



# Louisville Metro Government

## Action Summary - Tentative Planning and Zoning Committee

*Chair Andrew Owen (D-9)*  
*Vice Chair Scott Reed (R-16)*  
*Committee Member Shameka Parrish-Wright (D-3)*  
*Committee Member Josie Raymond (D-10)*  
*Committee Member Stuart Benson (R-20)*  
*Committee Member Betsy Ruhe (D-21)*  
*Committee Member Jeff Hudson (R-23)*  
*Committee Member Khalil Batshon (R-25)*

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Tuesday, June 16, 2026

1:00 PM

Council Chambers/Virtual

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**THIS MEETING IS BEING HELD VIA VIDEO TELECONFERENCE**

### Call to Order

Chair Owen called the meeting to order at 1:04 p.m.

### Roll Call

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

**Present:** 7 - Chair Andrew Owen (D-9), Vice Chair Scott Reed (R-16), Committee Member Josie Raymond (D-10), Committee Member Stuart Benson (R-20), Committee Member Betsy Ruhe (D-21), Committee Member Jeff Hudson (R-23), and Committee Member Khalil Batshon (R-25)

**Excused:** 1 - Committee Member Shameka Parrish-Wright (D-3)

### Non-Committee Member(s)

Council Member Tammy Hawkins (D-1), Council Member Jennifer Chappell (D-15)

### Support Staff

Travis Fiechter, Jefferson County Attorney's Office  
Laura Ferguson, Jefferson County Attorney's Office

### Clerk(s)

Cheryl Woods, Assistant Clerk  
Sonya Harward, Clerk

## Special Discussion

1. [ID 26-0641](#)

**RECENTLY PUBLISHED DATA CENTER REGULATIONS - Brian Davis, Office of Planning**

**Attachments:** [Data Center Draft Overview.pdf](#)

Joe Haberman, Office of Planning, gave a presentation (see attached).

The following also spoke to this item:

- Chair Owen
- Vice Chair Reed
- Committee Member Benson
- Committee Member Ruhe

## Pending Legislation

### 2. [O-166-26](#)

**AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO THE ZONING OF PROPERTY LOCATED AT 524 BAXTER AVENUE CONTAINING APPROXIMATELY .36 ACRES AND BEING IN LOUISVILLE METRO (CASE NO. 25ZONE0097).**

**Sponsors:** Primary Andrew Owen (D-9)

**Attachments:** [O-166-26 V.1 061126 Zoning at 524 Baxter Avenue.pdf](#)

[25-ZONE-0097 Applicant Comprehensive Plan Justification Statement.pdf](#)

[25-ZONE-0097 Site Plan.pdf](#)

[25-ZONE-0097 PCMinutes\\_050726.pdf](#)

[25-ZONE-0097 PCstaffreport\\_050726.pdf](#)

[25-ZONE-0097\\_Staff Findings of Fact.pdf](#)

[LEGAL DESCRIPTION 524 BAXTER.pdf](#)

[Mazzocco, Sophia Public Comment 05042026.pdf](#)

**A motion was made by Committee Member Batshon, seconded by Committee Member Ruhe, that this Ordinance be recommended for approval.**

**Joe Haberman, Office of Planning, gave a presentation on the Planning Commission's recommendation (see attached).**

**Chair Owen stated that he spoke to Council Member Herndon and that he is in support of this zoning change.**

**The following spoke to this item:**

- Committee Member Batshon
- Chair Owen
- Vice Chair Reed

**The motion carried by the following vote and the Ordinance was sent to Old Business:**

**Yes:** 7 - Owen, Reed, Raymond, Benson, Ruhe, Hudson, and Batshon

**Excused:** 1 - Parrish-Wright

3. [O-135-26](#)

**AN ORDINANCE IMPOSING A TEMPORARY MORATORIUM ON REZONING, CONDITIONAL USE PERMITS AND PLAN CERTAIN, CATEGORY 2B AND 3 DEVELOPMENT PLAN APPLICATIONS RELATING TO TELECOMMUNICATION HOTELS AND DATA CENTERS PENDING A REVIEW AND RECOMMENDED CHANGES BY THE PLANNING COMMISSION.**

**Sponsors:** Primary Jennifer Chappell (D-15), Additional Shameka Parrish-Wright (D-3) and Additional Tammy Hawkins (D-1)

**Attachments:** [O-135-26 V.1 051426 Temporary Moratorium on Data Centers.pdf](#)

**A motion was made by Committee Member Batshon, seconded by Committee Member Hudson, that this Ordinance be returned to the table.**

**The following spoke to this item:**

- Council Member Chappell
- Sonya Harward, Metro Council Clerk
- Vice Chair Reed
- Travis Fiechter, Jefferson County Attorney's Office
- Council Member Hawkins
- Chair Owen
- Committee Member Batshon

**A motion was made by Committee Member Batshon, seconded by Committee Member Hudson, that this Ordinance be postponed.**

**The motion to postpone carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 5 - Owen, Reed, Benson, Hudson, and Batshon

**No:** 2 - Raymond, and Ruhe

**Excused:** 1 - Parrish-Wright

4. [O-140-26](#)**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE LOUISVILLE METRO LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE REGARDING DIGITAL DISPLAY OFF-PREMISES SIGNS (BILLBOARDS) (CASE NO. 25-LDC-0006)**

**Sponsors:** Primary Anthony Piagentini (R-19) and Primary Ken Herndon (D-4)

**Attachments:** [O-140-26 V.1 051426 Amend Land Dev Code Regardi Digital Display Off-Premises Signs.pdf](#)  
[O-140-26 PROPOSED Attached Language.pdf](#)  
[25-LDC-0006 Comment\\_Borsch\\_02-19-26\\_Redacted.pdf](#)  
[25-LDC-0006 Comment\\_Davenport\\_02-19-26.pdf](#)  
[25-LDC-0006 Comment\\_Williams\\_03-24-26pdf\\_Redacted.pdf](#)  
[25-LDC-0006\\_Digital Display Billboard\\_PC Staff Report.pdf](#)  
[25-LDC-0006\\_PCMinutes\\_040226.pdf](#)  
[25-LDC-0006\\_RES 030 2025.pdf](#)

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

Joe Haberman, Office of Planning, gave a presentation on the Planning Commission's recommendation (see attached).

The following also spoke to this item:

- Committee Member Hudson
- Committee Member Batshon
- Chair Owen
- Travis Fiechter, Jefferson County Attorney's Office

The motion carried by the following vote and the Ordinance was sent to the Consent Calendar:

**Yes:** 7 - Owen, Reed, Raymond, Benson, Ruhe, Hudson, and Batshon

**Excused:** 1 - Parrish-Wright

5. [O-160-26](#)

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING LOUISVILLE/JEFFERSON COUNTY METRO GOVERNMENT CODE OF ORDINANCES (“LMCO”) CHAPTER 153 REGARDING THE PROCESSING OF APPLICATIONS FOR ZONING MAP AMENDMENTS AND CONDITIONAL USE PERMITS IF THERE ARE DELINQUENT TAXES OR VALID LIENS HELD BY LOUISVILLE METRO THAT ARE UNPAID.**

**Sponsors:** Primary Markus Winkler (D-17) and Additional Andrew Owen (D-9)

**Attachments:** [O-160-26 V.1 061126 Ord Amending LMCO 153 Regarding Zoning Applications and Delinquent Taxes.pdf](#)

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

The following spoke to this item:

- Joe Haberman, Office of Planning
- Travis Fiechter, Jefferson County Attorney's Office
- Chair Owen
- Committee Member Hudson

The motion carried by the following vote and the Ordinance was sent to the Old Business:

**Yes:** 7 - Owen, Reed, Raymond, Benson, Ruhe, Hudson, and Batshon

**Excused:** 1 - Parrish-Wright

6. [R-066-26](#)

**A RESOLUTION NOMINATING WOLF PEN BRANCH ROAD, WHICH RUNS FROM RIVER ROAD TO CHAMBERLAIN LANE, TO BE DESIGNATED AS A SCENIC CORRIDOR AND REQUESTING THE PLANNING COMMISSION TO REVIEW SUCH NOMINATION.**

**Sponsors:** Primary Scott Reed (R-16)

**Attachments:** [R-066-26 V.1 061126 Nomination of Wolf Pen Branch Rd. as a Scenic Corridor .pdf](#)

A motion was made by Committee Member Hudson, seconded by Committee Member Ruhe, that this Resolution be recommended for approval.

The following spoke to this item:

- Vice Chair Reed
- Committee Member Benson

The motion carried by a voice vote and the Resolution was sent to the Consent Calendar.

## Adjournment

Without objection, Chair Owen adjourned the meeting at 2:26 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 June 25, 2026.

## Transcript

[ID 26-0682](#)

See the "Unedited Captioning Transcript of the Planning and Zoning Committee Meeting- June 16, 2026.pdf" attached hereto for additional information regarding discussion of each item.]

**Attachments:** [Unedited Transcript of the Planning and Zoning Committee Meeting - June 15, 2026.pdf](#)