



Louisville Metro Government

601 W. Jefferson Street
Louisville, KY 40202

Action Summary - Final Committee on Equity and Inclusion

Chair/Council President David James (D-6)

Vice Chair Nicole George (D-21)

Committee Member Barbara Shanklin (D-2)

Committee Member Keisha Dorsey (D-3)

Committee Member Markus Winkler (D-17)

Committee Member Robin Engel (R-22)

Committee Member James Peden (R-23)

Monday, July 27, 2020

3:00 PM

Council Chambers

Call to Order

Vice Chair George called the meeting to order at 3:03 p.m

Roll Call

Vice Chair George 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 for Vice Chair George who attended in Chambers.

Present: 5 - Chair David James (D-6), Vice Chair Nicole George (D-21), Committee Member Barbara Shanklin (D-2), Committee Member Keisha Dorsey (D-3), and Committee Member James Peden (R-23)

Excused: 1 - Committee Member Markus Winkler (D-17)

Non-Committee Members

Council Member Barbara Sexton Smith (D-4); Council Member Paula McCraney (D-7); Council Member Brandon Coan (D-8); and Council Member Bill Hollander (D-9)

Support Staff

Laura Ferguson, Jefferson County Attorney's Office
Natalie Johnson, Jefferson County Attorney's Office

Clerk(s)

Sonya Harward, Clerk
Connie Dearing, Assistant Clerk

Special Discussion

[ID 20-0928](#)

Police, Treatment, and Community Collaborative - Jac Charlier

Attachments: [Presentation - PTACC Deflection LCC 072720.pdf](#)
[Report of the National Advisory Commission on Civil Disorders - Summary of Report \(aka Kerner Report\).pdf](#)
[PTACC Deflection CoResponder LMPD Proposal July 2020.pdf](#)

Committee Member Dorsey spoke about the Kerner Report (see attached summary) and explained that it addressed many of the same issues being faced today. She stated that it looked at how policing was exacted in this country, the history of policing, and its purpose moving forward. She stated that she has asked the Mayor to put together a task force to dive deep into the principals addressed by the Kerner Report. She also stated that the Urban League issued a document titled 'The Path Forward' that hinted at many of the same principals that were outlined in the Kerner Report. She stated that the top priority the Kerner Report suggested be addressed was policing practices, and she would like to see a comprehensive plan created by following the outline from the Kerner Report that addresses policing practices to improve community relations with police.

Vice Chair George stated that the Budget passed in June redirected \$1.2M in state funds for the Louisville Metro Police Department ("LMPD") for exploration and implementation in deflection, as well as recommending that the Mayor redirect an additional \$1.6M for the same purpose. She also stated that deflection practices were not new to LMPD. She then introduced the speakers from the Police Treatment and Community Collaborative ("PTACC") that would be addressing deflection, what it means, their work, and how an organization like theirs could support efforts in Louisville.

Jac Charlier and Dr. Rashad Saafir from PTACC gave opening statements, which included a description of their program in Chicago.

Jac Charlier gave a presentation (see attached).

The following spoke to this item:

- Vice Chair George
- Jac Charlier
- Dr. Rashad Saafir
- Council Member Hollander
- Council Member Sexton Smith
- Committee Member Shanklin
- Committee Member Dorsey

The following was discussed:

- How the PTACC readiness assessment would take into consideration past attempts in Louisville with the Law Enforcement Assisted Program ("LEAD") or the Living Room
- PTACC being similar to the Living Room, and the budget cuts that eliminated funding for the Living Room

- The Living Room was expensive, the per person cost, and it diverted more people from the hospitals rather than the jail
- Annual cost for the models used in the program being presented here
- Enhanced Mobile Crisis Model - \$329,000/year
- Total Operation - \$1.5M/year (includes the Enhanced Mobile Crisis, Fitness Diversion, Street Outreach and Mobile Crisis models, and a 24/7 crisis triage specialist and access to medication)
- Medicaid and insurance are the main funding sources
- Whether the paid outreach street caseworkers who work with the Homelessness Task Force initiative would be assessed
- Question about how to help a couple with mental illness, and how PTACC would assist those with mental illness
- Options available and the return on investment
- Number of individual intervention cases PTACC has versus frequent cases
- Whether the program in Chicago serves the entire city or only certain areas or certain groups that fit other requirements
- Care management short-term and long-term follow-up
- Louisville's innovative social service agencies and approaches, though the ability to provide sustainable commitment to such programs is sometimes questioned
- PTACC's proposal (see attached)

Adjournment

Without objection, Vice Chair George adjourned the meeting at 4:09 p.m.