

ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_\_, SERIES 2019

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 39 OF THE LOUISVILLE/JEFFERSON COUNTY METRO CODE OF ORDINANCES BY CREATING A NEW SECTION REGARDING MANDATORY REPORTING OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT TO METRO COUNCIL (AS AMENDED).**

**SPONSORED BY: COUNCIL MEMBER PIAGENTINI**

**WHEREAS**, economic development is critical to the well-being of Metro Louisville’s residents and the future growth of Metro Louisville;

**WHEREAS**, the disposition of land and public assets has a direct impact on local communities and thus requires transparency within the government and before the public;

**WHEREAS**, it is important to consolidate economic development information in a standardized way;

**WHEREAS**, KRS § 67C.105(1) provides that all executive and administrative power of the government shall be vested in the office of the mayor; and

**WHEREAS**, KRS § 67C.103(13)(f) provides that among the legislative powers vested in the consolidated local government council, is the power to make independent audits and investigations concerning the affairs of the consolidated local government to include the affairs of the office of the mayor.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL OF THE LOUISVILLE/JEFFERSON COUNTY METRO GOVERNMENT (“COUNCIL”) AS FOLLOWS:**

**SECTION I:** A new section of Louisville Metro Code of Ordinances (“LMCO”) chapter 39 is hereby enacted to read as follows: **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT REPORTING**

**SECTION II:** A new section of LMCO 39.XXX is hereby enacted to read as follows:

**§ 39.XX1 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT REPORT REQUIREMENTS.**

(A) The Mayor or his/her designee shall:

(1) Submit quarterly reports within thirty (30) days of the end of each quarter to the ~~Government Oversight and Accountability Committee~~ Labor and Economic Development Committee or a subsequent committee with similar oversight, as directed by the Council President. At a minimum, the report is to address the following:

(a) Details pertaining to recently awarded Requests for Proposals (RFPs) and issued Requests for Information (RFIs), including persons or entities with bid submissions, project information, submitted bids, and if a final decision was made, the evaluation factors and parties involved in the final decision.

(b) Recent economic development activities, to include quantitative information (e.g., employment and tax-base growth) and qualitative information (e.g., recent successes or failures and lessons learned).

(c) Details on any recently acquired or disposed of government-owned real property, including, but not limited to vacant and abandoned property and trends related to government-owned property.

(d) Current market trends and analysis pertaining to economic development, including, but not limited to Louisville Metro Government's efforts to attract more business to the area.

(e) Any consultants hired through Louisville Forward or Develop Louisville or the Economic Development arm of Metro Government will share any final report, written or oral, with Metro Council's Labor and Economic Development

Committee and the President of the Council, with the exclusion of confidential reports covered under current statute.

(f) There will be a list consisting of all consultants hired by Louisville Forward, Develop Louisville, or the Economic Development Office of Metro Louisville and a description of the duties of each consultant hired. This list will be produced quarterly to the Metro Council Labor and Economic Development Committee and the President of the Council.

(2) Make a timely appearance before the ~~Government Oversight and Accountability Committee~~ Labor and Economic Development Committee or a subsequent committee with similar oversight, as directed by the Council President, to answer questions and discuss the contents of the submitted report.

(B) The records and information provided to the Metro Council through this quarterly report do not constitute a waiver of any applicable open records exemptions as set forth in the provisions of the Kentucky Open Records Act, KRS § 61.870 et seq.

**SECTION III:** This Ordinance shall take effect 90 days after its passage and approval.

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H. Stephen Ott  
Metro Council Clerk

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David James  
President of the Metro Council

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Greg Fischer  
Mayor

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Approval Date

**APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:**

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