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I mean honestly, the fact that we're getting 15 to 20 min is pretty pretty great.

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Really good at this.

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Okay Stephen and Megan. Here's my way too much. Yeah, he's really good at interviewing clients and staff and then doing the.

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Six pages a minute. Oh, he does, he does utilize, he does utilize it.

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Yeah. The two my two most used prompts are make it shorter and make it nicer. Yeah. Like those are my two. Yeah, make it nicer.

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Back to July.

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Now, and then every time we have friend something like.

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I don't know What's where you can't set an alarm because in the middle of the night your phone switched to a different time zone.

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I have the old fashioned, arms in the bedrooms and my son does that. Yeah, my son does that because he could not, he just could not manage.

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Well, I have messed up appointments that were accepted an invitation and your phone puts it on whatever times on your issue. It doesn't always switch it back, so I've messed up.

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My 1st when you're down there, I was like, oh, I'll meet you in town at six or dinner. Okay, is that slow time? Oh, yeah. Cause people kind of take your time zone in Spanish even if they don't even live in them.

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Yeah. So we do not switch too. So.

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When I need to go to back or something. Oh NO I've got that. Yeah. Yeah, right. Okay I'll send you the link.

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Yeah, I grew up. I went to I lived in my parents almost exactly an hour, so I need to be all angry and.

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She's wearing.

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Yeah. I don't know.

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I guess you need to be a far. And that's why I wanted to beside of that. Yeah.

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Yeah, I know I got. But I don't like everything.

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Two are more than capable of.

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Yeah. Not a problem. Let me here today.

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Is everybody gonna be online? I guess everybody's on.

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Thanks.

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So I have to do a reserve study.

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Somebody got features again.

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Good afternoon and welcome to the 23 July meeting of the budget committee. I'm the vice chair of Marcus Winkler taking the place of the chair. Councilman Kramer who has an excused absence today. I'm currently joined.

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Chambers by Councilman Joseph councilman Herndon, and online by councilman Mulviry Wilbridge and we expect multiple others to join us here momentarily, we're just joined by Councilman Perish Wright. The 1st item on today's agenda is a special discussion with representatives from the global's nonpro.

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Profit sector, and so I will, do we don't have to call the item, right? I just gonna have to read the item. Yeah, so, and, it is titled louisville's Charitable nonprofit sector navigating uncertainty strengthening our community. I will turn the floor over to you if you could introduce yourself for the record, and welcome. The floor is yours. Great, thank you so much. I'm Layla Kashan, Director of advocacy.

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An engagement with the Kentucky Nonprofit Network also facilitate the global nonprofit coalition. And I am Mandy Simpson Marler Baldwin Consulting with KNN and the global nonprofit coalition. Wonderful. So we'll jump right in. So thank you so much for having us here today. It is our second opportunity to be before the budget committee to give you all an update about the nonprofit sector in Lovel, and we're gonna dive right in so we don't waste any.

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Tom, this will be a very broad overview. We will touch on a number of issues broadly and from a really high level, but if there are things that you all hear today that you want follow up on, we'd love to share that with you. We have lots of resources and links that would be overwhelming if I gave them all to you in advance, so those specific things.

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Is that you want to know more about, we have that and can follow up with you. So this is just our general overview of what we wanna cover today. We want to make sure everybody is reminded on who we are as Kentucky nonprofit network. We go by KNN for short, who the global nonprofit coalition is, what's the current Jefferson County data on five oh one C threes, which is charitable nonprofits, and then we're gonna cover some policies and some next steps.

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They can take a non profit network, we are a state association for charitable nonprofits, meaning we provide resources for them, time and money saving benefits, so e.g., nonprofits need to have health insurance for their employees. We have a state association plan for that to help them be employers of choice. We also really focus on.

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Public policy. We do that on the local state and federal levels. And we we really want to highlight that we focus on, you can see this part in blue, the charitable nonprofits. There are lots of types of nonprofits. So sometimes you might see this word in the media, and it's assumed that it's the type of nonprofits we work with, but when you dig a little deeper, it might actually be a chamber of.

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Commerce that they're talking about, but they might reference it as nonprofit. So we want to make sure that you all know when we're talking about who we work with and on behalf of, it's this specific type of nonprofit.

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We also wanna highlight that nonprofits impact everybody in level. Well, everyone, I would just say everyone generally, but in level specifically, and a couple of the things that we wanna really lift up here are that we are collaborative by design. I think a really good example of that is the global nonprofit coalition ourselves, and I'll.

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Dive in a little bit more about who we are there, but we are an alliance of 35 nonprofits who are working together collaboratively excuse me collaboratively for unified voice on systems change. Especially with you all. Many of you all have met with us. We appreciate that. And again on the state and federal levels.

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We're also social entrepreneurs by design or let me back up. I had a couple more things I want to add about this collaborative piece. Two more examples. We have a number of partnerships within our coalition. There's

one that was previously together with family and children's place. I know you all have heard from them in this past budget social.

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Michael, echo, Boys and girls club, as well as the Center for women and families. Together, those four organizations worked on a grant with a it's wrapped up at this point, but it was to prevent violence and education of youth, right? So that was, that's a really good example of where we see nonprofits when there's an opportunity that fits.

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And that they can all work together, they will do that. Another really great example is with Mary Hearst. This is a metro government partnership with OVP and Mary Hearst, where they are trying to bring services, mental health services in particular to people where they are in the community to reduce.

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Barriers. And in this since 25 2025 to now they've served over 4700 individuals in Lovel. And that is this, this is really putting these two, I want to put two points together, the collaborative and being social entrepreneurs and finding ways to address issues and gaps that nonprofits, that's what we do.

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They were able to find a way to do that and to reduce these barriers, and so that's just really phenomenal, a great example of how this collaboration has worked and that they are being creative and innovative in finding solutions. So now I want to jump into some data. Every two years here at KNN, we do a report that's called more than charity. And what that is, is it compiles the economic impact of this sector in conduction.

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It includes things like how many folks are employed at nonprofits, how many nonprofits are in the state, and how much money do we pump right back into the state? So we pulled out the Jefferson County data cause I know you all don't really, you all want to know about the other city, so let's talk about Jefferson County. In our last report, we have over 1005 oh 1C3.

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With paid employees. So there when you look at the general number of how many five oh one C threes there are, you're gonna see a larger number, but many of those are volunteer run. You know, people are paying for it out of their own pockets to do the work. So this is how many we have that with paid employees. That's almost 55000 jobs.

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At these organizations. That's almost 14 % of our workforce here. And that's huge. If you all haven't really stepped back and think about the sector as an industry, we are an economic driver, putting in \$4.1 billion in annual wages and 15.1 billion in annual expenditures and that's.

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Things like partnering with your grocery store, having vendors come for different needs, you're, you might need paper for, you know, your printer, those kinds of things that we're using our money of the organization to put back into other partners within the city.

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So here's our current membership list and kind of backing up. We've been in existence since 2023, and we really started to address systems issues, right? And, and we want to build better partnerships between nonprofits, find opportunities where it fits for the goals of metro government and the non.

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Nonprofits who are the experts on the ground, and we have a mix of nonprofits. It's not just human services organizations. I think that's really important to lift up. We have arts, we have Kentucky Waterways Alliance. So you're looking at this broad range of variety of folks who are impacting every aspect of how we live our lives and helping your neighbors.

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When they have a need.

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And so we also break down the numbers of just our members. So I shared numbers of Jefferson County nonprofits generally, but this is just our membership are serving over 2.5 million people collectively annually, and you might think, well, how is that 2.5 million? We don't even have that many people in Jefferson County. It's because they're.

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Reaching more people, right? Even duplicative. So parks are serving X number of people and so are the other organizations. And our coalition alone has almost 10000 employees and putting in \$610000000 in annual payroll and expenditures benefiting our community.

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Then we have this nice little dollar bill. And what we like to do as well is break down where does or how are these nonprofits funded? And that's a

really interesting thing to look at because sometimes we think about how nonprofits do a lot of fundraising, so we would think maybe their fundraising is a hundred percent of their revenue. And for.

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Some that might be, but what our coalition averages are is 70 % or program revenue, and fee for service on here is something like if we charge for a training, right? You get revenue for, you have membership fees. That would be your fee for service, and then government grants and contracts. This is the part that's really important to think about in relation to our partnerships together, nonprofits in metro government.

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And that nonprofits are really putting forth there I'm trying to think of the best way to say this that's not just saying, you know, that we need to work together because we're doing the work that breaches the goals that you all are working on, but also doing the things that.

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Are public services, right? They're things that government is responsible for or that government supports and puts in your goals, and nonprofits on the ground are the experts doing that work day to day and this is a prime opportunity to lean on them so that you can get the work done that you need for your community and your constituents as well.

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Is not have to reinvent the wheel, right? And nonprofits are also really efficient in what they do. So you have this opportunity to work with them and see that partnership opportunity. Everything down there. So then we want to highlight a few of the ways that we have been working toward building our partnerships with you collaboratively as well as hearing back from you about what you wanna see in the sector or what feedback, because sometimes you all are telling us, you know, when nonprofits.

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We like this or we don't like that. And so we want to build these spaces and opportunities for you to connect with them. And so here are a few ways that we've been doing that with you all. I think someone's pointing out a picture right now. Councilman Piagentini is on the screen. He came to one of our meetings, and so it's the picture on the top with the big group picture. He's right in the middle. I see, yeah. So we appreciate that. And then we have some other pictures where we have every year we do an advocacy.

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Training. And that is an opportunity for nonprofits in particular, but anyone can come, you all can come just to sit in and learn as well, and especially to know what we're telling them because you might say, oh, you

said that, we don't really agree with that. This is what works better for us and in fact, that's why we invite council members every year to our advocacy training. So we've had.

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Chair vice chair Wingkler and Council Woman Paris Wright at an advocacy training. We've also had council women women, Rui and Wildridge Movie Wildreds excuse me. Yes, I want to say your name backwards. I see you on the screen up there, but we appreciate you. You all of you all for pitching in your time and your.

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Expertise for that, but we'll be doing that again this year. So we do that again every year and we want to make sure council members are there so that you can tell the attendees who are nonprofits what works for you in your office, right? How can they best tell you what they need, what the sector needs, and what you can actually do, right? They might ask you something that.

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You don't have the power to do. And you say, oh, that's not me, you gotta go to someone else. Or you might have some tips about how to apply for your NDF funds, and all of that's gonna look different. So this is an opportunity for you all to share that with them but as well for them to learn from you. We also hosted a council day and we're gonna do that again, and it was where we invited everybody to come and just meet with our members and everybody had their own table, and then council members went around to talk to each of the organizations. We want to re envision that we did receive some feedback on what folks liked and what they didn't because we always want to meet you all where where you're.

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We're at and what you think would be most effective to build those relationships. And so 2027, put a plugin, we're gonna be inviting you all to a new event. And a few other things we've done, we're really proud of on the 1st picture on the left is we in late 2024, so when we testified in August of 2024 before this committee, we told you all we were doing this work where we were gathering information from local nonprofit.

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Leaders around what was their experience working with metro government, and that's with council and the administration with partnerships funding in any other way, and we did surveys and listening sessions and had over a hundred responses. And this we have this report on our website. It's very brief, it's like less than 20 pages, but there were three things that three.

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Teams that came out of that. The 1st theme is nonprofit seat at the table, right? If we're making decisions that are impacting the nonprofits who are serving folks on the ground, your constituents, they should be engaged in that decision making because they're doing the work, right? If it's, if it's issues that are impacting the work they're doing.

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Second was streamlining processes, right? We all know if you look at a grant and you're like, what, this is like has two it's overburdensome requirement. You're getting a thousand dollars for 25 pages worth of grant application. It just doesn't line up. So some of the feedback was let's streamline some processes. And then the 3rd.

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Top theme was strategic investment. And that means if we want to address an issue as a government, how much money do we put towards that? And that is something that we're all still navigating because then you have to figure out how much something. And if so e.g., you know, large ask, but does that cost.

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\$2 million. Does that cost \$50 million? And so once we have those numbers we can really create a strategy and then have everybody at the table to help make those decisions. The other pictures I think are really important I'm gonna highlight the middle one right now is based on this report and just the feedback and from the listening.

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Sessions and survey, we were like, well, clearly there's some room for nonprofits in metro government to come together and share more information. So we partnered with the mayor's office and with Susan Derms in the picture and she's here today, we appreciate all the partnerships that they have worked with us on and we put together a three part series.

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For nonprofits. And they were free. Folks could come. We had over 50 attendees in each session. And it was just like, who is excuse me, who's metro government? How do you know about what funding opportunities there are? How do you have better grant applications? How do you navigate the processes, right? How do you use AI?

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In the, in your grant application. So just these wonderful robust topics that we were able to offer, again, for free to any nonprofits that wanted to come. And we're doing two more this year, so I want to flag that. So we are continuing to build on that. So if there are issues, and this is a good opportunity as well for you all if you.

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You see something on your end and you're thinkings are really missing the ball on X and they need a training, you tell us and we'll try to figure out how to offer that to them if we're not already doing it because we might already be doing it. And then we've also invited the mayor to a meeting, so that's a picture of the mayor Greenberg when he came and spoke to our group, and then the bottom picture is I wanted to include because we layer our local work with our state and federal work as well. And that's a picture when we had our state legislature come and talk to our.

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Our excuse me, our coalition. And so we try to do that at least once a year as well and we invite all of the state legislature.

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Thank you, ok. How much time do we have? All right. All right, so let's transition into some really important topics around federal funding and impacts that are trickling down from the federal down to Kentucky and the way we're gonna look at this is just one way.

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There, again, this is a really large topic we're gonna condense. For every dollar Kentucky is paying federal taxes, we get about \$3.35 back. So that's huge and we rank second in overall funding of states dependent on up excuse me, upon federal funds. So what I wanted to highlight here are one.

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Back in, I guess January or so of 2025, there was a time when the federal administration paused federal funding. If you all remember that, there was cities, nonprofits, state government, have these federal funds, and the administration said we wanna pause some of this.

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And everybody was up in arms, like how we're in mid cycle of our funding. We have staff we're paying, we have projects, we have constituents we're serving, and that was a really big change, unprecedented change, and there were some lawsuits. And so I don't know if you all are following these.

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But it's important to know I'm gonna highlight two lawsuits in particular. One is by the national Council of nonprofits and federal funds are flowing now because of this lawsuit. There was an injunction put in that said you can't do that mid excuse me mid grant. And so those federal funds are coming down for these projects.

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Now but this lawsuit is still going on. So we're waiting for a ruling now to see what's gonna happen. It has been appealed. And then there's a second lawsuit. It's not on the slide, but just a week or so ago, there was a ruling, and I'm sure it will be appealed because that's the part of the court process, but they said, in fact, just because policies or priorities change in the middle of a grant cycle if it was already granted.

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You can't take it away just because your policies or priorities change mid cycle. So that's a really big win for states and cities and for nonprofits partnering in those. Then let's layer on cause this is all layered.

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This top I want to highlight the top two squares on the left, is the federal register is where the OMB you get your grant guidance. So for all of those grants that I mentioned a second ago that were frozen, if you go through any grant process to get money from the Feds, you are getting, you have to do it through this omb.

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Guidance, right? It tells you the rules. What are the process? What can you have your indirect rate? All of that. Well, they recently proposed a rule that will change a lot of things. And I I put the center block about NLC, the National Lega cities. And I know Chair Kreamer is not here today, but he's the president this year, and we've been talking to him and seeing what's going on with NLC around these issues. And what we found is that a lot.

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One of the issues we're working on, including this OMB issue, NLC is also working on and has a lot of similar concerns about. And let me highlight two things that if this OMB proposed guidance goes into effect, that would change. So e.g., one, there would be uncertain funding. So you as little Metro and nonprofits that either separate or partnering with get funded and then.

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We don't want to fund this anymore, that would be allowed. There doesn't have to be a reason. It doesn't have to be you're doing anything wrong. And then 2nd one I want to highlight is that if these proposed rules go into effect that you as metro government, if you are partnering with folks, you have to really sort.

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To micromanage them and really figure out what they're doing so that they don't do anything that could put your funding at risk. And that could be maybe a social media post they make that is unfavorable. So there's this uncertainty that is a little outrageous and this comment received over 500000, or excuse me, this proposed rule received over 500000 comments. And so the way that works is when a proposed rule comes out, you.

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Any groups they can submit feedback on it. And that's massive. And so there are a lot of concerns around what this could mean for us and they anticipate this going into effect in October. Now, is that reasonable? No, because they won't really have enough time to give thorough feedback on all those comments, which is a part of the process, but we need to have this on our radar because if this comes down, whatever changes are made, it's gonna impact the way that we all are working within those grands.

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And what our partnerships look like. We'll kind of skip some of the other things so that we can get through here. So what does all this mean for us? I highlighted some of these things already, but basically increased demand for services, increase funding requests to you all. Constituent needs won't be met, fewer arts and cultural activities less tourious.

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Negative resident well being, less spending and less city taxes. That's connected to how those federal and state things can impact us here locally. And then we want to highlight, we've only got a few more things left. There's a new dashboard out there. If anyone who's following opioid spending, and I would encourage all of us to do so.

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There's a new dashboard that was put out by the Office of the Attorney General just last week it launched, and you can click county by county and see how much money has come into the county and how it's being spent. And this is a really, the purpose for them was transparency just so that all of the residents in Kentucky who've been impacted by this epidemic.

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Can have a way to know how the money's being spent, and this is a really proud op opportunity for us here in Louisville to look at what we're doing and think about how we can work together and have those decisions and discussions with non profits who were on the ground serving folks who were impacted by this epidemic. And.

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So here, I just did a screenshot when you go on this website, we had a town hall this morning. That's something we do every two weeks at Kentucky Nonprofit Network, it's virtual, they're free, and we invited someone from the Attorney General's office on today, and she did a review of this website, so if you need a walkthrough on what it is, what it isn't, how to navigate.

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I can send you that recording, but it's really phenomenal information that we're gonna have on here. And this is a prime opportunity again that we'd love to work with you all on to make sure that these funds go to the people who need them the most. Okay, so what can you all do? With all this being said, again, at the very high level, what can you all do? Share our resources so that the nonprofits in your.

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Community, NO, I mean such a slew of amazing resources. Legal compliance checklists. I'll just hit on that one. Non profits need to know if they're legally compliant, we want them to be and we have provided a really straightforward checklist. Are you registered? Are you doing the things you're supposed to be doing? Advocate for the needs of nonprofits.

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There are so many needs that look like what you all are advocating for already as the city that I was astounded when I started comparing. So there's a lot of opportunity for those partnerships there and to advocate together and for the needs of nonprofits. Visit your local nonprofits.

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If you don't know who's serving your community or if you hear of a new nonprofit that you've never heard of, go check them out. Call them. If they ask you to come out for a tour, do that. That'd be it's a really cool way to know what resources are there for your constituents, but also sometimes for your friends and family.

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Insure nonprofits have a seat at the table. Having us here and allowing us to testify today, I think is a beautiful example of that and we appreciate the partnership that we've built, but not just us, also the other nonprofits serving locally. Join your nonprofit board. If you have the time and energy to give back in that way.

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Because it does take time and energy, and we have resources to help you understand what your duties are on a board, right? But join a board, get engaged. Attend one of our events. Nonprofit coalition event. And remember, this big takeaway is that nonprofits are delivering efficient

and impactful services where on the front lines, we're leveraging other funds, and we're trusted community partners. There has been re.

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Research in the last number of years of where do people get information that they trust and nonprofits has, has been a high one there. So, so what's coming up? So these are things that you can expect to see happening in Louis shortly in the just in the next few months. The big one I want to take away here is that we are organizing our second Metro Council candidate Meet and greet. The anticipated date.

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Will be in late September. Once that date is finalized, everyone will get an invitation. So for all candidates, and the way that that will look is very similar to how we did it in 2024, candidates will have a time to speak, and then they'll have a time to just chat with the attendees. We had about a hundred folks, again, nonprofits attending last, the last time, and it's just such an opportunity for folks to get connected in that way. And we want to pro.

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Provide that for everyone, including council members who aren't up for election this year. You will also be invited. So just be on the lookout for that. That will be out hopefully in the next few weeks.

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So wrapping up, nonprofits get it done is a recent slogan that we've started using and Mandy and I had a meeting with Councilman Kramer a few months ago, and he said NO way because we're using cities get it done. So I was like, ok, well, I guess we're not very creative if we're both all using it. But also, I mean this to me was.

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I don't want to say a sign because that sounds like, oh, it's a sign and I know not everybody believes in that, but it's just really cool that to see these things come together and the work and opportunities that we can do. And so remembering that we are stronger together because we all are trying to get it done for the people in our community. And that's really what it comes down to.

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So I'm gonna end actually with this slide and say, we're ready for questions and we thank you for your time today and your attention. Thank you so much for coming and sharing the presentation. Before I get into questions, matter of Clark, if you could let the record reflect that we were joined quite some time ago by.

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I'm be Argentina Councilman Chapel, and Councilman Parker. You know, I want to thank you all for the work that you do in the community. You know, obviously our nonprofit partners play a very valuable role. I'm gonna talk about this. I think all of us know and and it's reflected in the budget that, you know, metro government doesn't do a lot of the services that are provided in the community. You know, we partner with, with our nonprofit. We don't run shelters, we.

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Partner with our shelter providers. You know, we don't necessarily provide direct food assistance, we partner with organizations like the community ministries there to care. They provide food assistance. And so want to thank you all for that. I think, you know, I thought the.

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Reference you made to the presentation that Susan gave to navigating, you know, how to get grants. I think that's really important because the more efficient that nonprofits are in applying the less money they have to spend on overhead, the more money they have available to go to the end user and that's, you know, ultimately.

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What what we want them to do. So I want to thank Susan, thank the office of management of budget, and thank you all for coordinating that. And then, you know, finally just want to echo, you know, the concerns that you raised about, you know, the, the cuts in federal funding, which, you know, I think sort of regardless of where you fall on the political spectrum, I mean, we recognize that.

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That they're challenged with with federal spending, but I think everybody can acknowledge that local governments themselves cannot make up for significant reductions in, in federal funding. And, and, you know, we saw that in in the budget last year when there was the fear of the elimination of snap benefits, you know, we see it in this year's budget through the addition.

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You know funding for senior nutrition programs as an example and you know while individuals in our community, not all individuals in our community might take advantage of things like meals on wheels, the fact that we have to then use more local dollars to fund that program, you know, that's money that we subsequently then can't use to fund something else. And so I think that'll be an ongoing challenge that.

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That, you know, cities and states across the country will deal with, you know, as budgets change and are, are right sized in federal but federal spending is is in flux. So wanna thank you all for all of your work navigating those challenging times. Councilman pairs write?

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Thank you. I wanna 1st say thank you for that presentation. I it hits home in so many ways just being in this nonprofit sector for over 20 years seeing the UPS and downs. And I just want to just really point out some of the things you said because I think.

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Sometimes it gets lost during budget season around the impact of how much our nonprofits help little villions keeping it focused on our local, helping people become housed, helping people build stability helps the businesses. Of course not just the spending that nonprofits do with the.

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Local businesses and thank you for highlighting that, putting on events, hosting out of town guests, bringing them, it benefits everyone all the way. Annual events really, really, help the local businesses. And then when people build stability, they are in better position to build wealth, and I think sometimes that is lost, but people were able to build.

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The wealth due to the services being provided through the nonprofits. And then fostering good partnerships, it, it is an investment into the city that continues to grow and that it has a generational impact that I don't think nonprofits get enough credit for. But my question, and I want to.

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Thank you. My question is, as councilmen Winkler mentioned with the federal cuts, right, and understanding, it's reetavic on so many communities, we also see for nonprofit leadership that many foundations have pulled funding.

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Especially from Kentucky. A lot I talked to a lot of executive directors across the state and we've, and I've talked to a lot of funders, which is why I have to travel so much, but there's people pulling out of support of Kentucky. So I'm wondering, does this come up in your work? And I I saw.

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All the groups you had listed and I definitely want to see those numbers grow, but how are you all talking with your groups around those reductions as well? And I do like that we're looking at the opioid

abatement spending making sure that that money gets to the end user and as close to the ground as possible, and some people see the.

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Treatment funding as a, as a stop gap, and it's not. It's blood money, it's not philanthropy. It's for a reason just like our tobacco abatement. So I'm wondering how are you working with the local nonprofits who have not just most nonprofits don't solely depend on government.

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How are you working with them with the funders also pulling out of Kentucky? Yesi, go ahead. I think in some cases we've actually seen philanthropy really try to step up here, even if it's just really getting a strong landscape assessment of what the gaps are going to be on the ground. But they also recognize they have a radically different scale of funding than the federal government.

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The same is true as councilman Wingler said, of our local governments. So we know we're not gonna fill those gaps, and as philanthropy and foundations are making decisions about how to strategically invest, they're going through the same calculus that you are and the same calculus that we are. What we work with our nonprofits is and is ensuring that we can defe.

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Find the impact that we make, so we are very clear about what the consequences are if we have instability in our budgeting process. You know, I think wanting a stable budget, wanting a confident fiscal forecast, those are non partisan desires. We all need that. We need that in our households, we need that in our government, we need it for our nonprofit operations. So.

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Really ensuring that we can articulate what the gaps are going to be communicating that to our policymakers as well as to our philanthropic members as well as to our foundations and funders is the most critical thing that we can be doing. The global nonprofit coalition plays a big role in really trying to do that both quantitatively and qualitatively so that.

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We understand how we do target the resources we maintain control over.

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You Canceling Argentina. Yes, thank you. Quick question. It dawns on me looking at the look at the the big list of of partners right that are

part of the coalition. Some of them can be grouped into categories, right? Dealing with housing and homelessness. Others are dealing with what i'll general.

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What they call families, right? Others are dealing in healthcare, others are dealing in parks, right? So you see sort of a couple categories of the not for profits. Do, do you, do they, you know, I want to say break out not separately, but is there anything that the coalition does to help them coordinate, get together and work in those particular sectors and, and you know, whether that's cooperation or hey, we're doing this, hey, how are you doing that? And let's work together on these things cause they have maybe different missions but common overall vision.

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Does, does that happen as well? Yeah, and so I think there are two things I want to say about that. One, I don't know if I specified that our workion is really about the nonprofit sector as a whole. And so our focus, that's why we have those various groups at the table because we want to see what's impacting us as a sector.

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Here and how do we improve that? That's number one. Number two is yes, these groups have an opportunity when we get together to share things. What are you doing? Here's what's coming up. How can we partner? And often what I love about our meetings is at the end of the meeting, sometimes before the meeting but usually at the end, folks are sticking around and chatting and they.

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We're having these opportunities to say, oh, I'm doing this. Can you sign on? Should we collaborate? Is this funding an opportunity that fits for us to do together? And so there are those things happening. Additionally, a lot of these groups have their own associations that are specific for the type of work that they do is so what we're filling in is that gap as well.

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Where there's NO one else doing work on behalf of the sector except for us here in the state, right? So those opportunities are sometimes already there for them in their sub sectors and we try to provide that a little bit in our meetings as well. Yeah.

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That's right. So yeah, so I was just thinking about how even operationally there could be the ecosystem by itself.

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Thank you very much. Thank you. Thank you councilman. Councilwoman Morby
Warwich.

131 "Ginny Mulvey-Woolridge" (769590272)

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Thank you. And thank you for being here today. I, I do wanna kind of
mimic of what others have said. I appreciate all that you all do in
bringing those forward and and as councilmen councilman Pi Argentini
said, I have had the opportunity to see firsthand being in these
meetings, those some of these nonprofit organizations working together
and talking across the board, across the table and the questions being
asked of those. So thank you for being that bridge and being that gap.
One of the things I know that my assistant has heard me say a lot.

132 "Ginny Mulvey-Woolridge" (769590272)

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Since being in the office is I want to be able to, if anything, be able
to bring some of these nonprofits together, to be able to serve more
people at one time instead of trying to spread that across the city. So
again, thank you for doing that. Thank you for being being in.

133 "Ginny Mulvey-Woolridge" (769590272)

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Able to bring some of these decisions down to earth, and bringing
stability across the city. So, I don't so much have a question, but just
wanted to say thank you, thank you for making this something that all 26
of us and all of our systems and our offices can be part of and help our
constituents.

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Great, thank you. Thank you council moment. There's NO one else in queue.
Thank you all for being here and for your presentation today. Thank you
so much. You all take care. Thank you. The next item of business is item
two-185- 26 an ordinance of the Louisville Metro Jefferson County Metro
government providing for an authorizing the issuance of send certain
general obligation bonds and notes of.

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The metro government in one or more series to finance the cost of various
public projects as described in metro government capital projects
budgets, setting forth the terms and conditions on which the bonds and
notes are to be issued and providing for a competitive advertised sale
thereof defining and providing for the rights of the holders of the bonds
and the notes and providing for the application.

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Of the proceeds thereof and taking through related action relating to
the issuance and sale of the bonds and the notes. May I have a motion in
second, please?

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We're motion second for this very elegantly worded titled piece of legislation. I believe we have a speaker, miss Dunn, if you could introduce yourself and speak to this ordinance. Sure, good afternoon. I'm glad we had enough time to get through that introduction. It is quite lengthy, but Angela Dunn a chief financial.

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Officer for global Metro government. This is, the, we are, we are proceeding or moving forward with the issuance of our 2026, bond issuance. This would be for capital projects that have been identified in the 2026 budget that would have been funded through bond proceeds. There are NO other, there's NO refundings or anything like that so it is, it is limited to the 2026. It was originally submitted at 95360000. We did.

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Had amend it to a hundred million 360000. That was the only change in that amendment, and that was to include some park parking authority bonds. They had reached out to us after we had originally submitted the ordinance and asked if they could join the issuance with us. They have, the amendment includes renovations and improvement.

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As to some of their existing structures, they will pay the debt service. So we will work through that with them or we'll ensure that that debt service associated with their portion of the bonds is, is paid by them.

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For these bonds? I have Chip's other one here with me, and he may have some a better idea of what the update, what it's looking like right now.

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Yeah, everyone. Chip Saulon with Beard municipal advisor to the, to Metro Louisville and just to answer the question pretty directly, interest rates have risen. This week, you know, everybody's kind of seen the news with the conflict, and we refreshed it earlier this morning and we were looking, it's a shorter.

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The barring where we're paying off a lot of principle kind of pretty early in the in the in the bond issue. So we're looking into rate probably around 4 % plus or minus, so it's in the pocket of of good affordable debt, but rates have gone up you know in the last, last couple months.

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Anybody can stop the war in Iran and get these gas prices and bond prices down, we'll be fine. Right. I just want to clarify two things, the whole amendment, I think you said it, but just to clarify, the reason there is an amendment by substitution. Yes. Yeah, ok. The reason.

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Then it exis exists is just to add park. There's NO other changes. Correct. Okay. And then I think I know the answer, but just want to confirm park's portion, they are liable to within the park budget only and then we're liable for our own, in other words, we're not liable for parks bonds, correct? That's correct.

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Okay, thank you.

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Yeah. Yes, so see NO more discussion if we could get motion on the amendment. Motion in a second. Motion by councilman B argentinia, council by second by councilman Herndon, all those in favor say I, I, any opposed.

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The eyes have it. The amended ordinance is now before us. Is there any further discussion? Hearing none, this is an item requiring a roll call vote. Madam Clerk please open the voting. Council Member parker. Councilmen can you vote again?

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Yes, I think I'm giving you a yes. Council member Movie Woolbridge?

150 "Ginny Mulvey-Woolridge" (769590272)

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Yes.

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Here you have yes folks. Thank you, the item passes, but due to the amendment will move to old business. It's Dunn, thanks for coming chip. Thanks for coming. Thank you. Having NO more business before us, without objection, the meeting's adjourned.