



Louisville Metro Government

Action Summary - Tentative Public Works Committee

Chair Nicole George (D-21)
Vice Chair Stuart Benson (R-20)
Committee Member Keisha Dorsey (D-3)
Committee Member Bill Hollander (D-9)
Committee Member Anthony Piagentini (R-19)
Committee Member Madonna Flood (D-24)
Committee Member Brent Ackerson (D-26)

Tuesday, April 19, 2022

4:00 PM

Council Chambers

Call to Order

Chair George called the meeting to order at 4:02 p.m.

Roll Call

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

- Present:** 5 - Committee Member Keisha Dorsey (D-3), Committee Member Anthony Piagentini (R-19), Vice Chair Stuart Benson (R-20), Chair Nicole George (D-21), and Committee Member Madonna Flood (D-24)
- Excused:** 2 - Committee Member Bill Hollander (D-9), and Committee Member Brent Ackerson (D-26)

Non-Committee Member(s)

Council President David James (D-6)

Support Staff

Hollie Hopkins, Jefferson County Attorney's Office

Clerk(s)

Cheryl Woods, Assistant Clerk
Sonya Harward, Clerk

Special Discussion

1. [ID 22-0552](#)

Solid Waste Drop Off Sites - Vanessa Burns, Public Works

Attachments: [2021 Pop-Up Drop-Off Report for PW Committee 4-19-22.pdf](#)

Karen Maynard and Pete Flood, Public Works, gave a presentation (see attached).

The following spoke to this item:

- Chair George
- Karen Maynard
- Committee Member Piagentini
- Vanessa Burns, Public Works
- Committee Member Dorsey

The following was discussed:

- Question about the most common item brought to the drop-off sites
- Electronics are among the most collected items at the drop-off sites
- The first event of 2022 was held on April 1, 2022 at Sun Valley/Ashby Lane Baptist Church
- Schedule for pop-up/drop-off sites are online at Louisvilleky.gov/popups
- Question about opening the Middletown/Anchorage recycling center
- Question about whether there are sites in West Louisville
- Down tree limbs would need to be wrapped and on curbs or in alleys to be picked up with yard waste

2. [ID 22-0553](#)

System Development Charge Update - Jeff Brown, Public Works

Attachments: [PWA SDC update committee 20220419.pdf](#)

The following spoke to this item:

- Jeff Brown, Public Works
- Committee Member Piagentini
- Monica Harmon, Office of Management and Budget

The following was discussed:

- A public hearing will be held to gather feedback
- The Office of Management and Budget is working with contracted public auditors and state auditors
- The language states "financial analysis" rather than "auditor"
- The development community raised concerns about the accuracy of the numbers
- Question about verifying the actual numbers
- Questions and concerns about where the numbers are generated
- Questions and concerns about fees that were charged to the developers
- Question about when the community meetings will be held

3. [ID 22-0554](#)**Street Lighting Survey Results - Jeff Brown, Public Works**

Attachments: [USD street lighting study 20220419.pdf](#)

Jeff Brown, Public Works, gave a presentation (see attached).

The following spoke to this item:

- Chair George
- Jeff Brown
- Vanessa Burns, Public Works
- Dirk Gowin, Public Works

The following was discussed:

- Crash rates and crime rates are higher at night
- Crash data study was concentrated at night
- The study examined crime and location to identify hot spots for additional lighting
- Metro Government leases all roadway lighting from Louisville Gas and Electric Company
- There are 20 hot spots for crash and crime locations
- Hot spot #1 is Bardstown Road and Goldsmith Lane
- Questions and concerns about future lighting standards
- Question about a general time line of when the lights will be installed at the intersections
- The project will begin in July and last for five years

4. [ID 22-0563](#)**Taxi Rates - Robert irchdorfer, Codes and Regulations and Don Woodcock, Yellow Cab**

This item was discussed together with item 5.

Pending Legislation5. [O-139-22](#)**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE LOUISVILLE METRO CODE OF ORDINANCES SECTION 115.253 REGARDING RATES OF FARE FOR VEHICLES FOR HIRE (AS AMENDED).**

Sponsors: Primary David James (D-6)

Attachments: [O-139-22 V.2 CAM 041922 Amend LMCO 115.253 RE Fare Rates for Vehicles for Hire.pdf](#)
[O-139-22 PROPOSED CAM 041922 Amend LMCO 115.253 RE Fare Rates for Vehicles for Hire.pdf](#)
[O-139-22 V.1 041422 Amend LMCO 115.253 RE Fare Rates for Vehicles for Hire.pdf](#)

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

The following spoke to this item:

- Council President James
- Don Woodcock, Yellow Cab
- Robert Kirchdorfer, Code and Regulations
- Chair George

The following was discussed:

- The last time Louisville's taxi/cab drivers received a fare rate increase was in February 2012
- Rates for taxis are regulated by Metro Government
- The challenge is that the number of taxi/cab drivers has declined
- Taxi/Cab drivers work between 14 and 18 hours a day
- Gas prices have increased for drivers without an increase in fare rates
- Question about fare rates compared to other cities

A motion was made by Committee Member Piagentini, seconded by Vice Chair Benson, that this Ordinance be amended as shown in the attached document titled "O-139-22 V.2 CAM 041922 Amend LMCO 115.253 RE Fare Rates for Vehicles for Hire.pdf".

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: 4 - Dorsey, Benson, George, and Flood

No: 1 - Piagentini

Excused: 2 - Hollander, and Ackerson

Adjournment

Without objection, Chair George adjourned the meeting at 5:00 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 April 28, 2022.