

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)

Tuesday, February 16, 2021

4:00 PM

Council Chambers/Virtual

Call to Order

Chair George called the meeting to order at 4:04 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.

Non-Committee Member(s)

Council President David James (D-6), Council Member Markus Winkler (D-17), and Council Member Anthony Piagentini (R-19)

Support Staff

Natalie Johnson, Jefferson County Attorney's Office

Clerk(s)

Cheryl Woods, Assistant Clerk Sonya Harward, Clerk

Special Discussion

1. ID 21-0191

Update on National Ozone Standard Attainment and Reformulated Gas - Byron Gary, Rachel Hamilton, and Michelle King, Air Pollution Control District

Attachments: Presentation Ozone and Reformulated Gas.pdf

Rachel Hamilton, Air Pollution Control District, gave a presentation.

Chair George said she would work with Rachel Hamilton so that she could appear again before the committee.

The following spoke to this item:

- Council Member Piagentini
- Council Member Winkler

The following was discussed:

- Question regarding the slides stating that car traffic is one of the smallest portions of the pollution and power plants are the largest
- Questions about not seeing the impact with record low driving in Louisville
- Question about whether it is fair to say Reformulated Gas gasoline payers are paying Louisville Gas and Electric to continue to pollute the air
- Question about the need to close the coal power plants and convert them to natural gas
- Question about whether it is reasonable to tax local tax payers
- Question about whether there is correlating data between instances of respiratory disease and asthma for Jefferson County that shows a reduction since 2009

Pending Legislation

2. R-165-20

AN EMERGENCY RESOLUTION URGING THE KENTUCKY GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO ENACT LEGISLATION TO MODERNIZE KENTUCKY'S TRANSPORTATION FUNDING MECHANISMS TO ENSURE ADEQUATE FUNDING FOR ALL OF THE COMMONWEALTH'S TRANSPORTATION NEEDS.

Sponsors: Primary Markus Winkler (D-17)

Attachments: R-165-20 PROPOSED CAM 020221 Res RE Transportation Funding

Mechanism Modernization.pdf

R-165-20 V.1 121020 Emerg. Res RE Transportation Funding

Mechanism Modernization.pdf

This item remained held in committee.

3. R-166-20

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT A SOUTHEAST RECYCLING DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL GRANT AWARD TOTALING \$350,000 SUPPORTING RECYCLING CART PURCHASES.

Sponsors: Primary Bill Hollander (D-9)

Attachments: R-166-20 V.1 010421 Southeast Recycling Development.pdf

Recycling Presentation Metro Council Feb 16 2021.pdf

Resolution appropriating \$280 000 to LMG for recycling cart grants.pdf

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

Pete Flood and Keith Hackett, Public Works, gave a presentation (see attached).

The following spoke to this item:

- Chair George
- Committee Member Engel
- Keith Hackett
- Committee Member Dorsey
- Committee Member Hollander

The following was discussed:

- Question whether the 10 year solid waste management study is on the website
- Question and concerns on whether recycle carts will be available in the urban area.
- The plan is to do bi-weekly recycling
- The goal is to get recycling carts to everyone
- There was a audit done to see who was currently recycling
- Everyone who is currently recycling will receive a recycle cart
- There are 17 drop-off locations for recycling
- The budget for new recycle carts is \$46.26 per cart
- There is a total of 28,000 new carts
- Question whether there is enough staff to perform all the work needed

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

4. R-167-20

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT A RECYCLING PARTNERSHIP GRANT AWARD TOTALING \$721,000 SUPPORTING RECYCLING CART PURCHASES AND VARIOUS COMMUNITY-BASED OUTREACH INITIATIVES.

Sponsors: Primary Bill Hollander (D-9)

Attachments: R-167-20 V.1 010421 Recycling Parnership Grant.pdf

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

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

5. O-044-21

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING LOUISVILLE METRO CODE OF ORDINANCES CHAPTER 165: ENERGY PROJECT ASSESSMENT DISTRICT PROGRAM.

Sponsors: Primary Nicole George (D-21)

Attachments: O-044-21 V.1 021121 Energy Project Assessment.pdf

Revised EPAD Ordinance (with mark-up).pdf

A motion was made by Committee Member Dorsey, seconded by Vice Chair Engel, that this Ordinance be recommended for approval.

Chair George highlighted 3 changes in the Ordinance as described by Advanced Planning and Sustainability: the first change is the definition of the program administrator it now allows for a third party administration; the second change which now allows the property owners to choose a financial service team; and the third change is around the fee requirements.

Allison Smith, Advanced Planning and Sustainability, gave a presentation.

Committee Member Hollander stated he supports this Ordinance. He also stated that renewable energy would be getting into the community without any cost to the taxpayers.

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

Yes: 7 - Dorsey, Chambers Armstrong, Hollander, George, Benson, Engel, and Flood

Adjournment

Without objection, Chair George adjourned the meeting at 5:06 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 February 25, 2021.