come forward. Can I get a motion in a 2nd.

"Committee Member Purvis"

Motion purpose

"Chair Dorsey"

2nd Dorsey who's going to speak to this item?

"Taylor Ingram"

Hi, good afternoon. My name is Taylor increment. I service the chief of staff for the local metro Department of public health and wellness.

"Chair Dorsey"

Please continue Thank you.

"Taylor Ingram"

Yes, we would like to continue through the end of this calendar year, partnering with the University of rules, school of medicine, to benefit from Dr, John Klein's expertise.

This was a relationship that was developed during the pandemic and has been funded through funds to provide the health department and the city additional medical and scientific consultation services that.

Relates to everything from testing vaccines to surveillance data, regulatory developments and medical treatments.

And, like, I mentioned, approval of this contract would allow us to continue this through the end of this year.

"Chair Dorsey"

Thank you a couple of things I want to point out these contracts are signed back in August and.

That can't that can't continue, but a couple questions. What is the plan in regard to Dr client's role post?

December, is that something you're looking at moving to general funds?

I'm just wondering why that contract or what is the plan after 23,122.

"Taylor Ingram"

Yeah, we do not currently have the general funds to be able to support this work. So we will have to review additional option. Should the need continue.

"Chair Dorsey"

Okay, so when should that review when do you plan on that review? Taking place as we have a sunset and we're in October the 18th are we today?

So, when is that review taking place to understand if we will need to potentially look at how we fund this role moving forward?

"Taylor Ingram"

Yeah, that's an ongoing discussion related to each of our projects funded through through the dollars.

"Chair Dorsey"

I understand that when should we expect to hear something back in that regard? If this is expected to come back before this committee.

"Taylor Ingram"

I don't expect this particular contract too, but I'm happy to update the committee if that's something that you would like.

"Chair Dorsey"

Thank you and the reason why I ask that is because I'm looking at the date of August in this, and then looking at the fact that it's sunsets in December, I don't want to see that delay again. So, I'm, I'm asking in regard if there is the potential to extend this, we will want to have that conversation now. So we're not looking forward to extending this. This is just to take us through the end of the year and potentially sunsetting correct.

"Taylor Ingram"

Yes, absolutely understood in anytime we're working with another outside agency, like the University of local sometimes these, these take a little longer than we would like to push through.

"Chair Dorsey"

Well, they were signed by both agent while I'm looking at an 11 811 date and an 815 date. So it looks like there was a double signature. It just looks like, as though it did not get to our desk until 2018. um, but we understand this is going through the end of the year and cove it. So we're gonna let this 1 slide and we'd like to see that forward planning. This is a resolution allowing for a voice for all those in favor. Please signify by saying, aye. please signify by saying aye All as oppose resolution passes, Madam, please move this item to consider please read the next item to the record. For me. Please.

"Olivia Bennett"

Item number 5 is 14,822 a resolution present to the capital and operating budget ordinances, approving the appropriation to fund the following, non competitively negotiated professional service contract for local Metro, public health and wellness concerning specialized physician services in the area of chemical dependency treatment.
Dr, Mark George MD for 183,960 dollars reading full

"Chair Dorsey"

Thank you. Can I get a motion in a 2nd.

"Vice Chair Engel"

Motion to approve angle.

"Committee Member Purvis"

2nd, thank you. 2nd by purpose.

"Chair Dorsey"

I'm assuming Taylor. You're here to speak to this item as well.
I am please announce yourself again for the record and then proceed.

"Taylor Ingram"

Of course, uh, Taylor Ingram, chief of staff for the Department of public health and wellness.

Uh, this is a continuation of a contract with Dr Mark George, who serves as the medical director for our medication assisted treatment program, uh, known as the more center, or now, the more program in this capacity. He oversees clinical direction, including prescribing medication, medical referrals for additional services and coordinates with the medical and counseling care teams.

George brings more than 20 years of addiction, medicine experience, and uniquely holds all of the regulatory certifications required to oversee this program and he has been instrumental in our program's transition in extending the evidence based treatment to people who are incarcerated at

D. C.

"Chair Dorsey"

So, quick question again, is this not a, this is a contract so this is not a local metro employee, correct?

"Taylor Ingram"

That is correct.

"Chair Dorsey"

Okay. And are we looking at potentially bidding this out?

"Taylor Ingram"

This is a really unique skill set and Dr George has worked with us for over 15 years. So there is some concern if we were to to bid this out about losing that expertise.

And the historical knowledge with the program,

"Chair Dorsey"

we have that same concern with homelessness and we were told that there was documentation in order to create a continuum of care. So, do we not have the same processes in protocol in place?

"Taylor Ingram"

Yes, the program does have a supervisor and a program director that oversee the day to day operations of the clinic.

And Dr George provides those unique skills that only a medical doctor can for the administration of the program.

"Chair Dorsey"

So, what would be the fear of bidding this out and if we don't have a qualified personnel, stating that in the justification, and then continuing that relationship.

"Taylor Ingram"

We can definitely explore that in the future I will say, to the earlier discussion around being able to hire for this position. We do not currently have the funding for this to be a full time position, nor is there a job classification that would allow us to hire it directly?

"Chair Dorsey"

So, if this works for corrections, I was told at 1 point, it is 1 of the largest drug recovery it is the largest drug recovery in in the region. So, it seems as though as a Metro, this is something that we do need to prioritize, uh, as little metro corrections is probably 1 of the largest place for people, not only recovery, but detox as well. Uh, if that is a unique skill set, I do think that that's something we probably need to do a national search for. If we are to look at bringing on an employee or a national bid search, if we're looking on bringing on an agency, considering that Kentucky 1, uh, just 1 a large settlement in regard to opioid funds and looking at the continuum that we're looking at, with that particular amount of federal funding coming in, we would want to prioritize this work. So I do hope that we look to bring in someone who has, um. That level of expertise onto staff, especially as we're looking at what we're facing. Um, and the resources that we're getting as Jefferson County, Louisville, um, out of the opioid settlement, I do think that that would be a unique asset to add and I do hope that little metro corrections applies for that funding and that we're able to hire someone on staff considering that we are the largest detox program here in the county. I think we should make that a. Priority, um, are there any other comments from committee members. If that this is a resolution allowing for a voice vote, all those in favor, please think about it by saying, aye. Hi, how those oppose. Adam Clark please move this item to consider please read the next item and should the record for me. Please.

"Olivia Bennett"

Item number 6 is 10,422 resolution approving the granting of local incentives to amerisourcebergen drug corporation and any subsequent or approved affiliates. There. A person wants to chapter 154 sub chapter, 32 red and full. Thank you. Can I get a motion in a 2nd. full thank you can i get a motion in a second Boston Dorsey can I get a 4th angle? Thank you. Please proceed and ask yourself please proceed.

"Jake Meadley"

A good afternoon, Jake, madly economic development with mobile forward speaking on behalf of amerisourcebergen, drug Corporation. amerisource amerisourcebergen is the leader in global pharmaceutical sourcing and distribution services with this 2018 project. They have expanded their local pharmaceutical distribution distribution facility at 6,001, global distribution way in council district. 2. Here they have invested over 13,000,000. The alphabet their expansion and have hired 134. Full time employees bring in their total employment at this facility to 170. We'll move forward and supports this project. It looks forward to its approval from this body.

"Chair Dorsey"

What incentive year are we in?
The incident what year are we end.

"Jake Meadley"

We're in 2022,

"Chair Dorsey"

but no, no what their activation day I'm looking at 2018.

"Jake Meadley"

yes that's when the project.
That's when they got a preliminary approval for their project.

"Chair Dorsey"

Okay. And so they have multiple part of the year. It looks like there's a 8 year. Um.
Time breath, excuse me, in order excuse me, time period in order for them to meet their job target. I know that they're over that target. What year are we in though? So, if it were approved in 2018, we're in 2022. are we in the 4th or 5th year?

"Jake Meadley"

I think we're in the 4th year. Okay. That's what I was at.
I can double check just to verify that.

"Chair Dorsey"

All right and good job to them. Kudos if they're hitting over their job target, what is the average pay per hour? 42 dollars for their distribution. Okay that sounds like what we're seeing. Okay. okay that sounds like what we're seeing okay

Tell me. All right, this is a resolution allowing for a voice voice voice, vote, all those in favor signify by saying, aye. All those oppose resolution passes Madam Clark, please read, please move this item to consider please read the next item into the record. For me. Please.

"Olivia Bennett"

Item number 7 is 105 dash 22 a resolution pursuant to the capital operating budget ordinances, approving the appropriation to fund the following non competitively negotiated professional service contract for youth transition services concerning gets filled released program young, men's, Christian association of greater level 111,044 dollars, running full.

"Chair Dorsey"

You're on it for a 2nd Darcy, because you announce yourself for the record please. Yeah. It's good to know.

"Endora Davis"

Indoor Davis director. You've transitional services.

"Chair Dorsey"

Thank you. Please proceed.

"Endora Davis"

Yes, I stand here, but this resolution to support Y. M. C. A. with the non competitive big contract to support the services of the youth screen and center that was funded through funding in November of 2021. thousand and twenty one

"Chair Dorsey"

The only question I have is under the justification, it gives a program description, not a justification as to why this wouldn't was not vetted out. Would you be able to tell us why we did not bid this.

"Endora Davis"

Yes, ma'am.

The reason why I was not beaten historically, the YMCA safe place provided services to youth detention centers, alternative placement services and the services that they provide as far as the services, the mentoring, um. And just all the services they provide, they're 24 hours shelter to where we have juveniles coming into our facility and we don't know what time of day or night that they may need to go to the YMCA, safe place. This was big back in 2006 up under the alternative placement, but the YMCA was the only establishment that met all of the needs for the services that we needed.

"Endora Davis"

So, just going on the historical knowledge of the services and the relationship that we have. relationship that we have
Together we turned back to the, why NCA

"Chair Dorsey"

are there plans to potentially bid this out?

"Endora Davis"

Absolutely ma'am. If we needed to build this out, we could, but due to the time constraint of opening up the screen and center, we went with the YMCA.

"Chair Dorsey"

So, it looks like this is going to send that as of 63,023. do we have plans to bid it out before then? So we gotta give ourselves a little bit of transitional time.

"Endora Davis"

Yes, ma'am. We will have time to beat it.

"Chair Dorsey"

Okay. 1 thing I do say that this is coming out of the. out of the 8 dollars, what is the particular volume that we're seeing the YMCA take on this program? So far

"Endora Davis"

we have not seen many, maybe less than 5.
however, um, parents have been responding to pick up their juveniles at the transitional center and simply because we're not a detention facility. We can't hold the kids for, you know, an extended amount of time. So, we just want to be able to have that service there.

If we need it, and just, um, ironically, today we did have a kid that was.

Um.

Court order to go to the services through us so it's a good thing to have it when you need it. Not knowing. Exactly.

When you're going to need those

"Chair Dorsey"

and this is centralized not not multi point. So not multi facility just 1 centralized particular facility?

"Endora Davis"

Yes. Couldn't drive.

"Chair Dorsey"

Okay. All right. Are there any other questions?

I do look forward to the the bid on this, and I am appreciative that we have reincorporated this back into our system after hearing some of the concerns from my officers. So, I do think that this is a good move for us, but I would like to see this spit it out.

This is a resolution allowing for a voicemail, all those in favor signify by saying, aye.

All those opposed, please read this move this item to consent. Please read the next item into the record. For me. Please.

"Olivia Bennett"

I don't remember it as our dash 10,622 a resolution pursuant to the capital and operating budget ordinances, approving the appropriation to fund the following non, competitively negotiated professional service contract for the office of resilience and community services concerning the creation of the social justice development certificate program.

And youth, equity data report, University of local, for 100,000 dollars rainfall. university of local for one hundred thousand dollars rainfall

"Chair Dorsey"

Thank you can I get a motion in a 2nd, most indoorsy kind of get a. 2nd part is, um, please announce yourself for the record and please continue.

"Carla Kirby"

My name is Carla Kirby, and I'm assistant director of the office for safe and healthy note, neighborhood, division of youth, engagement services. Formerly the office. If he's development under our Thank you continue.

Um,

I'm here today to ask for the approval of this resolution for the University of Louisville research center to continue its 3rd year of service to metro government for the development and implementation of the social

justice youth development certification program. Dr Oscar brown with University of global. Is here to answer any specific questions, but I will be able to.

"Chair Dorsey"

I'm going to start with councilman Nicole, George and George.

"Council Member George"

Thank you chair and I want to stay on the front end, I believe, and I'm not sure if this is loaded into the system, but we actually have a title

amendment because rather than this go to resiliency community services, the contract is now held within the opposite safe and healthy neighborhoods.

Can someone please tell me if that was in the system if not, maybe someone can make them see that loaded in.

No, it is not. Okay. Maybe someone on the committee can make that amendment.

"Chair Dorsey"

What is the, what is the amendment if you make it? I can motion.

"Council Member George"

It would, it would be to amend the title to include the office of seat and healthy neighborhoods.

"Chair Dorsey"

To include her to replace councilman George.

To replace, um.

Okay motion can I get a 2nd, the amendment resolution is before us?

333 "Harward, Sonya" (1660098816)

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Sorry, Tony walked in. Um, so the resolution is before it says there, the amended resolution before is is there any discussion.

"Council Member George"

Madam chair, if I may, the only other thing I wanted to mention was that, as part of this work, just as a reminder to everyone, this work was really born out of a needs assessment.

The University of Louisville's, public, health and Kent school social work did, as I understand it, they did this needs assessment to better understand what was needed to develop our youth service capacity.

And as a result, that's how they came about with, with this program.

Um, it's also the justification for the sole source contract.

"Chair Dorsey"

Okay, I was going to say, because it says the attached, there's no attachment. Okay. So the amendment is before us, all those in favor of the amended.

And then we can discuss that please signify by saying, aye.

I all those opposed right?

The minute is before us, that being said, my only question was, it appeared as though, in,

in a budget presentation that there was a request for this out of dollars but it looks as though this is being this is being funded out of general fund. Is there a reason why we have gone.

From to general fund, or was any portion of this funded through allocations.

"Carla Kirby"

Actually, that relates to another title error in this, and that it says that part of the scope of work of Dr Brown is to develop the use equity report. That is not within the scope of this personal services contract. We are going to be funding that work under.

"Chair Dorsey"

So, where should the correction be made? Is it in this document or is it in the budget presentation?

"Carla Kirby"

It should be made in the resolution title.

"Chair Dorsey"

Okay so we have another amendment.

"Carla Kirby"

To remove any reference to a use equity data to report.
To be presented in this.

"Chair Dorsey"

Okay. So, uh, Madam Clark. Can you actually say that on the record? Cause I was thinking that we probably need to make it and then just move it to old business.

"Sonya Harward"

So, um, because it's already amended, it's going to old business anyway, if we could have Paul, rather for who I think is on the meeting, maybe he can work with you all to make all the amendments necessary. And then we could do another proposed amendment on the floor at the council meeting. Is that okay? Paul.

"Paul Rutherford"

Yes, ma'am that science Paul, rather for with the county attorney, it sounds like you guys just need to strike.
The words and a youth equity data report from the title of the resolution.
And from the description of the contract, uh, in the in the body of the resolution.

"Chair Dorsey"

No, we don't have time. Okay, so you all will get together and do this.
Um.
See, we can do present. This is a resolution allow. Well, actually, can we do a roll call? Something we can do present that way?

They can amend this. Yes. Um.

We're good we'll do a voicemail. Uh, and then we'll.

Because it's going to go. Oh, business will be fine. All right, this is a resolution allowing for a voice vote all those in favor. Please signify by saying, aye.

Hi, hi all those opposed. Thank you. Madam Clark. Please move this item to oh business. Please read the next item to the record for me. Please.

"Olivia Bennett"

I don't know 9 is our dash 107 dollars 22 a resolution pursuant to the capital and operating budget ordinances, approving the appropriation to fund the following, non competitively negotiated professional service contract for local Metro, public health and wellness concerning its employment of a laboratory director University of low for 58,346 dollars and 16 cents right?

And for most endorsing can I get a 2nd can I go. for most endorsing can i get a second can i go

What I have here to speak to this Taylor.

"Taylor Ingram"

Please announce herself to Taylor chief of staff for the Department of public health and wellness.

And this is a partnership with the University of Movile, uh, we share several employees to be able to pull resources and jointly hire expertise needed by both organizations, including Dr Leslie wolf she splits her time in salary 50, 50 with the University of local division of infectious diseases and the health department.

In her capacity with us,

as she carries out responsibilities established by the National clinical laboratory improvement amendments also known as clear that can only be assumed by a qualified laboratory director and she oversees many of our day to day operations to make sure that our tests are appropriate and high quality.

"Chair Dorsey"

So, do we not need a full time for this particular role? Are we, we are fine with the part time.

Yes, okay. And then the 2nd question is this is coming out of general funds, but because this is infectious disease, is this not something that qualifies for dollars?

"Taylor Ingram"

Unfortunately, the scope of her work is broader than just covid. It also includes things like, lead testing, STDs, pool, water among many other things. So, um, we are using general funds for this position.

"Chair Dorsey"

Okay all right and it looks like her contract is set to go through.

Almost a year from now. So, are we looking at potentially bidding this work out at some point? Or are we saying we are fine with a part time? At 58 a year and is that on par with what we are getting the services that we are receiving. receiving

"Taylor Ingram"

Yeah, unfortunately we do not have the budget or the work capacity this time for a full time position. So the partnership with the University of Google is a great fit.

Um, if the committee would like us to explore a bidding option, we can explore that when it comes to.

"Chair Dorsey"

We would looking at, uh, different options, even though it is even though we don't have the volume, if there are cases in, which we can do per service or, uh, per instant.

It's just good to know what's out there in the market and the free market. And if we do a bid and we renew for 3 or 4 years after I think that's, uh, that's reasonable. But I would like to see our services vetted out instead of our traditional churn through.

But this is a resolution allowing for our voicemail, all those in favor signify by saying, aye aye all those opposed.

Please move this item to consider. We have 1 more item. Madam clerk.

Please read that into the record.

Are we out of time? Oh, let's see. Who who are? Who's going to have to wait.

The effort to increase on the 2nd chance we can wait that. All right we are adjourned. Thank you everyone for your time.