

ORDINANCE NO. 134, SERIES 2016

**AN ORDINANCE CREATING A NEW SECTION OF CHAPTER 30 TO REQUIRE THE MAYOR TO SUBMIT THE ANNUAL FISCAL BUDGET PROPOSAL TO LOUISVILLE METRO COUNCIL BY APRIL.**

**SPONSORED BY: COUNCILMEMBERS HOLLANDER, WOOLRIDGE, JAMES, LEET, BLACKWELL, FOWLER, DOWNARD, PARKER AND JOHNSON**

**WHEREAS**, the Louisville Metro Mayor is tasked with the responsibility under Kentucky Revised Statute (“KRS”) 91A.030 to prepare a budget proposal together with a budget message “in the form and detail as is prescribed by ordinance” and submit the budget proposal to Louisville Metro Council at least thirty days before to the beginning of the fiscal year;

**WHEREAS**, KRS 67C.103(13) and KRS 91A.030 grant Louisville Metro Council the responsibility to review and approve Louisville Metro’s budgets and appropriate money, including the adoption of Louisville Metro Government’s annual budget;

**WHEREAS**, every year Metro Council devotes the month of June to numerous committee meetings for careful review of the budget proposal along with testimony from various agencies and departments included in the Mayor’s proposed budget;

**WHEREAS**, legislative bodies in many other communities have far longer than 30 days to consider executive budget proposals;

**WHEREAS**, Louisville Metro Council needs more than 30 days to receive input from the public and thoughtfully consider important allocations contained in Louisville Metro Government’s annual budget;

**WHEREAS**, Louisville Metro Council amends Louisville Metro Code of Ordinances (“LMCO”), Chapter 30 to require that the Mayor present the annual budget proposal by the second meeting in April prior to the fiscal year.

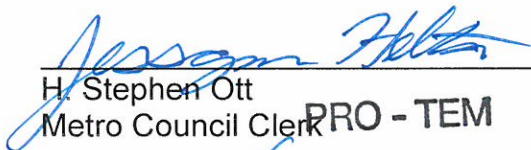
BE IT ORDAINED BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL OF THE LOUISVILLE/JEFFERSON COUNTY METRO GOVERNMENT (THE COUNCIL) AS FOLLOWS:

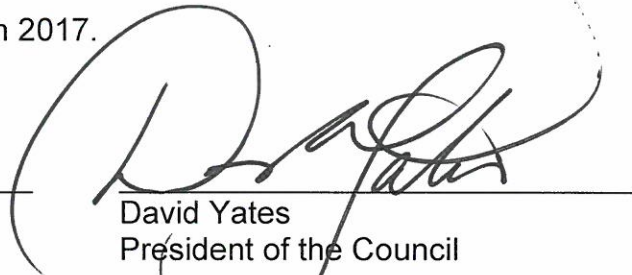
**SECTION I:** A new section of LMCO Chapter 30 is hereby created as follows:

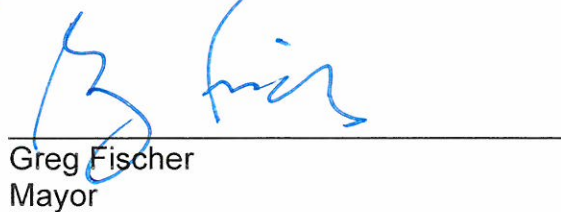
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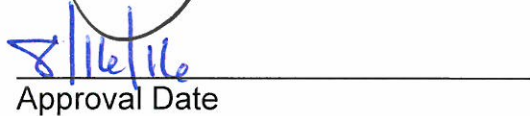
KRS 91A.030 grants the Mayor the responsibility to prepare and submit an annual budget proposal to Louisville Metro Council for approval in the form and detail prescribed by ordinance. The Mayor shall present Louisville Metro Council with the annual budget proposal no later than Louisville Metro Council's second meeting scheduled in the month of April prior to the beginning of the fiscal year.

**SECTION II:** This Ordinance shall take effect upon its passage and approval; it will apply to the budget review process in 2017.

  
H. Stephen Ott  
Metro Council Clerk **PRO - TEM**

  
David Yates  
President of the Council

  
Greg Fischer  
Mayor

  
8/16/16  
Approval Date

**APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:**

Michael J. O'Connell  
Jefferson County Attorney

BY:  ATTEST: 

LOUISVILLE METRO COUNCIL  
READ AND PASSED  
August 11, 2016