



# Louisville Metro Government

## Action Summary - Final Community Affairs, Housing, Health and Education Committee

*Chair Barbara Shanklin (D-2)*  
*Vice Chair Kevin Triplett (D-15)*  
*Committee Member Jessica Green (D-1)*  
*Committee Member Donna Purvis (D-5)*  
*Committee Member Marilyn Parker (R-18)*  
*Committee Member Stuart Benson (R-20)*  
*Committee Member Brent Ackerson (D-26)*

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Wednesday, October 6, 2021

1:30 PM

Council Chambers/Virtual

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**THIS MEETING IS BEING HELD VIA VIDEO TELECONFERENCE**

### Call to Order

Vice Chair Triplett called the meeting to order at 1:01 p.m.

### Roll Call

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

**Note: All committee members and non-committee members present attended virtually, except for Council Member Arthur, and Council Member George who attended in Chambers.**

**Present:** 7 - Committee Member Jessica Green (D-1), Chair Barbara Shanklin (D-2), Committee Member Donna L. Purvis (D-5), Vice Chair Kevin Triplett (D-15), Committee Member Marilyn Parker (R-18), Committee Member Stuart Benson (R-20), and Committee Member Brent Ackerson (D-26)

### Non-Committee Member(s)

**Council Member Jecorey Arthur (D-4), and Council Member Nicole George (D-21)**

### Support Staff

**Natalie Johnson, Jefferson County Attorney's Office**

### Clerk(s)

**Olivia Bennett, Assistant Clerk**  
**Sonya Harward, Clerk**

## Special Discussion

1. [ID 21-1271](#)

**JCPS regarding COVID-19 related health challenges and changes students are facing this school year - Abby Piper, Jefferson County Public Schools**

This special discussion will be rescheduled.

## Pending Legislation

2. [O-428-21](#)

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE LOUISVILLE METRO CODE OF ORDINANCES CHAPTERS 92 AND 130 RELATED TO BIAS-RELATED CRIMES AND OFFENSES TO MAKE PEOPLE EXPERIENCING HOUSELESSNESS A PROTECTED CLASS (AS AMENDED).**

**Sponsors:** Primary Jecorey Arthur (D-4), Additional Keisha Dorsey (D-3), Additional Cassie Chambers Armstrong (D-8), Additional Bill Hollander (D-9), Additional Nicole George (D-21) and Additional Brent Ackerson (D-26)

**Attachments:** [O-428-21 V.2 CAM 100621 Amend LMCO 92 and 130 RE Making People Experiencing Houselessness a Protected Class.pdf](#)  
[O-428-21 V.1 082621 Amend LMCO 92 and 130 RE Making People Experiencing Houselessness a Protected Class.pdf](#)

A motion was made by Committee Member Ackerson, seconded by Committee Member Benson, that this Resolution be untabled.

The motion carried by a voice vote and this Resolution was untabled.

The following spoke to this item:

- Council Member Arthur
- Verna Goatley, Human Relations Commission

The following was discussed:

- There are Ordinances currently established relating to bias-related or hate crimes, and this new Ordinance would add housing or homeless status to the current existing codes
- Questions as to how this Ordinance would be enforced -- the process for enforcement includes:
  - Victims, advocates or witnesses filing a hate crime complaint with the Human Rights Campaign ("HRC")
  - The HRC will do an investigation to determine probable cause or no probable cause, and depending on the crime committed, the appropriate remedies would be decided
- Reporting of any crime that has taken place
- This Ordinance will help build trust with local government
- This Ordinance will help prevent future violence
- Questions regarding enforcement and Metro employees -- Metro employees who have to re-locate a homeless camp would not get into trouble for a hate crime for doing their job as instructed by their superiors, but if hate speech or

violence associated with hate was used, that would result in repercussions  
- Hate crime complaint processes  
- Confusion regarding the Homelessness class and how to define it -- Changing the language in the Ordinance from housing status to homeless status and the definition associated with it

A motion was made by Vice Chair Triplett, seconded by Committee Member Green, that this Resolution be amended as shown in the attached documents titled "O-428-21 V.2 CAM 100621 Amend LMCO 92 and 130 RE Making People Experiencing Houselessness a Protected Class.pdf. "

The motion to amend carried by a voice vote.

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

3. [R-105-21](#)

**A RESOLUTION HONORING CHARLES "BUD" DORSEY BY DEDICATING THE CORNER OF BURWELL AVENUE AND 18TH STREET AS "CHARLES 'BUD' DORSEY WAY" IN HIS HONOR.**

Sponsors: Primary Keisha Dorsey (D-3)

Attachments: [R-105-21 V.1 092321 Honoring Charles Bud Dorsey- Burwell Ave and 18th Street.pdf](#)

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

No one spoke to this item.

A motion was made by Committee Member Stuart Benson, seconded by Committee Member Green, that this Resolution be tabled.

The motion carried with a voice vote and the Resolution was tabled.

A motion was made by Committee Member Benson, seconded by Committee Member Purvis, that this Resolution be untabled.

Keturah Morrow, Legislative Aide for District 3, spoke to this item.

The following was discussed:

- Charles "Bud" Ford Dorsey Jr., a longtime Louisville photographer, died July 8, 2021
- Louisville Defender (where "Bud" Dorsey worked as a freelance photographer in 1981) is located at 18th Street and Burwell Avenue
- District 3 would like to place an honorary street sign there in his remembrance

The motion carried with a voice vote and the Resolution was sent to the Consent Calendar.

## Adjournment

Without objection, Vice Chair Triplett adjourned the meeting at 1:21 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 October 14, 2021.