



Louisville Metro Government

601 W. Jefferson Street
Louisville, KY 40202

Action Summary - Final Labor and Economic Development Committee

Chair Person David Yates (D-25)
Vice Chair Anthony Piagentini (R-19)
Committee Member Keisha Dorsey (D-3)
Committee Member Donna Purvis (D-5)
Committee Member Paula McCraney (D-7)
Committee Member Markus Winkler (D-17)
Committee Member Robin Engel (R-22)

Tuesday, July 14, 2020

3:00 PM

Council Chambers

Call to Order

Chair Person Yates called the meeting to order at 3:02 p.m.

Roll Call

Chair Person Yates introduced the committee members and non-committee members present. A quorum was established.

NOTE: All committee members and non-committee members attended the meeting virtually, except Chair Person Yates, who attended in Chambers.

- Present:** 6 - Chair Person David Yates (D-25), Committee Member Keisha Dorsey (D-3), Committee Member Donna L. Purvis (D-5), Committee Member Paula McCraney (D-7), Committee Member Markus Winkler (D-17), and Committee Member Robin Engel (R-22)
- Excused:** 1 - Vice Chair Anthony Piagentini (R-19)

Non-Committee Member(s)

Council Member Barbara Sexton Smith (D-4)

Support Staff

Paul Rutherford, Jefferson County Attorney's Office
Jason Fowler, Jefferson County Attorney's Office

Clerk(s)

Lisa Franklin Gray, Assistant Clerk
Sonya Harward, Clerk

Pending Legislation

1. [R-084-20](#)

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE GRANTING OF LOCAL INCENTIVES TO CHEWY, INC AND ANY SUBSEQUENT ASSIGNEES OR APPROVED AFFILIATES THEREOF PURSUANT TO KRS CHAPTER 154, SUBCHAPTER 32.

Sponsors: Primary David Yates (D-25) and Primary Anthony Piagentini (R-19)

Attachments: [R-084-20 V.1 062520 CHEWY, INC.pdf](#)

[Chewy, Inc. - KBI Board Report - Aug 30 2018.pdf](#)

[Chewy, Inc. - KBI Local support ltr 8-27-18.pdf](#)

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

The following spoke to this item:

- Alex Mercer, Louisville Forward
- Chair Person Yates

The following was discussed:

- Chewy, Inc. is an E-commerce retailer for the pet industry.
- Chewy, Inc. is seeking final approval for their state and incentive package.
- Chewy, Inc. has a 2018 Call Center in Louisville.
- For this project, the company chose an 88,000 square foot facility on Fern Valley Road.
- The company will invest a little over \$7.2 million in the facility.
- The company has committed to hiring approximately 300 full-time employees with an average \$39 hourly wage including benefits.
- The company has, over the last several years, committed to bringing an additional 150 full-time employees and investing an additional \$4.5 million into a second facility on Bluegrass Parkway.
- Chewy, Inc. looks to bring over a 1,000 employees to the area over the next five to ten years.
- The project has been in pipeline for some time and good to see it come to completion.

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

2. [R-085-20](#)

A RESOLUTION PURSUANT TO THE CAPITAL AND OPERATING BUDGET ORDINANCES, APPROVING THE APPROPRIATION TO FUND THE FOLLOWING NONCOMPETITIVELY NEGOTIATED PROFESSIONAL SERVICE CONTRACT FOR LMPHW CONCERNING THE RETENTION OF AN ACADEMIC HEALTH COORDINATOR - (UNIVERSITY OF LOUISVILLE - \$77,100.00).

Sponsors: Primary David Yates (D-25)

Attachments: [R-085-20 V.1 062520 LMPHW Academic Health Coordinator.pdf](#)

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

The following spoke to this item:

- T. Gonzalez, Center for Health Equity
- Chair Person Yates

The following was discussed:

- Dr. Linda Ulmer is the academic health coordinator for Metro Public Health and Wellness.
- The academic health coordinator role is to assist in fulfilling and promoting Metro Public Health and Wellness' academic health goals and setting national standards for best practices and engagement.
- The academic health coordinator also assists in Metro Public Health and Wellness reaching research goals.
- Dr. Ulmer's role includes building the partnership between Metro Public Health and Wellness and the University of Louisville School of Public Health.
- The University of Louisville School of Public Health also helps to meet part of the compensation package for this position.
- This role also helps to attract intern and practicum students to the area to study and train via the partnership with the University of Louisville School of Public Health. This also helps contribute to the field of public health.
- Dr. Ulmer also helps create partnerships in other areas of study throughout the area and attract students from other academic backgrounds to create a diverse learning environment.
- The total compensation contract is \$96,375.00 of which Louisville Metro pays 80 percent equaling \$77,100.00, while the University of Louisville pays 20 percent. The compensation responsibilities detail that Dr. Ulmer contributes more time to promoting and creating academic partnerships and initiatives for Louisville Metro, while also contributing to research efforts 20 percent of her time at the University of Louisville.
- The contract spans from October of 2019 to October 2020, but is now coming before the Committee due to changing of personnel as Dr. Ulmer is the second person to hold this position, as well as challenges from COVID-19.
- There will be a second contract to come before the Committee in October of 2020 to keep a better timeline going forward.
- There was a request that more timely updates and/or challenges be communicated with the committee going forward.

- There were several questions regarding differences in compensation from the previous position to the present one, and there was a request for an updated copy of the previous contract to advise the committee prior to the next Council meeting.

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

3. [R-086-20](#)

A RESOLUTION PURSUANT TO THE CAPITAL AND OPERATING BUDGET ORDINANCES, APPROVING THE APPROPRIATION TO FUND THE FOLLOWING NONCOMPETITIVELY NEGOTIATED SOLE SOURCE CONTRACT FOR THE LIBRARY FOR CATALOGING AND METADATA SERVICES - (OCLC, INC. - \$60,000.00).

Sponsors: Primary David Yates (D-25)

Attachments: [R-086-20 V.1 062520 OCLC, INC. - \\$60,000.00.pdf](#)
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A motion was made by Committee Member Winkler, seconded by Committee Member Engel, that this Resolution be recommended for approval.

The following spoke to this item:

- Lee Burchfield, Louisville Free Public Library
- Chair Person Yates

The following was discussed:

- OCLC is a non-profit organization based out of Columbus Ohio to support libraries around the world.
- This contract is used to support a collection of services and resources that are used on the back end of operations at the library.
- This service helps to create and update the catalog database for new materials held by the library.
- This service adds the descriptive explanation of the materials so patrons may search for needed materials.
- Utilizing this service helps to alleviate adding additional duties to staff, while also adding the license and descriptions directly to the database.
- Only patrons with a valid library card are able to utilize these subscribed databases.
- The not-to-exceed amount on this contract is \$60,000 for 2020, the bulk of that amount is for this service. Previously, the amount used totaled roughly \$37,000.
- Several questions were asked regarding the library loan program and if other counties also provide this service to Louisville Metro and it was stated that for the most part Louisville Metro borrows more materials on behalf of patrons from other counties public and academic libraries than it sends out.
- Items may possibly be borrowed from the University of Louisville Law Library if they participate in the loan program and library staff will refer a patron to the OCLC system to conduct a search to identify libraries that have the item and will send a request on behalf of the patron.

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

Adjournment

Without objection Chair Person Yates adjourned the meeting at 3:22 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 July 23, 2020.