



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, March 8, 2022

4:00 PM

Council Chambers/Virtual

THIS MEETING IS BEING HELD VIA VIDEO TELECONFERENCE

Call to Order

Chair George called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

Roll Call

Chair George 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 George, Vice Chair Benson, Committee Member Hollander, Committee Member Piagentini, and Council Member Fox, who attended in Chambers.**

Present: 7 - Committee Member Keisha Dorsey (D-3), Committee Member Bill Hollander (D-9), Committee Member Anthony Piagentini (R-19), Vice Chair Stuart Benson (R-20), Chair Nicole George (D-21), Committee Member Madonna Flood (D-24), and Committee Member Brent Ackerson (D-26)

Non-Committee Member(s)

Council Member Mark Fox (D-13)

Support Staff

Anne Scholtz, Jefferson County Attorney's Office

Clerk(s)

Cheryl Woods, Assistant Clerk
Sonya Harward, Clerk

Special Discussion

1. [ID 22-0320](#)

Bipartisan Infrastructure Law - Jeff O'Brien, Develop Louisville

Attachments: [MC PW Committee 3_8_22.pdf](#)

Jeff O'Brien, Develop Louisville, gave a presentation.

The following spoke to this item:

- Chair George
- Committee Member Piagentini
- Committee Member Hollander
- Vice Chair Benson
- Committee Member Ackerson

The following was discussed:

- The Bipartisan Infrastructure Law ("BIL") is a \$1 trillion federal bill that covers roads, bridges, trenches, water service, broadband, and anything else related to infrastructure
- Two general pots of funding - the first is the Competitive Grants which comes from federal funding, and the second Formula Funding which comes through Surface Transportation Block Grant Program
- Kentuckiana Regional Planning and Development Agency ("KIPDA") administers the Surface Transportation Block Grant Program
- Most BIL programs require a local match - usually 20% for the formula funds
- Question about where the medium size projects are cataloged and prioritized
- Move Louisville's first project was called "Fix It First" and it was to pave streets
- Question about which grants Metro Government anticipates receiving
- The match dollars must come from Metro Government's general fund or State Highway funds
- The East Market Street project will cost \$10 million
- Metro Government will be looking for projects between \$50 million and \$100 million in the Competitive Grants program that will require a high match from the State of Kentucky
- The Formula Funds that come through KIPDA will be focused on the projects that cost \$5 million to \$8 million
- Question about the community's capacity to meet its needs
- Questions about the bridge projects and their funding
- Develop Louisville will apply for a planning grant to connect the eastern and western neighborhoods on Broadway
- Question about whether there is a software package that stores all the projects
- Questions and concerns about the Plantside Drive project, and whether it is a City of Jeffersontown issue or not

Pending Legislation

2. [R-035-22](#)

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE OFFICE OF THE JEFFERSON COUNTY ATTORNEY TO BRING A CONDEMNATION ACTION AGAINST THE OWNERS OF CERTAIN PROPERTY, PARCEL NO. SIXTY (60), IN JEFFERSON COUNTY IN CONNECTION WITH THE OHIO RIVER LEVEE TRAIL PHASE III.

Sponsors: Primary David James (D-6)

Attachments: [R-035-22 V.1 030322 Parcel No. 60 in Connectin with Ohio River Levee Tr Ph III Condemnation.pdf](#)
[R-035-22 ATTACH Exhibit B - Plat Map.pdf](#)

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

The following spoke to this item:

- Jeff Brown, Public Works
- Anne Scholtz, Jefferson County Attorney's Office
- Committee Member Piagentini
- Mike Penick, Public Works
- Committee Member Ackerson

The following was discussed:

- The property lies along Camp Ground Road on the Louisville Loop
- The owner of the property is in bankruptcy and stated that his company will be jeopardized if he conveys, and Metro Government will not be able to obtain a clear title to the property
- Question about whether the condemnation letter was sent by certified mail
- The condemnation letter was sent by regular mail
- The property will be a significant part of the Ohio River Levee Trail

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

3. [R-036-22](#)

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE OFFICE OF THE JEFFERSON COUNTY ATTORNEY TO BRING A CONDEMNATION ACTION AGAINST THE OWNERS OF CERTAIN PROPERTY, PARCEL NO. THREE (3), IN JEFFERSON COUNTY IN CONNECTION WITH THE WHITES LANE BRIDGE REPLACEMENT PROJECT.

Sponsors: Primary Mark H. Fox (D-13)

Attachments: [R-036-22 V.1 030322 Parcel No. 3 \(Gonzales, Lelidy, et al.\) Condemnation White Ln Bridge Project.pdf](#)

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

The following spoke to this item:

- Council Member Fox
- Chair George
- Mike Penick, Public Works
- Anne Scholtz, Jefferson County Attorney's Office

The following was discussed:

- Question about why the condemnation is necessary
- The bridge on Whites Lane is in danger of collapsing
- This is considered a friendly condemnation
- The deed could not be accepted because the husband is in Mexico and both signatures are required
- Metro Government has a low rate of condemnations

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

Adjournment

Without objection, Chair George adjourned the meeting at 4:57 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.