

# **Louisville Metro Government**

601 W. Jefferson Street Louisville, KY 40202

# Action Summary - Tentative Parks and Sustainability Committee

Chair Person Cindi Fowler (D-14)
Vice Chair Pat Mulvihill (D-10)
Committee Member Brandon Coan (D-8)
Committee Member Mark H. Fox (D-13)
Committee Member Kevin Triplett (D-15)
Committee Member Marilyn Parker (R-18)
Committee Member James Peden (R-23)

Thursday, February 27, 2020

3:00 PM

**Council Chambers** 

#### **Call to Order**

Chair Person Fowler called the meeting to order at 3:05 p.m.

#### Roll Call

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

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

Member Mark H. Fox (D-13), Committee Member Kevin Triplett (D-15), Committee

Member Marilyn Parker (R-18), and Committee Member James Peden (R-23)

Excused: 1 - Committee Member Brandon Coan (D-8)

## Non-Committee Member(s)

Council Member Bill Hollander (D-9)

#### **Support Staff**

Jason Fowler, Jefferson County Attorney's Office

## Clerk(s)

Connie Dearing, Assistant Clerk Sonya Harward, Clerk

### **Pending Legislation**

#### 1. R-032-20

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE USE OF THE SOCCER FIELDS LOCATED AT LOUISVILLE CHAMPIONS PARK AND ACREAGE OWNED BY METRO PARKS LOCATED ON LOWER RIVER ROAD BY LOUISVILLE CITY FC, LLC.

<u>Sponsors:</u>Primary Cindi Fowler (D-14), Primary Bill Hollander (D-9) and Additional Markus Winkler (D-17)

Attachments: R-032-20 V.1 022020 - Lou. FC to Use Champions Park Soccer

Fields.pdf

LCFC Presentation 2-27-20.pdf

LCFC Amended & Restated Lease March 2020 and MOA .pdf

Ex. A LCFC lease Champions.pdf

Ex B LCFC Lease Chamions Park.pdf

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

Councilman Hollander stated that at the last meeting several committee members wanted further discussion regarding agreements and how this could be used for youth leagues, including the teams, but others as well.

Brad Estes, Louisville City Football Club (LCFC), gave a presentation regarding Phase II, which is the training center.

James O'Connor and Mario Sanchez, LCFC, spoke about the exposure with having a women's soccer league and training. Phase II will help raise the awareness of soccer. This facility will have two large fields to be used for the current professional team and the four smaller fields could be utilized for hockey and lacrosse. Five future sites will be part of Phase III.

Council Member Hollander stated that the land being used is a partly paved parking lot and gravel area.

The following Council Members asked questions:

- -Committee Member Parker
- -Committee Member Peden
- -Committee Member Fowler
- -Committee Member Mulvihill
- -Council Member Hollander

The following answers were provided by LCFC:

- -LCFC's ground crew will be responsible for maintaining the fields
- -Same rates will be paid by all that rent space for practices
- -Metro Parks would need to approve the rates for practice rental space, seasonal versus hourly
- -Scheduling priorities would be handled by LCFC
- -There is no Metro funding

- -50 year lease is to keep and grow professional soccer
- -No one group will monopolize the training fields
- -Other problems can be addressed as they come along
- -More protocol will come within the next few weeks

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

# Adjournment

Without objection, Chair Person Fowler adjourned the meeting at 3:40 p.m.

\*NOTE: Items sent to the Consent Calendar or Old Business will be heard before full Council at the Metro Council Meeting on March 5, 2020.