



Louisville Metro Government

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

Chair Barbara Shanklin (D-2)

Vice Chair Stuart Benson (R-20)

Committee Member Tammy Hawkins (D-1)

Committee Member Jecorey Arthur (D-4)

Committee Member Andrew Owen (D-9)

Committee Member Dan Seum, Jr. (R-13)

Committee Member Marilyn Parker (R-18)

Committee Member Betsy Ruhe (D-21)

Wednesday, January 25, 2023

1:30 PM

Council Chambers

**THIS MEETING IS BEING HELD VIA VIDEO TELECONFERENCE / THIS IS CONSIDERED
A SPECIAL MEETING.**

Call to Order

Chair Shanklin called the meeting to order at 1:41 p.m.

Roll Call

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

***NOTE: All committee members present attended virtually, except for Committee Member Seum and Committee Member Ruhe, who attended in chambers.**

Present: 7 - Committee Member Tammy Hawkins (D-1), Chair Barbara Shanklin (D-2), Committee Member Jecorey Arthur (D-4), Committee Member Andrew Owen (D-9), Committee Member Dan Seum, Jr. (R-13), Committee Member Marilyn Parker (R-18), and Committee Member Betsy Ruhe (D-21)

Excused: 1 - Vice Chair Stuart Benson (R-20)

Non-Committee Members

Council Member Cassie Chambers Armstrong (D-8)

Supporting Staff

Jason Fowler, Jefferson County Attorney's Office

Clerk(s)

Marissa Brown, Assistant Clerk
Olivia Bennett, Assistant Clerk

Pending Legislation

1. [O-373-22](#)

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING LOUISVILLE/JEFFERSON COUNTY METRO
GOVERNMENT CODE OF ORDINANCES CHAPTER 151 EVICTION COURT.**

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

Attachments: [O-373-22 V.1 121522 Amending LMCO Chapter 151.pdf](#)

A motion was made by Committee Member Parker, seconded by Committee Member Arthur, that this Ordinance be recommended for approval.

The following spoke to this item:

- Council Member Chambers Armstrong
- Committee Member Arthur
- Chair Shanklin
- Committee Member Owen
- Committee Member Hawkins

The following was discussed:

- A clarification regarding allocated funds and specific qualifications/requirements of the program
- An expression of support was shown for this Ordinance
- A clarification of the legal support for the allocated funds
- Data was shared regarding eviction notices, legal aid and housing processes
- Questions were asked regarding the source/access of the shared data, whether the Ordinance was funded with ARP funds or general funds from the Budget Committee and what the criteria was regarding the program
- A clarification regarding the data report and source/access as well as a clarification regarding the general funds and criteria for the program
- Discussion regarding constituents and Legal Aid
- Plans to share the report of data with Council Members and the public

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

Yes: 7 - Hawkins, Shanklin, Arthur, Owen, Seum Jr. , Parker, and Ruhe

Excused: 1 - Benson

Special Discussion

2. [ID 23-0100](#)

JEFFERSON COUNTY PARENT ASSOCIATION FOR FOSTER, ADOPTIVE AND KINSHIP CARE PRESENTATION:

Cestau Childs-Clark, Jefferson County Parent Association for Foster, Adoptive and Kinship Care

Attachments: [JCPA-Presentation \[Autosaved\].pdf](#)
[JCPA 2023 Events and Needs \(002\).pdf](#)

Cestau Childs-Clark, Jefferson County Parent Association for Foster, Adoptive and Kinship Care, gave a presentation (see attached).

The following also spoke to this item:

- Committee Member Arthur
- Chair Shanklin

The following was discussed:

- Stories regarding the foster families involved in the program
- Contact information regarding the program was shared
- A question was asked regarding the presenter's relationship with Louisville programs and organizations
- The presenter clarified she has only worked with non-Louisville programs and organizations
- A question was asked regarding a constituent in need of help from a foster program and whether this program could be of service to the constituent
- Personal anecdotes were shared of experiences in foster programs
- The presenter urged the public to participate in foster programs and explained the various options to do so

Adjournment

Without objection, Chair Shanklin adjourned the meeting at 2:27 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 2, 2023.