

Louisville Metro Government



Action Summary - Tentative

Thursday, December 2, 2021

5:15 PM

THIS MEETING IS BEING HELD VIA VIDEO TELECONFERENCE

Council Chambers/Virtual

Committee of the Whole

*Jessica Green (D-1), Barbara Shanklin (D-2), Keisha Dorsey (D-3),
Jecorey Arthur (D-4), Donna L. Purvis (D-5), David James (D-6)*,
Paula McCraney (D-7), Cassie Chambers Armstrong (D-8),
Bill Hollander (D-9), Pat Mulvihill (D-10), Kevin Kramer (R-11),
Rick Blackwell (D-12), Mark H. Fox (D-13), Cindi Fowler (D-14),
Kevin Triplett (D-15), Scott Reed (R-16), Markus Winkler (D-17),
Marilyn Parker (R-18), Anthony Piagentini (R-19), Stuart Benson (R-20),
Nicole George (D-21), Robin Engel (R-22), James Peden (R-23)
Madonna Flood (D-24), Amy Holton Stewart (D-25), Brent Ackerson (D-26)*

**Denotes the Committee Chair(s)*

Call to Order

Council President James called the meeting to order at 5:16 p.m.

This meeting was held pursuant to KRS 61.826 and Council Rule 5A. Council Members attended the meeting remotely, except for the following who attended in Chambers:

- Council President James
- Council Member Arthur
- Council Member Hollander
- Council Member Kramer
- Council Member Fox
- Council Member Fowler
- Council Member Winkler
- Council Member Parker
- Council Member Piagentini
- Council Member Benson
- Council Member George
- Council Member Engel
- Council Member Holton Stewart

Roll Call

A quorum was established.

- Present:** 23 - Council Member Jessica Green (D-1), Council Member Barbara Shanklin (D-2), Council Member Jecorey Arthur (D-4), Council Member Donna L. Purvis (D-5), Chair David James (D-6), Council Member Paula McCraney (D-7), Council Member Cassie Chambers Armstrong (D-8), Council Member Bill Hollander (D-9), Council Member Pat Mulvihill (D-10), Council Member Kevin Kramer (R-11), Council Member Rick Blackwell (D-12), Council Member Mark H. Fox (D-13), Council Member Cindi Fowler (D-14), Council Member Kevin Triplett (D-15), Council Member Markus Winkler (D-17), Council Member Marilyn Parker (R-18), Council Member Anthony Piagentini (R-19), Council Member Stuart Benson (R-20), Council Member Nicole George (D-21), Council Member Robin Engel (R-22), Council Member James Peden (R-23), Council Member Madonna Flood (D-24), and Council Member Amy Holton Stewart (D-25)
- Excused:** 3 - Council Member Keisha Dorsey (D-3), Council Member Scott Reed (R-16), and Council Member Brent Ackerson (D-26)

Support Staff

Hollie Hopkins, Jefferson County Attorney's Office
Jason Fowler, Jefferson County Attorney's Office
Laura Ferguson, Jefferson County Attorney's Office

Clerk(s)

Sonya Harward, Clerk
Lisa Franklin Gray, Assistant Clerk
Olivia Bennett, Assistant Clerk

Special Discussion

[ID 21-1448](#)**Tax Increment Financing ("TIF") 101 - Jeff O'Brien and Rebecca Fleischaker, Louisville Forward; and Laura Ferguson, Jefferson County Attorney's Office**

Attachments: [TIF basics 2021.pdf](#)

Rebecca Fleischaker, Jeff O'Brien, and Jason Woodall, Louisville Forward, gave a presentation (attached hereto).

The following also spoke to this item:

- Council Member Winkler
- Council Member Arthur
- Laura Ferguson, Jefferson County Attorney's Office
- Council Member Hollander
- Council Member Piagentini

The following was discussed:

- TIFs within a TIF district, such as the YUM Center's Arena District area and possible development around it
- West End Opportunity Partnership TIF
- Allowing TIFs for projects that would not go forward without an approved TIF, and applying this standard to an area that already has significant development
- How TIF financing can be used to redevelop areas, especially when a large box store leaves and the property remains vacant
- How TIFs impact what is nearby
- Passing TIFs for no more than 1,000 acres - Laws on TIFs
- Total amount of tax revenue on hold due to TIFs
- When all TIFs would be finished if no others were approved
- Churchill Downs TIF, and the tax savings is not capped for this TIF and Louisville gets 0 percent of the incremental revenue
- Whether future development for Churchill Downs is covered by their TIF
- How much of the \$1.5B would come to Louisville if there were no TIFs

Review of Metro Council Agenda

Council President James reviewed the Metro Council agenda.

[ID 21-1620](#)**Metro Council Agenda - December 2, 2021**

Attachments: [FINAL Metro Council Agenda 12-2-21.pdf](#)

[ID 21-1619](#)**Addresses to Council - December 2, 2021**

Attachments: [Addresses to Council 12-2-21.pdf](#)

Announcements

Council President James made the following announcements:

- December 15, 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m., Emily Liu, Planning and Design Services, is providing a training on Missing Middle Housing
- Two Council Members needed from each Caucus to volunteer for the External Agency Funding group
- Collecting books for Children's Library at the Family Scholar House for Christmas this year

Council President James and Katrina Helmer, Majority Caucus Communications, spoke about the podcasts for the Council Members, with recording starting soon and airings beginning in January 2022.

Adjournment

Without objection, Council President James adjourned the meeting at 5:55 p.m.