



# Louisville Metro Government

601 W. Jefferson Street  
Louisville, KY 40202

## Action Summary - Tentative Government Oversight and Audit Committee

*Chair Brent Ackerson (D-26)*  
*Vice Chair Kevin Kramer (R-11)*  
*Committee Member Donna Purvis (D-5)*  
*Committee Member Paula McCraney (D-7)*  
*Committee Member Bill Hollander (D-9)*  
*Committee Member Rick Blackwell (D-12)*  
*Committee Member Mark Fox (D-13)*  
*Committee Member Cindi Fowler (D-14)*  
*Committee Member Scott Reed (R-16)*  
*Committee Member Stuart Benson (R-20)*  
*Committee Member Amy Holton Stewart (D-25)*

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Tuesday, June 1, 2021

5:00 PM

Council Chambers/Virtual

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### Call to Order

Chair Person Ackerson called the meeting to order at 5:07 p.m.

### Roll Call

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

**NOTE: All committee members and non-committee members attended the meeting virtually, except Chair Person Ackerson and Council Member Piagentini, who attended in Chambers.**

- Present:** 9 - Committee Member Donna L. Purvis (D-5), Committee Member Paula McCraney (D-7), Committee Member Bill Hollander (D-9), Committee Member Rick Blackwell (D-12), Committee Member Mark H. Fox (D-13), Committee Member Cindi Fowler (D-14), Committee Member Scott Reed (R-16), Council Member Amy Holton Stewart (D-25), and Chair Brent Ackerson (D-26)
- Excused:** 2 - Vice Chair Kevin Kramer (R-11), and Committee Member Stuart Benson (R-20)

### Non-Committee Member(s)

Council Member Jecorey Arthur (D-4), Council President David James (D-6), Council Member Anthony Piagentini (R-19), Council Member Robin Engel (R-22), and Council Member James Peden (R-23)

### Support Staff

Hollie Hopkins, Jefferson County Attorney's Office  
Alice Lyon, Jefferson County Attorney's Office  
Travis Fiechter, Jefferson County Attorney's Office  
Jonathan Ricketts, Counsel for Metro Council  
Chris Bush, Counsel for Metro Council  
David Beyer, Investigator for Metro Council

## Clerk(s)

Lisa Franklin Gray, Assistant Clerk  
Sonya Harward, Clerk

## Pending Legislation

### 1. [O-218-21](#)

#### **AN ORDINANCE OF THE LOUISVILLE METRO COUNCIL TO APPROVE THE ANNEXATION BY THE CITY OF HERITAGE CREEK OF 10001 CEDAR CREEK ROAD.**

**Sponsors:** Primary Robin Engel (R-22) and Primary James Peden (R-23)

**Attachments:** [O-218-21 V.1 052021 ANNEXATION BY THE CITY OF HERITAGE CREEK OF 10001 CEDAR CREEK ROAD.pdf](#)  
[ATTACH Annexation Request from City of Heritage Creek.pdf](#)

[Fiscal Impact of City of Heritage Creek Proposed Annexation at 10001 Cedar Creek Road.pdf](#)

[Review by PDS - Annexation Request by City of Heritage Creek for Property Located at 10001 Cedar Creek Road.pdf](#)  
[20-ZONE-0005 Approved Plan 102820 \(002\).pdf](#)

[ZoomedOut \(002\).pdf](#)

[Aerial \(002\).pdf](#)

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

The following spoke to this item:

- Chair Person Ackerson
- Committee Member Hollander
- Council Member Engel
- Council Member Peden
- Mayor Larry Webb, City of Heritage Creek

The following was discussed:

- There was a discussion on the improved process and contributing partners that aid in reviewing annexation requests such as the Office of Management and Budget, Louisville Forward, Metro Planning and Design Services and Metro Public Works.
- The City of Heritage Creek is essentially the Regional Airport Relocation community.
- This area is adjacent to Districts 22 and 23.
- This area is zoned R-5 residential for 233 lots, this request has been approved for 56 acres.
- The property owner has consented to the annexation.
- The City of Heritage Creek has voted for approval to the annexation.
- The property is north of the City of Heritage Creek and surrounded by the City of Heritage Creek on the east, south and west.
- The Fire Protection District and Police District are in agreement with the request.

- The annexation of this property would be beneficial to the City of Heritage Creek.

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

**Yes:** 8 - Purvis, McCraney, Hollander, Blackwell, Fox, Reed, Holton Stewart, and Ackerson

**Excused:** 2 - Kramer, and Benson

**Absent:** 1 - Fowler

## Special Discussion

### 2. [ID 21-0097](#)

#### **SPECIAL DISCUSSION: TRANSIT AUTHORITY OF RIVER CITY (TARC) INVESTIGATION**

**Attachments:** [TARC - Transmittal Letter to President James.pdf](#)  
[TARC Investigation - EXHIBIT 19 FINAL.pdf](#)  
[TARC Investigation FINAL EXHIBITS.pdf](#)  
[TARC Investigation Final Report 5-10-21.pdf](#)  
[GOAC Prez.pdf](#)  
[TARC Cooperative Timeline - M.Golden 2020.pdf](#)  
[TARC Timeline - D.Beyer 2020.pdf](#)

David Beyer, Investigator for the Metro Council, gave a presentation and summary of the Metro Council's Transit Authority of River City (TARC) Investigation of the hiring and termination of former Executive Director Ferdinand Risco.

The following spoke to this item:

- Chair Person Ackerson
- David Beyer
- Council Member Piagentini
- Committee Member Purvis
- Committee Member Reed
- Committee Member Fox

The following was discussed:

- There was a discussion regarding the overview of the investigative report and its findings. (See attached - Final Metro Council's Transit Authority of River City (TARC) Investigation of the hiring and termination of former Executive Director Ferdinand Risco - Report)
- There was a discussion regarding the budgeting practices of TARC to date taking into consideration several transportation and labor challenges that have taken place.
- There was a discussion regarding examining the practices of the TARC Board Members, TARC supporting leadership roles, Human Resources and Budgeting

personnel.

- There was a discussion regarding implementing the recommendations outlined in the report to address inefficiencies at the agency going forward.
- There was a discussion regarding the fiduciary oversight and operating practices of TARC.
- There was a discussion regarding the efforts and duties of the TARC Board members during the span of this investigation.
- There was a discussion regarding accountability for quasi-government agencies.
- There were several questions regarding TARC's current personnel policies and whether the policies will prevent/deter sexual harassment behavior in the future.
- There was a discussion regarding the creation of an employee tip line for TARC employees to report infractions.
- There was a discussion regarding TARC securing an independent third party agency to coordinate the employee tip line to ensure employees are comfortable making complaints.
- There was a discussion regarding a review of the current procurement processes at TARC.
- There was a discussion regarding the former Executive Director showing similar behavior with his former employer.
- There were several questions regarding whether the TARC Board Members were aware of the allegations surrounding the former Executive Director.
- There was a discussion regarding greater oversight of boards that manage taxpayer dollars.
- There were several questions regarding whether any actionable crimes had been committed.
- There were several questions regarding training for quasi-government board members that have fiduciary responsibilities going forward.
- There was a discussion regarding the roles and responsibilities of board member appointees.

3. [ID 21-0098](#)

**SPECIAL DISCUSSION: PURSUANT TO ORDER 003, SERIES 2020, TO INVESTIGATE THE ACTIONS AND INACTION OF THE ADMINISTRATION SURROUNDING THE DEATH OF BREONNA TAYLOR, THE DEATH OF DAVID MCATEE, AND RELATED PROTESTS IN LOUISVILLE METRO**

*Attachments:* [OR.003.2020.pdf](#)

## Adjournment

Without objection, Chair Person Ackerson adjourned the meeting at 6:47 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 June 10, 2021.