



Louisville Metro Government

Legislation Text

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**ORDINANCE NO. _____, SERIES 2019
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 42.44 OF THE LOUISVILLE METRO CODE OF ORDINANCES ("LMCO") TO INCLUDE METRO-OWNED PARKS IN THE REQUIREMENT FOR METRO COUNCIL APPROVAL TO CLOSE, REPURPOSE, LEASE, OR SELL SUCH PROPERTIES.**

SPONSORED BY: COUNCIL MEMBER PEDEN

WHEREAS, the Legislative Council of the Louisville/Jefferson County Metro Government ("Metro Council") believes that Metro-owned parks are important assets that provide a quality experience for the citizens of Louisville Metro;

WHEREAS, all Metro-owned parks contribute to the health and wellness of the community, so it is important that all Metro-owned parks are available to the entire community; and

WHEREAS, Metro Council hereby amends Chapter 42.44 to include the requirement that Council approve any closure, repurposing, lease and/or sale of any Metro-owned park.

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

SECTION I: LMCO Section 42.44 is hereby amended as follows:

42.44 METRO COUNCIL APPROVAL REQUIRED TO CLOSE, REPURPOSE, LEASE, OR SELL A METRO-OWNED GOLF COURSE OR PARK.

Metro Parks may not permanently close any Metro-owned golf course or park; repurpose the land of any Metro-owned golf course or park; and/or lease, sell, or dispose of the property of any Metro-owned golf course or park without prior Metro Council approval through the following process:
(A) Metro Parks must hold at least two public hearings to discuss the proposed closure of the Metro-owned golf course or park, with at least one public hearing held at a location in close proximity of the named Metro-owned golf course or park. Notice of the public meetings must comply with KRS

§ 61.823.

(B) After the public hearings, Metro Parks must request approval from Metro Council to permanently close the named Metro-owned golf course or park; repurpose the land of any Metro-owned golf course or park; and/or lease, sell, or dispose of the property of any Metro-owned golf course or park. The following information and documents must be filed with Metro Council for review and consideration of any request:

- (1) The public interest reasons Metro Parks requests a permanently closure, repurpose, lease or sale of the named Metro-owned golf course or park along with any supporting documentation;
- (2) The intended use of the property, if the land is to be repurposed;
- (3) Notice of the public hearings; and
- (4) The financial records for the named Metro-owned golf course for the past ten years.

(C) Metro Council approval requires a majority vote to permanently close, repurpose, or lease, sell and/or dispose of a Metro-owned golf course or park.

SECTION II: This Ordinance shall take effect upon its passage and approval.

H. Stephen Ott Metro Council Clerk

David James President of the Council

Greg Fischer Mayor

Approved Date

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:

Michael J. O'Connell
Jefferson County Attorney

By: _____

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