



Louisville Metro Government

Action Summary - Final Parks and Sustainability Committee

Chair Cindi Fowler (D-14)
Vice Chair Pat Mulvihill (D-10)
Committee Member Rick Blackwell (D-12)
Committee Member Kevin Triplett (D-15)
Committee Member Marilyn Parker (R-18)
Committee Member Nicole George (D-21)
Committee Member James Peden (R-23)

Thursday, July 22, 2021

3:00 PM

Council Chambers

THIS IS CONSIDERED A SPECIAL MEETING

Call to Order

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

Roll Call

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

Present: 7 - Vice Chair Pat Mulvihill (D-10), Committee Member Rick Blackwell (D-12), Chair Cindi Fowler (D-14), Committee Member Kevin Triplett (D-15), Committee Member Marilyn Parker (R-18), Committee Member Nicole George (D-21), and Committee Member James Peden (R-23)

Non-Committee Member(s)

Council President David James (D-6), Council Member Cassie Chambers Armstrong (D-8), and Council Member Anthony Piagentini (R-19)

Support Staff

Jason Fowler, Jefferson County Attorney's Office

Clerk(s)

Cheryl Woods, Assistant Clerk
Sonya Harward, Clerk

Special Discussion

1. [ID 21-0858](#)

Parks Deferred Maintenance - Jason Canuel, Metro Parks

Attachments: [DM Presentation slide_07-19-21.pdf](#)

[9-DM overall need_05-12-21.pdf](#)

[9-DM program FY22.pdf](#)

Jason Canuel, Metro Parks, gave a presentation.

The following spoke to this item:

- Chair Fowler
- Vice Chair Mulvihill
- Jason Canuel
- Committee Member Parker
- Committee Member Blackwell
- Committee Member Peden
- Committee Member Triplett

The following was discussed:

- There are 120 parks throughout Jefferson County, with approximately 13,000 acres and 500 structures under roof
- Question about whether swimming pools are considered part of the deferred maintenance
- Metro Parks is estimating \$176 million of deferred maintenance needs
- Question about what small equipment replacement covers
- Life safety issues are considered top priority for deferred maintenance
- Metro Parks will be replacing roofs on the structures every 20 to 25 years
- Question about how Metro Parks keeps track of deferred maintenance for the fiscal year
- Metro Parks has a general repair account that is for emergency repairs of their equipment
- Question about whether groups are willing to invest in partnership with Metro Parks
- Question about whether there is a Metro Parks deferred maintenance list available that shows what the needs are for each park
- Question about whether making a list of deferred maintenances for each park would help in the future with cost of repairs
- Question about erosion control and the status of the landslide on Upper Road
- Question about whether Metro Parks has applied for the American Rescue Plan (ARP) funding
- Question and concerns about which projects would qualify for ARP funds
- Question about whether ARP funds would supplement the repair projects that Metro Parks has

Pending Legislation

2. [O-242-21](#)

AN ORDINANCE CREATING A NEW SECTION OF LOUISVILLE/ JEFFERSON COUNTY METRO GOVERNMENT CODE OF ORDINANCES (“LMCO”) CHAPTER 76 TO REGULATE TEMPORARY CLOSURES OF METRO PARK ROADS TO VEHICULAR TRAFFIC (AMENDED BY SUBSTITUTION).

Sponsors: Primary Anthony Piagentini (R-19) and Primary David James (D-6)

Attachments: [O-242-21 V.3 FABS 072921 Chp 76 To Regulate Temp Closures of Metro Park Rds to Vehicular Traffic.pdf](#)
[O-242-21 PROPOSED FABS 072921 Chp 76 To Regulate Temp Closures of Metro Park Rds to Vehicular Traffic.pdf](#)
[O-242-21 V.2 CAM 072221 Chp 76 To Regulate Temp Closures of Metro Park Rds to Vehicular Traffic.pdf](#)
[O-242-21 PROPOSED AMENDMENT LANGUAGE 060321.pdf](#)
[O-242-21 V.1 052021 Chp 76 To Regulate Temp Closures of Metro Park Rds to Vehicular Traffic.pdf](#)
[ORD 100 2021.pdf](#)

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

The following spoke to this item:

- Council Member Piagentini
- Committee Member Triplett
- Committee Member Peden
- Jason Fowler, Jefferson County Attorney's Office
- Vice Chair Mulvihill
- Jason Canuel, Metro Parks
- Committee Member George

The following was discussed:

- Questions and concerns about the temporary closures of the Metro Park roads and clarifying which roads would be included
- Question about whether the Iroquois Park language will need to be strike from the amendment
- Question about whether the language in the amendment would be pertaining to all the parks across Jefferson County
- Question whether the amendment is a blanket process covering all parks
- Questions and concerns about whether to exclude Iroquois Park from the amendment
- Questions and concerns about roads at the parks that are maintained by both Metro Parks and Public Works
- Currently there are 120 parks throughout Jefferson County
- Questions and concerns about Metro Parks ability to close a road with a permit
- Question and concerns about the closures of Metro Park roads that were due to the pandemic

- Question about whether the horse barn at Iroquois Park is included in the deferred maintenance
- If the Parks where to stay close of longer they would need approval from the Metro Council

A motion was made by Committee Member Peden, seconded by Committee Member Parker, that this Ordinance be amended as shown in the attached document titled "O-242-21 V.2 CAM 072221 Chp 76 To Regulate Temp Closures of Metro Park Rds to Vehicular Traffic.pdf".

The motion to amend carried by a voice vote.

The motion to recommend for approval carried by the following vote and the amended Ordinance was sent to Old Business:

Yes: 7 - Mulvihill, Blackwell, Fowler, Triplett, Parker, George, and Peden

3. [R-062-21](#)

A RESOLUTION HONORING THE LEGACY OF FORMER LOUISVILLE ZOO DIRECTOR JOHN WALCZAK BY DEDICATING THE HERPAQUARIUM BUILDING AS THE "JOHN WALCZAK HERPAQUARIUM" IN RECOGNITION OF HIS DEDICATION AND SERVICE TO THE LOUISVILLE ZOO.

Sponsors: Primary Pat Mulvihill (D-10) and Primary Anthony Piagentini (R-19)

Attachments: [R-062-21 V.1 062421 Dedicating Herpaquarium Bldg as John Walczak Herpaquarium.pdf](#)
[John Walczak HerpAquarium Building Facilities Approval Form.pdf](#)

This item was held in committee.

4. [O-227-21](#)

AN ORDINANCE CREATING A NEW SECTION TO LOUISVILLE/JEFFERSON COUNTY METRO GOVERNMENT CODE OF ORDINANCES ("LMCO") CHAPTER 76 TO REGULATE TEMPORARY CLOSURES OF THE ROADS WITHIN IROQUOIS PARK TO VEHICULAR TRAFFIC.

Attachments: [O-227-21 SPONSORSHIP WITHDRAWN 080521 Chp 76 Regulate Temp Closures of the Rd Within Iroquois Pk Vehicular Traff.pdf](#)

This item remained held in committee.

Adjournment

Without objection, Chair Fowler adjourned the meeting at 3:51 p.m.

Note: Items sent to the Consent Calendar or Old Business will be heard before the full Council at the Metro Council meeting on July 29, 2021.