

RESOLUTION NO. 084, SERIES 2020

~~AN EMERGENCY~~ A RESOLUTION CREATING THE COMMITTEE ON EQUITY AND INCLUSION AS A STANDING COMMITTEE OF METRO COUNCIL (AS AMENDED).

SPONSORED BY: COUNCIL PRESIDENT DAVID JAMES AND COUNCIL MEMBER GEORGE

**WHEREAS**, the Louisville Metro Council recognizes that there is a long history of inequality and exclusion in Metro Louisville; and

**WHEREAS** the Louisville Metro Council desires to become an instrument of change regarding the systemic inequity and exclusion faced by people of color; and

**WHEREAS**, the Louisville Metro Council, desires to foster equity and inclusion throughout Metro Louisville; and

**WHEREAS**, the Louisville Metro Council wishes to be educated on the best ways to effect that change by organizations and individuals with certain knowledge and ideas; and

**WHEREAS**, to further these objectives, it is the will of the body that the special Committee on Equity and Inclusion, which convened on July 13, 2020, should be established as a standing committee with regular meetings to ensure that the city of Louisville continues to move forward in the areas of equity and inclusion; and

**WHEREAS**, it is the will of the body that, notwithstanding its general rules on the role of the Council President on committees, the President of the Louisville Metro Council may serve as a voting member of this important committee and, may, if the President so chooses, serve as chair or vice chair of the committee, ~~and~~

~~WHEREAS, this Resolution requires emergency consideration as authorized by Council Rule 7.01 in order that the standing Committee on Equity and Inclusion may begin its work expeditiously.~~

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL OF THE LOUISVILLE/JEFFERSON COUNTY METRO GOVERNMENT (“THE COUNCIL”) AS FOLLOWS:**

**SECTION I:** Section 4A of the Council Rules is hereby amended as follows:

**4A.05 Committee on Equity and Inclusion**

The Committee on Equity and Inclusion is a standing committee composed in accordance with Rules 2.01(i), 4.01, and 4.03, and is responsible for the oversight of advancing equity across Metro through the creation of a platform for enhanced understanding leading to legislative solutions and systemic change.

**SECTION II:** Section 4.03 of the Council Rules is hereby amended as follows:

**4.03 Committee Membership and Voting Rights**

(e) In the Committee on Equity and Inclusion, the President may serve as a full voting member of the committee and may elect to serve as chair or vice chair of the committee.

**SECTION III:** The Committee on Equity and Inclusion will meet on the following dates in 2020:

July 27, 2020

August 10 and 24

September 21

October 12 and 26

November 9 and 30

**SECTION IV:** This Resolution shall take effect upon its passage and approval.

  
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Sonya Harward  
Metro Council Clerk

  
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David James  
President of the Council

August 20, 2020  
Approval Date

**APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:**

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R-100-20 Committee on equity and inclusion (as amended)

**LOUISVILLE METRO COUNCIL**  
**ADOPTED**  
August 20, 2020