



# Louisville Metro Government

601 W. Jefferson Street  
Louisville, KY 40202

## Action Summary - Tentative Public Works Committee

*Chair Nicole George (D-21)*  
*Vice Chair Robin Engel (R-22)*  
*Committee Member Keisha Dorsey (D-3)*  
*Committee Member Cassie Chambers Armstrong (D-8)*  
*Committee Member Bill Hollander (D-9)*  
*Committee Member Stuart Benson (R-20)*  
*Committee Member Madonna Flood (D-24)*

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Tuesday, June 15, 2021

4:00 PM

Council Chambers/Virtual

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### Call to Order

Chair George called the meeting to order at 4:01 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 and Council Member Hollander, who attended in Chambers.**

**Present:** 6 - Committee Member Keisha Dorsey (D-3), Committee Member Cassie Chambers Armstrong (D-8), Committee Member Bill Hollander (D-9), Chair Nicole George (D-21), Committee Member Stuart Benson (R-20), and Committee Member Madonna Flood (D-24)

**Excused:** 1 - Vice Chair Robin Engel (R-22)

### Non-Committee Member(s)

Council Member Donna Purvis (D-5), and Council President David James (D-6)

### Support Staff

Travis Fiechter, Jefferson County Attorney's Office  
Robbie Howard, Jefferson County Attorney's Office

### Clerk(s)

Cheryl Woods, Assistant Clerk  
Sonya Harward, Clerk

## Pending Legislation

1. [O-248-21](#)

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE LOUISVILLE/JEFFERSON COUNTY METRO CODE OF ORDINANCES (“LMCO”) CHAPTER 115 RELATING TO LICENSING REQUIREMENT EXEMPTIONS.**

**Sponsors:** Primary Rick Blackwell (D-12)

**Attachments:** [O-248-21 V.1 061021 Chp 115 Relating to Licensing Requirement Exemptions.pdf](#)

This item was held in committee.

2. [O-253-21](#)

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 156 OF THE LOUISVILLE METRO CODE OF ORDINANCES RELATING TO THE REQUIREMENT OF PROPER PROPERTY MAINTENANCE AND THE EFFICIENT ENFORCEMENT OF VIOLATIONS.**

**Sponsors:** Primary Rick Blackwell (D-12)

**Attachments:** [O-253-21 V.1 061021 Vehicle Impoundment Proper Property Maintenance and Efficient Enorcement.pdf](#)

This item was held in committee.

3. [R-052-21](#)

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EMINENT DOMAIN PROCEEDINGS PURSUANT TO KRS CHAPTER 99.715 AND KRS CHAPTER 416 AGAINST REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 2700-2706 WEST CHESTNUT STREET AND 2708 WEST CHESTNUT STREET WHICH HAVE BEEN CERTIFIED AS BLIGHTED AND DETERIORATED.**

**Sponsors:** Primary Donna L. Purvis (D-5)

**Attachments:** [R-052-21 V.1 061021 West Chestnut Spot Blight Condemnation.pdf](#)  
[R-052-21 ATTACH Exhibit A - Resolution 7 Series 2019 - Spot Condemnation St Charles Ch.pdf](#)  
[R-052-21 ATTACH Exhibit B - Resolution 47 Series 2019 - 2700 W Chestnut St Spot Condemnation.pdf](#)

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

The following spoke to this item:

- Laura Grabowski, Develop Louisville
- Council Member Purvis
- Chair George
- Committee Member Hollander

The following was discussed:

- Question about whether the Church is on the National Registry of Historic

**Places**

- This property is located in the Russell neighborhood
- This property was owned by the Archdiocese until late 1980's
- The Landbank reviewed this property and sent notice to the owners and lien holders and did not get a response
- In 2019 the Landbank passed a resolution with recommendation to the Metro Council that this property be blighted for condemnation proceedings
- In 2017 there was a state law change that changed the requirements for condemnation
- Question about whether the processing time was delayed due to COVID-19
- Question and concerns about Metro Government's investment cost for demolition or rehabilitation of the property
- Metro Government has invested less than \$4,000 to \$5,000 which does not include Codes and Regulation Department's inspections

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

**4. [R-056-21](#)**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE OFFICE OF THE JEFFERSON COUNTY ATTORNEY TO BRING A CONDEMNATION ACTION AGAINST THE OWNERS OF CERTAIN PROPERTY, PARCEL NO. EIGHTEEN (18), IN JEFFERSON COUNTY IN CONNECTION WITH THE LA GRANGE ROAD BIKE/ PEDESTRIAN PROJECT (KY 907).**

**Sponsors:** Primary Paula McCraney (D-7)

**Attachments:** [R-056-21 V.1 061021 Parcel No. 18 \(Baker Heirs, et al\) Condemnation.pdf](#)

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

The following spoke to this item:

- Mike Penick, Public Works
- Chair George
- Committee Member Flood

The following was discussed:

- This project is to improve LaGrange Road to Whipps Mill Road going towards Hurstbourne Lane
- There will be drainage improvements and bike paths
- The reason for the condemnation is because there was no clear will with a clear representative to say who can convey the property

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

**Adjournment**

Without objection, Chair George adjourned the meeting a 4:28 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.