



Louisville Metro Government

601 W. Jefferson Street
Louisville, KY 40202

Action Summary - Final Budget Committee

Chair Bill Hollander (D-9)
Vice Chair Kevin Kramer (R-11)
Committee Member Jecorey Arthur (D-4)
Committee Member Paula McCraney (D-7)
Committee Member Cassie Chambers Armstrong (D-8)
Committee Member Cindi Fowler (D-14)
Committee Member Markus Winkler (D-17)
Committee Member Anthony Piagentini (R-19)
Committee Member Nicole George (D-21)
Committee Member Robin Engel (R-22)
Committee Member Brent Ackerson (D-26)

Thursday, May 13, 2021

5:00 PM

Council Chambers/Virtual

Call to Order

Chair Hollander called the meeting to order at 5:03 p.m.

Roll Call

Chair Hollander introduced the committee members present. A quorum was established.

***NOTE: All committee members and non-committee members present attended virtually.**

Present: 10 - Committee Member Jecorey Arthur (D-4), Committee Member Paula McCraney (D-7), Committee Member Cassie Chambers Armstrong (D-8), Chair Bill Hollander (D-9), Vice Chair Kevin Kramer (R-11), Committee Member Cindi Fowler (D-14), Committee Member Anthony Piagentini (R-19), Committee Member Nicole George (D-21), Committee Member Robin Engel (R-22), and Committee Member Brent Ackerson (D-26)

Excused: 1 - Committee Member Markus Winkler (D-17)

Non-Committee Member(s)

Council Member Donna Purvis (D-5) and Council Member Amy Holton Stewart (D-25)

Support Staff

Beth Stenberg, Metro Council Staff
LaTonya Bell, Metro Council Staff
Hollie Hopkins, Jefferson County Attorney's Office
Jason Fowler, Jefferson County Attorney's Office

Clerk(s)

Sonya Harward, Clerk

Pending Legislation

1. [O-134-21](#)

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 073, SERIES 2020 RELATED TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021 OPERATING BUDGET BY TRANSFERRING \$374,600 TO THE JEFFERSON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE TO FUND OPERATING EXPENSES.

Sponsors: Primary Pat Mulvihill (D-10)

Attachments: [O-134-21 V.1 032521 Budget Transfer for Sheriff's Office.pdf](#)

This item was held in Committee.

2. [O-154-21](#)

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 173, SERIES 2011, AND ORDINANCE NO. 072, SERIES 2020, RELATING TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021 CAPITAL BUDGET BY TRANSFERRING FUNDS AND ESTABLISHING A NEW PROJECT TITLED FARNSLEY-MOREMEN LANDING DOCK IMPROVEMENTS.

Sponsors: Primary Cindi Fowler (D-14)

Attachments: [O-154-21 V.1 042221 Amend Budget for Farnsley-Moremen Landing Dock Improvement Project.pdf](#)

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

Committee Member Fowler spoke to this item and explained that there were engineering issues with the design in the past that made the dock non-ADA compliant the first time it flooded. She stated that this was just the start of the funding needed, and these funds would be used to clean up the driftwood and debris surrounding the dock. She hopes to have a viewing deck there to accommodate people with physical disabilities. She also explained that the funds were going to the Waterfront Development Corporation rather than Metro Parks to work on this project because of their knowledge about such projects.

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

Yes: 10 - Arthur, McCraney, Chambers Armstrong, Hollander, Kramer, Fowler, Piagentini, George, Engel, and Ackerson

Excused: 1 - Winkler

Enactment No: Ordinance 063-2021

3. [O-206-21](#)**AN ORDINANCE APPROVING PARTIAL FORGIVENESS OF A LOAN TO DIRECTIONS APARTMENTS, LLC PURSUANT TO LOUISVILLE METRO CODE OF ORDINANCES (“LMCO”) SECTION 39.131(B) (AS AMENDED).**

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

Attachments: [O-206-21 V.2 CAM 051321 Partial Forgivable Loan to Directions Apartments.pdf](#)
[O-206-21 V.1 050621 Partial Forgivable Loan to Directions Apartments.pdf](#)
[O-206-21 ATTACH Exhibit A.pdf](#)
[Loan Assumption and Modification Agreement.pdf](#)

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

The following spoke to this item:

- Council Member Purvis
- Marilyn Harris, Develop Louisville
- Chair Hollander
- Vice Chair Kramer
- Kitty McKune, New Directions Housing Corporation
- Leah Driver, New Directions Housing Corporation
- Committee Member Fowler
- Committee Member Arthur
- Committee Member Piagentini
- Committee Member Ackerson

The following was discussed:

- This will allow New Directions to re-invest in affordable housing for residents in Districts 5 and 6
- Needed for renovations on the property to maintain good repair
- Unbiased review done by third-party contractor to make sure it was a feasible plan and the project could be successful in the long run
- Whether there was an agreement in writing regarding continued affordable housing at 30 percent AMI for a certain amount of time
- This was also done for Brandeis Apartments a few years ago, and this is similar in that they are taking advantage of interest rates that have gone down
- Different from Brandeis Apartments because \$1M going into repairs and \$400,000 going to Metro Louisville on the note
- Whether New Directions has other properties where they plan to ask for loan forgiveness
- Used Home Funds, which are federal funds
- Term of the new loan and current length of the term
- New Directions has never had problems in complying with all requirements
- Possibly amending the Affordable Housing Trust Fund Ordinance to include a requirement for 30 percent AMI
- Additional questions about requirements to maintain the property as affordable housing
- "Affordable housing" not really being affordable, and unlike other projects that receive tax increment financing (TIFs), this project really focuses on

lower-income housing

Enactment No: Ordinance 071-2021

Jason Fowler, Jefferson County Attorneys Office, stated that an amendment needed to be made.

Justin Robinson, Develop Louisville, explained that they were requesting that language be added regarding covering the additional accrued interest added to the loan before closing.

Chair Hollander asked for the additional dollar amount of what is being forgiven and it was provided as approximately \$17,000.

Sonya Harward, Clerk, read the amendment into the record.

A motion was made by Committee Member Ackerson, seconded by Committee Member Piagentini, that this Ordinance be amended as shown in the attached document titled "O-206-21 V.2 CAM 051321 Partial Forgivable Loan to Directions Apartments.pdf."

The motion to amend carried by a voice vote.

The motion to recommend for approval carried by the following vote and the amended Ordinance was sent to the Consent Calendar:

Yes: 10 - Arthur, McCraney, Chambers Armstrong, Hollander, Kramer, Fowler, Piagentini, George, Engel, and Ackerson

Excused: 1 - Winkler

Enactment No: Ordinance 071-2021

4. [O-192-21](#)

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 102, SERIES 2016, RELATING TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2016-2017 CAPITAL BUDGET, ORDINANCE 082, SERIES 2019, RELATING TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2019-2020 CAPITAL BUDGET, AND ORDINANCE NO. 072, SERIES 2020, RELATING TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021 CAPITAL BUDGET BY TRANSFERRING FUNDS AND ESTABLISHING A NEW PROJECT TITLED D9 FRANKFORT AVE SIDEWALK AND RAMP REPAIRS.

Sponsors: Primary Bill Hollander (D-9)

Attachments: [O-192-21 V.1 050621 Budget Transfer for Frankfort Ave Sidewalk and Ramp Repair Project.pdf](#)

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

The following spoke to this item:

- Chair Hollander
- Committee Member Fowler
- Committee Member McCraney
- Committee Member Chambers Armstrong
- Committee Member Piagentini

The following was discussed:

- Funding for a series of sidewalks repairs on Frankfort Avenue, many of which are near the Kentucky School for the Blind
- Funds from other projects that have been completed are to be used for this project, plus \$105,000 of Capital Infrastructure Funding, for a total of over \$170,000 of repairs on Frankfort Avenue
- Metro Government does not fund repairs for sidewalks along state highways in the Budget because it is not Metro Government's responsibility, so these repairs must be funded through the State (their Budget is \$100,000 for all of Jefferson County) or by the Council
- Public Works helping with the repairs for sidewalks on state highways
- Discussion about other state highways with this issue in Louisville because they are some of the busiest corridors, such as Bardstown Road, Shelbyville Road, and Dixie Highway

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

Yes: 10 - Arthur, McCraney, Chambers Armstrong, Hollander, Kramer, Fowler, Piagentini, George, Engel, and Ackerson

Excused: 1 - Winkler

Enactment No: Ordinance 064-2021

5. [O-077-21](#)

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 072, SERIES 2020 RELATING TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021 CAPITAL BUDGET OF THE LOUISVILLE/JEFFERSON COUNTY METRO GOVERNMENT BY APPROPRIATING \$30,700,000 FROM THE GENERAL FUND FOR MID-YEAR CAPITAL NEEDS TO PUBLIC WORKS & ASSETS, PARKS & RECREATION, LIBRARY, AND FACILITIES & FLEET DEFERRED MAINTENANCE, AND AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 073, SERIES 2020 RELATING TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021 OPERATING BUDGET OF THE LOUISVILLE/JEFFERSON COUNTY METRO GOVERNMENT TO ADJUST GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS/AUTHORIZATIONS AS A RESULT OF MID-YEAR FORECAST.

Sponsors: Primary Kevin Kramer (R-11) and Primary Mark H. Fox (D-13)

Attachments: [O-077-21 V.1 022521 Budget Transfers RE PW, Parks, Library, and Facilities.pdf](#)

This item was held in Committee.

6. [O-163-21](#)

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A FORGIVABLE LOAN TO HABITAT OF HUMANITY OF METRO LOUISVILLE PURSUANT TO LOUISVILLE METRO CODE OF ORDINANCES ("LMCO") SECTION 39.131(B).

Attachments: [O-163-21 SPONSORSHIP WITHDRAWN 042221 Forgivable Loan to Habitat of Humanity.pdf](#)
[2019 HOME NOFA.pdf](#)

Sponsorship was withdrawn.

Adjournment

Chair Hollander spoke about the Public Hearing following this meeting and the format to be used, and gave a reminder about the next Public Hearing scheduled for May 27, 2021.

Without objection, Chair Hollander adjourned the meeting at 5:43 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 May 6, 2021.