



Louisville Metro Government

Action Summary - Tentative

Public Safety Committee

Chair Dan Seum, Jr. (R-13)

Vice Chair Tammy Hawkins (D-1)

Committee Member Shameka Parrish-Wright (D-3)

Committee Member Andrew Owen (D-9)

Committee Member Jonathan "JJ" Joseph (R-12)

Committee Member Scott Reed (R-16)

Committee Member Markus Winkler (D-17)

Committee Member Betsy Ruhe (D-21)

Committee Member Kevin Bratcher (R-22)

Committee Member Ginny Mulvey-Woolridge (R-24)

Wednesday, May 6, 2026

4:00 PM

Council Chambers/Virtual

THIS MEETING IS BEING HELD VIA VIDEO TELECONFERENCE

Call to Order

Chair Seum called the meeting to order at 4:02 p.m.

Roll Call

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

Note: All committee members present attended in Chambers, except Committee Member Parrish-Wright, Committee Member Owen, Committee Member Reed, and Committee Member Winkler, who attended virtually.

Present: 10 – Chair Dan Seum, Jr. (R-13), Vice Chair Tammy Hawkins (D-1), Committee Member Shameka Parrish-Wright (D-3), Committee Member Andrew Owen (D-9), Committee Member Jonathan "JJ" Joseph (R-12), Committee Member Scott Reed (R-16), Committee Member Markus Winkler (D-17), Committee Member Betsy Ruhe (D-21), Committee Member Kevin Bratcher (R-22), Committee Member Ginny Mulvey-Woolridge (R-24)

Non-Committee Members(s)

Council Member Ken Herndon (D-4), Council Member JP Lyninger (D-6), Council Member Jennifer Chappell (D-15)

Support Staff

Alice Lyon, Jefferson County Attorney's Office
Natalie Johnson, Jefferson County Attorney's Office

Clerk(s)

Amy Golden, Assistant Clerk
Sonya Harward, Clerk

Special Discussion

1. **ID 26-0201** UPDATE FROM OUTREACH AND COMMUNITY STABILIZATION – Shane Schlatter, Exodus Family Ministries; Brian McAdams, St. John's Center; George Eklund, Coalition for the Homeless; David Smillie, Louisville Outreach for the Unsheltered; Bolagi Ogbulu, Habitat for Humanity of Metro Louisville

George Eklund, Coalition for the Homeless, gave a presentation (see attached).

The following also spoke to this item:

- David Smillie, Louisville Outreach for the Unsheltered
- Brian McAdams, St. John's Center
- Shane Schlatter, Exodus Family Ministries
- Bolagi Ogbulu, Habitat for Humanity
- Council Member Lyninger
- Committee Member Parrish-Wright
- Committee Member Mulvey-Woolridge
- Chair Seum

Pending Legislation

2. **O-280-25** AN ORDINANCE ENACTING A NEW CHAPTER OF TITLE XI OF THE LOUISVILLE METRO CODE OF ORDINANCES RELATING TO IN-PERSON SECURITY AT LATE-NIGHT BUSINESSES.

5/6/26 Public Safety Committee Postponed
Action Required By: October 23, 2026
4/23/26 Metro Council Recommended [to Public Safety Committee]
4/15/26 Public Safety Committee Held
3/4/26 Public Safety Committee Held
2/18/26 Public Safety Committee Held
2/4/26 Public Safety Committee Held
12/1/25 Special Public Safety Committee Held
Action Required By: May 13, 2026

Sponsors: Tammy Hawkins (D-1), Betsy Ruhe (D-21)

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

The following spoke to this item:

- Vice Chair Hawkins
- Alice Lyon, Jefferson County Attorney's Office
- Committee Member Parrish-Wright
- Committee Member Bratcher

- Sonya Harward, Clerk
- Council Member Lyninger

A motion was made by Committee Member Joseph, seconded by Committee Member Hawkins, that this Ordinance be postponed.

The motion to postpone carried by a voice vote.

- 3. O-047-26** AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE LOUISVILLE METRO CODE OF ORDINANCES (“LMCO”) AND CREATING A NEW SECTION OF CHAPTER 32 REGARDING THE ISSUANCE, REQUIREMENTS, AND EXECUTION OF SEARCH WARRANTS.

5/6/26 Public Safety Committee Held
 4/15/26 Public Safety Committee Held
 3/4/26 Public Safety Committee Tabled
Action Required By: August 26, 2026

Sponsors: Dan Seum, Jr. (R-13)

This item remained held in Committee.

- 4. O-074-26** AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE LOUISVILLE METRO CODE OF ORDINANCES CHAPTER 91 DEFINITIONS TO REMOVE CERTAIN RESTRAINT REQUIREMENTS.

5/6/26 Public Safety Committee Recommended for Approval
 4/15/26 Public Safety Committee Held
Action Required By: September 26, 2026

Sponsors: Jennifer Chappell (D-15)

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

The following spoke to this item:

- Chair Seum
- Council Member Chappell
- Committee Member Mulvey-Woolridge
- Committee Member Owen
- Committee Member Parrish-Wright

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

Yes: 10 – Seum (R-13), Hawkins (D-1), Parrish-Wright (D-3), Owen (D-9), Joseph (R-12), Reed (R-16), Winkler (D-17), Ruhe (D-21), Bratcher (R-22), Mulvey-Woolridge (R-24)

- 5. O-075-26** AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 39 OF THE LOUISVILLE METRO CODE OF ORDINANCES TO CREATE NEW SECTIONS 39.400, 39.401, 39.402, 39.403, 39.404, AND 39.405 TO BE KNOWN AS THE SAFE HAVEN LAW.

5/6/26 Public Safety Committee Held
 4/15/26 Public Safety Committee Held

Action Required By: September 26, 2026

Sponsors: JP Lyninger (D-6), Shameka Parrish-Wright (D-3)

This item remained held in Committee.

Adjournment

Without objection, Chair Seum adjourned the meeting at 5:01 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 May 14, 2026.