



# Louisville Metro Government

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**Title:** A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE PLAN FOR USE OF \$3.5 MILLION IN BOND FUNDS FOR A COMMUNITY GROCERY.

**Sponsors:** Jecorey Arthur (D-4), Bill Hollander (D-9)

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**Attachments:** 1. R-155-22 V.1 101322 3.5 Million in Bond Funds Community Grocery.pdf, 2. R-155-22 ATTACH EXHIBIT A - Letter of Intent.pdf, 3. Deed to LCG from LCF.pdf, 4. RES 116 2022.pdf

Date	Ver.	Action By	Action	Result
10/27/2022	1	Metro Council	adopted	
10/20/2022	1	Budget Committee	recommended for approval	
10/13/2022	1	Metro Council	assigned	

**RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_, SERIES 2022**  
**A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE PLAN FOR USE OF \$3.5 MILLION IN BOND FUNDS FOR A COMMUNITY GROCERY.**  
**SPONSORED BY: COUNCIL MEMBERS JECOREY ARTHUR AND BILL HOLLANDER**

**WHEREAS**, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency identified Smoketown as a "food desert;" and

**WHEREAS**, according to the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Food Atlas, a food desert is an area where a significant number or share of residents lives more than a mile from the nearest supermarket; and

**WHEREAS**, the State of Food study by the University of Louisville found this problem is compounded by the fact that a striking 51% of households in East Downtown lack vehicle access; and

**WHEREAS**, the Vision Smoketown survey report showed participants identified vacant/abandoned structures and lots as the top problem in the Smoketown neighborhood; and

**WHEREAS**, the Vision Smoketown survey report showed that a grocery store was the top business and community resource that residents said they would like to see in Smoketown; and

**WHEREAS**, Ordinance No. 072, Series 2020 appropriated \$3,500,000.00 in bond funds for a community grocery in an underserved area of Louisville Metro, contingent upon approval of the plan for the grocery by Metro Council; and

**WHEREAS**, Louisville Metro Department of Public Health and Wellness issued a Request for Proposal on March 10, 2022, and thereafter selected Louisville Association for Community Economics, Inc. and Louisville Community Grocery, L.C.A. for further negotiation; and

**WHEREAS**, Louisville Association for Community Economics has obtained ownership and possession of the real property located at 400 Finzer Street, Louisville, Kentucky, as the site of the community grocery; and

**WHEREAS**, Louisville Metro Department of Public Health and Wellness, Louisville Association for Community Economics, Inc., and Louisville Community Grocery, L.C.A. have negotiated a Letter of Intent setting out a plan for the community grocery project, including timelines for completion, which is set out as Exhibit A, attached hereto.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL OF THE LOUISVILLE/JEFFERSON COUNTY METRO GOVERNMENT AS FOLLOWS:**

**SECTION I:** The Letter of Intent setting out the plan of Louisville Association for Community Economics, Inc. and Louisville Community Grocery, L.C.A. to construct a community grocery at 400 Finzer Street, Louisville, Kentucky, with such project to be overseen by Louisville Metro Department of Public Health and Wellness, is hereby approved.

**SECTION II:** This Resolution shall become effective upon passage and approval or otherwise becoming law.

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David James

Metro Council Clerk

President of the Council

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Greg Fischer

Mayor

**APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:**

Michael J. O'Connell

Jefferson County Attorney

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Approval Date

By: \_\_\_\_\_

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**EXHIBIT A**