

# Louisville Metro Government

601 W. Jefferson Street Louisville, KY 40202

# **Action Summary - Tentative Budget Committee**

Chair Person 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)

Thursday, July 16, 2020

4:30 PM

**Council Chambers** 

#### Call to Order

Chair Hollander called the meeting to order at 4:32 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.

Present: 11 - Chair Person 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), and Committee Member Brent Ackerson (D-26)

# **Non-Committee Members**

Council Member Donna Purvis (D-5) and Council Member Nicole George (D-21)

# **Support Staff**

Hollie Hopkins, Jefferson County Attorney's Office

## Clerk(s)

**Cheryl Woods, Assistant Clerk** Connie Dearing, Assistant Clerk Sonya Harward, Clerk

## **Special Discussion**

## 1. ID 20-0853

Programs and Funding to Address Disconnected Youth. Andrew Moore, Director, Youth and Young Adult Connections, National League of Cities Institute for Youth, Education, and Families.

Natalie Harris, Executive Director, Coalition for the Homeless.

Attachments: Informational Slides 7-16-20.pdf

Report - Opportunity Youth Needs Assessment -Budget Committee 7-16-20.pdf

Andrew Moore, National League of Cities Institute for Youth, Education and Families, gave an overview about the programs he runs, which included the following:

- Issue of disconnected youth
- 16 to 24 year olds who have dropped out of high school and out of work
- Action remains at local levels, which need local solutions
- Re-engagement centers or re-engagement programs
- 5 functions for drop out recovery: (1) affirmative out reach; (2) on going out reach assessment of education and psychological-social needs and early development of case management; (3) referring the young person for training, work or education option; (4) helping them to re-enroll in complex process; (5) provide at least a year of support after training re-enrollment

The following spoke to the item: Committee Member Piagentini Chair Hollander Council Member George Committee Member Mulvihill

The following topics were discussed:

- Question regarding underlying causes that connect the youth
- Question regarding underlying reasons why young adults can and cannot get on the right path
- Issue of disconnected youth
- Re-engagement eco-system which is on-going caring adult relationships to help after programs
- Question regarding reason or cause of disconnected youth
- Process to get external support for up to a year of support
- Training youth workers to work with youth that are no longer on anyone's list
- Peer mentoring and trained adult youth workers 25 years old and up
- At least one physical drop-in center centrally located
- Question regarding family engagement; the services mostly do not concentrate on family engagement unless it is requested or noticed, it mostly focused on getting where they can support themselves
- Other cities comparable in size and budget as Louisville would be Nashville, Washington State and Tucson Arizona
- Invest in new staff position or realign budgets for re-engagement coaches

- Most places with funding from the state operator as an entitlement so to the degree of helping bring people back to school would have a benefit to the school district
- Foundation grants to supplement the public funding

Natalie Harris, Coalition for the Homeless, spoke about the Coalition's support for young adults:

- Certain zip codes are struggling in a quarter of our city, the youth and young adults suffer the most
- The Coalition Supporting Young Adults noticed a number of homeless young adult were starting to rise from 125 to 600 young adults at its peak per year after the economic crisis in 2010
- Opportunity Youth is for youth between the ages of 16 and 24 that are not engaged in work
- Bank of America is one of the leading research entities that look at Opportunity Youth
- If a person does not engage by age 24, reports say they will be on government subsidy or engage in negative activities
- In 2010, 1 in 5 youths were disconnected, in 2018 it was 1 in 9, great strive towards improvement
- Four basic principles needed for homeless youth: (1) mental health support; (2) restored justice and zero detention; (3) educational opportunity; (4) life coaches
- Coalition Supporting Young Adults has surveyed young adults since 2012, and in doing so they have surveyed 197 youth
- -Young adults find housing, transportation, education, financial resources and planning difficult to access
- The number dealing with mental health issues is really higher than what was expected

The following spoke to the item: Council Member George Chair Hollander Committee Member Mulvihill

The following topics were discussed:

- Larger number of black youth are not in school or at work
- Commitment on the best use of funds for our future which is young adults
- Volunteers for the program would probably not be effective
- HUD Grant is a Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program Grant, Louisville is one of 30 cities nationwide to receive the grant
- Case loads for re-engagement coaches would be approximately 40 to 80 young people per year
- Homeless system case loads are 25 to 30 young people at a time

## 2. ID 20-0866

#### **COVID-19 Relief Fund**

The following spoke to the item:
Committee Member Kramer
Council Member George
Chair Hollander
Committee Member Winkler
Committee Member McCraney
Committee Member Sexton-Smith

The following topics were discussed:

- \$2.7 million that was allocated for COVID-19 crisis and was reimbursed through the Federal Government Cares Act
- Question regarding whether the \$2.7 million from Cares Act was to be used for evictions and food
- Whether to let the Department of Resillence and Community Services do the work
- Question regarding whom should administer the money allocated
- The current eviction rate is 20-30 percent in delinquency in payment
- Council to monitor and make sure funds were narrowly spent
- Need for a broad reach in helping those in need
- Resillence and Community Services does not help with home mortgages
- None of the allocated funds will go to community ministries for reimbursement
- Whether other programs be created to help with the gaps in the program

# **Pending Legislation**

#### **3**. O-036-20

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER XX OF THE LOUISVILLE METRO CODE OF ORDINANCES BY CREATING A NEW SECTION REGARDING A SURCHARGE ON TICKETS AND A TAX ON RESTAURANT GROSS RECEIPTS.

**Sponsors:** Primary Brent Ackerson (D-26)

<u>Attachments:</u> O-036-20 V.1 020620 New LMCO Section for Surcharge on Tickets & Tax on Restaurant Gross Receipts.pdf

This item was held in committee.

# **4**. <u>O-190</u>-20

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 082, SERIES 2019 RELATING TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2019-20 CAPITAL BUDGET FOR THE LOUISVILLE/JEFFERSON COUNTY METRO GOVERNMENT BY REALLOCATING \$99,053.26 OF PARKS & RECREATION POOL REPAIRS FUNDING TO A NEW PROJECT TITLED D14 BLEVINS GAP REPAVING UNDER PUBLIC WORKS & ASSETS.

Sponsors: Primary Cindi Fowler (D-14)

Attachments: O-190-20 PROPOSED CAM 061820 Reallocate FY20 Capital Budget

Funds from Pool Repairs to D14 Blevins Gap Repaving.pdf

O-190-20 V.1 051420 Reallocate FY20 Capital Budget Funds from

Pool Repairs to D14 Blevins Gap Repaving.pdf

This item was held in committee.

#### **5**. R-053-20

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE RELEASE OF METRO GOVERNMENT'S RIGHT OF REVERTER PERTAINING TO PROPERTY DEEDED TO LOUISVILLE URBAN LEAGUE SPORTS AND LEARNING COMPLEX, INC. AS SURPLUS.

Sponsors: Primary Bill Hollander (D-9)

Attachments: R-053-20 V.1 040920 Reverter Release for Louisville Urban League

Sports and Learning Complex, Inc.pdf

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This item was held in committee.

## **Adjournment**

Without objection, Chair Hollander adjourned the meeting at 6:13 p.m.