



**Action Summary - Tentative
Community Affairs, Health and
Education Committee**

*Chair Person Barbara Shanklin (D-2)
Vice Chair Kevin Triplett (D-15)
Committee Member Jessica Green (D-1)
Committee Member Pat Mulvihill (D-10)
Committee Member Marilyn Parker (R-18)
Committee Member Stuart Benson (R-20)
Committee Member David Yates (D-25)*

Wednesday, July 29, 2020

1:30 PM

Council Chambers

Call to Order

Chair Person Shanklin called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

Roll Call

Chair Person Shanklin introduced the committee members present. A quorum was established.

***NOTE: All committee members attended the meeting virtually.**

Present: 7 - Chair Person Barbara Shanklin, Vice Chair Kevin Triplett (D-15), Committee Member Jessica Green (D-1), Committee Member Pat Mulvihill (D-10), Committee Member Marilyn Parker (R-18), Committee Member Stuart Benson (R-20), and Committee Member David Yates (D-25)

Non-Committee Member(s)

Council Member Keisha Dorsey (D-3), Council Member Barbara Sexton Smith (D-4), and Council Member Paula McCraney (D-7)

Support Staff

Natalie Jonson, Jefferson County Attorney's Office

Clerk(s)

Mary Whitlock, Assistant Clerk
Sonya Harward, Clerk

Special Discussion

1. [ID 20-0925](#)

COVID -19 Update: Dr. Sarah Moyer, Director, Louisville Metro Department of Public Health and Wellness

The following spoke to the item:

- Dr. Sarah Moyer, Louisville Metro Department of Public Health and Wellness
- Committee Member Parker
- Committee Member Mulvihill
- Chair Person Shanklin
- Committee Member Green
- Council Member Kramer

The following was discussed:

- Covid-19 cases in Louisville are increasing
- Updates are kept on the Web Page; louisvilleky.gov - on the Dash Board
- 6,469 cases confirmed
- 246 deceased
- 4,307 In recovery
- Louisville now in the yellow zone - Cases increasing over the month
- Cases by the weeks can be seen on the dash board
- Starting July cases have double
- Death rates were higher in April
- Testing more now for Covid -19
- Identifying people more with Covid-19
- The rates are higher with people being out more
- Testing sites are available to get tested
- Cases are updated regularly
- Having more contact tracing test
- Stay home and away from your family when you have been tested positive for Covid-19
- University of Louisville Data - Antibiotic test show more tests in the West End than East End
- People with medical conditions have higher mortality with Covid-19
- Higher rates of exposure with people who have to work and can't stay home
- Have PCR Test, Antibiotic Test, and Blood Test
- When outside stay 6 feet apart
- Keep mask on outside
- Concern regarding data for child care
- Nasal swab test - physicians have to report
- Singing for 2 hours; resulted in 43 people with Covid-19
- Hospitals do not inform if Covid -19 patients are discharged
- Concern will test be given to people who want to get back to work after the virus
- Jefferson County Public Schools not back for the first 6 weeks
- Concern regarding statistics for contact tracing, work and travel
- Rates are higher for people traveling in hot spots

2. [ID 20-0948](#)

Racism as a Public Health Crisis: Kendall Boyd, Chief Equity Officer, and T. Gonzales, Director of the Center for Equity

Attachments: [Presentation 072920 - RACISM AS A HEALTH CRISIS.pdf](#)
[Presentation 072920 - Racism and Public Health--Health and Education Subcommittee.pdf](#)

The following spoke to the item:

- T. Gonzales, Director of the Center for Equity
- Kendall Boyd, Chief Equity Officer
- Natalie Johnson, Jefferson County Attorney's Office
- Chair Person Shanklin
- Council Member Sexton Smith
- Council Member McCraney
- Council Member Dorsey
- Committee Member Parker

The following Discussion:

- How people think about their health and the type of things they think about:
Age, Diet, Exercise, and Genetic
- Trends and Data and what it look like
- How long people live in our community
- People in the eastern part live longer than people in the western part
- Health outcomes have a lot to do with Heart Attacks, Cancer, Sexual Infections and Tobacco
- Conditions lead to health outcome
- Blacks killed by police
- Anti-racism
- Connect with your elected officials
- Linking resources together
- Organizations, social institutions
- Individual, knowledge, attitudes, and skills
- We must work together at multiple levels to create long-term solutions
- Declaring racism a public health crisis
- Blacks currently account roughly 27% of the Covid-19 related deaths in Metro Louisville
- Blacks are 3.7 times more likely to have died than whites
- Excess to public transportation
- Covid-19 racial disparity factors and causes
- The black poverty rate in Louisville is 29.8%, nearly 3 times the white poverty rate of 10.2%
- 73% of whites in Louisville own their homes vs. 36% of black residents in Louisville
- The median black family in Louisville earns \$35,870 a year vs. \$61,977 a year for the median white family
- The average black college graduate in Louisville earns almost \$10,000 less a year than the average white college graduate
- Across the country, local and state leaders are declaring racism a public health crisis or emergency
- Recent protest around police killings have also brought special attention to

racism as a public health crisis

- Funding's
- Equity Budget
- Metro Council have sent funds to help the westend area
- Researching all the legislation across the country to see what others are doing regarding the health crisis

Pending Legislation

3. [O-395-19](#)

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS. 92.02, 92.03 and 93.04 OF THE LOUISVILLE METRO CODE OF ORDINANCES (“LMCO”) AMENDING THE DISCRIMINATION ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR MORE FAIR ACCESS TO RENTAL HOUSING.

Sponsors: Primary Jessica Green (D-1), Primary David James (D-6), Primary Bill Hollander (D-9) and Additional Barbara Sexton Smith (D-4)

Attachments: [O-395-19 Proposed CAM 12.3.19.pdf](#)

[O-395-19 V.1 112119 Amend LMCO Fair Access to Rental Housing.pdf](#)

[12.4.19 Adding Source of Income to Fair Housing Law.pdf](#)

[12-4-19 Kendall Boyd's Housing Discrimination Ordinance Presentation.pdf](#)

This item was held in committee.

Adjournment

Without objection, Chair Person Shanklin adjourned the meeting at 2:30p.m.