

Louisville Metro Government

Action Summary - Tentative Parks and Sustainability Committee

Chair Cindi Fowler (D-14)
Vice Chair Pat Mulvihill (D-10)
Committee Member Rick Blackwell (D-12)
Committee Member Kevin Triplett (D-15)
Committee Member Marilyn Parker (R-18)
Committee Member Nicole George (D-21)
Committee Member James Peden (R-23)

Thursday, November 18, 2021

3:00 PM

Council Chambers/Virtual

THIS MEETING IS BEING HELD VIA VIDEO TELECONFERENCE

Call to Order

Chair Fowler called the meeting to order at 3:03 p.m.

Roll Call

Chair Fowler 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 Chair Fowler and Council Member Hollander, who attended in Chambers.

Present: 6 - Vice Chair Pat Mulvihill (D-10), Chair Cindi Fowler (D-14), Committee Member

Kevin Triplett (D-15), Committee Member Marilyn Parker (R-18), Committee Member Nicole George (D-21), and Committee Member James Peden (R-23)

Excused: 1 - Committee Member Rick Blackwell (D-12)

Non-Committee Member(s)

Council Member Bill Hollander (D-9)

Support Staff

Jason Fowler, Jefferson County Attorney's Office Paul Rutherford, Jefferson County Attorney's Office Anne Scholtz, Jefferson County Attorney's Office

Clerk(s)

Cheryl Woods, Assistant Clerk Sonya Harward, Clerk

Special Discussion

1. ID 21-1375

Millcreek Wetland Stream Project - Bennet Knox, Parks and Recreation (KY Fish and Wildlife)

Attachments: Mill Creek - Council ppt 2021-11-18.pdf

Bennett Knox, Parks and Recreation; Bob Hawley, Sustainable Streams; and Rob Lewis, Kentucky Fish and Wildlife, gave presentations (see attached).

The following spoke to this item:

- Bennett Knox
- Chair Fowler
- Rob Lewis
- Committee Member George
- Bob Hawley

The following was discussed:

- The Corps of Engineers requires land developers to mitigate for losses of stream and wetland habitat
- Developers can buy mitigation credits from Fees-In-Lieu-Of Mitigation (FILO)
- The FILO program restores, enhances and/or preserves aquatic habitat in streams and wetlands
- The project location is in the Mill Creek parcel
- There are five segments and each segment has to be monitored for seven years after it is completed
- Construction is determined on available funding, and construction could last from one to two years construction
- The projected monitoring period will be finalized in 2035
- Question about what makes a parcel eligible for the FILO
- Question about how much funding is available within this region
- Metro Parks received a commitment from Nature Conservancy to provide \$100,000 towards the development of conceptual ideas for trail and trailhead improvements

2. ID 21-1474

Margaret Brosko, Metro Parks- - Update on Golf Professional RFP at Bobby Nichols

The following spoke to this item:

- Joel Neaveill, Office of Management and Budget/Procurement.
- Chair Fowler

The following was discussed:

- The request for proposal (RFP) process allows an ample opportunity for qualified persons to submit bids
- A Resolution for consideration for approval will be submitted to award to First Tee of Louisville for Bobby Nichols
- Metro Parks received two additional proposals -- Tommy Best who currently

operates Long Run Park, and Dustin Fowler who is not an operator

Pending Legislation

3. R-143-21

A RESOLUTION PURSUANT TO THE CAPITAL AND OPERATING BUDGET ORDINANCES APPROVING THE APPROPRIATION TO FUND THE FOLLOWING SOLE SOURCE CONTRACT FOR METRO PARKS CONCERNING THE PURCHASE OF TREES TO BE PLANTED THROUGHOUT METRO LOUISVILLE TO COMBAT THE EFFECTS OF TREE CANOPY LOSS AND THE METRO HEAT ISLAND - (SANDY ABRAMS LANDSCAPING COMPANY, INC. - \$75,000.00).

Sponsors: Primary Cindi Fowler (D-14)

<u>Attachments:</u> R-143-21 V.1 111121 Parks Contract with Sandy Abrams
Landscaping Co Tree Purchase.pdf

A motion was made by Committee Member Triplett, seconded by Committee Member Parker, that this Resolution be recommended for approval.

The motion to carried by a voice vote and the Resolution was sent to the Consent Calendar.

4. R-148-21

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR ON BEHALF OF METRO GOVERNMENT TO ACCEPT THE DONATION OF A CONSERVATION EASEMENT ON PROPERTY OWNED BY BLACKBIRD BEND, LLC, LOCATED ON TAYLORSVILLE ROAD AND OLD TAYLORSVILLE ROAD NEAR FLOYDS FORK IN JEFFERSON COUNTY, KENTUCKY.

Sponsors: Primary Stuart Benson (R-20) and Primary Bill Hollander (D-9)

<u>Attachments:</u> R-148-21 V.1 111121 Conservation Easement Blackbird Bend, <u>LLC.pdf</u>

A motion was made by Committee Member Triplett, seconded by Committee Member Peden, that this Resolution be recommended for approval.

The following spoke to this item:

- Anne Scholtz, Jefferson County Attorney's Office
- Kurt Mason, Oversight Board for Louisville/Jefferson Environmental Trust
- Chair Fowler
- Committee Member Peden
- Council Member Hollander

The following was discussed:

- Metro Council must approve any easement
- The property is approximately 114 acres that will be divided into 2 tracts
- The owner of the property will retain ownership of the property
- The owner has the right to build two houses on the property
- Currently there is a house on the property that will be demolished
- There is an opportunity for continue of horticulture on the land
- Question about whether the two houses that will be built on the property will

be kept in the family

- Regardless of who owns the two homes on the land the integrity of the easement stays in place with no more future development on the property

The motion to recommend for approval carried by a voice vote and the Resolution was sent to the Consent Calendar.

Adjournment

Without objection, Chair Fowler adjourned the meeting at 4:01 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 December 2, 2021.