



Louisville Metro Government

Legislation Text

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RESOLUTION NO. _____, SERIES 2022
A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE LOUISVILLE METRO COUNCIL POLICIES AND PROCEDURES SECTION 28 REGARDING MEMBER OFFICE SELECTION.
SPONSORED BY: COUNCIL MEMBER PIAGENTINI AND PRESIDENT JAMES

WHEREAS, the Louisville Metro Council wishes to update its Policies and Procedures related to Council Member office selection to reflect the current practices; and

WHEREAS, the Louisville Metro Council wishes to modify the office selection process so that all office vacancies, no matter the cause, will be filled by seniority.

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

SECTION I: The Louisville Metro Council Policies and Procedures, Section 28, is hereby amended as follows:

The initial selection of offices for the first Metro Council was determined by lot. Seniority for the first Metro Council will be determined by lot. Following each biennial election, members of the Metro eCouncil will be allowed to draw for the offices vacated by exiting members of the Metro eCouncil. Selection shall be based on seniority (years of service to the merged government.) Those persons interested in participating in the selection process will notify the clerk of their interest, so that they can be part of the drawing. Those participating will not give up their offices unless they choose to move into one of the vacant offices.

The only exception to the order of selection will be for those persons representing council leadership positions. The president, majority and minority leaders will each be given right to accept an office designated for each position.

Persons who are elected to leadership positions within the council will forfeit their assigned office selection/space, and will assume the office locations designated by the council. Offices vacated by those in leadership will be made available by allowing the next person in line to move or not.

If a person who served as Metro eCouncil president is not re-elected to another term as president, he or she will be required to vacate the designated president's office within a reasonable time of the leadership vote. If the outgoing council president is no longer a member of council leadership, he or she will be given first selection of all vacant offices. Majority and minority leaders who are not re-elected to their positions will resume office selection in their order of seniority.

~~Replacing a councilperson's office space if the member resigns, is removed or dies~~

~~Any non-leadership office space vacated in the middle of a council term due to resignation, removal or death shall remain the office for the person chosen to represent the District for the remainder of that councilperson's term.~~

~~A person appointed to fill an un-expired term as councilperson will be given seniority over newly elected individuals if he/ she is elected to serve a new term.~~

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

Sonya Harward
Metro Council Clerk

David James
President of the Council

Approval Date

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:

Michael J. O'Connell
Jefferson County Attorney

By: _____

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