Louisville Metro Government

Action Summary - Tentative
Labor and Economic Development Committee

Chair Ben Reno-Weber (D-8)
Vice Chair Crystal Bast (R-14)
Committee Member Donna L. Purvis (D-5)
Committee Member JP Lyninger (D-6)
Committee Member Paula McCraney (I-7)
Committee Member Josie Raymond (D-10)
Committee Member Jeff Hudson (R-23)
Committee Member Khalil Batshon (R-25)

Tuesday, July 21, 2026 | **3:00 PM** | **Council Chambers/Virtual**

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Call to Order

Chair Reno-Weber called the meeting to order at 3:04 p.m.

Roll Call

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

NOTE: All committee and non-committee members present attended in Chambers, except Committee Member Purvis and Committee Member McCraney, who attended virtually.

Present: 8 - Chair Ben Reno-Weber (D-8), Vice Chair Crystal Bast (R-14), Committee Member Donna L. Purvis (D-5), Committee Member JP Lyninger (D-6), Committee Member Paula McCraney (I-7), Committee Member Josie Raymond (D-10), Committee Member Jeff Hudson (R-23), and Committee Member Khalil Batshon (R-25)

Non-Committee Member(s)

Council Member Ken Herndon (D-4), Council Member Kevin Kramer (R-11), Council Member Stuart Benson (R-20)

Support Staff

Laura Ferguson, Jefferson County Attorney's Office

Clerk(s)

Sonya Harward, Clerk
Mary Willis, Assistant Clerk

Special Discussion

1. ID 26-0846

NAMI Louisville: Nancy Brooks and Mary Dossett, NAMI Louisville

Attachments: Strengthening Louisville through NAMI Programming.pdf

Partnering to Build a Stronger Louisville NAMI Louisville.pdf

Nancy Brooks, NAMI Louisville, gave a presentation (see attached).

The following also spoke to this item:
- Chair Reno-Weber
- Mary Dossett, NAMI Louisville
- Committee Member Lyninger
- Committee Member McCraney
- Council Member Herndon

Pending Legislation

2. O-187-26

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A DEVELOPMENT AREA PURSUANT TO PROVISIONS OF KRS 65.7041- 65.7083 TO BE KNOWN AS THE LANDMARK BUILDING DEVELOPMENT AREA, DESIGNATING THE METRO DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY, INC. AS AN "AGENCY", ADOPTING A DEVELOPMENT PLAN, APPROVING ENTERING INTO A LOCAL PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT, AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF THE "RELEASED AMOUNT" PURSUANT TO THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE LOCAL PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT, REQUIRING THE SUBMISSION OF REGULAR REPORTS TO LOUISVILLE/JEFFERSON COUNTY METRO GOVERNMENT AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF ANY OTHER DOCUMENTS AND THE TAKING OF ANY OTHER ACTIONS NECESSARY TO ACCOMPLISH THE PURPOSES AUTHORIZED BY THIS ORDINANCE.

Sponsors: Primary Ken Herndon (D-4)

Attachments: O-187-26 V.1 062526 Establishing The Landmark Building Development Area.pdf
O-187-26 ATTACH Exhibit A - Development Plan.pdf
O-187-26 ATTACH Exhibit C - Local Participation Agreement.pdf

A motion was made by Committee Member Batshon, seconded by Committee Member Hudson, that this Ordinance be approved.

The following spoke to this item:
- Katie Littman, Economic Development
- Council Member Herndon

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

Yes: 6 - Reno-Weber, Bast, Purvis, Raymond, Hudson, and Batshon

No: 1 - Lyninger

Absent: 1 - McCraney

3. R-081-26

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE GRANTING OF LOCAL INCENTIVES TO R.C. BIGELOW, INC. AND ANY SUBSEQUENT ASSIGNEES OR APPROVED AFFILIATES THEREOF PURSUANT TO KRS CHAPTER 154, SUBCHAPTER 32.

Sponsors: Primary Kevin Kramer (R-11)

Attachments: R-081-26 V.1 062526 Incentives for R.C. Bigelow.pdf

A motion was made by Committee Member Batshon, seconded by Committee Member Hudson, that this Resolution be approved.

The following spoke to this item:
- Hayden Kandul, Economic Development
- Council Member Kramer
- Committee Member Lyninger
- Chair Reno-Weber

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

4. R-085-26

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT $25,000 FROM THE NATIONAL LEAGUE OF CITIES INSTITUTE (NLCI) AS PART OF THE BUILDING ECONOMIC RESILIENCE IN COMMUNITIES PROGRAM TO BE ADMINISTERED BY THE OFFICE OF SOCIAL SERVICES.

Sponsors: Primary Ben Reno-Weber (D-8)

Attachments: R-085-26 V.1 062526 Mayor to Accept Funds from NLCI for Ofc of SS.pdf
2026 City of Louisville BERC Program Acceptance Letter.pdf
City of Louisville 2026 BERC Program MOU.pdf
BERC Program Social Media Toolkit.pdf

A motion was made by Committee Member Lyninger, seconded by Committee Member Batshon, that this Resolution be approved.

Josh Swetman, Office of Social Services, spoke to this item.

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

Adjournment

Without objection, Chair Reno-Weber adjourned the meeting at 3:58 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 July 30, 2026.

Transcript

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