

Louisville Metro Government

601 W. Jefferson Street Louisville, KY 40202

Action Summary - Tentative Public Safety Committee

Chair Jessica Green (D-1)
Vice Chair James Peden (R-23)
Committee Member Barbara Shanklin (D-2)
Committee Member Mark H. Fox (D-13)
Committee Member Marilyn Parker (R-18)
Committee Member Nicole George (D-21)
Committee Member Madonna Flood (D-24)

Wednesday, June 2, 2021

3:00 PM

Council Chambers/Virtual

THIS IS CONSIDERED A SPECIAL MEETING

Call to Order

Chair Person Green called the meeting to order at 3:09 p.m.

Roll Call

Chair Person Green 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 Committee Member George, who attended in Chambers.

Present: 6 - Chair Jessica Green (D-1), Committee Member Barbara Shanklin (D-2), Committee

Member Mark H. Fox (D-13), Committee Member Nicole George (D-21), Vice Chair

James Peden (R-23), and Committee Member Madonna Flood (D-24)

Excused: 1 - Committee Member Marilyn Parker (R-18)

Non-Committee Member(s)

Council Member Jecorey Arthur (D-4), Council President David James (D-6), Council Member Paula McCraney (D-7), Council Member Bill Hollander (D-9), Council Member Cindi Fowler (D-14), and

Council Member Amy Holton Stewart (D-25)

Support Staff

Hollie Hopkins, Jefferson County Attorney's Office Alice Lyon, Jefferson County Attorney's Office Robbie Howard, Jefferson County Attorney's Office Travis Fiechter, Jefferson County Attorney's Office

Clerk(s)

Lisa Franklin Gray, Assistant Clerk

Sonya Harward, Clerk

Special Discussion

1. ID 21-0580

SPECIAL DISCUSSION: CHIEF ERIKA SHIELDS, LOUISVILLE METRO POLICE DEPARTMENT - HILLARD HEINTZE REPORT

Attachments: LMPD HH PPT QTR 1- 060221.pdf

<u>Hillard Heintze Report on the Louisville Metro Police Department -</u> 01-27-21 - January 27 2021.pdf

Chief Erika Shields, Louisville Metro Police Department, gave a presentation and overview of the top-to-bottom review conducted by Hillard Heintze.

The following spoke to this item:

- Chair Person Green
- Council Member Hollander
- Council Member Arthur
- Council President James
- Chief Erika Shields

The following was discussed:

- There was a discussion regarding a top-to-bottom review of the Louisville Metro Police Department by Hillard Heintze.
- There was a discussion regarding Hillard Heintze's recommendations for the Department that are categorized in twelve domains for improvements and/or changes.
- There are a total of 102 recommendations total that are outlined in the twelve domains.
- The majority of the recommendations are within the planning and development or in-process stages for implementation.
- Louisville Metro Police Department is reviewing each recommendation for its feasibility and possible implementation that is inline with overall department goals.
- There was a discussion regarding the manner to formulate the most effective and efficient process to accomplish sustainable achievement and improvement.
- There was a discussion regarding the fact that several recommendations require collaborations with other departments and offices, such as the Office of the Inspector General, etc.
- There was a discussion regarding the current/accumulated traffic stop data, Public Integrity Unit (PIU) cases, and arrest case statistics.
- There were several questions regarding narcotics detectives throwing snowballs at West Louisville residents. There is currently limited information on this incident, however, the Federal Bureau of Investigations (FBI) is currently conducting an investigation.
- There were several questions regarding how many officers were involved in the snowball incident and whether they are on desk duty presently.
- There were several questions regarding the Louisville Metro Police Department's dashboard web site.
- There were several questions regarding review of Louisville Metro Police Department's strategies and processes for crowd control and how this relates

to Louisville Metro's general fund budget.

- There were several questions regarding Civil Service testing and specialty unit assignments.
- There was a discussion regarding infractions of the Louisville Metro Police Department similar to the snowball incident and transparency with the public.
- There were several questions regarding the shooting investigation of several individuals that participated in the protests last summer.
- There were several questions regarding specific reforms that the Louisville Metro Police Department will implement from the Hillard Heintze recommendations.
- There were several questions regarding an investigation of the officer that struck an individual during an arrest.
- There were several questions regarding a recommendation from the Hillard Heintze report that references the Louisville Metro Police Department's Internal Affairs file system and potentially auditing this system.

Pending Legislation

2. O-128-21

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS 131.01 AND 131.02 OF THE LOUISVILLE METRO CODE OF ORDINANCES ("LMCO") RELATING TO THE DISPLACEMENT OF HOMELESS PERSONS FROM CAMPS.

Sponsors: Primary Cindi Fowler (D-14) and Additional Amy Holton Stewart (D-25)

Attachments: O-128-21 PROPOSED CABS 060221 DISPLACEMENT OF

HOMELESS PERSONS FROM CAMPS.pdf

O-128-21 V.1 032521 AMEND LMCO - DISPLACEMENT OF

HOMELESS PERSONS FROM CAMPS.pdf

A motion was made by Committee Member Fox, seconded by Chair Person Green, that this Ordinance be untabled.

The following spoke to this item:

- Chair Person Green
- Council Member Fowler
- Council Member Hollander
- Vice Chair Peden
- Alice Lyon, Jefferson County Attorney's Office
- Council Member Arthur
- Richmond Booker, Solid Waste Management Services (SWMS)
- Committee Member George
- Tameka Laird, Office of Resilience and Community Development
- Council Member Holton Stewart
- Committee Member Flood

The following was discussed:

- There was a discussion regarding a proffered amendment by substitution as detailed in "O-128-21 PROPOSED CABS 060221 DISPLACEMENT OF HOMELESS PERSONS FROM CAMPS.pdf". (See attached)

A motion was made by Vice Chair Peden, seconded by Committee Member Fox, that this Ordinance be amended by substitution.

- There was a discussion regarding the changes to section 1 and section 2 that spoke to "emergency" language and encampments in relation to schools and daycare centers.
- There was a discussion regarding emergency language within the amendment.
- There was a discussion regarding the homeless encampments being adjacent to schools and daycare centers.
- There were several questions regarding whether Louisville Metro would store an individual's property if displaced prior to the expiration of the 21-day notice.
- There were several questions regarding whether the amendment outlines what agency would make the determination that the situation is an emergency and the encampment should be displaced.
- There was a discussion regarding Jefferson County Public Schools policy

versus individual school discretion.

- There were several questions regarding the protocol for storing/disposing of homeless persons' property after displacement.
- There was a discussion regarding the instructions and procedures that Solid Waste Management Services follows when clearing encampments. Clearing encampments does not entail storing property, only disposing of the property.
- There was a discussion regarding updating policy and legislation to ensure preservation of property of displaced individuals.
- There were several questions regarding whether the designation for emergency displacement is sufficient versus if it is warranted to make the legislation location specific.
- There was a discussion regarding whether proposed changes would affect policy versus protocol.
- There were several questions regarding what constitutes a health and safety risk to be identified as an emergency for expedited clearing/displacing.
- There was a discussion regarding providing dislocated/displaced individuals with resources and respect along with relocation.
- There were several questions regarding the definition of the phrase "adjacent to".
- There was a discussion regarding homeless displacement from public versus private property.
- There was a discussion regarding Jefferson County Public Schools discretion in removing homeless persons.
- There was a discussion regarding establishing priorities and a way to capture risks in regard to health, wellness and safety.

The motion to amend failed by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Fox, Peden, and Flood

No: 3 - Green, Shanklin, and George

Excused: 1 - Parker

No further action was taken.

3. O-176-21

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING LOUISVILLE METRO CODE OF ORDINANCES SECTION 72.039 RELATING TO ABANDONED AND JUNKED VEHICLES.

Sponsors: Primary Nicole George (D-21)

<u>Attachments:</u> O-176-21 V.1 042221 AMENDING LMCO SEC. 72.039 RELATING TO ABANDONED AND JUNKED VEHICLES.pdf

This item remained held in Committee.

4. O-180-21

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 91 OF THE LOUISVILLE METRO CODE OF ORDINANCES RELATING TO THE PROTECTION OF ANIMALS.

<u>Sponsors:</u> Primary Markus Winkler (D-17) and Primary Amy Holton Stewart (D-25)

<u>Attachments:</u> O-180-21 V.1 042221 AMENDING CH. 91 OF THE LMCO RELATING TO - PROTECTION OF ANIMALS.pdf

This item remained held in Committee.

5. R-034-21

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO MAKE APPLICATION FOR AND, UPON APPROVAL, TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE KENTUCKY OFFICE OF HOMELAND SECURITY (KOHS), TO EXECUTE ANY DOCUMENTS WHICH ARE DEEMED NECESSARY BY KOHS TO FACILITATE AND ADMINISTER THE PROJECT AND TO ACT AS THE AUTHORIZED CORRESPONDENT FOR THIS PROJECT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$656,469 FOR PHASE 2 RETROFIT OF LMPD'S FIREARMS TRAINING CENTER TO BE ADMINISTERED BY THE LOUISVILLE METRO POLICE DEPARTMENT.

Sponsors: Primary Jessica Green (D-1)

<u>Attachments:</u> R-034-21 V.1 050621 KOHS - LMPD FOR PROJECT - (\$656,469)

AUTHORIZED CORRESPONDENT FOR THIS PROJECT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$656,469 - PHASE 2 RETROFIT - LMPD'S FIREARMS

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This item remained held in Committee.

Adjournment

Without objection, Chair Person Green adjourned the meeting at 4:32 p.m.