



Louisville Metro Government

Action Summary - Final Community Affairs, Housing, Health and Education Committee

Chair Barbara Shanklin (D-2)
Vice Chair Cassie Chambers Armstrong (D-8)
Committee Member Angela Bowens (D-1)
Committee Member Keisha Dorsey (D-3)
Committee Member Kevin Triplett (D-15)
Committee Member Marilyn Parker (R-18)
Committee Member Stuart Benson (R-20)

Wednesday, June 15, 2022

1:30 PM

Council Chambers/Virtual

THIS MEETING IS BEING HELD VIA VIDEO TELECONFERENCE

Call to Order

Chair Shanklin called the meeting to order at 1:31 p.m.

Roll Call

Chair Shanklin 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 for Vice Chair Chambers Armstrong, who attended in Chambers.

Present: 5 - Chair Barbara Shanklin (D-2), Committee Member Keisha Dorsey (D-3), Vice Chair Cassie Chambers Armstrong (D-8), Committee Member Kevin Triplett (D-15), and Committee Member Marilyn Parker (R-18)

Excused: 2 - Committee Member Angela Bowens (D-1), and Committee Member Stuart Benson (R-20)

Non-Committee Member(s)

Council Member Cindi Fowler (D-14)

Support Staff

Jason Fowler, Jefferson County Attorney's Office
Robbie Howard, Jefferson County Attorney's Office

Clerk(s)

Olivia Bennett, Assistant Clerk
Sonya Harward, Clerk

Special Discussion

[ID 22-0839](#)

Impacts of Lead Exposure on Children.

Attachments: [LockUpLead Presentation 06-15-22.pdf](#)

[Metro Council Lead Presentation - Brian Guinn - June 15, 2022.pdf](#)

Dr. Brian Guinn, University of Louisville, and John Cullen, LockupLead, gave presentations. (see attached).

The following spoke to this item:

- Vice Chair Chambers Armstrong
- Committee Member Triplett
- Committee Member Parker
- Rebecca Hollenbach, Center for Health Equity
- Committee Member Dorsey

The following was discussed:

- Questions were asked regarding the year lead paint was no longer in use -- Lead paint was no longer being used in 1978
- Questions were asked regarding how a lead worker is able to remove lead paint from a housing structure while an individual is living inside the home -- many people paint over the chipping lead paint or sand off the chipped paint and the sanded lead paint goes into the top soil, other examples were provided
- Questions were asked regarding the age of children that are at a higher risk for lead poisoning -- Children two to five years of age are at the highest risk for lead poisoning
- Clarification was asked regarding whether lead paint is most hazardous when the lead paint is starting to peel -- lead contamination happens from lead degrading -- safe lead practices are recommended, examples of safe lead practices were provided
- Questions were asked regarding encapsulation -- this is an example of a traditional lead abatement method
- Questions were asked regarding lead concerns within Louisville Metro housing and the burden this might put on the landlords of those properties -- safe lead practices can be used as an affordable technique to control the lead paint issue
- Louisville Metro has been able to study other cities and states who have adopted lead Ordinances -- other cities and states have found that a significant percentage of landlords were able to be in compliance with the requirements for lead practices and those landlords who were not in compliance were able to get into compliance for under \$1,000 -- some cities experienced a decrease in their childhood lead poisoning rate from 13% to 5%
- \$1M of American Rescue Plan funding is allocated to assist in the decrease of childhood lead poisoning -- the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development ("HUD") also has separate funding available for inspections and lead remediation abatement -- other examples were provided
- Clarification asked regarding whether the complete lead paint compliance

process could be done for under \$1,000

- The concern is housing units that were built prior to 1978 before lead paint was no longer in use
- Questions were asked regarding whether the Ordinance (file ID O-134-22) would be directed towards properties with children residing in them
- In addition to younger children ages 0-5, there are other populations of people that are effected by lead exposure as they age, such as adults exposed to lead poisoning and want to have children at some point in life -- other examples were provided
- Questions were asked regarding what companies perform the lead inspections and what companies do the lead remediation -- this information was not available at the time but can be provided to the committee

Pending Legislation

1. [O-134-22](#)

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 119 AND CREATING CHAPTER 167 OF THE LOUISVILLE/JEFFERSON COUNTY METRO GOVERNMENT CODE OF ORDINANCES REQUIRING LEAD ABATEMENT OF ALL RENTAL HOUSING UNITS IN LOUISVILLE METRO.

Sponsors: Primary Cassie Chambers Armstrong (D-8) and Primary Cindi Fowler (D-14)

Attachments: [O-134-22 V.1 041422 Amend Chapter 119 and creating Chapter 167 of the LMCO.pdf](#)

This item remained held in committee.

2. [O-136-22](#)

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 156 OF THE LOUISVILLE METRO CODE OF ORDINANCES RELATING TO THE REDUCTION OF FINES AND COSTS FOR OWNER OCCUPIED PROPERTIES.

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

Attachments: [O-136-22 V.1 041422 Amend Chapter 156 of LMCO relating to the reduction of fines and costs for owner occupied properties.pdf](#)

This item remained tabled in committee.

3. [R-079-22](#)

A RESOLUTION HONORING AUGUSTA Y. THOMAS BY DEDICATING THE CORNER OF SHASTA TRAIL AND ILEX AVENUE AS “AUGUSTA Y. THOMAS WAY” IN HER HONOR.

Sponsors: Primary Barbara Shanklin (D-2)

Attachments: [R-079-22 V.1 060922 Honorary Street Sign for Augusta Thomas.pdf](#)
[CIF061522PW02A \(for reference only\).pdf](#)

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

Caleb Howard, District 2 Legislative Aide, read the Resolution into the record.

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

4. [R-080-22](#)

A RESOLUTION CALLING ON KENTUCKY LEGISLATORS TO PASS A MEASURE ELIMINATING THE SALES AND USE TAX ON FEMININE HYGIENE PRODUCTS.

Sponsors: Primary Paula McCraney (D-7), Primary Cassie Chambers Armstrong (D-8) and Additional Jecorey Arthur (D-4)

Attachments: [R-080-22 V.1 060922 Urge KY Legislature to Eliminate Pink Tax.pdf](#)

This item was held in committee.

5. [R-081-22](#)

A RESOLUTION CALLING ON KENTUCKY LEGISLATORS TO PASS A MEASURE ELIMINATING THE SALES AND USE TAX FOR DIAPERS.

Sponsors: Primary Paula McCraney (D-7), Primary Cassie Chambers Armstrong (D-8) and Additional Jecorey Arthur (D-4)

Attachments: [R-081-22 V.1 060922 Urge KY Legislature to Eliminate Diaper Tax.pdf](#)

This item was held in committee.

Adjournment

Without objection, Chair Shanklin adjourned the meeting at 2:40 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 23, 2022.