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will start in 30s. The Louisville Metro Council meeting of JUNE 25th, 2026 will please come to order. The time is currently about 11 minutes after six. Please rise for the Pledge of Allegiance. Pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the Republic for which it stands. One nation under GOD, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all. This meeting is being held pursuant to krs 61.826 and Council Rule five a MADAM Clerk, a roll call, please. Please, sir.\r\n\r\nCouncil member. Hopkins, please. Council member. Shanklin. Present. Council member. Parish.\r\n\r\nRight. Present. Council member. Herndon. Present. Council member. Purvis.\r\n\r\nPresent. Council member. Present. Council member. McNamee. Council member. Rena Weber.\r\n\r\nPresent. Thank you. Council member. Owen here. Council member. Raymond here. Council member.\r\n\r\nKramer here. Council member. Joseph here. Council member. Syme here. Council member. Bast here.\r\n\r\nCouncil member. Chappell. Council member. Mead. Council member. Winkler. Council member.\r\n\r\nParker. Council member. Piacentini. Council member. Bensen. Present. Council member.\r\n\r\nRui here. Council member. Bratcher. Council member. Hudson. Council member. Mulvey.\r\n\r\nWooldridge. Council member. Batson. Council. PRESIDENT. Ackerson. Present.\r\n\r\nPRESIDENT. Ackerson. You have 24 and a quorum. Fantastic. Jocelyn. Raymond, I believe you got his page tonight. Yes.\r\n\r\nThank you. I'm happy to introduce Drew Hardin. And we're lucky to have him tonight. Lucky that we fit into his schedule. Drew is a really busy guy. He is an adult resident student at the College for living, which is an incredible program from a nonprofit located in district ten, but serving folks across the city called Dayspring with support from COUNCILMAN Winkler. There was some money in our budget last year for Dayspring.\r\n\r\nThe College for living is a program for young adults with disabilities. After leaving high school. It mirrors the college experience. They live in a one bedroom apartment and every week take classes to learn independent living skills, culinary skills, financial literacy. There was a Facebook post a few days ago. The College for Living students were learning how to clean toilets. Drew already knew, drew already knew, and drew holds down two jobs.\r\n\r\nHe's been at Kroger since 2018 and he is a cookie baker, and he also has been at ups since 2019. So I want to welcome Drew Hardin. Thank. Drew, let me just say this. It's our honor and our privilege to have you here with us tonight. So thank you, sir. COUNCILWOMAN Bass, I believe you have a special guest. You have the floor, MADAM.\r\n\r\nAll right. I'd like to introduce everyone to Alyssa Pollard. She is a distinguished student at Ballard High School and has demonstrated exceptional academic excellence by being ranked fourth in her class and earning the honor of valedictorian. Alyssa has achieved a historic milestone as the first Girl Scout in southwest Louisville to earn the Gold Scout Gold Award, the highest recognition in Girl Scouting. Her go to world project focused on advancing social, emotional and learning for high school schedule. Special education students, amplifying both compassion and innovation in addressing critical educational needs. She lives in district 14 and she's pretty amazing.\r\n\r\nSo we would like to give her this proclamation and honor her. Point of personal privilege. Was that, yes, MADAM. You're the floor. Thank you. I would like to say to MISS Pollard, congratulations. District seven is where Ballard High School resides.\r\n\r\nAnd I'm often over there. And I know that the students there are wonderful students. And you, no doubt, are the star performer. And I appreciate your. Your valedictorian

spirit. And I wish you the best in all that you endeavor. Both of my sons graduated from Ballard High School, and I know this is a city that says.\r\n\r\nWhat high school did you go to? And when you say Ballard High School, people will be proud. They know that that means something. So very, very I'm very, very proud of you. Congratulations. MADAM Clerk of the Council. Yes, sir.\r\n\r\nWe do. Alright. We have a different night tonight, folks. And to the public, as far as admonitions. Like the Kentucky state legislature and Congress, which do not allow public speakers at random, this body has made a practice to allow the public to come in and speak before this, before these council meetings, on topics of their choosing. Since this council was formed over 25 years ago, it has used the same admonition at its meetings regarding public speaking. This admonition has been used with the intended purpose of maintaining decorum and dignity of these chambers.\r\n\r\nThe admonition has included prohibiting the use of derogatory comments towards council members, not using profanity or curse words. Recently, this body was threatened with a lawsuit by Tina Burrell Burnell, a person who will be speaking here tonight. That threat of a lawsuit, including MISS Burnell's position that the First Amendment allows speakers in these chambers to make derogatory statements towards council members, and her position is. The First Amendment allows speakers in these chambers to use all the profanities and curse words they want, provided those words aren't threats to a person or cause violence. I've had constitutional lawyers look into this matter. As a result, I'm of the opinion that her legal claims on this particular matter, while other matters I disagree with legally on her and with her, while unfortunate, is likely correct. Thus, it appears that speaking in these chambers by the general public is now open to the Wild West and curse words and profanity and derogatory speech will be permitted moving forward as.\r\n\r\nThus, I would say, the new admonition, admonition, admonition is this to the public. Still. The speakers will be limited to three speakers per topic, either for or against. However, be prepared for the use of profanity, curse words and derogatory statements, whether you find them morally offensive or not, you're likely going to have a chance that you're going to hear those things. If you have young children here with you tonight, often people bring young children in with them. You MAY want to to have some caution for those people at home who's school age. Children like to watch Metro tv in these chambers, maybe to learn about government.\r\n\r\nParents should beware of what is to potentially come. As the chair of this meeting, I will no longer be able to stop such. Thank you, MISS Brunell, for expressing your legal opinion to us regarding the First Amendment. Speakers in the chamber and the right of people in this chamber that are speaking to make derogatory comments and use profanity as they choose. MADAM Clerk, call the first speaker River would. Good evening. My name is River wood.\r\n\r\nI am a licensed massage therapist here in Louisville. I have been practicing for 22 years and I've been operating a small business here for the past 11. I thoroughly support the cause to reduce human trafficking and to hold those accountable who commit crimes against other human beings. However, the new massage facility ordinance was written without sufficient input from the professionals it most affects, and the result is a policy that actually risks undermining safety, privacy and public trust while placing new burdens on the businesses that already follow the law. People come to me when they're hurting physically, emotionally, and the reason they walk through my door is because they trust me. This ordinance treats an entire licensed health care profession as though it exists under suspicion. The existence of criminal activity does not make an entire profession suspicious, creating suspicion around legitimate health care practitioners does not build trust.

It undermines it.\r\n\r\nTrust is not the byproduct of this work. Trust is the work. This ordinance does not simply regulate massage therapists. It regulates the conditions under which trust is built between health care professionals and the people they serve. When government policies erode trust between practitioner and client, they don't just affect businesses, they affect the people seeking care. Some of the people we serve are among the very people this council is trying to protect. If a survivor of trauma knows, they MAY be required to provide identification, be subject to surveillance, and receive care in a setting where treatment spaces cannot be secured for privacy and safety.\r\n\r\nThey MAY not trust us to seek care. We licensed practitioners are deeply embedded in our communities. We know when something doesn't feel right. Policies that alienate legitimate professionals don't create more allies in the fight against exploitation. They create less trust between government and the people already doing things the right way. We all want trafficking stopped. The question is whether we are targeting criminals or targeting an entire profession, because criminals sometimes misuse its name.\r\n\r\nI believe Louisville can address exploitation without compromising community trust. But to do that, licensed massage therapists must be treated as partners in the solution, not the problem to be solved. I respectfully ask this council to engage a licensed massage therapist as partners in developing solutions and create measures that address criminal activity. Thank you, Bill Wells. Good evening. My name is Bill Wells and I live at 9120 Coventry Lane, and I request the additional minute for reasonable accommodation. In the enthusiasm of starting college in 1970, my Sunday school teacher gave me encouragement to run for class PRESIDENT.\r\n\r\nBut when I told my dad the plans, he said quit. I won the election and would experience the bullying that, until this last winter, could not have words without the help of ai to describe what happened. If anything, I learned in college with a motto from Ephesians 4:13 about the whole person is the challenge to question one's being for a whole life in learning, perseverance, and long term commitment to a goal. So in choosing to speak before you regarding ethics, there are opportunities by which filing for government offices or being a citizen could be improved. When I filed for office recently, the questions regarding my occupation and source of income posed an ethical dilemma. My occupation of being a citizen for 36 years has been costly, and when an elected official and staff bullied me off camera and no attorney could be found, this behavior reminded me of Elie Wiesel's comments in a debate with students. The argument about the number of Jews killed during the Holocaust.\r\n\r\nI pointed out if one citizen is killed, that is one too many. So in experiencing the murder and indirect murder of citizens who become labeled as the mentally ill, I'm compelled to remind you our problem is much deeper. The ability to create choices that elevate existence in the creation of laws or policing the community is an opportunity for learning, not training, engagement rather than escalation. Love rather than indifference and economic opportunities honoring the skills and passions of our better selves. So to be a citizen and also be a member of the body, we the people, the empowering force in our representative democracy is essential for our future in experiencing the gifts of creativity. Know that at one point in my life, even my venture into behavior similar to Officer Stott's victim. Did the security spare my life?\r\n\r\nI came here this evening to bear witness and to honor the space created by law to speak to you. And indeed, one can recover. But which body of governance will create the empowering resources for learning in an enlightened community? Thank you, thank you. Colette Wilson. Good evening, Council members. My name is Colette Wilson.\r\n\r\nI live in COUNCILMAN Jeff Hudson's 23rd

district. I am also a licensed massage therapist and trained my 20th year of operating my business in the seventh district. I'm here to strongly urge you to exempt licensed massage therapists from the Massage Facility Ordinance. This ordinance, as written, does not reflect the reality of our profession. It. Mischaracterizes licensed massage therapy creates unnecessary regulation and causes harm to both practitioners and the people we serve. First, this ordinance places licensed massage health care providers within the same framework as illicit activity through its language and requirements. That undermines the legitimacy of our profession and the trust we have built with our clients and the medical community. Second, it creates barriers to care. Added fees, compliance requirements and administrative burdens will increase costs for many small businesses, which MAY force therapists to raise prices or close their businesses. Ultimately, this affects everyday people who rely on massage therapy for pain management, recovery and overall wellness. This ordinance also raises serious privacy and safety concerns. Requirements involving surveillance and unlocked facilities MAY not improve safety and could create additional challenges for responsible practitioners. I believe these requirements MAY discourage clients from continuing to receive the care that they have come to trust and depend on. Finally, this ordinance creates an excessive burden on small, independently owned businesses. Requirements such as fingerprinting, inspections, and extensive record keeping make it harder for legitimate businesses to operate and grow. Licensed massage therapists are already regulated. We are trained, credentialed and accountable under existing state law, including existing background check requirements, additional local regulations that duplicate those safeguards create unnecessary obstacles without improving public safety. I respectfully ask that you exempt licensed massage therapists from this ordinance and work with our professional community to create policies that protect public safety without harming legitimate health care providers. Thank you, thank you, MR. Soucek.

Good evening. My name is Misha Soucek. I'm a licensed massage therapist and owner of Embody Mindful Bodywork and Somatic Studio in district nine. I want to say clearly that I support Louisville's efforts to combat human trafficking and shut down illicit businesses operating under the guise of massage. My studio specializes in the use of somatic therapy and healing touch for people recovering from post-traumatic stress and its effects on the body, both of which deeply impact survivors of human trafficking. As a professional with extensive training in trauma recovery I am aware that this ordinance is targeted enforcement. However, I am here to ask the Council to amend this ordinance to exempt facilities owned by licensed massage therapists from the mandates requiring unlocked doors during business hours, installation of service surveillance cameras, posting trafficking related signage in our lobbies, and random biannual inspections. These specific requirements have the potential to cause real harms to clients, real harm to clients with a history of traumatic stress, seeking support and practices. Offering therapeutic massage when recovering from trauma, people need support and time and environments that signal safety in small businesses with or without an unemployed receptionist or without an employed receptionist. Unlocked doors invite unannounced disruptions to care and erode the sense of safety that makes therapeutic work possible. Visible surveillance equipment can trigger feelings of being watched or trapped. Trafficking signage can activate painful memories of abuse or times when help was out of reach. The painful irony is that an ordinance intended to address trafficking MAY bring reminders of abuse directly into the treatment environments of those working hardest to recover from it. This concern is not limited to spaces

specializing in trauma recovery.\r\n\r\nMany trauma survivors never disclose their trauma history. Instead, they seek out therapeutic massage to help them feel safe enough to rest, which can ease symptoms like anxiety, poor sleep, chronic pain, and persistent hypervigilance, when left unaddressed, can erode their health and their well-being. I embody we regularly receive referrals from physicians and mental health providers within our community who also recognize the value of the care massage therapy provides. I'm not asking you to weaken protections against trafficking. I'm asking you to amend this ordinance in a way that clearly distinguishes therapeutic practices like mine from illicit operations. I chose this profession and my specialty because of my own history of sexual abuse, and respectfully ask that you consider the bravery, dignity and privacy of people seeking healing in the Louisville community. Thank you.\r\n\r\nThank you. Curtis Owens. Good afternoon, Council people. I think I've talked to most of you all one on one. I, I won't use any profanity today. I usually don't do that. So don't worry.\r\n\r\nI'm here to talk about down payment assistance and home ownership. We've got some folks that are supporting home ownership here, and we should all support home ownership, because it's very important to our community in the various amount of ways. I'm here to ask the Metro Down Payment Assistance Program be funded at a minimum of 3 million in the coming times, not the proposed 1 million, I think maybe 1.125 million. I thank you for that. Appreciate that. Louisville Louisville needs affordable housing, including apartments and rental housing. But housing policy cannot be one sided.\r\n\r\nIt can. We cannot invest almost exclusively, exclusively in rentals while neglecting the path of home ownership. Homeownership is still the main way families build wealth, stability and community investment. Renters build wealth for landlords, homeowners build wealth for themselves and future generations, cutting down payment assistance does more than reduce a budget line. It chance to become homeowners, teachers, health care workers, first responders, city employees and many others can afford a mortgage but not upfront costs. This program bridges the gap, the gap to homeownership most times is is down payment assistance. This for for nearly four decades has helped families achieve the American dream, strengthen neighborhoods, expand the tax base, and create long term community stakeholders.\r\n\r\nA \$1 million allocation will help some families, but fall far, far short of what the need is. With housing prices increased 71% in the last ten years as housing prices have increased 71% in the last ten years, and persisting homeownership gaps, especially for low to moderate income families. Reducing the program's moves us in the wrong direction. Homeownership benefits are also broadly shared. Down payment assistance helps hundreds of families across Louisville spreading opportunity citywide. The question is not rental housing or homeownership. We need both, but a balanced housing strategy includes affordable apartments for renters and a pathway to homeownership for those who want to buy.\r\n\r\nLouisville's housing future includes both renters and homeowners who plant roots, stabilize neighborhoods, and build wealth, and pass opportunity to the next generation. I respectfully, respectfully ask the mayor in the future and the Metro County Council to restore funding to the Metro Down Payment Assistance Program to at least 3 million, and so that we can afford to have the program to last all year round. Thank you so much for your time and consideration. Thank. Thank you. And for. And for.\r\n\r\nThank you. Hello. I'm grateful to be here with all of you. Good evening, Council members. My name is Ann Furry. I grew up here in Kentucky and I'm a long time resident of district eight. I'm a u of l graduate and an elementary school computer science teacher.\r\n\r\nI also volunteer with the plant based treaty and

that is what brings me here this evening. I'm here to simply introduce myself and the treaty with the hope of our team connecting with each of you more soon. So what is the plant based treaty? It's a global grassroots campaign that was launched in 2021 as a companion to the Paris Agreement. The Paris Agreement addressed fossil fuel emissions but left out food systems. The plant based treaty fills that gap. It encourages the addition of more plant based options that are good for our environment and our health.

Currently, seven us cities endorse the plant based treaty, and 76 cities worldwide, over 260,000 individuals have endorsed, including over 300 in the Louisville area. I started the Louisville chapter just about ten months ago. Our chapter has 21 volunteers and is growing. We've been able to bring information about plant based eating into the community by tabling at Veg Kentucky Events and Abbey road on the river. We also support local businesses by spotlighting them on social media and by hosting our public monthly meetups with them. Our next one is this Sunday at 330 at Half Peach Bakery. I feel passionately that what we are doing is extremely needed here.

Heart disease and cancer are by far the leading causes of death in our community, and I hear about this constantly from people struggling with these diseases and from people who have reversed illness by eating more plants as a teacher to 650 kids every week, I want what's best for them and their families. The plant based treaty is a great way for us to help people get the healthy food they need to thrive, while also helping our environment. I believe Louisville is ready to take this step and become one of the top ten us cities to endorse. We are used to leading by example, like with our award winning water 600 plus heart transplants, the Olmsted Park System, a pioneering electric bus fleet and bold renewable energy goals endorsing the plant based treaty aligns with who we already are. I'm sharing supporting materials, including an example resolution from Cambridge, though the goal will be to build something tailored to Louisville. My hope is that we will build a resolution together that can achieve a unanimous vote by SEPTEMBER 17th. I look forward to speaking with each of you soon and hearing your input for your district.

Thank you for all you are doing and your time and consideration. Thank you. Kerry Crown. I originally planned to bring up a couple of issues, but I decided I'd stick to one this time and then verbally beat you about the head and shoulders next time with the other one. My name is Harry Caron. I'm a lifelong resident of Louisville, a resident of district nine, and I'm a member of clout. Clout stands for Citizens of Louisville Organize United.

Together, we're made up of 26 congregations from all across Jefferson County who come together to push for local systemic change. Our work on housing began again after our fall listening process last year, where we heard from 500/500 Louisvillians about their experiences and concerns. Housing was the overwhelming concern for all of them, and it's what our members voted to handle this year and this year's budget. We're glad to see key programs like down payment assistance and the stabilization fund included, but we are disappointed that for the second year in a row, funding was cut for the Affordable Housing Trust Fund. Our city's unit shortage is at the root of our affordability crisis, and it fuels other problems like low quality housing and homelessness. The trust fund is the best and only tool that Louisville currently has to develop affordable housing units, not because it's just a human issue, but it's an economic one as well. In 2019, the North Carolina Housing Finance Authority discovered that for every 100 families that moved to stable, affordable housing added \$2 million a year to the local economy.

When you consider we have 3000 units still to build here, 600 million is not a number you can ignore. But those are just numbers. Numbers aren't personal, and for tens of

thousands of our constituents, this is a real and personal problem. What would you do tonight if you lost your housing? What would you be thinking about? Would you go to work tomorrow? Maybe.

Would you be fully engaged? Probably not. Would you care if your children got their homework done? I don't think so. And what about that baseball game? You're not going. You're going to have two priorities.

The first priority is going to be where were you and your children sleep tonight? Your second priority will be where were you and your children sleep tomorrow? This is a question that 30,000 families ask every night. So we urge you to continue to fund the Affordable Housing Trust Fund over the next time and the next budget and the next budget, because this problem will not go away. Thank you. Thank you, Ronda Campbell. Ronda Campbell.

Karen Frazier. Good evening. My name is Karen Frazier. I reside in district 14 in. COUNCILWOMAN Bass is our representative. I am before you this evening in support of the Massage Establishment ordinance. Specifically, I emphatically support the inclusion of state licensed massage therapists.

Exempting Lmts would be a substantial blow to the effectiveness of this endeavor. I am 28 years into my professional career. I maintain licensure in Kentucky, Indiana and Virginia. I wear many hats in this industry. Practitioner, instructor, regulator, volunteer and advocate. Full disclosure I serve as a board member for both a state agency and a national association. For clarity, I served on this task force as an lmt, and I am here before you this evening as an lmt.

The opinions and statements I offer are my own and do not represent any agency or aforementioned affiliation. This ordinance is not perfect, but it is a necessary beginning. In my volunteer and advocate capacity, I have become well versed in human trafficking and illicit massage businesses. Metro is not unique in our struggles to combat this horrific stain on society. I applaud the Council for taking this step. The illicit business model has our profession. This is not new.

Massage has historically been linked to illicit activity. However, it has become a \$5 billion annual revenue generator with a vast, well funded well network footprint. Our industry is divided on everything from hospitality to health care, hipaa, no hipaa education and regulation to definitions and scope of practice. Massage education is lacking, creating a deficit of informed professionals. Bad actors and opportunists have masterfully taken advantage of our divisive climate. The one thing we can all agree on is no one is in favor of trafficking or the illicit takeover of our profession. To combat it, we must begin somewhere, and we will all experience growing pains in the process.

These regulatory efforts provide the most effective opportunity for progress. You will never eradicate or arrest a way, desire or the tenacity of criminals to capitalize on it. The experience has taught us that arrest alone cannot deter or eliminate criminal activity. Victim centered, multifaceted, multi-agency efforts are yielding success across our nation. These are tools that allow for swift action. In addition to arrest, temporary incarceration and lengthy waits for trial. There are several provisions in this ordinance with which I do not agree.

There is terminology that can be improved in ambiguity. Ambiguity exists in all legislation. I will close with these statistics. Currently in the United States, illicit massage businesses outnumber McDonald's locations, and nationally, it is estimated that one third of these illicit businesses have at least one person with a valid state issued massage therapy license. We know this to have some validity, as evidenced by recent Louisville news. The ims business. Thank you for your time.

Thank you, Tina Brownell. PRESIDENT Ackerson, I disagree with your gross mischaracterization of my First Amendment complaint, but I am honored that my efforts have led this body to

cease decades of unconstitutional censorship of public speech. I stand before you tonight because 19 of you, including ten Republicans, voted to use taxpayer money to file a lawsuit against me. At least you got a threat first. For nearly 11 months, you have remained silent, indifferent, and complicit in the harm being inflicted upon my family. My legal fees are now over \$13,000, and that's just the monetary cost. Let's not forget the Jefferson County Attorney's Office.\r\n\r\nTheir legal advice was so questionable that their first instinct was to suggest a lawsuit to silence the person for calling them out. Metro Council versus Tina Brownell isn't about protecting the public's interest, it's damage control. The \$6 million lawsuit settlement with Ldg was signed and finalized the very same day that you filed a lawsuit against me. That was never about protecting litigation strategy. It was punitive, malicious and retaliatory, an outrageous abuse of your elected positions and a gross misuse of taxpayer money. The audacity it took for each of you to cast such a vote is staggering. Some of you wouldn't recognize ethics or integrity if it slapped you in the face.\r\n\r\nYet in a mere 42 minute closed session last JULY, you were persuaded to weaponize public resources in the full weight of metro government against me. One woman. It wasn't a show of strength or leadership. It was a panicked miscalculation of epic proportions. It was cowardice and conformity. And now I have a message for you. You serve and work for the people of Louisville, not the other way around.\r\n\r\nWhen citizens or even former employees speak truth to power, your responsibility is to answer. Your responsibility is to be transparent and accountable, not to launch a legal attack on the taxpayers dime. Public service means serving the public, not the institution, not fellow politicians, and certainly not a culture that demands silence over accountability. Your attempt to intimidate and silence me has only strengthened my resolve. The more each of you slander me behind my back, the more people see exactly who you are. Taxpayer funded bullies. Lastly, I want to thank council members Hawkins, Joseph Chappell and Leininger for having the courage and decency to withstand the pressure to participate in this disgraceful action.\r\n\r\nUnlike those of you who operate behind closed doors, I have nothing to fear from the truth. I look forward to my day in court, and I trust the transparency, accountability and facts will prevail where political power and lawfare have failed. See you there. MR. PRESIDENT. That concludes the addresses to council. Next, we have the approval of the Council minutes for the regular meeting of JUNE 11th, 2026. Are there any corrections or deletions that is proper for us?\r\n\r\nAll those in favor say I in opposition here in opposition, the minutes are approved as written. Next, we have approval. The following committee minutes from 2026, the regular committee of the whole. JUNE 11th, the special budget. JUNE 15th. The regular planning and zoning. JUNE 16th.\r\n\r\nThe regular Labor and economic development. JUNE 16th. The regular public works. JUNE 16th. The regular government oversight, audit and appointments. JUNE 16th. The regular equity.\r\n\r\nCommunity affairs, housing, health and education. JUNE 17th. The regular appropriations. JUNE 17th. The regular public safety. JUNE 17th. The regular parks and sustainability.\r\n\r\nJUNE 18th. The special budget. JUNE 22nd. The regular Committee on committees. JUNE 23rd. Are there any corrections or deletions? Items brought before us?\r\n\r\nAll those in favor, say aye. Aye. Any opposition? Any opposition? The minutes are approved as written. Our next order of business is going to be the consent calendar. The consent calendar comprises of items 16 through 53. Are there any additions or deletions, COUNCILMAN Kramer?\r\n\r\nThank you, MR. PRESIDENT. Ordinance. Ordinance 16926 passed out of the Budget Committee with one present vote. That present vote has since offered approval to move this to consent.

And so I'm going to ask that we move item the item that item, ordinance 16926 to the consent calendar. I believe that's item 56, is it not, MADAM Clerk?\r\n\r\nYes, sir. Any opposition moving item 56 to consent calendar. Hearing none is so moved.

COUNCILMAN Owen, item 570-160-26. An ordinance amending the Code of Ordinances to. Well, it's long, but basically zonings for conditional use permits, people have to be up to date on their taxes and liens that passed unanimously at committee, and I. I inadvertently assigned it to old business and would like to move it to consent. And the primary sponsor has has agreed to to this as well. Is there any objection to moving item 57 to consent calendar?\r\n\r\nHearing none is so moved. MADAM Clerk, a second reading of those items. The following legislation was forwarded from the Appropriations Committee. Item 16 an ordinance appropriating \$6,160 from River development funds in the following manner. \$2,860 from district 14, \$2,200 from district 12 and \$1,100 from district 25 to Metro parks. For costs associated with the 2026 South End Movies under the star, to be held summer and fall 2026. Item 17. An ordinance appropriating \$8,000 from neighborhood development funds in the following manner \$4,000 from district 25. \$1,500 from district 14. \$1,250 each from district 12 and 13 through the Office of Management Budget to Southwest Community Ministries, Inc. For sponsorship of their teachers.\r\n\r\nSupply giveaway to be held JULY the 25th, 2026. Item 18. An ordinance appropriating \$19,000 from district 15. District five Neighborhood Development funds to metro parks for costs associated with the Dirt Bowl Derby Showcase held APRIL the 29th, 2026 and the 2026 Dirt Bowl Tournament to be held JUNE the 6th through AUGUST the 2nd, 2026 item 19. An ordinance appropriating \$175,000 from district seven Neighborhood Development Funds through the Office of Management and Budget to the City of Saint Matthews for costs associated with the installation of a pavilion at the Warwick War Wick Park and associated improvements. The following legislation was supported from the Budget Committee. Item 20 an ordinance approving the fiscal year 2026 2027 budget from Louisville Tourism Item 21, an ordinance approving the fiscal year 2026 2027 budget for the Transit Authority of River City Park. Item 56 an ordinance amending chapter 38 of the Louisville Metro Code of Ordinances to establish sub classifications of real property for purposes of ad valorem taxation within the Urban Services District. Item 22 an ordinance of the Louisville Jefferson County Metro Government authorizing the issuance of its health care system revenue bonds, Norton Healthcare, Inc. Series 2026 and one or more series in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$750 million, the proceeds of which shall be loaned to Norton Health Care, Inc. To a pay for reimbursement.\r\n\r\nReimburse North Health Care, Inc. And the Norton Hospitals Inc. For the cost of acquiring, constructing, renovating and equipping certain health care facilities of Norton Healthcare, Inc. And certain affiliates, and b refinance certain outstanding indebtedness, and two taking other related action. Item 23 resolution approving the Budget Economic Development Plan of the Greater Louisville Lodging Management District doing business as Global Hotel Partnership for the period JULY 1st, 2026 to JUNE 30th, 2027. The following legislation was forwarded from the Committee on Committees. Item 24 an ordinance repealing, amending and creating certain chapters of title three of the Louisville Metro Code of Ordinances pursuant to krs 83, a 0.060, item 25, a resolution pursuant to the act of the Capital and Operating Budget Ordinances approving the appropriation to fund the following professional service contract for Louisville Metro Office of Internal Audit for Workplace Investigation Services. Bull, Stouffer and Graves llp.\r\n\r\n\$20,000 following legislation was forwarded from the Government Oversight Audit Appointments Committee. Item 26 Appointment of Ebert

Hagel to the Civilian Review and Accountability Board term expires MARCH 25th, 2028. Item 27 Appointment of Brian Goodwin to the Bardstown Road Overlay District Board term expires APRIL the 30th, 2029, item 28 appointment of Jeffrey Donohue to the Fairdale Fire Protection District Board term expires JUNE the 30th, 2029, item 29 Reappointment of Kyle Reber to the Jeffersontown Fire Protection District Board term expires JUNE the 30th, 2029. Item 30 Reappointment of Laurie Strode Stahlgren to the Landmarks and Preservation Districts Commission ordinance term expires NOVEMBER the 30th, 2028, item 31 Appointment of Michael Portman Junior to the Okolona Fire Protection District Board term expires JUNE 30th, 2030. Item 32 Appointment of Yolanda Moore to the Okolona Fire Protection District Board term expires JUNE the 30th, 2029. Item three Reappointment of Patrick Sparks to the Pleasure Ridge Park Protection District Board term expires JUNE the 30th, 2029 item 34 appointment of Kadijah Hayes to the Police Merit Board term expires JUNE 1st, 2027. Item 35 Appointment of Roberta Pinta to the Police Merit Board term expires JUNE 1st, 2030. Item 36 Appointment of Doctor Cheryl Anderson to the Police Merit Board term expires JUNE 30th, 2030. Item 37 Reappointment of Jim Siegler to the Saint Matthews Fire Protection District Board term expires JUNE 30th, 2026. I'm sorry. One second item 38 Reappointment of Kate matter to the Landmarks and Preservation District Commission. Term expires NOVEMBER the 30th, 2028. Item 39 Reappointment of Morgan Ward to the Landmarks and Preservation District Commission term expires NOVEMBER the 30th, 2028. Item 40 Reappointment of Ashlynn Ackerman to the Landmarks and Preservation Districts Commission. Term expires NOVEMBER the 30th, 2028. Item 41 Appointment of William Temple Beam to the Landmarks and Preservation District Commission term expires NOVEMBER the 30th, 2028. Item 42 reappointment of g. Henry Art to the Fern Creek Fire Protection District Board term expires JUNE 30th, 2029. Item 43 amended appointment of Trevor Paul to the Kentuckiana Works Greater Louisville Workforce Development Board term expires FEBRUARY the 28th, 2027. The following legislation was forwarded from the Labor and Economic Development Committee. Item 44 a resolution pursuant to the Capital and Operating Budget Ordinance approving the appropriation to fund the following amendment to the sole source contract for the Office of Management and Budget for Consulting Services to assist analyzing and reporting costs. Public consulting Group, llc \$190,000 from new not to exceed amount of \$550,000. Item 45 resolution ratifying the and approving the Collective Bargaining Agreement from the date of its approval through JUNE 30th, 2030 between Louisville, Jefferson County Metro Government and the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees.\r\n\r\nA flcio local 3425 asked me relating to wages, hours and other terms and conditions of employment of its employees, the Louisville Free Public Library Department legislation. The following legislation was forwarded from the Planning and Zoning Committee. Item 46 the. Or an ordinance amending the Louisville Metro Land Development Code regarding digital display, off premises signs, black or billboards. Case number 25ldc0006. Item 57. An ordinance amending Louisville Jefferson County Metro Government Code of Ordinances, chapter 153 regarding the process of application for zoning map amendments and conditional use permits if there are delinquent taxes or valid liens held by the Louisville Metro that are unpaid by Louisville Metro that are unpaid. Item 47 a resolution nominating the Wolfpen Branch Road, which runs from River Road to Chamberlayne to be designated as a scenic corridor and requesting the Planning Commission review such nomination. The following legislation was forwarded from the Public Safety Committee.\r\n\r\nItem 48 an ordinance amending chapter 123 of the Louisville Metro Code of Ordinances regarding secondary metal recycling to conform

with the Kentucky Revised Statutes, as amended by the 2026 General Assembly. The following legislation was forwarded from the Public Works Committee. Item 49 an ordinance declaring an ordinance one declaring Mermaid Lane as dedicated to the Louisville Jefferson County Metro government for public use as a public way and to accepting such dedication. Item 50 a resolution authorizing the office of Jefferson County Attorney to bring a condemnation action against the owner of certain property, parcel number two in Jefferson County in connection with the Gagel Avenue Sidewalk Project. Item 51, a resolution authorizing the office of Jefferson County Attorney to bring a condemnation action against the owner of certain property, parcel number 17, in Jefferson County in connection with the Blanton Lane Sidewalk Project. Item 52, a resolution authorizing the office of Jefferson County Attorney to bring a condemnation action action against the owner of certain property, parcel number 37, in Jefferson County in connection with the Blanton Lane Sidewalk project. Item number 53, a resolution authorizing the office of the Jefferson County Attorney to bring condemnation action against the owner of certain property, parcel number 30 in Jefferson County in connection with the Blanton Lane sidewalk project removal.

The consent calendar is properly before us. The consent counter requires a roll call. Vote. MADAM Clerk, open the roll. Councilmember Winkler and Council member Wooldridge. Yes. MR. PRESIDENT, you have 25 yes votes. The consent calendar is adopted. The next item of business is the old business. MADAM Clerk, item number 54, please. An ordinance relating to the fiscal year 2026 2027 operating budget for the Louisville Jefferson County Metro government, including appropriations and authorizations for operation, maintenance, support and functioning of the government and its various officers, departments, commissions, institutions, agencies and other metro supported activities, as amended. Read in full second 19 item is properly before us. First of all, this came out of the Budget Committee.

So, COUNCILMAN Kramer, thank you, MR. PRESIDENT. This did come out of the Budget Committee with overwhelming support. I believe there was one present vote. I made a couple comments before the Budget Committee. I'm not going to restate those. But, you know, for the viewing public, it's worth going back and taking a look.

It was just a comment about the way the budget was prepared and the negotiations that took place leading up to it. What you have before you is the the budget that was amended in committee after quite an extensive listing of of the changes that were made. I don't intend to go through all of those changes again tonight. If there are any questions about specifically what's in there, I will do my best to answer. MISS Steinberg MAY know exactly the page and line more quickly than I can find them, and I'd ask, of course, for your support. Thank you. All right.

Before we get on to everyone else in the queue, COUNCILMAN Owen, you'd like a point of personal privilege. We have an abstention, and you're gonna put that on the record? Yes. Thank you. PRESIDENT. I plan to abstain from the vote on the Metro budget due to a potential conflict of interest. I've had preliminary conversations with leadership at One Louisville about a potential job opportunity there.

And one, Louisville is scheduled to receive funding, as outlined in the operating budget. At this point, I don't believe there's a similar potential conflict of interest in the capital budget, as there is no funding for one Louisville allocated within that budget. However, out of an abundance of caution, I will also be abstaining from the capital budget vote as well. And finally, I just want to say that I want to emphasize that adherence to our council rules. I've not participated in any conversations about potential one Louisville funding during the current budget cycle. Thank you. Thank you sir.

Council, your first back to

you. You have the floor, sir. Thank you, MR. PRESIDENT. I fully support this and I won't repeat this for the capital budget, but I just want to thank. Several people did this during the committee, but I want to do it here on the on the floor. First of all, within the mayor's administration particularly, I mean, all the department heads do a ton of work, but omb does the lion's share of the work.\r\n\r\nCertainly, Angie Dunn, our cfo, and Aaron Jackson, who just does so much work with our team on this, we can't thank them enough for being available at crazy hours to get this done in time. Our own team, including Beth Stenberg and Christina Scotland, appreciate their work. We would not be able to get to the end goal of this balanced budget without their work. I want to thank, as usual, the budget chair and vice chair, COUNCILMAN Kramer, COUNCILMAN Winkler. They they hold just a ton of conversations and represent a lot of different points of view. We've got 26 points of view. Lots of points of view about what needs to be done to represent a very diverse and very big county, with a lot of people in it, and a lot of thoughts about how this budget should be changed.\r\n\r\nSo they do a great job in working in a bipartisan way to come to a budget that gets the amount of votes it does. It's really an incredible feat and speaks to the process that we go through and why it's so important. And I just want to express my sincere appreciation to the budget chair and vice chair. I also want to thank PRESIDENT Ackerson. He's obviously involved in a lot of these conversations. And finally, I want to thank my colleague, the majority caucus chair, COUNCILWOMAN Hawkins. Again, we have a bunch of conversations through this process.\r\n\r\nDo trying to echo exactly what COUNCILMAN Cramer and Winkler are doing, which is to make sure all the voices are represented. And I just appreciate very much her work through that process, her partnership. And I just wanted to say thank you to her, to everybody else. This is a lot of work that goes into this. I wanted to recognize those folks and to, to all the people that weigh in on this, there's a lot of comments that come in during this period of time. We appreciate all of it, and we do our best to reflect it. Albeit tough decisions have to be made at the end of the day.\r\n\r\nI support this and wanted to thank those that had did such hard work to get us to this point. Thank you, MR. PRESIDENT. Thank you, COUNCILWOMAN Purvis, you're next to my queue. You have the floor, MADAM. Thank you, PRESIDENT Ackerson. I just want to acknowledge at this time that I am a council representative for One West.\r\n\r\nAs a board member, I'm not compensated for that role. So I just wanted to let that be known for the record. Thank you. Yes, ma'am. COUNCILWOMAN McCrane, your next to my queue and you have the floor, MADAM. Thank you, MR. PRESIDENT.\r\n\r\nI am going to make a clear statement for myself and the representatives of district seven for the entire budget. I first want to say thank you to Beth and to Christina and their valiant efforts and all the work that they have put in to this budget every year. They have shown us their dedication and their love for numbers, obviously, but I really thank them for their diligence and their patience with us. I also want to commend the Chair and Vice chair of the Budget Committee. I know it's a lot to ask of a committee person, because they have extra meetings and they have public hearings, so I commend them for hanging in there and doing the the hard work and putting it in. And all the other council members who serve on the Budget Committee. This is the first year of my eight years that I have not served on the Budget Committee.\r\n\r\nInstead, I was appointed to co-chair another committee, and I'm fine with that. Although I'm a budget guru, I love the numbers myself. I try to attend as many Budget Committee meetings as I could in public hearings as I could. So as I consider this budget, I found myself with some mixed emotions. There are aspects of this budget that I support. It is

unquestionably a public safety friendly budget and it should be safe. Neighborhoods are welcoming neighborhoods, safe communities attract businesses and family investments.

Public safety is a foundational responsibility of government, and I appreciate the investments made in that area. I also recognize the effort to increase our rainy day fund. Maintaining healthy reserve is, of course, generally considered a sound governmental practice, and I understand the reasoning behind planning the future uncertainties. But here's my concern it's raining now. Our community is already in the middle of a housing crisis. Louisville is more than 30,000 housing units short of meeting the needs of our residents. Families are struggling to find affordable places to live, and too many people remain unhoused.

Too many hardworking residents cannot afford to purchase their home. Too many families are missing the opportunity to build generational wealth through home ownership. When Mayor Greenberg campaigned for office, he promised to help create 15,000 additional units housing units during his first term. I believe that if both the administration and this council had consistently made housing and home ownership one of our highest priorities, we would not still find ourselves in the predicament we face today. Instead, I am deeply concerned that this budget reduces funding for the Affordable Housing Trust Fund and for the Down Payment Assistance Program. Those are the two very tools that help families transition from renting to owning, from instability to stability and from uncertainty to opportunity. Nothing is more important to me or should be more important, important to anybody else in this community than ensuring people have a safe, stable place to call home.

This budget invests in many worthwhile initiatives, but for thousands of residents, the most pressing issues remain unanswered. Where will I live? I am calling upon the council to restore and increase funding for both the Affordable Housing Trust Fund and the Down Payment Assistance Program. I am also calling upon the mayor to intensify his efforts to rehabilitate vacant and abandoned properties throughout Louisville, return those homes to productive use, expand opportunities for first time home ownership, and, more importantly, help the Houselessness into the safe, permanent housing that they deserve. Housing is not simply another line item in this budget. It is the foundation upon which families build stability. Children succeed in schools, neighborhoods thrive, and communities prosper.

For me, again, nothing is more important than housing until every Louisville resident has a realistic pathway to safe, affordable housing. I will continue to advocate for budgets that place people and place their lives as priorities. And this is the very center of my belief since I have been on Metro Council, and it will continue to be if I continue to serve. And I hope that you will look at this budget and if we can do an adjustment at this time, I do ask you I implore you to look at the Affordable Housing Trust Fund and then put it back to its original amount of \$15 million. And when I look at generational wealth, I look at home ownership. So to help people with down payment assistance is important and to increase that amount to about another million dollars would be very helpful. That is my plea.

And I stand very firm, flat footed on my feelings about housing. So thank you for listening. Colleagues. I would I would point out to us and to the general public that when the mayor's budget came over, it had \$42 million in it for housing. And at present it has 40 million. Based upon the shifting of numbers, there were new housing projects picked up from some of the shifting of those numbers around also. So the next in my queue is our council budget vice chair, who's been integral in this.

Markus Winkler, you have the floor. Thank you, MR.

PRESIDENT. I just want to clarify for the record that while we're not increasing

down payment assistance by an extra million dollars, we are increasing it by 250,000. So it will be 1.25. So it's not a reduction in down payment assistance. It's an increase. But not, COUNCILMAN, to your point, not to 2 million or to the speaker's request for 3 million, but the original million from the mayor's in there and we're bumping it up another 250 COUNCILMAN Piacentini actually said a lot of what I was going to say in terms of just thanking people. So I won't rehash thanking, you know, staff and the mayor's administration.\r\n\r\nBut I do also want to thank COUNCILMAN Kramer for the partnership throughout this process and putting up with lots of phone calls and texts. And I'm grateful for his partnership. I would encourage everybody to to pass this budget. Thank you. COUNCILMAN Hawkins, you're next to Mike. You have the floor. I'm going to echo everything that the vice chair of the Budget committee said, COUNCILMAN Winkler.\r\n\r\nBut more than anything, just knowing and respecting each and everyone's need is vital to the city. Everybody's district has different needs. We all come from different cultures, but one thing that we all have in common is housing. And I want to say that I work diligently along with my colleague pa Anthony, PRESIDENT, both budget chairs. When the mayor sent his budget over, we respected some of it and what wasn't respected, we took it out and and we just moved and tried to, you know, find a balance. If anybody knows me, I'm very passionate about a lot of things. But being on council requires you to have a balance.\r\n\r\nAnd what was not able to be given within this budget for everyone who sits on council, we're going to work hard to try to get it in the mid year budget. I want to say that Beth, Christina and COUNCILMAN Kramer, who I don't really get to talk to a lot, you know, diligently assured that, you know, a lot of things would be compromised and they did just that. So I want to say thank you. And I will be supporting this budget. COUNCILMAN, you're in my queue and you have the floor, sir. Thank you, MR. PRESIDENT.\r\n\r\nI will be speaking to both items on the budget in this address. I'm going to start by saying that I think we have structural issues in our budget process, starting with a structural imbalance between the administration and this body. I do not believe that we are co-equal branch of government in our actions. The mayor's administration crafts the budget year round with an army of staff. And while we have improved the budget process in the past few years by increasing from one month to two months of consideration, we still fall far short of where we should be in the power of the purse. As the legislative body, the administration has all of the power of action in government. Ours is only in the deliberation and crafting of legislation, and this is the single most important piece of legislation that moves through this body each and every year.\r\n\r\nAnd I don't believe that we're meeting our responsibility in that regard. I think there are a lot of problems with the budget process. I think too much of it happens behind closed doors. I think that our budget hearings are based entirely in behind the words and assurances of the political appointees by the administration that has crafted the budget. We don't do enough to dig into what's actually the opinion of workers in our in our departments in the city of Louisville. I would love to hear, for example, our union leadership for these departments to see what they think about the funding. Again, I said that there's too much that goes on behind closed doors, a lot of that.\r\n\r\nAnd I don't mean to impugn members of this body about that. There's not enough time for everything to be out in public. I think that we need to be working year round, like the administration, on what our views and our priorities of the budget are, because that's the only way that we can be a co-equal branch of government. What was sent over from the mayor's administration was a piece of legislation that I could not support. I had two budget

hearings of my own in my district budget town halls, and I made these conversations. These were not lectures. These were not me promulgating my opinions about the budget.\r\n\r\nI asked, what are your priorities? What do you want to see funded? And people responded. They told us what our priorities are in our district. They said what we cared about. They cared about things that matter to everyday working class people. These were not about district specific funding.\r\n\r\nThis wasn't about particular roads in district six, for example, or particular buildings. These were about systemic issues in the city of Louisville, and we answered them. We said, these things are funded, these things aren't. We talked about the budget. And at the end, both of my budget town halls, I asked, what do you think about this budget as presented? Should I vote for this unanimously at both town halls, I was told, do not vote for this budget. Now we've arrived at the amended budget. Yes, we went from 42 million to 40 million in housing.\r\n\r\nI think 42 million was already not enough. Now we've reduced it further. This is a budget that reduces the amount of spending that we do operationally in the city of Louisville. But our largest line item continues to grow. We have increased by nearly. I'm not sure exactly how much. What is it?\r\n\r\nAlmost 2.5 times what we spent. Yeah, it's like 2.5 times what we spent on policing and incarceration. We merged the city and the county government. I used to say double. That's why I had to stop for a second because I almost said double again. But it's gone up. You see, since I ran for office.\r\n\r\nI don't think we're safer because of that spending. I think that spending makes us less safe because we ignore social services, we ignore housing. We ignore the root cause of crime and poverty. For an easy answer. I'm tough on crime. I spend more on cops. It's not working.\r\n\r\nAnd we see the results day in and day out, night in and night out. As we hear more and more from people who say, I'm not making it, I don't know what to do. I don't know what to do with my kids because we don't have community centers. We don't have after school programs. So I know that one of my esteemed colleagues is always glad when someone wants to point out what they would cut if they want to increase spending. Let me start there. If we keep spending flat on policing this year, we could fund pretty much every other priority.\r\n\r\nEvery other ask could be filled if we kept police spending flat. But that's not what came out of this budget. We're cutting spending in housing. We're cutting spending in social services. One of the examples of how we're cutting spending in housing is we're not going to be spending on the Arthur Street Hotel, which there need didn't go down. It went up. And Arthur Street Hotel is going to close.\r\n\r\nAnd yes, that is in my district and it's going to leave a smoking crater in my district. As far as the need to address our crisis on housing. But this is an important piece of our social safety net for the entire city of Louisville. Arthur Street Hotel provides services that no one else provides in terms of getting people off the streets, giving them social services, and getting them ready to be back in housing, helping people, which is what government ought to be doing. That's a failure. Cutting social service spending across the board is a failure. It's not the biggest part of the budget going up or down Memorial Auditorium.\r\n\r\nThat's an important part of the history of our city. It's an important place for people to have important events in their lives that don't have another venue for that. And so I think there's a big problem in the continual decrease in support for Memorial Auditorium. But beyond that, I think we are failing statutorily. I think we're in violation of state law in this budget on Memorial Auditorium. I don't think that we're funding it adequately to meet our obligation. Again, in the cases.\r\n\r\nI've got a lot of problems in this budget. I could go on and on. But the number one problem that we have is

structurally, we're afraid to give real hard answers about how to protect people in Louisville. Our our branch of government is afraid to step up and lead. And instead we choose to largely rubber stamp the mayor's proposed budget. And we are not meeting the needs of the working class majority of this city. I will be voting no.\r\n\r\nThank you. Thank you sir. Next to my queue is COUNCILWOMAN Jenny Malloy. Would you have the floor, MADAM? Thank you. I just want to say that I. I am a supporter of this budget. I want to first thank the chair and the co-chair and the committee for everything that has gone forward with this.\r\n\r\n\r\nI appreciate that we continue to move forward with with the public safety, with the housing that has increased from there. I know we have 26 members that are part of this council and 26 viewpoints on what should and shouldn't go into this. Are there things in this budget that I wish were in there that are not? Yes, but I think we're all in that position. But with what we have come forward, what we've agreed upon, what we've worked forward with, I just have to say, I am for this, and I would appreciate it if the rest of the council would do the same. Thank you. COUNCILMAN Santini, you have the floor.\r\n\r\n\r\nThank you, MR. PRESIDENT. I got a quick question for the budget chair and my my colleague, the majority caucus chair. There were a few. There's been a few comments today about ideas on changing the budget that some had put forward. I just want to ask, did either of you receive these either during the committee procedure or did either of you, my colleagues, if I MAY ask, MR. PRESIDENT, through you, I'm curious if they did receive these formally or if requests were made, I think, to end the budget hearings.\r\n\r\n\r\nI didn't hear anything about this, but I was just curious if if I missed something in one of the budget hearings where any of these topics were brought up. Thank you, MR. PRESIDENT. If you're asking me, the answer from my perspective would be no. A number of the things complained about were not brought up. Well, I'm asking the chair and the chair of the budget and the chair of the and the majority caucus for clarifying their. I don't recall conversations necessarily during budget meetings.\r\n\r\n\r\nI do know during budget hearings, I do know that there was conversation around both the Memorial Auditorium and the the closing of the Arthur Street. There was a good bit of consideration of conversation about what Metro Louisville's statutory responsibilities are. The. The. Our understanding from the county attorney and from the mayor's office was that we were, in fact, not in violation in any by any stretch of imagination. So we don't have any legal advice suggesting that we're not consistent with state law in that regard. Further, there had been outstanding contracts with Memorial Auditorium that they did not live up to.\r\n\r\n\r\nAnd so that that was a piece of the conversation around Arthur Street. There was a good bit of conversation around that one, and I'll let COUNCILMAN Winkler speak more to that. But one of the things that we knew was true is the funding need that Arthur Street had to remain open was well beyond their ask of Metro Louisville. So even if we had funded them at the ask that they received, it would not have been enough to save them. At least that was my understanding. COUNCILMAN Winkler, I don't mean to put you on the spot. That's my memory of the conversation.\r\n\r\n\r\nI think you said it correctly. Yeah. Thank thank you again. Really, I was clarifying because I was at the committee hearing on Monday where we voted for this. I just didn't hear any of this concern at the committee hearing. Again, if I MAY respond to some of the other comments. I did at the beginning of the Budget Committee.\r\n\r\n\r\nAnd again, I would encourage folks, if they want to go back and listen to what I said there. This is a it's a \$1.1 billion budget. It's presented by the mayor. We do have all the different department heads come in. There are 26 members on this Metro Council, all of whom have ideas about what we should as

a government be doing. All of that conversation has to be distilled down into a into a final budget project process or final budget amendment. I have some comments that I was going to make before the capital budget.\r\n\r\nI'm going to reserve most of my. I want to preserve that, so I'm not going to do too much, but I just will do a real quick shout out to COUNCILMAN Winkler. There are. There are a lot of conversations that go on between the chair and the vice chair and the caucus leadership. There's a lot of conversation that goes on between the chair and the vice chair, between members of council. And then, obviously, a lot of conversation that goes on between the two of us. So I don't want people to think that just because something didn't come up in a public hearing, that means it wasn't considered because we did talk about those things.\r\n\r\nIf a council member had a concern and they brought it to our attention, we did discuss those things. There are things that come up sometimes when things when the budget gets made public, sometimes there are things that come up that the. You know, my colleague and I didn't know about, and obviously we can't include that in our budget discussion if we don't know that's an issue. But I will say from my part, and again, I don't want to speak for COUNCILMAN Winkler, but I will say in my work with him, I would be really surprised if there were people who brought issues to his attention that he didn't bring to the conversation. It. And again, I COUNCILMAN, I don't want to speak for you, but it sure felt to me like every issue that was brought to his attention was brought to the discussion. And, COUNCILMAN, I'll let you speak for yourself on that one.\r\n\r\nAre you tendering the floor to. I am, yes, COUNCILMAN Hopkins. Yes. And this is just kind of answering the question my colleague asked as a Democratic caucus chair, any concerns that was brought to me? And I'm going to speak specifically to my vice chair, if I could. Jennifer Chappell, who had several asks and diligently every month when myself and the PRESIDENT Had meetings with leadership, I brought a lot of those concerns way before the budget process, even, you know, came to today. Outside of that, not many of my colleagues leaned on me to advocate for things that they wanted to see in their districts that were few, and those that did pretty much got the things that they asked for.\r\n\r\nThose that didn't, I'm not sure who they spoke with. And in the process of me having any issues with the administration, I heavily relied on my vice chair and the chair of the budget to try to make those things possible, as well as Christina and Beth. Thank you. Next to my queue is COUNCILMAN Parrish. Right? You have the floor, MADAM. Thank you, MR.\r\n\r\nPRESIDENT. This is my last budget with our city as a COUNCILWOMAN. This is my third year. I know some of you MAY feel like, hey, yay, but I really enjoyed being a part of this council and a part of the budget process, because I do see it as our fiscal responsibility. And it is a very important thing. I have always advocated that we, as council produce our own budget. I do understand as Budget Committee is the most time consuming, that it's hard to do that.\r\n\r\nI do think the process is is not as clear as it's been explained here. As someone who's experienced it, I do communicate. I've communicated to you the Budget Committee, our wishes for district three. As I listen to my district. And I have a beautiful district that wants to improve the things that improve lives in my district, also recognizes that we have an affordability issue. We have about as many renters as we do homeowners. We definitely want to support the Affordable Housing Trust Fund.\r\n\r\nAnd every year I watch many groups come in here and it seems. And when it's the time for those groups to talk about their work that is sustaining us, that is work that they're doing, that helps us, they struggle and we don't fund them the way we should. And so my office always advocates for those groups who are often cut

or pulled out of the budget. And I send back my recommendations. I do ask for the same things over and over. I did not ask for \$1 million for dg Moore Park, but it was given. I asked for certain things for district three that was not funded.\r\n\r\nSo every year I do participate in this process, but it is really hard and convoluted in the way that it plays out that just because we don't agree with the outcome does not mean we're disrespecting bed. For anybody that's worked on this budget, our co-chair, our chair, that's not what we're saying. We're saying the outcome. I feel like what the mayor presented was a big promise, and it underdelivered with the way this budget was. And I do know, as COUNCILMAN Kramer acknowledged, this is not the budget he would put forth. It's not the budget I would put forth, and I would prefer more inclusive budgeting process that incorporates more community input and greater transparency, stronger participatory decision making. I don't think that it was as strong as it could be.\r\n\r\nAnd this is my three years in and my three years of experience in this. I would not have cut the Affordable Housing Trust Fund. And the only reason why I voted yes out of committee is because we advocated for almost 20 groups to be included back into it. So through the amendment process that happened. And that's that was good. And so that's why I supported out of committee. But my overall vote, which I voted in other years, is no, because it does not meet the needs of everyone who's asked for it.\r\n\r\nIt does not deal with what the community has told us is important to them. And we all represent 28 to 30 000 people. And I don't think that this budget is about improving their lives. I don't think that this budget meets the the the things that they've asked us about. And then to hear them come out and it's like, you know, survival of the fittest, this these budgets for the last few years that I've been here seem to air on favoritism of people who are more supportive of the administration. There's it seems to be punitive if you don't speak out in certain ways and everyone has their own opinion. But that's what my opinion is.\r\n\r\nI've tried to be fair and equitable and open as I communicate with my constituents around this process. And it's really, really hard to watch The Hunger Games that happens here during budget session. So I my no is not against the process. The people who work for Metro government, any of my colleagues who have worked on this process, I just don't agree with. The end result is, and I don't think it meets the needs that our city and our county are calling for. Thank you. Thank you, MADAM COUNCILWOMAN McCraney, you're next in my queue.\r\n\r\nYou have the floor, MADAM. Thank you, MR. CHAIRMAN. MR. PRESIDENT, I want to be very clear that I will be supporting the budget. Both both operating and capital, but I wanted to make certain that we understood how hard our fight. And I wanted to answer my colleague's question about communication prior to tonight's vote.\r\n\r\nI have receipts if COUNCILMAN Winkler would like to speak up. He certainly could tell you that I was in conversations with him about my request for Affordable Housing Trust fund and for the increase in the. In the the down payment assistance. I have receipts. So yes, I do not answer to either caucus. I am an independent thinker, independent voice, and therefore I went directly to the vice CHAIRMAN For my questions and my desires. And I am so thankful that the listening ear was there because the increase in the down payment assistance assistance did at least increase.\r\n\r\nAnd I appreciate that. So, yes, I'll be supporting this budget, but it would not have been like me, not to mention my disappointment in the areas that got cut. Thank you, COUNCILMAN Shanklin, you're next in the queue. You have the floor, MADAM. Thank you. I am one that have voted against the budget one year. I was the only person that voted against it.\r\n\r\nAnd I want to say I did that because I never get a lot in Newbury area. And I was really upset and I. But

this year I have to say that I'm finally getting this community center that I've been trying to get for since 2001, 2009. So I'm excited about it because the kids have to have a place to go. We talk about our kids not having things, nothing to do, but if we had a place for them where they can have fun programs and all of that, that MAY stop some of the violence and things that's on the streets. And I'm for affordable housing, of course, because I believe in first time home owners, people need to be have a place to live. I'm not for a lot of apartments because then we don't have anything to leave our kids. But right now I'm excited about this community center, which I had a half of community center, and now we finally going to have the things that we need in our area. So I will be voting for this.\r\n\r\nI'm excited and I look forward to enjoying it with the kids. Thank you. COUNCILMAN Chapel, your next to my queue. You have the floor, MADAM. Thank you. I wasn't going to speak to this. I was the lone no vote on Monday as a member of the Budget Committee on this budget.\r\n\r\nAnd I stand by that. And I don't think that that vote has changed at all. So. I just want to say, as a caucus leader, as a budget committee member and a budget committee member with perfect attendance, I feel like I have authority to talk about this and also the lack of transparency behind this process. I also want to say that during those budget hearings in which we hear 19 out of the 44 departments. That is a time for questions. It's not a time for injecting opinions, especially when we're on such a strict timeline by our budget chair and co-chair.\r\n\r\nI have a lot of questions that I posed that still are not answered, and I doubt that they ever will be. But I want to point out the timeline that I hope maybe illustrates the. Lack of transparency in this process. Our last budget hearing was on Thursday, JUNE 4th. The budget callbacks on JUNE 9th was canceled. That same day, I was asked for my requests and sent those over to our. The vice Chair of the Budget Committee.\r\n\r\nOn 615 JUNE 15th. Six days later, we received our last budget hearing follow up packet. We hadn't even received all of the information before we were asked for what we would advocate for in the budget. On 615, we had a special budget hearing committee meeting in which we did not discuss the city budget. On 618, there was a budget committee meeting that was regularly scheduled, which was canceled and, I believe, replaced with a closed door meeting in which I was not involved. On. 622, which was this past Monday, we received the amended budget at 2:41 P.M. And we were expected to vote on that billion dollar budget.\r\n\r\nNearly 20 minutes later. I had no opportunity to look it over. And even last night at 6:48 P.M. We received the updated version of that amended budget in which we're voting on today. I haven't had time to go through every single word, let alone create an amendment in which I would get any person on this committee to or this council to agree with me on. And so I feel like in looking at that timeline and looking at the places that people were not having conversations or the conversations that were not being had in the public eye, in the public ear, I think that that's really problematic. And if, if, if that's too hard for people to understand that this there's council people sitting here saying, hey, this was not a transparent process in which all of our opinions were considered. And we all felt like we had the opportunity to weigh in then, I don't know, you're not listening.\r\n\r\nThank you. COUNCILMAN Winkler, you're next in my queue. Do you have something new to add to the to the I do have something new to add. Yes. Over previous discussion. Okay. Yes, I do have something to add because I do want to address the sort of how the process works.\r\n\r\nAnd, and I know several of my colleagues who've been here multiple years, this process is the same every year, and I imagine it's similar for COUNCILMAN Kramer. At the end of the day, the things that

get funded are the things that people advocate for. And the more people that advocate something for something, the greater the chances that it gets into the budget. And so, you know, it's one thing to sit in here on the floor today and say, well, this didn't get in or that didn't get in. And I think there are a couple of questions. Number one, did that get advocated for in the requests for changes? And I think the answer to some of that is no.\r\n\r\nAnd secondarily, what is the scale of the ask and how does that align with the number of people that asked for it to be put in? I mean, at the end of the day, we are dealing with a finite number of resources. And this isn't COUNCILMAN Winkler's budget. It's not COUNCILMAN Kramer's budget. It's not even Mayor Greenberg's budget. It is an amalgamation of the requests of 26 people, plus the hundreds of people in the administration, to craft a budget that is reflective of our collective priorities, not our individual priorities. Because there are lots of things in this budget I never would have put in.\r\n\r\nThere's lots of things in this budget that I wanted that aren't in there. At the end of the day, though, what my role is as the vice chair, what COUNCILMAN Kramer's role is as the chair is to take the collective input of our colleagues and then work together to try to get as many of the individual asks from people into the budget as possible. And again, that is balanced with the number of people who are advocating relative to the scale of the ask. And what I mean by that is, you know, the likelihood of one person asking for a \$20 million project that's probably not going to get in. That's very challenging. To put a scale of a project of that size in, you really need lots of people advocating for a project that size. You know, if you want a project to stay at a certain level, you got to have at least 14 votes to do that.\r\n\r\nAnd so this is just a function of how the budget is crafted and really how any legislation is crafted. I mean, there it is a consensus document. And I do take, you know, some offense to the statement that it is not transparent because at the end of the day, it is a representative government. And in this case, it is a representative council where someone on council is responsible for taking the input of colleagues and trying to craft and then go back out to their colleagues and say, this is the what we're able to get with the current makeup and council and what people advocated for. That's how the process works. That's how the process is always work. And I think it is one, again, that gets the things in that people are asking for.\r\n\r\nOkay. And so if someone is upset about something that's not in there, in particular, I would ask you to go back and look whether that was something that you sent as a priority. I know for some of the things that have been advocated and that have been mentioned that were mentioned on Monday, people didn't advocate for those things. So something that no one advocated for, it's very hard to then put that into the budget because if you're not asking for it, it's probably not going to get in. Thank you, MR. PRESIDENT. Thank you sir.\r\n\r\nCOUNCILMAN Linenger, you're the last person to ask you. And you have the floor, sir. I hope it's something new. Oh. You betcha. Okay. Thank you, MR.\r\n\r\nPRESIDENT. First, I want to answer the implication that I have never heard before in my life that I am too quiet. Now. Don't. I absolutely communicated my budget priorities to the vice chair, which is unfortunately, yes, a closed door process. And what we're supposed to do. You can also go back and read my newsletter, organizing corner for the past month has been exclusively about the budget. My disappointments with the budget as was sent over, which it is 99% Mayor Greenberg's budget because we largely rubber stamp Mayor Greenberg's budget because, as I pointed out, the structural problems in the way that we do not operate as a co-equal branch of government, that's all pretty public record about what I would cut and what I would include, which, again, I am willing

to stand on business on that and say, this is where I think we spend too much money.\r\n\r\nI can continue with other items that I included in both those public and private communications, if you like, but I'm trying to save everybody a little bit of time because I think I can see which way the wind is blowing on how the vote is going to go. But yes, I remain a no. And I'm happy to show you in my newsletters if you're not already subscribed. Thank you. All right, colleagues, seeing no one else in the queue, this is a ordinance that requires a roll call. Vote. MADAM Clerk, open the roll, please.\r\n\r\nCouncil member Winkler. Yes. Council member Mulvey. Woolridge. Yes. MR. PRESIDENT, you have 22 yes.\r\n\r\nVotes, three no votes, one abstention. The ordinance is adopted. MADAM Clerk, reading item number 55, please. And ordinance relating to the fiscal year 2026 2027 capital budget for the Louisville Jefferson County Metro Government, including appropriations and authorizations of funds for general construction, maintenance, repair and improvement of the facilities and assets of the Government of Louisville, Jefferson County and other Louisville Metro supported activities, as amended. Read in full. Item is properly before us. COUNCILMAN Kramer.\r\n\r\nAgain, this came out of budget. You have the floor. Thank you, MR. PRESIDENT. Again, this was discussed at Budget Committee and with the changes that were proposed by my colleagues. This is the amended version that's before us. I'd ask for your support.\r\n\r\nI will at this point take an opportunity to to go ahead and and do the thank yous. And I apologize, colleagues, and to the viewing public that some of the comments that I'm making are, in fact, repeat of what you've heard from some of my colleagues. But as the chair of the Budget Committee, I think it would be a huge error on my part not to acknowledge all of the folks that actually made this possible. I get to sit in the chair seat, but the real work is done by a whole host of other people. And so I can't I would I just have to make sure and say some thank yous first. And I have to say thank you to COUNCILMAN Winkler, vice chair of the Budget Committee. He and I had opportunities to communicate with each other far more often than I think he MAY have preferred.\r\n\r\nThere were times when he was traveling. There were times when I was traveling. There were times that he took away from family that he. He desperately needed to be with them, and I very much appreciate his hard work and his willingness to work on the budget with me and and all the work he did with his colleagues to make sure that he was representing their needs. I must say thank you to the mayor for a budget that was so workable. I don't disagree that that very often our budgets, after being amended, are not vastly different than the budgets the mayors have sent over. I mean, you notice I'm saying mayors, I've been here for quite a few years, and I'm here to tell you that it is not common that this council would radically change the mayor's budget.\r\n\r\nWe recognize that the mayor has a responsibility. And so we are grateful that in this particular year, he sent a budget that was more that was easier to begin with. I can't get beyond saying thank you to Beth and Christina, Beth Steinberg and Christina Scotland knowing, knowing exactly where the numbers are and where they line up. And most importantly for me, exactly where in the budget that number is, is incredibly important. Beth will tell you, I have no idea where it is in the budget. So if somebody comes to me and says, is this in there? I can say yes.\r\n\r\nIf they say where, I say Ask Beth. So Beth and Christina are incredible. We couldn't do this without them. The mayor's staff make it possible for Beth and Christina to do so much of what they do. So thanks to the mayor's staff. And finally, and most importantly, in all sincerity, I saved my final thanks for last. I want to make sure and say thank you to every one of my colleagues.\r\n\r\nThis is not an easy process, and the work that you have done in

representing your districts to make sure that what your district needs is included in this budget does not go overlooked. I appreciate every one of you who put things on the wall. I appreciate every one of you who, when we called and said, what you can do by this? You had answers for us. And I especially appreciate, I think MISS Steinberg can appreciate my saying this. I especially appreciate that this year, unlike past years, we will not have items in this budget where someone said put money into this organization. We put it in and had no idea what that organization was or where that money was going to go or what it was going to be for.

When we asked you specifically to say, tell us where it's going to go, overwhelmingly you were able to do that. Beth created a new form. You all filled out that form. Thank you very much. Those forms have not yet been filled out and have not been yet submitted. If those forms don't get submitted rather quickly those monies will not go to those agencies and programs. So you know that if it's not done yet, we know exactly where it's going to be and what's going to be spent on. So again, thanks to my colleagues, this would not be the budget.

It is if it hadn't been for all of the work that you did to make sure your constituents were well represented. Thank you. And I would appreciate a yes vote. COUNCILMAN Owen, I believe you have an abstention. You want to register? Yeah. I'm going to abstain from voting on the capital budget, not because I think there's actually a conflict of interest, but out of an abundance of caution, because I have had conversations with one Louisville about a potential job opportunity.

Thank you very much, COUNCILMAN Liniger. Thank you, MR. PRESIDENT. I've said my piece, so I won't go over my specific problems with a lot of what is and is not funded in the capital budget. I will answer to an item that was added language that about what we will be funding in the midyear as priorities. If there are additional funds. I think it's unfortunate to continue to put barriers that prevent us from funding.

The West Louisville Dream Team and the Neo Center. I think that's something that I really hoped that we could fight for in the mid-year budget. I'm still hopeful that we can try to fight for the Western West End Dream Team and the Neo Center in the mid-year budget, but we do have some items that are going to now structurally be ahead of that. And I think those barriers are unfortunate. That's all. COUNCILWOMAN Parish. Right.

Thank you, MR. PRESIDENT. I just want to make sure that I'm clear that I am grateful for the things that benefit district three and benefit the city as a whole. The capital budget is important for people. I do want to put a last pitch for the Shively Expanded library, which was a priority. I would like to see and make sure that I mentioned that is something I'm going to nag the next person in this seat about to make sure that it happens. I also want to advocate for the Nia center as those maintenance things were promised, and they and we should make sure that that happens.

It is a very important pillar in the community. I definitely want to make sure that we. I lift up Memorial Auditorium even though my introduction was getting a speeding ticket, going to a concert, there it is. And I was 19. But it was a, it was a place that I enjoyed. And I think that these pillars mean something to the city and the people of Louisville. And so that's important. And the last thing I'll say, I know that I said that I didn't ask for 1 million for Gigi Moore.

Again, Gigi Moore kept getting funded every year. And I'm thankful for it. But I also we have three Metro owned parks in district three that need that love and support, but there's a bunch of other things that need it. But we will take it. We're working with Parks and Alliance to improve it. But I just want to say I'm thankful for what did happen. And I don't want my community or my district to feel like I'm not, just because I'm not happy with the total outcome.

Thank you. Councilmember, your

last time I. Q and you had the floor. Thank you MISTER. MISTER PRESIDENT, just want to clarify something related to the process that you. Vice Chair Winkler talked about. And we've heard folks that you want to advocate. And there's much more that hasn't been said here.\r\n\r\nPeople that are advocating for different things. Libraries is a perfect example. I know multiple people want more money for their libraries, want more money for other things in this budget. And I think there's some maybe some confusion about how this works in a representative republic. We do not live in war democracy. We do not put the budget out for a vote. Of the 770,000 people that live here, every one of the 26 of us I You get input from that 30,000 people, then you bring that input.\r\n\r\nAnd I could tell the public this is exactly what happens normally. They bring that input then in here and when you want to get something done and and I have gotten a ton of legislation passed, thankfully, over the last eight years. And in every single one of those instances, I had to convince 13 other people in this room. And I have at some point talked to every single person in this room about passing some piece of legislation and getting your buy in, adjusting things and all of that. That is precisely how it's done. And if and if people want to call that nontransparent, that elected officials call other elected officials and advocate on behalf of their positions, then frankly, I just think that's nonsense. That is precisely how elected governance works.\r\n\r\nAnd I know I did not receive a phone call. I mean, I received phone calls from COUNCILWOMAN Hawkins, as I mentioned. Appreciate her. COUNCILMAN Cramer, representing our caucus in the budget negotiations. We talked all of my members. We talked tirelessly through it. So there's been a lot of phone calls that happen that is not nontransparent.\r\n\r\nThat is precisely how representative government works. And I send newsletters out all the time, and I advocate for this, that and the other thing that does not substitute me doing the work by calling, again, 13 other colleagues to make sure I've got the votes for something I'm advocating for. So to the public, I, I hope you hear it that that, you know, again, and I, I would argue all 25 of you other than myself have done this exact same thing for other issues. I mean, I've gotten a call, I think, from all of the 25 you advocating for something at some point. That is how it's done. Yes. We don't have this full process, but we have a full public process.\r\n\r\nWe have a website that's open for comment the whole time. We get the downloads of what those say. I mean, this it would be bordering on impossible to make this a more transparent process. And then the elected representatives work through the final negotiations on how to represent that in the budget document, which, again, I thank my colleagues as the budget chair and Vice chair for doing so. I look forward to getting phone calls in the future from others that are trying to get my vote to, to represent, to, to help you with what you're trying to push for. And I think that is exactly how this should work and exactly how this worked in this case. So thank you, MR.\r\n\r\nPRESIDENT.

COUNCILWOMAN Mulvey Woolridge, you're the floor. Thank you, chair. MR. PRESIDENT. So the one thing I want to say is I, I agree with what COUNCILMAN Said is there are a lot of things that are coming in this budget, and we all have to make sure we're advocating for them. And we do.\r\n\r\nThere's 26 of us. So if if I have something advocating for, I think a phone call and I expect all do the same, I also expect transparency. And I would hope, in addition, that if we have someone who does not like what we're doing, bring us a solution. Ask us, tell us what would you recommend so that we can bring that forward? That in my opinion, I'll vote for this.

COUNCILWOMAN Hawkins, thank you. I'm going to echo behind that because I'm going to say that persistency comes with truly advocating for the people that you represent,

you know, constituents put us in these spaces to fight for them.\r\n\r\nWe're supposed to be their voice. And in that same content, I'm a firm believer that the things that we want our district to have, we have to truly fight for those things. And I would not care if it was 25 people in this room that did not believe in a lot of the things that my constituents was asking me to fight for, but I would still continue to fight effortlessly. Y'all call me the press conference queen. Guess what? I would have been pulling out that podium every chance I got when it came to the people that I represent. And I will say this, COUNCILWOMAN Shanklin, she wore me out every month when I went to the mayor's office.\r\n\r\nI said, COUNCILWOMAN Shanklin, she's sacrificed every year not being able to get this community center since I've been here behind me, PRESIDENT Ackerson. He came back and said, I don't think I'm going to be able to do it. Barbara. Barbara called and said, Tammy. He said he can't do it. I went back, we went back. We fought again.\r\n\r\nShe's getting her community center. Just because you think it's a no. There's exceptions to our rules and I'm going to fight. I don't care. You know, if you're a Democrat, Republican, I'm gonna fight for anybody in this room. But you have to heavily rely on me. And I will say this.\r\n\r\nMe and the PRESIDENT, we go, you know, we'll go to war, you know, but for the things that people really want to see, you know, we can put however we feel aside to fight for the common goal of everybody in this room, because it doesn't just affect me. It affects the entire city. When we do not get the things that we are supposed to be fighting for, for the people that we represent. So I would encourage, you know, I don't care about people saying press conference queen or none of that. Y'all need to be a press conference king, queen, or whatever to at least show the people that y'all represent that you are fighting every day for the things that they asking you for. This is not the mayor's budget. This is supposed to be the city's budget.\r\n\r\nAnd if y'all want to call it the mayor's budget, that's y'all. Anything that I feel like that the people that I represent deserves, I'm going to fight for it. And I recommend that everybody else in this chamber does the same thing. Thank you. And let me say one more thing. My colleague Andrew Owens. I know out of pretty much everybody who sits in this chambers, I went head to toe with him about development.\r\n\r\nBut when I know that I needed an advocate for this hemlock project for one of my most underserved areas in my district, I knew who I had to go to to help me fight because what I didn't know, I knew that he did. So, you know, we gotta put our pride to the side and start relying on each other. Even those that are across the aisle rely on your colleagues, if that's what it's going to take for you to get the things that your your constituents deserve. And if you don't fight, then guess what? Then you don't need to be in the seat. Thank you. COUNCILMAN Shanklin.\r\n\r\nI just want to thank everyone that supported me for this. They've heard me beg for years and that's all I do. Big, big, big. There's Beth. Christina. Tammy would say I was getting on the nerves. I got with the PRESIDENT, and the PRESIDENT Actually walked across the street with me, and he told the mayor, you, she's going to get her community center.\r\n\r\nAnd he said, and I mean, she's going to get it. When we left out of that mayor's office, he said, I'm going to give her the money for the community center. You know, I mean, he's a little short guy, but but but he had power in his voice when he told the mayor that. So I appreciate all of you that have supported me on that community center. And a lot of you have. And I just really appreciate you. And I just want you to know, when we have our opening, I want all of you to be there.\r\n\r\nThank you. Okay. Next, my q is COUNCILWOMAN Chapel. Sure. Democratic caucus did not meet to discuss the budget, and maybe that was a missed opportunity.

The Budget Committee committee, after our last budget hearing, it did not meet. There were no emails.\r\n\r\nI did not receive any phone calls from any of my colleagues advocating for what they wanted in the budget. And then as the vice chair of the Democratic caucus, I was also not involved in any of these leadership meetings. And on Monday, when we were reviewing the budget at the special budget meeting, COUNCILMAN Piacentini thanked various council members for the meeting that they had on Thursday. And I guess they had that meeting, that private meeting when we were supposed to have our public budget meeting. But again, must have a filter in my inbox because my invitation was never received. So. I'm just going to let you all know that I will be voting no.\r\n\r\nAnd I won't be queuing. Back in because I keep saying the same thing over and over again. And it doesn't matter. COUNCILWOMAN Parrish. Right. Thank you, MR. PRESIDENT.\r\n\r\nI wasn't going to get back in, but I do want to make sure I say this. I respect all this in the process and what everyone has said. And I do want to say, when COUNCILMAN Piacentini says to get the call, the 13 people. Now, we all know I work three jobs and. But I've been at 99% of the budget meetings, and I concur with what COUNCILWOMAN Chappell said. The ones that were canceled, I didn't see another invite. The process, as I've been participating in, is to send your recommendations in, is to attend all the meetings, to put your recommendations on the blackboard.\r\n\r\nI've. And I've kept up with this in my newsletters to my constituents. So that's the public facing stuff. But internally, we followed every step that we were given. Now, no one said, Shamika, to get these things that you want for your district, you need to call 13 other people to and then they need to say yes. I figured those 13 other people were focused on what they wanted for their district, not that they were advocating for me. I never asked because I didn't know I could ask you all to advocate for me, and I never seen a voting process that included each one of us voting for each one of those things.\r\n\r\nI've added what I was supposed to add to. The board. I've asked questions every budget session and never get answers to. I've asked about breakdowns on clearings, on on spending, on abatement funding, and I submit the questions I've asked some in committee. I submit them by email. I copy the whole budget committee. I report that out to my constituents.\r\n\r\nSo it. Nobody that knows me knows that I'm. That will ever argue that I'm a fighter and I'm an advocate in every way. There's nothing. There's no fear in me about any of that. What what is not transparent is the other steps you need to do. So I respectfully say, MISTER COUNCILMAN, if we had to make those calls, I wouldn't know what to say to you. Are you going to carry my my four.\r\n\r\nRequests along with your request? Nobody ever explained that to me. I did, I followed what what COUNCILMAN Winkler said. I did everything he said, I reported everything. So I don't want to. This notion, going out to the community and to my constituents that I didn't fight and advocate for them. I played the game that was given to me, and I still didn't get the results that I want, and I've done it three years in a row.\r\n\r\nThank you. COUNCILMAN Piccini, your last Mike, you hopefully. Well, I mean, that's up to anybody else who pushes the button that says request to speak. But I'll I'll just say I don't know why there was some accusation from my colleague about a meeting on Thursday that was never said on this floor. That was just made up out of whole cloth. The meeting for the budget was canceled that Thursday. There was no other meeting.\r\n\r\nI mean, i got a call from the from, you know, the budget chair saying the meetings canceled. That was the end of that for me. I went on and did other things, and I knew that he and COUNCILMAN Winkler continued to work on the rest of the budget. We continued to communicate on, you know, a variety of priorities and all of this. So I just want.

To clarify what seemed like I don't know where the accusation came from. Feel free to produce some evidence of such.\r\n\r\nBut there was no meeting on Thursday. I didn't say there was a meeting on Thursday. There was a regular scheduled budget meeting that was ultimately canceled by the direction of the chair. And then we had the meeting on Monday where we voted on the budget. So just wanted to clarify that because I was confused about the allegation. Thank you, MR. PRESIDENT.\r\n\r\nOne last thing would be this. I mean, we elect each caucus elects its leadership and not to take away from anything that COUNCILMAN Hawkins or COUNCILMAN Did. They put in a ton of effort. But the rest of us in this process, you know, those two put in a lot. But at the end of the day, what we have to recognize is this COUNCILMAN Kramer and COUNCILMAN Winkler. Put in more time than any of us probably combined, the amount of time that they take, having the information funneled to them. And then the two of them, you know, being the great statesmen, statesmen that they are, sit down together and start negotiating and then sending the information back out and then it comes back to them.\r\n\r\nSo the amount of time that these two councilmen have put into this budget, we should all be thankful that they are in the in the chairs that they're in, and they are a representative of this body. And I thank both of you tremendously. Seeing no one else in my queue. MADAM Clerk, let's move on before someone else does. This requires a roll call. Vote, please open the roll. Councilmember.\r\n\r\nWinkler yes, Councilmember Mulvey Woolridge. Yes. MR. PRESIDENT, you have 22 yes votes, three no votes and one abstention. The ordinance is adopted. MADAM Clerk, reading item number 58. An ordinance relating to the zoning of property located at 524 Baxter Avenue, containing approximately 0.36 acres. And being a Louisville Metro case number 25, zone 0097. Reading for item is properly before us.\r\n\r\nLet's see here. COUNCILMAN Owen, this came out of your committee. Yeah, it came out of yes it did. Yeah thank you. Thank you PRESIDENT. So this was. Ordinance changing the zoning from m2 to c1 and c2 at 524 Baxter Avenue.\r\n\r\nIt's located in district four, COUNCILMAN Herndon's district. I'll allow he he can speak to it if he would like as well. This is a a an industrial facility, about 10,000 square foot industrial facility that was most recently occupied by Alliance Machine Tool Company. And the applicant doesn't currently have a tenant, but their plans are to operate the whole street brew pub and offer residential housing out of this location. This was passed in committee unanimously. And COUNCILMAN Herndon, would you like to add anything more? Sure.\r\n\r\nIt's in my district and. I support it. Thank you sir. I've got no one else in my queue. This is an ordinance that requires a roll call. Vote. MADAM Clerk, open the roll.\r\n\r\nCouncil member. Winkler. Yes. Council member Mulvey. Woolridge. Yes. Council member.\r\n\r\nHudson. Oops. I didn't get Winkler, did I? Thank you, MR. PRESIDENT. You have 26 yes votes. The ordinance is adopted. MADAM Clerk, item number 59. An ordinance amending a an ordinance amending the Area.\r\n\r\nZone. Arena. Zone. To remove the new development area. Be to establishing a new development area pursuant to provision of krs 65.490 through 65.499. To be known as the Baseball New Development Area. Approving and entering into two grant contracts authorizing and the payment of released pursuant to the terms and conditions of the grant contracts requiring the submission of regular reports to Louisville. Jefferson County Metro Government and authorizing the execution and delivery of any other documents and taking of any other actions necessary to accomplish the purposes authorized in this ordinance, as amended.\r\n\r\nRead more. Second item is property of Forest Council Arena. Weber. This came out of your committee of the floor, sir. So this is on old business because we had one no vote. This is about the development that is going in next to

the baseball stadium. And this is authorizing the city to enter into grant contracts that enable them to facilitate that development.\r\n\r\nCOUNCILMAN Herndon, this came out of your you sponsored this. You have the floor, sir. Yes, sir. Thank you, MR. PRESIDENT. I am 59. 60 and 61 are about the same project. I'll just speak to it once, and I support all three.\r\n\r\nThis is the parking lot next to Slugger Field. This is a \$275 million project. Multi use dense infill. Exactly what we who represent the represent a lot of the downtown. Want to see more of. It continues the success of the new neighborhood just to its east on the other side of the interstate, and it pulls it two blocks further west toward the center of our city, which we, I think, all acknowledge the downtown is critical to the economic health of both Louisville, Jefferson County and the state of Kentucky. And for that reason, I ask you to support this and the other two pieces, COUNCILMAN Webber, your next in my queue.\r\n\r\nI would also just add that it's a very difficult property to have developed because of where it sits in the floodplain. This is incredibly thoughtful and I think pretty exciting development. So excited to see it in this area. It adds housing, it creates a rooftop which is very Wrigleyville esque, which I look forward to enjoying ballgames on. So I would ask for and it includes housing, 10% of which is considered affordable for the level of JCPs bus driver, COUNCILMAN Bat shown. Again, I want to I want to echo my colleagues, COUNCILMAN Webber and Herndon. This is a project that I think sets us up for moving forward successfully and continuing to say we are open for business in the city of Louisville, when there's so many times that we say we're closed for business in different actions that we take.\r\n\r\nI think moving forward on something like this is just another step forward into building up our downtown again and, and bringing that tourism and attraction back to the city. COUNCILMAN. Very happy to see other districts trying to compete with district 19 on residential growth. So I support this 100%. And also it's a terrific project, but I do want to clarify something with the sponsor, if that's okay, MR. PRESIDENT, maybe to speed things up the next this ordinance, plus the next two it they're all related to the same project, all related. And it's just broken up because of parceling. If somebody could explain why it's three.\r\n\r\nOtherwise I'm all for it. It just to make sure we're clear and then we can expedite the vote, if that's okay. MR. PRESIDENT. Thank you. I believe that is correct. It is because of the parceling components to it.\r\n\r\nSo, you know my cue, this is an ordinance that requires a roll call vote. MADAM Clerk, open the roll. Councilmember Mulvey Woolrich. Yes. I'm just looking at COUNCILMAN Cramer. Sorry, sir. MR.\r\n\r\nPRESIDENT, you have 23. Yes and one no. And one present vote. The ordinance is adopted. MADAM Clerk, a reading by number 60, please. Oh, give me a few minutes. An inducement resolution of the Louisville Jefferson County Metro government, the issuer authorizing the execution of a memorandum of agreement between the issuer and the Louisville llc, its affiliates, and assigns collectively the company relating to the acquisition, construction equipment being and installation of facilities at 501 through 504 and 503 Franklin Street and addressed East Weatherspoon Street, parcel id number 18, d0025-0000 and unaddressed. Franklin Street, parcel id number 18, e-0020-0000 unaddressed.\r\n\r\nFranklin Street, parcel id number 18, e-0064-0000, unaddressed. Jackson, Jackson Street, parcel id number 18, e-0016-0000 unaddressed. Jackson Street, parcel id number 18-0063-0000501, East Main Street, 300 through 304 Jackson Street and 100 North Hancock Street, Louisville, Kentucky. Including the acquisition, construction equipment and installation of one between two, 25 and 300 multifamily dwelling units to a parking structure to support the residential units containing approximately 89 parking

spaces. Three a hotel containing between 134 and 180 rooms for between 300 and 80, or 38,000 850,000ft !S of office space five between 18,000 and 22,000ft !S of retail space. Six a garage to be owned and operated by park containing no fewer than 575 parking spaces and seven other public infrastructure improvements, the project agreed to undertake the issuance of one or more series of industrial revenue or building bonds, building revenue bonds at the appropriate time to finance the costs of acquiring, constructing, equipping and installing said facilities and other taking preliminary actions. Second.\r\n\r\nAll right, colleagues, this is again piggybacking on the previous one. And so I don't see a reason to have COUNCILMAN Or COUNCILMAN Webber speak to this. However, COUNCILWOMAN Parrish, right, is in my queue. MADAM, you have the floor. Thank you. COUNCILMAN Reno Webber did answer my question around how many affordable housing units would the 10%. And you did. And you did say that a bus driver, yellow JCPs bus driver will be able to live there.\r\n\r\nLive there. My concern is will, like the Louisville City ambassadors, would they be able to afford any of the housing? I don't want to hinder housing, but I'm worried. Is there tifs connected to this and things like that, that it's just a lot at once? Yes. Can I respond? You MAY.\r\n\r\nThere are tips connected to this, and I will say that one of the things that we have learned about doing this well is that the housing unit requirement is for the life of the tif. So for the whole time, you cannot it's not like a five year. And then you get to flip those units into something else. This is for the entire life of the tif. I don't actually know what the ambassadors get paid. So I don't know. COUNCILMAN Bagshaw, if it's okay, MR.\r\n\r\nPRESIDENT, Councilman or Webber, just to clarify that the tif is on the progress that is built. So if you want to clear that up too, I don't know that. So the tif does not activate unless the project is completed and and executed at the dollars that it's set. That's correct. So the, the tif forgoes a percentage of the the tax revenue that we would otherwise generate, but only on the increased amount of taxes that are generated from what is currently a parking lot. And if you want more details on this, there was a great presentation within the committee, but this is only on growth. So this is really aligns the incentives of the city with the incentives of the developer to, to actually develop that property.\r\n\r\nCOUNCILMAN, just to follow up, it's one of the things I like so much about this. It is entirely a performance based incentive. If the developer does not perform, they get not a dollar. Fantastic. See notice my queue. This is an ordinance that requires a roll call. Vote.\r\n\r\nMADAM Clerk, open the roll. Council member Mulvey Woolridge. Yes, ma'am. MR. PRESIDENT, you have 22 yes votes, two no votes and one present vote. The ordinance is adopted. MADAM Clerk, number 61, please.\r\n\r\nA resolution determining real property located at 503 Franklin Street. Parcel id number 18d0001-0000 and unaddressed. East Witherspoon Street, parcel id number zero r 18, d-0025-0000501, through 504 Franklin Street. Parcel id number 18, e-0022-0000 and address Franklin Street. Parcel id number 18, e0064-0000 and address Jackson Street. Parcel id number 18, e-0063-0000501 East Main Street. Parcel id number 18e0051-0000304 Jackson Street.\r\n\r\nParcel id number 18e0053-0000302 Jackson Street. Parcel id number 18-0055-00008 100 North Hancock Street, parcel id number 18-0050-0000 300 Jackson Street. Parcel id number 18-0054-0000 and address Franklin Street. Parcel id number 18-0020-000, and address Franklin or unaddressed. Jackson Street, parcel id number 18-01016-0000 and as surplus and not needed for the governmental purpose of Metro Government and authorizing the transfer as amended. The item is properly before us colleagues. Again, this is the third of this trio that is tied to the same same thing we've

already heard COUNCILWOMAN Webber speak to.\r\n\r\nWe heard COUNCILMAN Harness speak to it. COUNCILMAN Leonard, you are in my queue and you have the floor. Thank you, MISTER PRESIDENT. I was the no vote at committee. I'm not going to go into, again a song and dance that you've all heard before about how I feel about tiffs, about the way that we give away our precious governmental resources, our public resources, like how we give away land that we own for private interest. I'll say that, you know, this is a brownfield development. This is not the most egregious example that's ever been before this body.\r\n\r\nI actually considered this one, you know. I am disappointed with the number of affordable housing units at 10%. I think it's also a little misleading because when we talk about the 10%, we're talking about the housing, but we're ignoring the vast number of hotel units, which is, again, the majority of this project. You know, I understand my colleague's excitement about more tourism, more dollars for city coffers. I think that our need for housing is greater, especially downtown. I have long said that if we're going to have a successful, vibrant downtown that has to be centered on housing, young people want to live downtown. That's true in every city in the United States. We're not building the infrastructure that makes that possible.\r\n\r\nAnd also, quite frankly, a lot of our development has centered on hotels rather than housing. I think that's a mistake. And so unfortunately, I will be voting no. Well, and I will. Say I very much appreciate every single time that you push on these questions about whether or not this is a worthy use of government funds or the growth in government funds, and whether or not we are pushing the far enough for housing. So thank you for continuing to do that. I might disagree with you in this particular instance, but I appreciate that.\r\n\r\nCouncil. Perfect. Seeing no one else in the queue. This is an ordinance that requires a roll call vote. MADAM Clerk, open the roll. Council member. Wooldridge.\r\n\r\nYes. MR. PRESIDENT, you have 23 yes votes, one no vote and one present vote. The ordinance is adopted. Let the record reflect. I'm going to tender the chair for a moment. To the president Pro tem so noted.\r\n\r\n823. MADAM Clerk, can you read the item 62 in ordinance amending chapter 112 of the Louisville Metro Code of Ordinances regarding the posting of handbills on or signs on public property, as amended. Read in full. The ordinance is before us. Is there any discussion? Alright, COUNCILMAN, read the floor. Thank you, MADAM Chair. I like your glasses, by the way.\r\n\r\nThose are sharp. Yeah. So, colleagues, I just want to read the statement. I want to take a. Moment to thank everybody who has invested their time and patience as we worked to craft this legislation. The idea behind this ordinance started with our residents, especially the mayor of Rolling Fields, Dan Dan Tafel, who's in my district. I want to thank Laura Ferguson for helping us with numerous drafts. I also want to give a special thank you to Deputy Mayor Nicole George and her team for reviewing the real life application for this ordinance.\r\n\r\nLastly, I want to thank PRESIDENT Ackerson for working with us to finalize this legislation. I feel confident that our combined, arduous work created a better piece of legislation for our community. I will let Laura speak to this, the recent changes. Thank you. Sorry. Before we'll allow council to speak, I want to yield the. Floor to my colleague, Jeff Hudson, who is the chair of Public Works.\r\n\r\nWould you want to speak real quick on this? COUNCILMAN? Okay. Alrighty then. Alright. You have the floor, MISS Laura? Yeah.\r\n\r\nLaura Ferguson, assistant county attorney. So what came out of committee was an amendment. The amendment removed the language that was made at the last council meeting regarding the for commercial purposes. And and the few changes that were made is. Now there's a requirement that before any. The first citation is issued that a notice of

violation or basically a warning would be issued, the effective date of the fines. And some of this will now take effect on. \r\n\r\nDECEMBER 1st. But the provision about additional Metro entities being able to remove the signs would take effect once the usual passage by council, and then they added a provision that talked about how for profit entities are less likely to be deterred by the mere removal of the sign. So now there's a defined term about nonprofit organizations, which includes those that are incorporated under either section 501 or 527 of Federal Internal Revenue Code. And for those nonprofit organizations, if they do get to the point where they incur a fine, the fine would be much less than the other entities. It would be a fine from no less than \$10 and no more than \$50. Alright. Do we have any further discussion? Alright. \r\n\r\nMAY I have a motion and a second for board? Got it. Okay. All right. So hearing none, this is the ordinance. We're calling a roll call vote. Will the clerk please open up the voting? \r\n\r\nClerk? Can you refer me as a yes? Thank you. Ma'am, I was i should have asked you that. Hold on. Whether 17. 20. MADAM Chair, PRESIDENT Pro Tem, you have 19. Yes. Votes and three present votes. \r\n\r\nAlright. The ordinance is adopted. MADAM Clerk, a reading of item 63, please. In order. Submitting the Louisville Metro Code of Ordinances. Chapter 99 Regulating noise, as amended. Read in full. \r\n\r\nAll right. The ordinance is before us. Alright, COUNCILMAN Hudson, you. Thank you. Thank you, MADAM Pro Tem. This came to Public Works Committee. From COUNCILMAN Vachon. \r\n\r\nSo I will hand the floor to him with your permission. Thank you, MR. Chair. Thank you, PRESIDENT Pro Tem. This is a noise ordinance that I co-sponsor with COUNCILMAN Ben Weber in regards to excessive noise. After hours and set hours. What has been done here has been some amendments, and that's why it's coming to the council floor because of some amendments. \r\n\r\nAnd then I'm going to get some signals to point it to the county attorney's office from COUNCILMAN Owen so they can help clear it up, and I'll speak to it after that if needed. Thank you. Alright, well, I'm going to yield the floor to my colleague Ben Weber, please. And I'm going to yield the chair back to PRESIDENT. Thank you. So colleagues, we we bring this before you today because we're trying to address a couple of. Issues that have been raised by community members from across our city over certainly my time here and I think before. \r\n\r\nAnd in doing so, we're trying to balance a number of interests. What we're trying to create in this ordinance is clarity around what constitutes a violation. How are we going to balance accountability and enforcement with clarity for everybody, and how do we create a balance of the right of our neighbors to enjoy the quiet enjoyment of their homes, with the desire to have a vibrant entertainment culture in our city? So in this. Ordinance, what we are doing is creating a clear decibel level that is in distance that is considered a violation at all times, and then creating a clear enforcement mechanism specifically for structures during certain hours so that we can absolutely be transparent and remove some of the gray area in the current ordinance. With regard to language around what is harsh noise, and as part of an ongoing negotiation between the hospitality association, musicians and neighbors give a warning before. Any sort of citation is issued. \r\n\r\nWhat this also does is creates the possibility of doing future enforcement against vehicles or motorcycles. By creating that clarity around distance and noise, which is not currently present, which makes that enforcement of something that is virtually universally reviled by our neighbors. Regardless of the music that is blared. People don't want to hear your music, particularly at that decibel level, and that is something we have heard in every part of our community. So what this does not do, it does not mandate a specific piece of equipment that has to be used for that. In the same way that in

creating a speed limit, we do not specify that you have to use this type of radar gun. And yeah, that's what it does not do.\r\n\r\nSo it does set the stage for that possibility later, but it does not require that and thus does not have as concerns that I think were legitimately raised earlier, significant budgetary implications. I think this is helping us as a city to really strike the important balance that we want to be striking. And so I would hope for your support and happy to answer any questions. I do want to give a shout out to my colleagues from every part of this body who asked questions, offered support, made suggestions. We tried to incorporate those as much as possible along the way. COUNCILMAN Liniger thank you, MR.

PRESIDENT.\r\n\r\nI'm gonna say a few things. First of all, I'm glad to hear that we're now of the opinion that just because something might cause spending down the line doesn't mean that this is something that we need to consider. You know, the budgetary impacts on. I wonder if that applies to resolutions that have zero dedicated spending, but still go through a budget review process. The other thing I want to point out is that I live on a major street. My bedroom faces fourth Street with two big windows facing the street directly. I hear some pretty loud stuff every night.\r\n\r\nI am sympathetic to people that want noise regulated because again, I hear it. I hear loud mufflers. I hear loud music. I do, however, have some concerns with this piece of legislation. I get to have my cake and eat it too. I know this is going to pass, so I get to I get to talk about how I don't like it and still enjoy a quieter evening. But I do think there are some problems.\r\n\r\nI think one of the biggest problems is that we are expanding. The permission of enforcement from Lmpd that I guarantee will be selective. And we're doing it in an environment where we don't have the consent decree. We don't have the police reform that I think is necessary for people to have trust in this kind of legislation. And I think that's my biggest concern with this. I also, you know, my tongue in cheek comment aside at the beginning, I do think this is going to lead to an increase in what we spend in policing. And I think I've made my feelings about that pretty clear tonight.\r\n\r\nSo while I do appreciate what my colleague is doing and serving the needs of his constituents, I will still have her be voting no. Thank you. COUNCILMAN

Hawkins. Well, you know, I went round and round with my colleague, but I don't know if y'all have heard the song, you know, riding down the street in my six fo. I have a you know, you know, I guess that will be happening with my loud music because I will be the first one to get cited. I love riding through Shawnee Park Park, Chickasaw Park with loud music in my drop. But so.\r\n\r\nSo I'm human. But I will be supporting this because I know that as I get, you know, older in age that I don't want to hear that stuff coming through my neighborhood and loud music at the, you know, so, so I have this supported on top of I have a lot of constituents that are truly concerned about, you know, just respectfully having their music, you know, people just respecting the neighborhoods, you know, and other neighborhoods at certain hours of the day, you know, just loud music, whether it's on a three Wheeler, whether it's in a convertible or whatever. I believe that respect is deserved when you're riding through people's neighborhood. But I will say on a Sunday, if y'all see, you know, me in court or something and I didn't get a citation or something, Mama, Imma say, I told you I might be guilty, but I will be supporting this, supporting my colleague and all his efforts. Thank you, COUNCILWOMAN Parrish. Right. Thank you, MR.\r\n\r\nPRESIDENT. I appreciate the efforts of this. I

appreciate you answering to the community that you are beholden to. I, too, would be guilty of blasting my music, my husband. Our street is quiet and shy, but I am the loud one that comes home late at night. And you know, for me, I. What I worry about

is equity and enforcement. You know that I've always said that to you.\r\n\r\nAnd I, I, I agree with COUNCILMAN Lenninger is that we have a lot of work to do. And I just feel like blanket enforcement or, or, you know, we just need stages to that. So I'm not my no, is not against your hard work on this. It is because I worry about who will more than likely be impacted by this. I can handle a ticket, but I wouldn't. And then just thinking about what happened, even with, you know, atomic and all of the things that's happening in your district. I just want to think this out more. So just wanted you to know, I appreciate your hard work on it.\r\n\r\nCouncil. Thank you. First of all, that was I rarely call out specific council names, but unless it's to compliment or or have a good time. And those were two of the realest comments I think we've ever heard. Like, yeah, I'll vote against it. But at the same time, I'm appreciative that I'm quiet. And yeah, when I was younger, I was blasted it, but now I'm old and I can't take it anymore.\r\n\r\nSo yeah, I mean, because I'm in, I'm probably, I'm definitely in that bucket, I can tell you that. But listen, I do want to say this as well as the signed ordinance that we just did or signs in the right of way. What I like that we're addressing, and I don't think actually it should take any significant budget increase to continue to enforce these things. I think we have the ability to enforce these things in the current structure that we have. With that said, what I see more and more of and what we're saying to the public is we live in a society, we are all neighbors. We live in close proximity in many cases, even in the suburbs, the proximity is pretty close to each other and in those. And we have to all sort of get along in these public spaces.\r\n\r\nAnd we're requesting there to be order. Okay. Not order as in like, everybody must walk like a robot and do the exact same thing. Feel free to have your freedom and do and act, you know, have your ability to do things. But noise violates, particularly in the hours that we're talking about here, violates the quiet enjoyment of people's property. Full stop. Okay.\r\n\r\nSigns in the right of way is misusing public property for a bunch of different things. It's and it clutters. There's safety issues. It destroys equipment. When we're trying to mow the right of way, it is all order. And you know what it costs absolutely nothing to abide by these rules. Nothing.\r\n\r\nJust don't put your sign in the right of way. Just don't crank your radio up so dang loud. It's really this, this is, it's not as though we are imposing something that is some unfunded mandate to folks that then have to incur a cost. Here we are asking for reasonable reasonableness in society and order so that everybody can truly enjoy living in this city. I got to tell you, I visited Saint Louis at volleyball tournament recently, and I was coming through downtown late at night after. At the end of the tournament, they had vehicles nonstop rolling through the downtown area. The music was so loud, my bones were shaking like I was vibrating.\r\n\r\nOkay. It wasn't. I mean, it was truly egregious. And that I gotta tell you, I, I will never go back to Saint Louis, at least in the short term, for anything other than a work related thing. Because of that impression that i got, all I got was that activity all day long. It did not seem like a welcoming area because of the way people were acting. So I appreciate this. I appreciate everybody's effort to thread the needle.\r\n\r\nAnd for those that are saying concern about enforcement, let's see how things go. Let's have oversight. We have oversight of all these agencies. We should. Every law we have has some discretion in it. So again, I encourage people to use our oversight function for every agency of this city. If we think they are not doing the right thing or going out of line, I think, you know, if that does happen, bring that evidence and let's address that in an oversight hearing, because I don't want people to overstep on this either.\r\n\r\nThank you

very much, MR. PRESIDENT. Let the record reflect. I'm going to Tinder. The chair to COUNCILWOMAN Hawkins as pro tem, so I can speak to this myself. All right, colleagues, grab your seats. This is one of those rare times that I'm going to be agreeing with.

My colleague from district six. Doesn't happen that often. I recognize what COUNCILMAN Piccinini said. And the reality is what I what I took from that is if people were good neighbors, we wouldn't have these problems. It's just about, you know, being conscious. My problem at this time, though, is we already have noise ordinance on the books. They're not enforceable.

Hardly ever. You know, they have good intention, but they are not hardly enforceable. My concern here is this is, you know, I don't know the cost involved with these sound devices and way of tracking things. And it's almost to me, you know, if 40 years ago, you know, watching Dick Tracy, you told me there was going to be watches that you can talk on, I would say no way. Jose Technology got there. Presently, though, when it comes to this noise ordinance and tracking where the noise comes from, this is the Dick Tracy phone watch 50, 40, 50 years ago. We're not there technology wise yet that this is going to be useful or cost effective.

And so I feel like we're we're drafting legislation today that, you know, maybe 15 years from now will be applicable, in which case, I think we should be waiting until technology catches up, the cost of that technology drops down. And, and we can start putting these things in all over the place to affect things. But right now, because of my concerns, this is going to be a no vote on me tonight. I recognize it's a problem that we need to address to the community. I'm not in favor of of the noise problems. However, this, in my opinion, is not going to give you the peace of mind that you need or solve your problems, and therefore the results just won't be there. So I don't want to hype you up.

So with that, again, I appreciate all the work that my colleague has put into this. The thought. I know this is a huge problem in his area, and so he's doing his best to address his constituents concerns. But tonight, I just can't support him because of the reasons I've stated. For the record. Thank you. Alright, Council member Sean, you have the floor.

I'm going to relinquish the chair back to the PRESIDENT. Thank you. Chair Pro tem, I want to clear up a few things in regards to this legislation. First off, I want to talk about the enforcement mechanism, obviously. And yes, I, I see where this legislation stemmed from, but I will I will say that this is a holistically a countywide problem. For example, when there's a party in Windsor Forest in the middle of the field at 11:30 P.M. On a Saturday night, this is an enforceable mechanism that Lmpd or code enforcement or abc can enforce and, and, and cite or or warn the situation to my colleague across the chambers. We have no problem with you riding through Shawnee Park in your six four as long as it's between the hours of 7 A.M. And 9 P.M. And 7 A.M. And 11 P.M. On the weekends.

So feel free to ride through with your with your music rolling. But at 1101 you better turn it down. So that's the that's the thing here. We're we're the. This is again, to COUNCILMAN Atkinson's point, there's, this is a, a legislation that's on the books that we are making amendments to and adjusting and allowing the discretion of enforcement to the director, whether it's the director of codes and regs, the director of abc, or the Chief of Police, and making those determinations to to move us into a community that's that's quiet, safe and respectable at the evening hours, in a privacy of our own homes and our businesses and, and so on in our communities. So I am in support of this legislation. We have worked tirelessly to, to make this as as strong as we can.

And we will continue to work as long as I am here. And and I think COUNCILMAN Webber is here to

to strengthen and adjust this legislation as much as possible. Thank you. COUNCILMAN Herndon, your next to my. Q thank you, MR. PRESIDENT. This for me is about quality of life and mutual respect.\r\n\r\nI told the story during the committee that I. I'll repeat, I was the Saturday night before the committee, I was sitting with a friend on East Market having a drink outside. In that one hour conversation, we had to stop talking three different times because of noise from vehicles, a large truck, a three Wheeler, and a motorcycle without a without a muffler. Completely different kinds of noise. But in every case we had to stop. I know that they knew how loud they are, and I have to assume that they didn't care. And when people just don't care, sometimes we have to pass laws to make them care. And so that's why I support this.\r\n\r\nI, I also have talked to folks close to me who are concerned about big Brother isms and also inconsistent enforcement. I want all three of those folks to be cited equally, fairly consistently. And if it if we see if we get this in place and we find that it's not happening, then we should drop the hammer and make it happen. But we need to monitor that. Absolutely. But because I think people, we need to have a better quality of life. I also said that motorcycles are my, my, my friend, that motorcycle will no muffler when when that guy has a good time and goes home at night, at 2:00 in the morning, he wakes up 1500 people on his way home.\r\n\r\nThat's another part of it as well, not just interrupting a conversation, but those kinds of noises that many hours late at night just wreak havoc. And I'd like to see how this works. If we need to tweak it, we will. Thank you. COUNCILMAN Webber, I just want to be very clear. I also share the equity concerns around enforcement here, which is part of why we were really pushing for clarity around decibel and distance, because in order for this to be enforced there, I believe that having that clarity right now, it is harsh and it is 50ft, and that is open to all sorts of usage. In this way, you have to actually demonstrate evidence that the behavior itself is in violation of the ordinance.\r\n\r\nAnd I do think that actually gives more clarity and is more likely to be equitably enforced than the current ordinance. I will also add that having been out actually really at any moment on Bardstown Road, this is one of the most diverse sets of violations that you will ever see. This is country music. It is machata music. It is classic rock. I mean, if you were having dinner on Bardstown Road, you are going to hear people disturbing your dinner outside with weather that is could be ll cool j depending on your your demographic, it could be barns. Courtney if it could be heavy metal.\r\n\r\nI mean, it is a wide range and representation of our community that are everybody else off. And I, I feel like it is the behavior here that we are going after, regardless of whether that is dance music, which might be different than Tammy's music, which is definitely different than Tony's music. This is a universal problem, whether you are Bardstown Road or in Norton Commons. So thank you. COUNCILWOMAN Chappell. Well. I'm just waiting for everyone to finish.\r\n\r\nI'll echo that. I think that this has very good intentions, and I appreciate you working on this, COUNCILMAN Rena Webber and I understand that you're looking for solutions to very difficult problems that you're facing in your district. And like you said, this impacts all of our districts. And I appreciate that you're trying to add clarity as well as quantitative measurables and metrics to the existing legislation. But as we've said, there is existing legislation and it is not enforced. And this is something that we feel is kind of a hot potato when it comes to things in our district where we are asking people to departments to look into things, and either that's not their responsibility, they don't have enough people. That's not in the time frame of when their department is working, and it seems like nobody wants to

deal with it in the first place.\r\n\r\nAnd so, you know, when we were talking in committee, somebody, it was said that these. These decibel readers could range from what I found on Amazon, \$20 all the way up to \$10,000. And I think that you make a great point and that we do not have. Dictate what radars that Lmpd uses for traffic enforcement. You're absolutely correct. But I think that there's. I, I would feel more comfortable in understanding the training that would go behind this, what departments would be outfitted with them and what the expectations were for enforcement, even if that wasn't clearly outlined in this legislation. I think that having the heads of a, b, c codes and regs and Lmpd coming in and saying, hey, we support this and this is how we're going to enforce it, what I feel more comfortable in voting for this. I also just want to say, you know, 85db is about the sound, the sound of a large truck.\r\n\r\nAnd if you live in the urban core, around 65, you know what that sounds like because those trucks are no longer on 65 and they're all all around our neighborhoods. And so in my neighborhood, we're very close to the airport. When we have a community meeting at a lot of my neighborhood associations, the speaker has to pause in order to speak. You cannot sleep with your windows open because the airport noise is so loud, as well as noise from this nearby csx railroad track. And 65 when it is open. And that's not to mention everyone else that's riding around. With a loud car sans a muffler or motorcycle or car with loud music on.\r\n\r\nSo while I agree and appreciate a lot of the intentions with this, I really don't see how it's going to be enforced, and especially not in an equitable way. And I also know that this legislation does not dictate that we will have automatic enforcement, and that would be something that we would address later on. But I also feel like that would be in conflict with. With our rights as a local agency, especially as we haven't been able to see the automatic enforcement of red light cameras. So I feel like this would that would furthermore need to be hashed out at the state level. So for those reasons, I'll be voting no. But I hope for a quieter Louisville in the future.\r\n\r\nCOUNCILWOMAN Purvis, thank you, MR. PRESIDENT. For those that do not know, I live directly at exactly, exactly three blocks from both parks, Shawnee and Chickasaw. So I'm the one that hear Tommy going down the street thumping her music. Okay. And those like Tommy going down the street. I received so many calls from so many people in my district that are just annoyed at the continuous level of loud music.\r\n\r\nI hear it when I'm in church, loud music thumping. It's to a point now that is disrespectful. We have to start somewhere. I feel like we're kicking a can down the road. No one wants to address this because we can't do this. We can't do that. Well guess what?\r\n\r\nThe ones that are that are violating the noise ordinance or what have you, they know that we are not looking to address it, but we're going to have to start now. It's like being a parent that is afraid to parent their kid, and their kid has just got gotten out of control. So I'm going to not only support it, but I'd like to be a sponsor. Thank you for being courageous in taking this up. We have to start somewhere. Yes. It's not perfect.\r\n\r\nIt's not what we need right now, but at least we're sending a message that we are going to attempt to address this because this is violating people's peace. And I've talked to people that have ptsd. This sets them off. It's it's more about the pleasure and the pleasure of them doing whatever they want to do. You have to be respectful of other people. So thank you, COUNCILWOMAN Bass. Thank you.\r\n\r\nSo first, I want to say my constituents will thank you for this. I want to thank everybody who worked on this. I feel like at the end of the day, it's about changing behavior and showing respect for people around us and being considerate. But when that does not happen, unfortunately, we end up here where we

create ordinances like this. So when a car pulls up and who can it be? It will be Tammy and some Eazy e. I'll be getting a ticket with you, Daryl, but thank you all for doing this, I support this, thank you, COUNCILWOMAN Rui. Okay.

Thank you very much. So I like peace and quiet. I'm the one who went to the guy who's parked in the park one day and had his radio cranked up, and I said, we really like peace and quiet around here. Could you turn that down? He did. So as i've moved around the city over the years, and I know you have seen it, we have increased speeding, we have littering, we have loud music. And it's a lot of this.

It just seems to be disregard for everyone around you. And as we have Lmpd, we have the sheriff's now pulling people over for speeding. Thank you. And now we have this ordinance before us. Thank you Ben to work on loud noise. And we continue to work on the littering. We're trying to bring some civility and some consideration for our neighbors back into our city.

As noted down there about driving through Saint Louis. And they don't seem to care what you think, do they? But we pride ourselves on having a welcoming city in some place. We want people to live, and those people over right off Bardstown Road, I don't think they can live very well when that stuff's going by. I know at my house you can hear stuff go by, not on Southern Parkway, and my husband can tell you what motorcycle that was and how fast it was going by measuring the shifting of the gears and they loud. So I will be in support of this. Thank you for your efforts.

Seeing no one else. My queue. This is an ordinance requires a roll call, vote and clerk, open the roll. Council member. Winkler. Yes. Sugar?

Hold on one second. Can you click that? I can't. Yes. I don't know. Here. It's dancing. Oh, that's what's happening.

Okay. Hold on. Stop voting. Hold on. I'm going to read it. Rolling down the street. How about we just recorded.

MR. Yes, we I've got his yes votes. So and I need I'm sorry, what did you say? Okay. I've got I've got 20 to I've got 20 to 4 because I also have COUNCILMAN Winkler 20 to 4 to one, please. The ordinance is adopted to. Hold on.

Do I really have two presents or not? No. Okay. All right. I've got it. I'm sorry. 20 to 4 to one.

Let me just take a picture in case we lose this vote. Congratulations. All right, I'm ready. I'm ready. Sir. And you had Winkler as a yes vote. I sure did.

Okay, the ordinance is adopted. How about a reading of item number 64? Next item, I don't care. I took a picture. Okay. One second. Walk out for a second while I'm reading this, okay. Break everything.

Hold on. An ordinance appropriating \$1,000 from neighborhood development funds in the following manner. \$1,000 from district nine through the Office of Management and Budget to Saint Joseph Catholic Orphan Society for costs associated with Saint Joe's 177th Annual Picnic for the kids. Right in full, right before us. This is an item that came out of COUNCILMAN Joseph's committee. You have the floor, sir. Thank you.

Okay. Yes. COUNCILMAN Owen, would you like to speak to this? I would, I couldn't see it from here. I would, I'll be brief. I've got three of these guys tonight. Sorry.

I'd like to try to get get them as close to their ask as possible. 177 Saint Joe's picnic. They've asked for 8500. We've started with 1000, hoping to get them as close to as possible. It's on Friday and Saturday, AUGUST 7th and eighth, and it's their largest fundraising event of the year. So hope, hope. Hopefully you guys can help me support Saint Joseph's. Thanks. All right.

Council McHugh 500 from district 19, please. COUNCILMAN Simon 250 d 13. I've got no one else in my queue up now. We got more. McHugh. COUNCILMAN Benson \$500 for district 20. COUNCILMAN Parker. It doesn't matter. Yeah.

I'm sorry. How many did you say? 500 from district 18. COUNCILWOMAN Chapel. 500 from 15. All right. I've got no one else in my queue. We have a proposed amended ordinance before

us. Is there a motion?\r\n\r\nSecond, all those in favor of amending the ordinance say I, I any in opposition. We now have the amended ordinance before us. MADAM Clerk, open the roll. Open the roll, please. I need you to open the. COUNCILMAN. Owen, are you did you vote yet?\r\n\r\nCOUNCILMAN Raymond did. COUNCILMAN Raymond not a chance in hell. Council member Winkler. Yes. Yes, please. COUNCILMAN Branch. Oh, he's gone.\r\n\r\nMR. PRESIDENT, you have 23 yes votes. The ordinance is adopted. MADAM Clerk, item number 65. An ordinance appropriating \$1,000 from neighborhood development funds in the following manner. \$1,000 from district nine through the Office of Management Budget to stage one, the Louisville Children's Theater for costs associated with its 2027 2026 2027 Play It Forward program. Redeemable items for COUNCILMAN Joseph. This came out of your committee, sir.\r\n\r\nI defer to COUNCILMAN Owen. COUNCILMAN. So this is stage one requesting money so they can provide 500 free tickets to jk title one schools for one of their weekday matinee performances during the 2627 school year series includes goosebumps, the musical Phantom of the auditorium, the Best Christmas Pageant Ever, and If you give a Mouse a cookie, stage one will prioritize schools that have not attended a student matinee in the past five years. I think this is occurring in schools all across the county. Sonya. I think COUNCILWOMAN Wooldridge was interested in providing \$1,000 1000. Yep. So if we can add that and then would really appreciate your support on this.\r\n\r\nThank you, COUNCILMAN Liniger thank you, MR. PRESIDENT. I abstained on this item in the Appropriations Committee. I'll do so again on the floor. My daughter is a as a working actress here in the city of Louisville and performed last year at Stage One's performance of the Best Christmas pageant ever, and I know is going to be looking to be cast again this year. It's not a lot of money, but she was paid. And so out of an abundance of caution, I will be abstaining on this vote.\r\n\r\nThank you, Councilmember Chappell 250. From. We don't need any. Oh, no, yes we do. Oh, I got you. 215 from 15. Yes. COUNCILWOMAN Murray. First of all, congratulations, COUNCILMAN Liniger on having a working actress in the family.\r\n\r\nWhen is she going to start supporting you? District 21 would like to put up \$1,000. We always support anything that has to do with education and supporting our children. COUNCILMAN Raymond, district ten would like to contribute \$1,000 for Camp Taylor Camp Taylor Elementary School. They're excited. COUNCILMAN Webber, district eight. We'll also do \$1,000. All right. I've got no one else in my queue.\r\n\r\nWe have a proposed amended. Sorry, MR. PRESIDENT, Marcus went away. Yeah. Thank you. First of all, I said this in committee. Just want to put it on the record here I am, a unpaid board member for stage one, but would also like to add 500 from 17, please.\r\n\r\nAll right. Now I've got no one else in my queue. This is a proposed amended ordinance before us. Is there a motion? Second, we now have the amended ordinance proposal before us. All those in favor say aye. Any opposition hearing?\r\n\r\nNo opposition. We now have the amended ordinance before us. MADAM Clerk, please open the roll. MR. COUNCILMAN Winkler. Yes. Okay.\r\n\r\nAnd, COUNCILMAN Winkle. Thank you. And, MR. PRESIDENT, you have 23 yes votes. The ordinance is adopted. MADAM Clerk, a reading by number 66 in orde, appropriating \$3,000 from neighborhood development funds in the following manner. \$3,000 from district nine through the Office of Management Budget to Saint Matthew's Fire and Rescue Benevolence Fund Corporation for costs associated with its first annual Freedom Fest to be held JULY 3rd, 2026. Freedom for 13 and 19. I heard a motion.\r\n\r\nI heard a second item is properly before us. COUNCILMAN Joseph, thank you so much. I will pass it down the line to district nine. Yeah, it's me again. So this is the inaugural Saint Matthew's Freedom Fest, which is will be held on Friday,

JULY 3rd from 4 to 9 on Westport Road between Chenoweth Lane and Saint Matthews Avenue. So that part of Saint of Westport Road will be closed down and the net proceeds will be benefiting the Saint Matthew's Fire Benevolent Fund. It'll be 100% free to the public and family focused.

So hoping you got some support this event in Saint Matthew's as best you can. Thank you. COUNCILWOMAN McCraney. Thank you, MR. PRESIDENT. District seven 1000. COUNCILMAN Webber 250 from district eight. MADAM Clerk, district 26 will do 1000. Thank you.

Having no one else in my queue, this is a proposed amendment to the ordinance. All those in favor? Can I get a motion? And I got a second to. All right. We have the proposed amendment. All those in favor say aye.

Any opposition? We now have the amended ordinance before us. MADAM Clerk, please open the roll. Councilmember Winkler. Yes. Council member Hopkins. Thank you.

Council member Chappell. She's gone. Anyone else in here? Council member, she's gone. MR. PRESIDENT, you have 21 yes votes. The ordinance is adopted.

MADAM Clerk, reading about number 67 in order to appropriate \$16,680 from neighborhood development funds in the following manner. \$6,680 from district, \$2,500 each from districts 11 and 22 through the Office of Management Budget to 21st Century Parks, Inc. For costs associated with installation of new geothermal Hvac unit motion items. Tropical Forest COUNCILMAN Joseph, thank you. I believe this is a district 20 with COUNCILMAN Benson that wanted to. Tony, right? Yeah.

So, COUNCILMAN Benson, this is in your district. Thank. Thank you very much, MR. PRESIDENT. And and jj, I think council PRESIDENT Is going to add \$5,000. Is that right, Tony? Is he awake? Yes.

Oh. COUNCILMAN, you have the floor. Thank you. Yeah. This is to add geothermal in in the parklands, the four districts, the three that are already on there and myself having at some point represented the area, decided to be on this. So I was just late to the game to get it in under the clock. So 5000 from district 19. And I think and I think that's it.

And thank you very much. Thank you to COUNCILMAN Benson for carrying the water on this. Thank you, MR. PRESIDENT. Yes it does. All right. We have the proposed amendment.

We have the item before us. All those in favor, say aye. In opposition. Alright. Now we have the amended ordinance before us. Requires a roll call. Vote, MADAM Cle, open the roll.

Yes. Thank you sir. Can you get one more in? .Resint, u ha 24es tes.Herdinance isdopted. Madamlerk,tem number 68, please. An ordinance appropriating \$1,000 from neighborhood Development funds in the following manner. \$1,000 from district 15 through the Office of Management and Budget to Louisville Independent Business Alliance, Inc for costs associated with the South.

Points by Local Fair to be held JULY the 12th, 2026 motion items before us. COUNCILMAN Joseph. Thank you, MR. PRESIDENT. This comes to from district 15, and I would also like to give \$1,000 to it at the appropriate time. This is appropriate. COUNCILMAN Chappell, you want to speak to this, sorry.

The Louisville Independent Business Alliance is putting on the 2026 by local fare in South Points, and that's going to be held at district 15, Iroquois Park. And this is a really wonderful event, and I would encourage anyone to come out and attend this year. It's going to be on Sunday, JULY 12th from noon to 4 P.M. So hopefully El Nino stays away. We have beautiful weather and great vendors, so I would appreciate anybody contributing to this. Yes, so the active item isn't up. The active items. I've got a computer malfunction here.

So if you're going to be adding to this your hands up. So the folks that added themselves. All right, we started this and work our way around COUNCILMAN Chang 525. Please. Anyone else on the right side of the aisle over here? Sorry. One second. Who was the first person I was on?

And how much did you add, sir? COUNCILMAN? 500. 500, please. Thank you,

thank you'd 217 50. Okay. COUNCILMAN Reed 250, district 16. COUNCILMAN Batch is 500 500. District 14. All right, we're starting here in the front row. COUNCILMAN Owen 500, Reno Webber, 501 second. Like to make a motion to amend to include all the adjustments.\r\n\r\nHold on, hold on. Available still to to contribute 513. Anyone else? Council district 250. Anyone else? District one on the left side of the aisle. Alright, we've got a proposed amendment. Got a motion. We got a motion, a second.\r\n\r\nAll those in favor of amending, say aye. Any opposition? Any opposition? We now have the amended ordinance before us. MADAM Clerk, please open the roll. Council member. Winkler.\r\n\r\nYes. Council member. Weber. Yes. Council member. Lenninger. MR.\r\n\r\nPRESIDENT, you have 24 yes votes. The ordinance is adopted. MADAM Clerk, reading item number 69, please. An audience appropriating \$24,450 for neighborhood development funds in the following manner. \$8,000 from district 12. \$4,000 from. Oh my goodness. \$4,000 from district 25. \$2,700 from district three, \$2,000 from district 13 and 14. \$1,000 from district one and eight.\r\n\r\n\$5,500 each from districts two, five, seven, nine, 16 and 22, and \$250 each from districts four, 17, 24, two Metro parks for costs associated with the Riverview Independence Festival, to be held JUNE 27th, 2026. Read in full motion. Second item four. COUNCILMAN Joseph, thank you. This is for the Riverview Independence Festival. It's taking place Saturday. It's our South End 4th of JULY show. We are partnered with Americ 250. And we're just at a spot right now where I think we got up to right, almost 245, and we were just needing to close it out with the last 550. If anyone feels obliged.\r\n\r\nJust read your. McHugh. How much, COUNCILMAN Joseph. Oh, yeah. So how much have I given? How much? I've given \$500. Far be it for me to make up the difference in.\r\n\r\nCOUNCILWOMAN Chappell would like to do it. COUNCILWOMAN Chappell, you get it for. I'm not going to do the full amount. But I appreciate you for continuing this festival. It is very wonderful. So I hope that it goes really well this year. And I'll give \$250. Thank you, COUNCILMAN Webber.\r\n\r\nIn honor of COUNCILWOMAN Chappell, I will also give 200. You've already given money as well. Nevermind. Just kidding. You've given. You've given 1000. I've got no one else in my queue. We have a motion to amend. How much?\r\n\r\nWhat's left here? \$300. I got \$300 for district 19. I've not given yet. You're welcome. Jeesh. Thank you. Motion to amend to include the adjustments. As properly before us all.\r\n\r\nVoice vote all favor say aye. Aye. Any opposition other than the man who just gave \$300. The view. The Chair Is that it? It now has the amended ordinance before us. MADAM Clerk, let's open the roll. COUNCILMAN Winkler.\r\n\r\nYes. Eight COUNCILWOMAN Shanklin Barely. COUNCILMAN. Pervez. COUNCILMAN. Reno. Webber.\r\n\r\nYes. MR. PRESIDENT, you have 24 yes. Votes. The item is adopted. MADAM Clerk, I believe you need us to go back to item 68. So what can a motion do? We need to go back.\r\n\r\nA motion to reconsider. Can I get a motion to reconsider on item 68? Okay. We have a motion made and properly seconded. Is that going to require a voice vote, please? Yes. All those in favor of reconsideration item 68, say aye. Aye.\r\n\r\nAny opposition? We now have item 68 before us. The reason being is COUNCILWOMAN Mulvey Wooldridge wanted to add to it. How much is she adding she added \$500. \$500. Is there a motion to accept the motion properly before us? All those in favor say aye, aye aye. Any opposition hearing? No.\r\n\r\nOpposition. We now have the amended amended version before us this roll call. Vote. MADAM Clerk, open the roll Council member. Winkler. Yes, Council member. Parish.\r\n\r\nRight. Yes. Council member. Council member. Weber. Yes. COUNCILMAN.\r\n\r\nPurvis. MR. PRESIDENT, you have 24. Yes. Item 68 is adopted. MADAM Clerk, item number 70, please. We'll get there. Appropriating \$1,500 from

neighborhood development funds in the following manner.\r\n\r\n\$750 from district 15, \$500 from district 850 from district 24 through the Office of Management. Budget two Gathering Strength, Inc. For several silver level sponsorship at their Adaptive Recreation Showcase to be held JULY the 25th, 2026. Running for. Item is properly before us. COUNCILMAN Joseph. Thank you. This is my last time and we'll be deferring to COUNCILWOMAN Chaplin, district 15. Thank you.\r\n\r\nSo this adaptive recreation showcase, this is the second year that I've been the sponsor of it. And that is primarily because it happens at the Student Activity Center at the University of Louisville. And this year, this is going to be held on Saturday, JULY 25th from 10 A.M. To 4 P.M. And this is a free event that's open to everyone. And it's a it's a way to show folks who might be. In a wheelchair or otherwise unable to participate in full ability sports to find ways in which they can be active. So I would love other folks to have support in this. Thank you.\r\n\r\nCOUNCILWOMAN Marie. Thank you. According to my notes, we have already approved a \$500 community sponsorship, so I just need to confirm that this is I do not have you listed, but I do know that people had committed that were going to. So I'm going to add you for 500 for 20. Yes. T you, thank you. COUNCILMAN Winkler. Also, COUNCILMAN Winkler.\r\n\r\nThank you. Since the Barrytown Community Center is home to the Adaptive Basketball League, I would gladly give 250 from 17. COUNCILMAN Reed 500 from district 16. COUNCILMAN Owen 500 500 from nine. I've got no one else in my queue. We have a motion. Alright. We have the proposed amendment before us. All those in favor say aye.\r\n\r\nAny opposition? We now have the amended ordinance before us. MADAM Clerk, open the roll. Council member Winkler. Yes. Oh, actually, it's. Well, go ahead, COUNCILMAN. Let's see.\r\n\r\nCOUNCILMAN Webber. Yes, COUNCILMAN Kramer MR. PRESIDENT, you have 23 yes votes. The ordinance is adopted. MADAM Clerk, reading item number 71, please. It's amending section 42.3, one of the Louisville Metro Code of Ordinances related to issuance of permits. Amendment by substitution.\r\n\r\nMotion. Motion before us. Let's see. COUNCILMAN, this came out of your committee. Yes. Thank you, MR. PRESIDENT.\r\n\r\nThis came out of my committee. It is sponsored by COUNCILWOMAN Hawkins. We'll give her a moment to speak on it in the. It passed out of committee unanimously, but it is here on old business due to the amendment by substitution on the floor. Thank you, COUNCILMAN Hawkins. Yes. Thank you.\r\n\r\nChair. So I wanted to propose this because I think that it is very important, you know, that we follow the processes and procedures that are in place, spoke with parks. So they're going to and this is something that I feel like that we should have been doing way before. Now, if we have anyone that is getting permits for our parks, I'm a firm believer that they should not be on the noncompliance list of metro government. If you're going to do business with metro government, I don't think that they should have to chase you for funding or anything else that is owed to them. So I just think that I'm going to ask for everybody's support. We need good actors.\r\n\r\nIf we're going to be spending taxpayers dollars to these non-profits, and we want to make sure that, you know, parks is working with omb, in which they said that they don't have a problem to do that, just to assure that they're in compliance and not on that noncompliance list when getting a permit. Thank you, COUNCILMAN Hudson. Thank you, MR. PRESIDENT. Just for clarity, are we voting on the motion that came out of out of committee or the amendment by substitution here, MISTER Chair, COUNCILMAN, we're voting on the amendments by substitution that passed out of committee. Okay. Thank you.\r\n\r\nSeeing no one else in my queue, this is an ordinance that requires a roll call. Vote, MADAM Clerk, open the roll. Council member. Winkler. Yes. Council member. Weber.\r\n\r\nYes.

Council. Thank you. MR. PRESIDENT. You have 23 yes votes. The ordinance is adopted.\r\n\r\nColleagues, we've got one more item before we move to to new business. And that is adding two new business item number 81 pursuant to Council Rule 5.12 The Council MAY dispense with the Council Rule 6.06 to allow for the acceptance of this late legislation with a two two thirds vote. MADAM Clerk, can I take a voice vote? All right. All those in favor of give me a motion a second. It's getting late. Motion.\r\n\r\nAnd second, we have it before us. All those in favor of adding this to new business? COUNCILMAN Kramer, MAY I just very quickly. I typically am not in favor of changing the rules of the last minute or adjusting. If, you know, normally, say when you bring something, get it in on time, it's not our fault that you didn't get it in. In this particular instance though, just for the sake of consistency. So people who are paying attention might understand why I voted contrary to what I normally would.\r\n\r\nThis isn't because someone didn't get it to us on time. Saint Matthews I mean, a prospect brought this in the proper time. They did all the right things. As it happens, we are about to take a break. There's a 90 day shot clock that they did not impose on us. It's our shot clock. And if we don't go through this motion tonight, then it will limit our ability to to contemplate what's in the best interest of the community.\r\n\r\nSo I'm going to ask my colleagues to please bear with me as I vote in a way that's inconsistent with what I've done in the past, and ask them also, please to vote yes so that we can get this on the agenda so that we can deal with this. Thank you. Requires two thirds of the council to approve. All those in favor, say aye. Aye. Any opposition? The ruling of the chair is the ayes have it.\r\n\r\nThe next item of business is going to be new business. As you leave the chambers. Please do so quietly so the clerk MAY read the new business into the record. I would ask those council members want to make announcements to please stick around. New business comprises of items 72 through 89. Can we get a reading of those, MADAM Clerk? The following legislation was sent to Appropriations Committee, item 72. An ordinance appropriating \$18,000 from Neighborhood Development funds and the following manner 11,000 from district 15 and 7000 from district three, through the Office of Management and Budget to the Friends of Nicole 5050 mentor Incorporated Cooperative incorporated for the costs associated with the Wyandot Career Readiness and Beautification Project. Item 73 an ordinance appropriating \$10,000 from district three neighborhood development funds to Metroparks to funds and gyms, not jails programs to be held JUNE 20th 3rd to AUGUST the 4th, 2026 at the South Louisville Community Center.\r\n\r\nItem 74, an ordinance appropriating \$10,000 from district 13 Neighborhood Development funds through the Office of Management and Budget to the Fair Community Fair United Incorporated for sponsorship of the 2026 Fair Airfare, to be held OCTOBER 1st through third, 2026. Item 75. An ordinance appropriating \$10,000 from neighborhood Development funds in the following manner \$10,000 from district 15 through the Office of Management and Budget to the Ministers United of South Central Louisville incorporated for salaries, rent and utilities cost for the Jim King Senior Wellness Center. Item 76 is ordered appropriation \$25 from district ten Neighborhood Development funds to Louisville Metro parks for the cost associated with the following events. Camp Taylor Elementary Back to School Bash in JULY 2026. D10 Community Day at the Louisville Tennis Center, SEPTEMBER 26th, 2026. The second annual hors horse Tournament at Camp Taylor Park, NOVEMBER 2026 and the second annual Fest in Joe Creason Park in JUNE 2027. Item 77 Ordinance Appropriate \$9,922 from district six Neighborhood Development funds to the Metroparks for the production costs associated with 2026 jazz in the Central Park, to be held AUGUST 23rd, 2026. The following

legislation was sent to the Budget Committee. Item 70 the ordinance for the Louisville Jefferson County Metro Government, providing for an order authorizing the issuance of certain general obligation bonds and notes to the Metro Government and one of the more of the serious. To finance the cost of various public projects as described in Metro Government, the Capital Projects Budget, setting forth the terms and conditions on which the bonds and the notes are to be issued, and providing for a competitive advertised sale thereof. Defining and providing for the rights of the holders in the bonds and notes, and providing the application of the proceeds thereof, and taking other related actions relating to the insurance and sale of the bonds. Note the following legislation was signed to the equity, Community Affairs, housing, Health and Committee, item 79, a resolution honoring Missy McCauley Wilson by naming the corner of 12th Street and Jefferson Street as Mitsy McCauley Wilson Way in her honor.\r\n\r\nItem 80. The resolution honoring MR. Julio Rodriguez by naming the corner of Duncan Street and North 36th Street as Julio Rodriguez Way in his honor. The following. The following legislation was assigned to Labor Economic Development Committee. Item 82. An ordinance establishing a development er pursuant to provisions of Rs 65.7041 through 65.7083 to be known as the Landmark Building Development Area, designating the Metro Development Authority as an agency adopting the Development plan. Authorizing, approving, entering into a local participation agreement authorizing the payment of the release amount, the pursuant of the terms and conditions of the local participation requiring the mission of regular reports to the Louisville Jefferson County Metro Government, authorizing execution and delivery of any other documents and taken of any other actions necessary to accomplish the purpose authorized by this ordinance. Item 83 an ordinance approving and granting the local assistance incentives to rc Bigelow and corporate and assignees are approved affiliates thereof pursuant to crs chapter 154 Subchapters 32, item 84 resolution authorizing the mayor to accept \$25,000 from the National League of Cities Institute as part of the Building economic Reliance of Communities programs to be administered by the Office of Social Services.\r\n\r\nThe following legislation was added to the Parks and Stability of Committee. Item 85 resolution determined. 2.966 acres of the park located in Meade County, Kentucky, shown on exhibit a attached to here until owned by Louisville. Jefferson County Metro Government, the governmental successor of the city of Louisville, and no longer needed and no longer participating. Practice for the government purpose and authorizing its transfer to Meade County. The following assistance to the Planning and Zoning Committee. Item 86. Orders relating to the zoning properties located 603 and 603 r Mount Holly road, containing approximately 7.9 acres and being a Louisville Metro case number 2600035. Item 87 a resolution nominating the portion of Chamber Lane, which runs from I 71 to Mid Spring Branch Road, to be designated as a scientific corner and requesting the Planning Commission to review such nomination.\r\n\r\nThe following legislation. Legislation was assigned to Public Works Committee. Item 88. An ordinance authorizing Louisville Metro government to renew the gas franchise with local gas and electric company and signed as Gas Franchise Agreement Item 89, a resolution determining the real property located at 207 North English Station Road, as surplus and not needed for the governmental purposes of Metro government and authorizing its transfer. Read in full. Alright, our illustrious COUNCILMAN From district three, you have the floor, MADAM. Thank you, MR. PRESIDENT.\r\n\r\nI just have one announcement tonight. District three is having our hallmark building our blocks. It's our version of the Bob as mirrored by district 15. But we do it our own way, and it's going to be a resource day. It is.

It will be held this Saturday, JUNE 27th. We were going to have it inside and outside, but we. Because of the rain, we will be indoors.\r\n\r\nSo please come by. There will be music, food, community organizations, metro departments, kids activities. It's a resource fair. It's that new Horizon Baptist Church, 2202 Dixie highway. It's from 11 A.M. To 3 P.M. Franco's is catering the food. We're going to have a good time. Please come by, stop by 11 A.M. To 3 P.M. This is put on by our district advisory board.\r\n\r\nThank you. That concludes our council meeting. Our next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, JULY 30th, 2026 at 6 P.M. Without objection, we are. We're