



**Action Summary - Tentative  
Budget Committee**

*Chair Bill Hollander (D-9)*  
*Vice Chair Kevin Kramer (R-11)*  
*Committee Member Jecorey Arthur (D-4)*  
*Committee Member Paula McCraney (D-7)*  
*Committee Member Cassie Chambers Armstrong (D-8)*  
*Committee Member Cindi Fowler (D-14)*  
*Committee Member Markus Winkler (D-17)*  
*Committee Member Anthony Piagentini (R-19)*  
*Committee Member Nicole George (D-21)*  
*Committee Member Robin Engel (R-22)*  
*Committee Member Brent Ackerson (D-26)*

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Thursday, June 17, 2021

5:00 PM

Council Chambers/Virtual

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**Call to Order**

Chair Hollander called the meeting to order at 5:08 p.m.

**Roll Call**

Chair Hollander 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 the following who attended in Chambers:**

- Chair Hollander
- Vice Chair Kramer
- Committee Member Arthur
- Committee Member George
- Council President James

**Present:** 11 - Committee Member Jecorey Arthur (D-4), Committee Member Paula McCraney (D-7), Committee Member Cassie Chambers Armstrong (D-8), Chair Bill Hollander (D-9), Vice Chair Kevin Kramer (R-11), Committee Member Cindi Fowler (D-14), Committee Member Markus Winkler (D-17), Committee Member Anthony Piagentini (R-19), Committee Member Nicole George (D-21), Committee Member Robin Engel (R-22), and Committee Member Brent Ackerson (D-26)

**Non- Committee Member(s)**

Council President David James (D-6)

**Support Staff**

LaTonya Bell, Metro Council Staff  
Beth Stenberg, Metro Council Staff  
Hollie Hopkins, Jefferson County Attorney's Office  
Jason Fowler, Jefferson County Attorney's Office

**Clerk(s)**

Sonya Harward, Clerk

**Pending Legislation**1. [O-272-21](#)

**AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN (ARP) LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUNDING TO VARIOUS LOUISVILLE METRO GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS FOR THE FIRST 100 DAYS TO ADDRESS THE CONTINUED IMPACT OF COVID-19 ON THE ECONOMY, PUBLIC HEALTH, STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS, INDIVIDUALS, AND BUSINESSES. (AS AMENDED)**

**Sponsors:** Primary David James (D-6), Primary Bill Hollander (D-9) and Primary Kevin Kramer (R-11)

**Attachments:** [O-272-21 V.2 CAM 061721 American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 - First 100 Days.pdf](#)  
[O-272-21 V.2 CAM 061721 Amended Schedule A - American Rescue Plan of 2021 - First 100 Days.pdf](#)  
[O-272-21 PROPOSED CAM 061721 Amended Schedule A - American Rescue Plan of 2021 - First 100 Days.pdf](#)  
[O-272-21 V.1 061021 American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 - First 100 Days.pdf](#)  
[O-272-21 ATTACH Schedule A - American Rescue Plan of 2021 - First 100 Days.pdf](#)  
[American Rescue Plan Project Descriptions.pdf](#)  
[Louisville Tourism Leisure Travel Recovery Advertising Plan.pdf](#)  
[Local Fiscal Recovery Fund Eligible Costs and Reporting Information.pdf](#)  
[Dear American Rescue Plan Committee.pdf](#)  
[Rules Regarding Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds.pdf](#)  
[Press Release RE Federal COVID-19 Relief Package from March 11, 2021.pdf](#)

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

A motion was made by Committee Member Winkler, seconded by Vice Chair Kramer, that the Schedule attached to the Ordinance be amended as shown in the document attached hereto titled "O-272-21 PROPOSED CAM 061721 Amended Schedule A - American Rescue Plan of 2021 - First 100 Days.pdf."

The following spoke to the proposed amendment:

- Committee Member Winkler
- Committee Member Piagentini
- Committee Member Arthur
- Frank Kalmbach, Louisville Downtown Partnership

The following was discussed:

- Explained the reason for the proposed amendment

- Funds for police and Enhanced Community Ambassador program
- Explanation of the Enhanced Community Ambassador program, the amount needed for the program, and the number of Ambassadors

A motion was made by Committee Member Piagentini, seconded by Committee Member Ackerson, to amend the proposed amendment by changing the amount being appropriated for Enhanced Community Ambassador and Security Programs to \$1M.

The following spoke to the additional proposed amendment:

- Monica Harmon, Office of Management and Budget
- Vice Chair Kramer
- Committee Member George
- Committee Member Chambers Armstrong
- Committee Member Ackerson
- Frank Kalmbach
- Committee Member Winkler
- Council President James
- Committee Member Arthur
- Deborah Billitski, Waterfront Development Corporation
- Committee Member McCraney
- Committee Member Fowler
- Committee Member Engel

The following was discussed:

- All funds will be paid on reimbursement basis and can be re-appropriated elsewhere if not used
- Providing enough to get started and adding more to the Enhanced Community Ambassador program later if it is successful
- Value of Ambassadors, but the need is not the same throughout the entire community
- Potential of Ambassadors in areas outside of Downtown
- Boundaries of Business Improvement District - 71 blocks
- Block by Block would run the Enhanced Community Ambassador program outside of Downtown
- How funding split between 26 Districts would not be effective
- Clarified that the amount in the proposed amendment should be \$3M for the Enhanced Community Ambassador program
- How Enhanced Community Ambassador program works outside of the Downtown area
- Initial proposal provided \$150,000 for Ambassadors at Waterfront Park for 16 weeks
- Who can be hired as an Ambassador, whether they would be armed, and amount to be made per hour
- Waterfront Park operating budget is \$747,000 and capital budget is \$4M, which is matching so they must raise \$4M to receive those funds

Committee Member Piagentini withdrew his motion for the additional amendment.

Committee Member Winkler agreed with Chair Hollander to change the initial proposed amendment to include \$1M for the Enhanced Community Ambassador and Security Programs and dedicate \$150,000 of it to Waterfront Park.

There were clarifying questions about the current proposed amendment and where the remaining \$2M would go if not allocated for the Enhanced Community Ambassador program at this time.

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: 11 - Arthur, McCraney, Chambers Armstrong, Hollander, Kramer, Fowler, Winkler, Piagentini, George, Engel, and Ackerson

2. [R-057-21](#)

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT FUNDING IN THE FORM OF DIRECT GRANTS OR REIMBURSEMENT FROM VARIOUS ECONOMIC RELIEF PACKAGES APPROVED THROUGH THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN (ARP) ACT OF 2021, EITHER DIRECTLY OR THROUGH THE COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY, FOR EXPENDITURES TO ADDRESS THE CONTINUED IMPACT OF COVID-19 ON THE ECONOMY, PUBLIC HEALTH, STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS, INDIVIDUALS, AND BUSINESSES. (AS AMENDED)**

**Sponsors:** Primary David James (D-6), Primary Bill Hollander (D-9) and Primary Kevin Kramer (R-11)

**Attachments:** [R-057-21 V.2 CAM 061721 Mayor Authorized to Accept Funding Through American Rescue Plan Act of 2021.pdf](#)  
[R-057-21 V.1 061021 Mayor Authorized to Accept Funding Through American Rescue Plan Act of 2021.pdf](#)  
[R-057-21 PROPOSED CAM 061721 Mayor Authorized to Accept Funding Through American Rescue Plan Act of 2021.pdf](#)

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

A motion was made by Chair Hollander, seconded by Committee Member Piagentini, that this Resolution be amended as shown in the document attached hereto titled "R-057-21 V.2 CAM 061721 Mayor Authorized to Accept Funding Through American Rescue Plan Act of 2021.pdf."

The motion to amend carried by a voice vote.

The following also spoke to this item:

- Committee Member Ackerson
- Monica Harmon, Office of Management and Budget
- Marilyn Harris, Office of Housing

The following was discussed:

- Amount spent in last 18 months on eviction prevention
- Concern about over \$40M being spent in 18 months for eviction prevention and, for over a decade, not being able to commit to giving \$10M year for affordable housing

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

3. [O-243-21](#)**AN ORDINANCE APPROVING LOAN FORGIVENESS TO CATHEDRAL COMMONS LTD, A KENTUCKY LIMITED PARTNERSHIP PURSUANT TO LOUISVILLE METRO CODE OF ORDINANCES (“LMCO”) SECTION 39.131(B).**

**Sponsors:** Primary Jecorey Arthur (D-4)

**Attachments:** [O-243-21 V.1 061021 Loan Forgiveness for Cathedral Commons.pdf](#)  
[O-243-21 ATTACH Exhibit A.pdf](#)

A motion was made by Committee Member Piagentini, seconded by Committee Member Nicole George, that this Ordinance be recommended for approval.

The following spoke to this item:

- Justin Robinson, Develop Louisville
- Chair Hollander
- Committee Member Arthur
- Marilyn Harris, Office of Housing
- Dean Matthew Bradley, Christ Church Cathedral
- Committee Member Piagentini
- Committee Member Ackerson
- Committee Member Winkler

The following was discussed:

- Explanation of the request to forgive a \$500,000 loan
- Description of property and number of units
- If forgiven, whether there would be a requirement to offer affordable housing for a certain amount of time
- Christ Church Cathedral developed Cathedral Commons as part of their mission to provide affordable housing in their neighborhood
- No interest on the loan for 15 years and full amount due at the end of that period
- Financial plan that would have allowed for repayment of the loan
- Being up front that it was never really a loan, but more of a subsidy
- Financial position if the loan is forgiven
- Concerns if there is no other buyer and Metro gives up any stake in the property, and whether there is a possibility of a lien holder repossessing the property and evicting the tenants

The motion carried by the following vote and the Ordinance was sent to the Consent Calendar:

4. [O-238-21](#)**AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022 OPERATING BUDGET FOR THE LOUISVILLE/JEFFERSON COUNTY METRO GOVERNMENT INCLUDING APPROPRIATIONS AND AUTHORIZATIONS FOR OPERATION, MAINTENANCE, SUPPORT, AND FUNCTIONING OF THE GOVERNMENT AND ITS VARIOUS OFFICERS, DEPARTMENTS, COMMISSIONS, INSTITUTIONS, AGENCIES, AND OTHER METRO-SUPPORTED ACTIVITIES.**

**Sponsors:** Primary Bill Hollander (D-9), Primary David James (D-6) and Additional Kevin Kramer

(R-11)

**Attachments:** [PROPOSED CAM 062121 - Friendly Operating and Capital Budget Amendments.pdf](#)  
[PROPOSED CAM 062121 - Operating and Capital Budget Spreadsheet of Amendments.pdf](#)  
[PROPOSED CAM 062121 - Operating Budget Language.pdf](#)  
[PROPOSED CAM 062121 - Councilmember Controlled Spending.pdf](#)  
[O-238-21 V.1 052021 FY 21-22 Operating Budget.pdf](#)  
[ATTACH EXHIBIT A - FY 21-22 Operating Budget.pdf](#)

This item was held in committee.

5. [O-239-21](#)

**AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022 CAPITAL BUDGET FOR THE LOUISVILLE/JEFFERSON COUNTY METRO GOVERNMENT INCLUDING APPROPRIATIONS AND AUTHORIZATIONS OF FUNDS FOR GENERAL CONSTRUCTION, MAINTENANCE, REPAIR AND IMPROVEMENT OF THE FACILITIES AND ASSETS OF THE GOVERNMENT OF LOUISVILLE/JEFFERSON COUNTY AND OTHER LOUISVILLE METRO-SUPPORTED ACTIVITIES.**

**Sponsors:** Primary Bill Hollander (D-9), Primary David James (D-6) and Additional Kevin Kramer (R-11)

**Attachments:** [PROPOSED CAM 062121 - Friendly Operating and Capital Budget Amendments.pdf](#)  
[PROPOSED CAM 062121 - Operating and Capital Budget Spreadsheet of Amendments.pdf](#)  
[PROPOSED CAM 062121 - Capital Budget Language.pdf](#)  
[PROPOSED CAM 062121 - Councilmember Controlled Spending.pdf](#)  
[O-239-21 V.1 052021 FY 21-22 Capital Budget.pdf](#)  
[ATTACH EXHIBIT A - FY 21-22 Capital Budget.pdf](#)

This item was held in committee.

6. [O-134-21](#)

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 073, SERIES 2020 RELATED TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021 OPERATING BUDGET BY TRANSFERRING \$374,600 TO THE JEFFERSON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE TO FUND OPERATING EXPENSES.**

**Sponsors:** Primary Pat Mulvihill (D-10)

**Attachments:** [O-134-21 V.1 032521 Budget Transfer for Sheriff's Office.pdf](#)

This item was held in committee.

7. [O-077-21](#)

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 072, SERIES 2020 RELATING TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021 CAPITAL BUDGET OF THE LOUISVILLE/JEFFERSON COUNTY METRO GOVERNMENT BY APPROPRIATING \$30,700,000 FROM THE GENERAL FUND FOR MID-YEAR CAPITAL NEEDS TO PUBLIC WORKS & ASSETS, PARKS & RECREATION, LIBRARY, AND FACILITIES & FLEET DEFERRED MAINTENANCE, AND AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 073, SERIES 2020 RELATING TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021 OPERATING BUDGET OF THE LOUISVILLE/JEFFERSON COUNTY METRO GOVERNMENT TO ADJUST GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS/AUTHORIZATIONS AS A RESULT OF MID-YEAR FORECAST.**

**Sponsors:** Primary Kevin Kramer (R-11) and Primary Mark H. Fox (D-13)

**Attachments:** [O-077-21 V.1 022521 Budget Transfers RE PW, Parks, Library, and Facilities.pdf](#)

This item was held in committee.

## Adjournment

Without objection, Chair Hollander adjourned the meeting at 6:49 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 June 24, 2021.