



Action Summary - Final Budget Committee

Chair Bill Hollander (D-9)
Vice Chair Kevin Kramer (R-11)
Committee Member Keisha Dorsey (D-3)
Committee Member Barbara Sexton Smith (D-4)
Committee Member Paula McCraney (D-7)
Committee Member Pat Mulvihill (D-10)
Committee Member Cindi Fowler (D-14)
Committee Member Scott Reed (R-16)
Committee Member Markus Winkler (D-17)
Committee Member Anthony Piagentini (R-19)
Committee Member Brent Ackerson (D-26)

Wednesday, December 30, 2020

1:00 PM

Council Chambers

THIS IS CONSIDERED A SPECIAL MEETING

Call to Order

Chair Hollander called the meeting to order at 1:02 p.m.

Roll Call

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

***NOTE:** All committee members and non-committee members present attended virtually, except for Committee Member Sexton Smith who was present in Chambers.

Present: 11 - Committee Member Paula McCraney (D-7), Committee Member Pat Mulvihill (D-10), Committee Member Cindi Fowler (D-14), Committee Member Scott Reed (R-16), Committee Member Markus Winkler (D-17), Committee Member Anthony Piagentini (R-19), Committee Member Brent Ackerson (D-26), Chair Bill Hollander (D-9), Vice Chair Kevin Kramer (R-11), Committee Member Keisha Dorsey (D-3), and Committee Member Barbara Sexton Smith (D-4)

Non-Committee Member(s)

Council Member Barbara Shanklin (D-2), Council Member Donna Purvis (D-5), Council President David James (D-6), Council Member Mark Fox (D-13), Council Member Kevin Triplett (D-15), Council Member Marilyn Parker (R-18), and Council Member Nicole George (D-21)

Support Staff

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

Clerk(s)

Sonya Harward, Clerk
Lisa Franklin Gray, Assistant Clerk

Pending Legislation1. [O-588-20](#)

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 073, SERIES 2020 RELATING TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021 OPERATING BUDGET FOR THE LOUISVILLE/JEFFERSON COUNTY METRO GOVERNMENT BY APPROPRIATING [\$3,533,700] \$2,183,700 OF GENERAL FUND COMMITTED FUND BALANCE FROM FISCAL YEAR 2019-2020 TO VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS (AS AMENDED).

Sponsors: Primary David James (D-6), Primary Keisha Dorsey (D-3), Primary Barbara Sexton Smith (D-4), Primary Bill Hollander (D-9) and Primary Markus Winkler (D-17)

Attachments: [O-588-20 V.2 123020 Ord RE Mid-Year Operating Budget Adjustments.pdf](#)
[O-588-20 V.1 121020 Emergency Ord RE Mid-Year Operating Budget Adjustments.pdf](#)

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

Daniel Frockt, Office of Management and Budget, addressed some questions that were previously asked regarding the funding in this Ordinance that will create \$6M in reoccurring costs for the next Budget. He provided an update on the Budget status for Fiscal Year 2021 and Fiscal Year 2022. For Fiscal Year 2021, he stated that November and December had a positive impact so the forecast had improved. For the Fiscal Year 2022, he stated that they were not expecting to have to reduce the existing compliment of personnel or services to balance the budget, in part due to the amount of drop off in revenue that was budgeted having not materialized.

Daniel Frockt also addressed the CARES Act funding, including the closing out of the original funding account and the second round of CARES Act funding that will be coming pursuant to the new Federal legislation, and what it means for the programs funded by such.

[Video at 19:49]

The following also spoke to this Ordinance:

- Committee Member Piagentini asked questions about the impact of the \$6M in reoccurring costs for personnel and contractual obligations, and whether the Administration would be requesting any new funding before the next Fiscal Year Budget gets passed.
- Chair Hollander asked questions about CARES Act funding remaining available after the current account is closed.
- Vice Chair Kramer asked questions about where the \$26M came from, what expenditures are eligible for CARES Act funding, and whether any money was saved due to some programs not occurring in 2020 due to the pandemic, such as some Parks programs.
- Committee Member Reed asked if the funds being expended in the Ordinance could be moved to the Rainy Day fund, and then a few months

down the road determine if the projections were accurate before deciding to spend the funds.

- Committee Member Ackerson clarified Committee Member Reed's question regarding waiting before deciding to spend these funds.

- Committee Member Fowler spoke about Ordinance 154, Series 2019, passed in October 2019, regarding Section 42.41(E) of the Louisville Metro Code of Ordinances that states:

"To the extent allowable by law, fees and other revenue generated through Metro-owned Golf Courses shall remain dedicated to addressing costs of the golf courses, to include but not limited to deferred maintenance needs. The approval of Metro Council shall be required before any revenue generated by Metro-owned Golf Courses is expended for any other purpose." Committee Member Fowler also stated that she may request assistance from the Jefferson County Attorney's Office to draft an amendment to be proposed at the next Council meeting. The following also spoke to this discussion about revenue from golf:

- Chair Hollander
- Daniel Frockt
- Vice Chair Kramer
- Council Member Purvis

- Council Member Fox spoke about using the funds if there is a desperate need, which he had yet to hear, rather than just finding a way to spend them.

- Chair Hollander stated that there is an anticipated \$12M increase in pension expenses next year, which have been considered before expending these funds.

- Committee Member Winkler spoke about the desperate needs currently faced by the city that need to be addressed, which included the high rate of homicides and homelessness.

- Committee Member Dorsey spoke about the proposed expenditures corresponding with the critical needs of the city by addressing the causes of the issues.

- Council President James spoke about the city not recovering if the critical needs are not addressed now, such as the extremely high number of shootings and the homeless population.

-Major Kelly Jones, Louisville Metro Police Department, spoke about the Louisville Metro Police Department's involvement with homelessness.

- Council Member Purvis spoke about funds being spent in a constructive manner.

[Video at 1:19:34]

Monique Williams, Office of Safe and Healthy Neighborhoods, spoke about the request for funding for the gun violence intervention outreach work. The following also spoke to this requested funding:

- Committee Member Piagentini
- Jessie Halladay, Public Services
- Council Member George
- Committee Member McCraney
- Vincent James, Community Building
- Council Member Shanklin
- Council Member Fox

[Video at 1:53:31]

Tameka Laird, Office of Resilience and Community Services, spoke about the request for funding for two programs, the agency's Homeless Services and the

Crisis Response Team. The following also spoke to this requested funding:

- Chair Hollander
- Committee Member Piagentini
- Council Member George
- Vincent James, Community Building
- Council President James
- Officer Jessica Morrison, Louisville Metro Police Department
- Officer Robert Yoshioka, Louisville Metro Police Department
- Committee Member Sexton Smith
- Daniel Frockt
- Major Kelly Jones
- Council Member Triplett
- Committee Member McCraney

[Video at 2:54:40]

Robert Kirchdorfer, Louisville Metro Codes and Regulations, spoke about the request for funding for the Vacant Lots Team, Snow Removal Team, and others to help meet the public's expectations to keep the city clean and accessible. The following also spoke to this requested funding:

- Chair Hollander
- Committee Member Dorsey
- Council Member Purvis

[Video at 3:04:48]

Vanessa Burns, Public Works, spoke about the request for funding for Public Works to be able to provide increased suburban street sweeping, Metro-wide litter collection, and ramp cleaning. The following also spoke to this requested funding:

- Council Member Purvis
- Keith Hackett, Public Works

[Video at 3:17:41]

Chair Hollander stated that he would be offering an amendment to remove the funding for the Kentucky Science Center from the Ordinance so they can wait to see what funding may be available to them from the new Federal legislation. The following also spoke to this requested funding:

- Michael Norman, Kentucky Science Center
- Council President James
- Council Member Purvis

A motion was made by Chair Hollander, seconded by Committee Member Mulvihill, that this Ordinance be amended as follows:

- Delete SECTION VI in its entirety [and renumber the following sections accordingly]
- Amend SECTION IV by subtracting \$600,000 that was being allotted for the Global Response Team from the General Fund and Total amount listed
- Amend SECTION I to reduce the revenue to correspond with the other changes that were made

The motion to amend carried by a voice vote.

Enactment No: Ordinance 001-2021

The motion to recommend for approval carried by the following vote and the Ordinance was sent to Old Business:

Yes: 8 - McCraney, Mulvihill, Fowler, Piagentini, Hollander, Kramer, Dorsey, and Sexton Smith

No: 1 - Reed

Absent: 2 - Winkler, and Ackerson

Enactment No: Ordinance 001-2021

2. [O-589-20](#)

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 072, SERIES 2020 RELATING TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2020-21 CAPITAL BUDGET, FOR THE LOUISVILLE/JEFFERSON COUNTY METRO GOVERNMENT BY INCREASING THE VEHICLE/EQUIPMENT FOR GENERAL SERVICES CAPITAL PROJECT FROM \$2,000,000 TO [\$3,664,900] \$3,754,900 FOR GENERAL FLEET PURCHASES (AS AMENDED).

Sponsors: Primary David James (D-6), Primary Keisha Dorsey (D-3), Primary Barbara Sexton Smith (D-4), Primary Bill Hollander (D-9) and Primary Markus Winkler (D-17)

Attachments: [O-589-20 V.2 123020 Ord RE Mid-Year Adjustment to Capital Budget RE Fleet Equipment.pdf](#)
[O-589-20 V.1 121020 Emergency Ord RE Mid-Year Adjustment to Capital Budget RE Fleet Equipment.pdf](#)

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

**A motion was made by Chair Hollander, seconded by Committee Member Piagentini, that this Ordinance be amended as follows:
- Amend SECTION I to add \$90,000 to fund two additional trucks to be used by the Homeless Outreach Team**

The motion to amend carried by a voice vote.

Enactment No: Ordinance 002-2021

The motion to recommend for approval carried by the following vote and the Ordinance was sent to Old Business:

Yes: 8 - McCraney, Mulvihill, Fowler, Piagentini, Hollander, Kramer, Dorsey, and Sexton Smith

No: 1 - Reed

Absent: 2 - Winkler, and Ackerson

Enactment No: Ordinance 002-2021

After the vote, Committee Member Reed explained his "No" vote on both of the Ordinances. He said that he agreed that the initiatives were all worthwhile and necessary but he had concerns about the timing, and he would prefer to wait a few months so that they can determine if the projections are accurate.

Enactment No: Ordinance 002-2021

Adjournment

Without objection, Chair Hollander adjourned the meeting at 4:35 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 January 4, 2021.