

Unedited Transcript of the Public Safety Committee Meeting - July 22,
2026

1 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

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Hello on.

2 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

00:03:48.930 --> 00:04:12.120

Oh, but you're going somewhere else? Are you saying I'm gonna retire.
Will we still see you?

3 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

00:04:12.120 --> 00:04:29.159

You were talking about. 20 20 h? Yeah. I don't know.

4 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

00:04:29.159 --> 00:04:47.819

She'll get to retire and then get a little paycheck on that too so yeah
same kind of role. You're one of the good ones. I didn't want you to
retire, be honest, but I know that's selfish to me, but.

5 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

00:04:47.819 --> 00:05:03.119

You know you to remind me of something, so my daughter went to dr. day
and she's one for technical breast cancer. My mom's breast cancer and my
sister so and my grandma, so we kinda worried about it, but my son got
from counselor when he was 15 and.

6 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

00:05:03.119 --> 00:05:19.859

I was I'm ok that the Lord took him on but my And I always show you that
I was so selfish, you know, NO how you don't want somebody. But but for
VM it was that.

7 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

00:05:19.859 --> 00:05:39.859

He was young with struggling with that, but he was so s he's stronger
than you and I, as far as being because he would be laughing about crying
out.

8 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

00:05:39.859 --> 00:06:04.079

They're the one that should be. And they're saying strong for us. I'm
taking chemo or radiation. I put my hair out together. I did it with my
sister too. Now I told him I do it I saying you're doing. You gotta come
back to get cold on doing it. Exactly.

9 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

00:06:04.079 --> 00:06:24.079

How long ago was that? I told her too, that's a girl, you better come
back clean.

10 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

00:06:24.079 --> 00:06:43.589

Oh bowling you said how I'm gonna take you to carry your hair backup?

Yeah, because it don't look the same. It don't look the same. Everybody's like, go with yourself. Listen to you, but.

11 "Shameka Parrish-Wright" (654108416)

00:35:35.275 --> 00:35:43.241

Ryan because she.

12 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

00:36:09.059 --> 00:36:30.889

Metro, 30 s, please.

13 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

00:38:30.889 --> 00:38:59.150

I'm gonna start. Good afternoon. Time is four oh 4pM. This is the regularly scheduled meeting of the public safety committee. I'm your chair councilman Danne Simon. I'm joined by my vice chair councilwoman Tammy Hawkkins. Today we have the following committee members in attendance is Jonathan Jo.

14 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

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Joseph, Evan Bracher, Rui, Andrew Owen, and virtually we have Marcus Winkler, Scott Reed, Jamika Paris Wright, and Jenny Molvie Wilridge.

15 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

00:39:17.340 --> 00:39:41.040

Thank you Madam Clerk.

16 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

00:39:41.040 --> 00:40:05.900

Okay. Thank you. Do we have a motion to return? Motions the table.

17 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

00:40:05.900 --> 00:40:23.190

Oh. Probably moved and second in the sponsor of the ordinance Councilwoman Hawkkins. We have to. Okay, we're gonna have to vote to return this to the table.

18 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

00:40:23.190 --> 00:40:41.100

So we're back to the table and Council Woman Hawkins, you have the floor. Thank you chair. 1st I want to say, I wanna give.

19 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

00:40:41.100 --> 00:41:01.100

My colleague an opportunity to go ahead and make this amendment. Anybody that has had any concerns, I've worked really long on this, as we know that we've had a lot of balance in our, not only just our communities, but the entire city.

20 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

00:41:01.100 --> 00:41:21.100

I've worked diligently on this, I've worked with restaurant bars, my colleagues, and hopefully today we can go ahead and get this passed with, another new amendment, which was a great amendment that I missed. That's why it is so important to, for everyone to kind of look.

21 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

00:41:21.100 --> 00:41:38.677

Added it, you know, in a different set of lenses. So I missed something. My colleagues picked it up. Hopefully she'll be a co sponsor that's a councilwoman Jenny Murray Warriage. I wanna go ahead and give her the floor and the opportunity.

22 "Woolridge, Ginny" (1617638400)

00:41:38.677 --> 00:41:42.038

Yep, thank you. So on.

23 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

00:41:44.460 --> 00:42:07.520

Okay. Yes. Okay. All right. Okay, so now I would like to make an amendment to put my ordinance on the floor.

24 "Woolridge, Ginny" (1617638400)

00:42:43.019 --> 00:42:59.790

Oh, thank you. So page three under the definitions persist the persistent illegal activity property, it states the excluding hotels and most hotels and then a few sentences down it says or any hotel or motel or law enforcement officers.

25 "Woolridge, Ginny" (1617638400)

00:42:59.790 --> 00:43:19.790

On at least five occasions in any twelve month period. So to me it was a little confusing confusing on if hotels and motels were included or if they weren't, so I would like to make an amendment under this language and I can send it over to the county attorney, but persistent illegal activity property, any premises or property meeting one of the.

26 "Woolridge, Ginny" (1617638400)

00:43:19.790 --> 00:43:53.090

Following criteria, one properties other than hotels and motels where law enforcement officers have conducted an enforcement action on more than one occasion with any twelve month period or two hotels and motels where law enforcement officers have conducted an enforcement action on at least five occasions within any twelve month period. For purposes of this definition, each occurrence with a violation listed below shall initiate a new twelve month period for determining whether the applicable applicable threshold has.

27 "Woolridge, Ginny" (1617638400)

00:43:53.090 --> 00:44:19.278

Been met. The the enforcement actions must relate to one or more of the following violations, and at that point pick back up where the ordinance has left off. Any questions?

28 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

00:44:24.939 --> 00:44:29.356
Properly amended.

29 "Woolridge, Ginny" (1617638400)
00:44:29.356 --> 00:44:32.778
Looks like Marcus has his hand up.

30 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)
00:44:32.778 --> 00:44:46.838
Okay, we're gonna have a discussion on the amendment or the entire entirety. Okay, we're gonna discuss them both, so we're gonna open it up and who is the.

31 "Woolridge, Ginny" (1617638400)
00:44:46.838 --> 00:44:49.959
Marcus had his hand up.

32 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)
00:44:49.959 --> 00:45:02.760
Councilman Bracher, you have the floor sir. I'm probably sounding like a broken record here, but I go to documents and I don't know which one we're looking at.

33 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)
00:45:02.760 --> 00:45:22.110
Is it always the top one we're looking? Okay, so these others are dates then. Okay. Hey, you know what? I see dates there, ok. Alright, so let's take o280-twenty five.

34 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)
00:45:22.110 --> 00:45:39.060
Proposed tabs 072226. That is the current law or the amended law or what we're talking about.

35 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)
00:45:39.060 --> 00:46:00.260
The item that you just named is the proposed amendment by substitution to the existing law. So the things that are underlined and in that document that you just named are additions to the current law and things that are stricken are.

36 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)
00:46:00.260 --> 00:46:18.060
Removed from current law. So the document at the top that was put in today or the 26th is the 22nd. The top document is what Councilwoman Wildbridge.

37 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)
00:46:18.060 --> 00:46:33.558
Is asking us to look at. Okay, that's all I needed. Thank you. Councilman winkler, please?

38 "Winkler, Markus" (3171869440)
00:46:33.558 --> 00:46:42.675

Yeah, thank you. I was just gonna ask Councilman Wordge for just sort of the practical layman's explanation of of your amendment, if you don't mind.

39 "Woolridge, Ginny" (1617638400)

00:46:42.675 --> 00:47:00.510

Yeah, so I apologize if I didn't explain it well in the beginning. So if you look at what the current verbiage is, it says any premises or property excluding hotels and motels and then goes into where in law enforcement officers on more than one occasion within twelve months and talks about.

40 "Woolridge, Ginny" (1617638400)

00:47:00.510 --> 00:47:20.510

Any area or any facility premise or property that has had a law enforcement, issue. And then it says or any hotel or motel where law enforcement officers have gone to within the fat, within five occurrences. So to me it was confusing because it says excluding.

41 "Woolridge, Ginny" (1617638400)

00:47:20.510 --> 00:47:44.439

Hotels and motels, and then it shows including and so I separated those out within the amendment.

42 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

00:47:44.439 --> 00:47:49.099

Are you comfortable with that councilman Winkler?

43 "Winkler, Markus" (3171869440)

00:47:49.099 --> 00:48:21.712

Yes, I'm good with Councilman Wildridge's amendment. I, when we finish voting on the amendment I do have a comment on the Or a question about the ordinance at a whole.

44 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

00:48:21.712 --> 00:48:33.580

So we're gonna, 1st thing we're gonna do is take a voice vote on Councilwoman Mobiley Walwich's motion to amend. This will be a voice vote.

45 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

00:48:34.413 --> 00:48:42.257

Hi. Hi.

46 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

00:48:45.097 --> 00:48:57.456

Okay, and so the councilwoman's Hawkins amendment by substitution is before us in the entirety and will take a voice vote on that. All in favor say I.

47 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

00:48:58.537 --> 00:49:13.832

Hi? Favor, all in all against? Is there any further discussion on the floor, and I think councilman Winkler, you do have the floor.

48 "Winkler, Markus" (3171869440)

00:49:13.832 --> 00:49:48.778

Sure. Thank you. And I wanna drag my question maybe to the county attorney, just again I want to walk through this in practical applications for, you know, businesses that operate late at night, like, you know, because I understand what we're trying to do here, but my concern is, you know, a gas station, a waffle house, you know, other sorts of sorts of actors. So they would be required to have security when there's been a law enforcement action within the last year, correct?

49 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

00:49:48.778 --> 00:50:22.370

This is Alice Lyon assistant county attorney. In the committee amendment by substitution that's before you, the requirement for onsite security comes after a business has been cited. So 1st there would be enforcement at that premises of some of the named nuisance criminal activity. It will, they'd have to have had enforcement action twice in a year's period before they would get an.

50 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

00:50:22.370 --> 00:50:43.980

Notice that they were a persistent illegal activity property. After that code enforcement would determine whether it would stay at the notice stage or whether it would be cited. And if it's cited, that's when Council member Hawkins security requirements would kick in.

51 "Winkler, Markus" (3171869440)

00:50:43.980 --> 00:50:55.276

And I guess I want to make sure that it is the business itself has been cited, right? Not someone on the property was cited.

52 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

00:50:55.276 --> 00:51:07.531

In in the persistent illegal activity property ordinance as it exists now, the owner of the property gets the citation.

53 "Winkler, Markus" (3171869440)

00:51:09.619 --> 00:51:19.861

Okay. Can you clarify that? I'm not sure I quite follow that relative to my question.

54 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

00:51:19.861 --> 00:51:34.162

So when code enforcement issues a notice or a citation, either one because of this persistent illegal activity at that site, it's issued to the named owner of.

55 "Winkler, Markus" (3171869440)

00:51:34.162 --> 00:51:58.058

That property. Correct, but the the notice has to be for the persistent activity, right? If activity happens on my property, right, that is like, who knows, right? I have a gas station, right? Two people getting the

fight at the gas pump, right? That doesn't the citation does not count towards this.

56 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

00:51:58.058 --> 00:52:34.260

The listed criminal activity includes assault, so if it rose to that level and someone that was part of the fight was arrested for that or had an as a criminal citation issued, an incident report was issued, that would be one of the qualifying criminal activities. And those qualifying criminal activities have have to have to happen twice in a twelve month period before code enforcement starts looking at the pattern.

57 "Winkler, Markus" (3171869440)

00:52:34.260 --> 00:52:46.710

Yeah, cause that goes back to my question about who is cited, right? Because I I think that's a different answer than you gave the 1st time, which is code cites the business. I mean, and again, I I just want to be.

58 "Winkler, Markus" (3171869440)

00:52:46.710 --> 00:53:06.710

My hesitation here, right? Is unrelated actions, having a negative consequence here, right? And, and that that's really my concern and and so I just need to contemplate that a little bit and, and get comfortable.

59 "Winkler, Markus" (3171869440)

00:53:06.710 --> 00:53:09.637

With that piece.

60 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

00:53:09.637 --> 00:53:24.395

I, I wanna point out that that the word citation's being used in two contexts here. There is a criminal citation to the, the people who are fighting in the parking lot in the.

61 "Winkler, Markus" (3171869440)

00:53:24.395 --> 00:53:25.350

E.g..

62 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

00:53:25.350 --> 00:53:35.220

That's similar to, to an arrest, like a ticket from a police officer. But then we're also using the word citation to describe what.

63 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

00:53:35.220 --> 00:53:55.700

What code enforcement would do after a location had several incidents happen that fit this persistent illegal activity definition. So there's, there's a code enforcement citation, but that's separate from the criminal activity that might have a, a criminal citation.

64 "Winkler, Markus" (3171869440)

00:53:55.700 --> 00:54:13.040

Upfront. Right, but that but that that secondary citation occurs as a result of the 1st citation theoretically, right? So and because we're

saying there's two incidents, right? So let's say there's a fight and there's two parties who are charged. Is that one incident?

65 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

00:54:19.078 --> 00:54:29.622

If there's code enforcement would make the determination, but in theory that counts as two.

66 "Winkler, Markus" (3171869440)

00:54:29.622 --> 00:54:56.390

Yeah, that's that's sort of what I'm worried about here, right? Because I think, again, it is clear what we're trying to do, alright and and and perhaps it's if there is, you know, discretion with the code officer, you know, is it a persistent nuisance or did something happen one time, right? Two or three people were a.

67 "Winkler, Markus" (3171869440)

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Rested, right? But it really is one event. It's not two events, it's not three events, it's not eleven events, it's one event, right? It happened to take place on my property. Really totally independent of of it be I mean, you know, we had several years ago, there was somebody that was killed in my district, it was a domestic violence issue. They were driving.

68 "Winkler, Markus" (3171869440)

00:55:18.890 --> 00:55:40.250

Sitting on the interstate, they got in a fight on the interstate, they veered off the interstate into the parking lot of, a gas station, right? And that's sort of where the end result happened, but like that business isn't necessarily unsafe, it's just un you know, I mean it's a terrible incident, obviously, and then unfortunate that they chose that exit to pull off on, right? I don't.

69 "Winkler, Markus" (3171869440)

00:55:40.250 --> 00:56:03.118

Don't thinking that it would be reasonable to then say, ok, this is an unsafe business, because this incident terminated in their parking lot, right? That, that to me is very different from I have an enterprise that persistently attracts this kind of activity.

70 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

00:56:03.118 --> 00:56:22.950

Council Woman Hawkins, did you want to address this? Yes, definitely. Thanks Marcus. I've not heard from you one time about this. We've not talked you just to make sure over the break to see if you had any questions, but I'll try to clear that up. This has already been here.

71 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

00:56:22.950 --> 00:56:41.100

As of right now and today, if whether it's in prospect, whether if it's in the West En, whether if they're good actors, bad actors, code enforcement can come right in if an incident happens one time.

72 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

00:56:41.100 --> 00:56:57.450

In a business, they're able to come right in and shut them down. With NO layer of protection, it is all to the discretion of coats.

73 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

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If ABC comes in and there's been a really bad fight, something happens, ABC can shut them down right then and there until further investigation.

74 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

00:57:14.040 --> 00:57:34.040

So even without any of this ABC codes can go right in and shut a place down. It doesn't matter if they're good actors, doesn't matter what part of town it's in. If me and someone.

75 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

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One get into an altercation and, you know, I pull out a gun. It is not the business's fault, right? But at that particular time, ABC depending if alcohol is involved or codes can come in to consider it as a nuisance to shut it down, they have consistently either one of the two shut businesses down until further investigation.

76 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

00:58:06.740 --> 00:58:29.090

Whether that is for one day, for five days, they will shut a business down to give them the opportunity to investigate, right? I think this right here, anything can happen. I do believe in Club Cedar, there was a guy that got killed inside the club.

77 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

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The club didn't have anything to do with that. Somebody heard the gun in the club, you know, earlier part of that day after, you know, codes and ABC investigated. So I think it's just the opportunity to get them and it is to their discretion. There's NO language anywhere that says codes don't have the rights.

78 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

00:58:52.770 --> 00:59:12.770

To come in and identify a business as a nuisance, even if it's an incident that happens one time. So when I looked at it, you know, I thought, well, let's at least look out for some of those gas stations, wandfall houses, but you know in today's.

79 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

00:59:12.770 --> 00:59:32.770

Time, we know there's been a lot going on, you know, it's crime everywhere. It is balanced everywhere, and you can be the best actor in the world. You can be a great business actor, and then one day, you know, somebody can pull up at your gas station and blow, you know, we're gonna say blow some.

80 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

00:59:32.770 --> 00:59:57.330

That's family members liked out. Well, what coals have been doing, you know, they didn't, you know, they just don't want the business to open right back up the next day. That's really disrespectful to somebody's family, right? So they just take that tab just to be able to look at the video surveillance, be able to, you know, talk to both families, you know.

81 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

00:59:57.330 --> 01:00:13.110

And just kind of navigate what happened. When a business is open from 02:00 A.M. to 6aMA lot can go on during those tabs and to me.

82 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:00:13.110 --> 01:00:33.110

We need to find some type of way to protect, not only just the business owners, right? I'm a business owner myself, and as much as I love to make money, I still want to be able to have good employees that want to come to work.

83 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:00:33.110 --> 01:00:51.660

And feel safe, right? So in the event that if my business becomes a nuisance and a hangout for the public, because as we know, with these takeovers, Barce Chan Road, they was forced.

84 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:00:51.660 --> 01:01:11.550

To close down to two in the morning. You know, some of these businesses, they're kind of being forced and negotiated to close down after two when you have these takeovers that are coming to their businesses. Didn't ask for that.

85 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

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But now they being asked to shut down at 02:00, right? Well, if I'm a business owner, I am going to protect my business by all means, right? But let's not wait until, you know, the takeover, the youth or anybody comes in or just somebody.

86 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:01:31.550 --> 01:01:51.550

A random person, creates balance at somebody's business. We understand it's not the business's phone, but as a business owner, I'm gonna do everything that I can to protect, to protect my investments. So, you know, really and truly I'm gonna already do this without it being law. If I.

87 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

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I really wanna protect my business in the event that there's a team take over, a violence or anything like that because people are gonna look at it from a public perspective as, oh NO, somebody got killed there. Oh,

NO, did you hear about the lady who got shot in the head at that gas station over there, you know, versus somebody else saying well you know now they do have police there at night. You know a lot of the businesses, I'm gonna.

88 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:02:21.650 --> 01:02:36.690

Use for an example Waffle House. Waffle house, I've came on road, you know, that's in my district. They used to be open 24 h, you know, with so much going on today, they're not open 24 h on the inside.

89 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:02:36.690 --> 01:02:54.840

You know, so they just opened up their window now, you know, so they did what they needed to do to protect not only, their business, but also into to protect, you know, their employees. So it's just not this is, you know.

90 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:02:54.840 --> 01:03:13.200

A two or three fold, the public, your employees, and the business. This just isn't about the, the business owners. This is about the community, right? I know as a business owner, if I want to continue to get business, I know it needs to be safe.

91 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:03:13.200 --> 01:03:31.380

And from two in the morning, you know, there's really not too many businesses that this is gonna affect after two in the morning. So hopefully, you know, I can get everybody's support. You know, everybody kind of know what we're dealing with nowadays.

92 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:03:31.380 --> 01:03:51.380

And, I'm trying to do everything that I possibly can do to reduce the balance, have security police, in the event if a business or anywhere becomes a place where a lot of people go or anybody goes where they feel like, you know.

93 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:03:51.380 --> 01:04:15.917

So hopefully I can get your support, I understand your concerns. I'm a business owner, but we gotta start somewhere. Thank you. Councilman Winkler? Are you good? Okay. Next in queue would be councilman Bradger.

94 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:04:17.741 --> 01:04:40.280

Oh, I have so many questions that I'm gonna pass. Councilman Nolan, please. I don't I'm not suggesting a, a change here. I just wanted to provide just a little bit of anecdotal evidence. I own a building here in town.

95 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

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That it has dollar tree as a, as a tenant, and they're a net least tenant, and so they're required to do everything at the building. I'm not required to do anything as the property owner. And so they're required, e.g., in this case to maintain the parking lot in a clean.

96 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:05:00.280 --> 01:05:28.350

Manner. And they have a hard time doing that. And so a lot of times I'll get a codes and regs citation sent to me as the property owner, when I am not really responsible for doing that. And so I have to then go chase down the dollar tree leadership in Virginia to try to get them to do something about it, which is really hard to do. In this case.

97 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:05:28.350 --> 01:05:48.350

And I and I think along the lines of a waffle house, because that's a national retailer, you might have some similar situations where, you know, it, it might be a little bit hard to get the for the owner of the property who ends up getting the notice here because that's and that's the person that's easiest to find frankly.

98 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:05:48.350 --> 01:06:15.990

And that's why I'm not suggesting a change. But I'm just anecdotally suggesting that there might be some issue in connecting the dots between the property owner and the person or the entity that actually runs the waffle house, e.g.. Again, I'm not really suggesting a change. I just wanted to provide a little bit of anecdotal evidence there that sometimes connecting those dots is a little bit harder than it's than it seems, so that's all.

99 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:06:15.990 --> 01:06:24.091

Next in queue would be councilman Reed, please.

100 "Scott Reed" (3626166528)

01:06:24.091 --> 01:06:50.400

So, if there's an incident an establishment, two people get in advised the owner of the establishment decided irrespective of the fact that it's the individuals that are in the fight or maybe different.

101 "Scott Reed" (3626166528)

01:06:50.400 --> 01:07:10.400

Individuals on a different day or different months heads up to another incident. It's still the owner of the establishment, not necessarily the people that are being sided, is that correct?

102 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:07:20.336 --> 01:07:26.316

Council member Reed is your question directed to me as the assistant counting attorney.

103 "Scott Reed" (3626166528)

01:07:26.316 --> 01:07:32.078

Please answer yes.

104 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:07:34.636 --> 01:07:55.970

Yeah in the existing persistent illegal activity ordinance in subset it's section 01:40 nine.oh 5CA code enforcement officer determines if the activity that's happened at that property.

105 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:07:55.970 --> 01:08:14.400

They Rises to their level of concern. They deter, the ordinance asked them to determine if the property is operated in a way that encourages criminal activity. So they're between the writing of an arrest.

106 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:08:14.400 --> 01:08:34.679

Incident report or between whatever crime happened at that site and code enforcement getting involved in determining whether it's persistent in the illegal activity, there's a layer of discretion that the code enforcement officers and department go through.

107 "Scott Reed" (3626166528)

01:08:34.679 --> 01:08:43.560

So it's essentially sub subjective. Is there any criterion that they base this on? Any written criteria?

108 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:08:43.560 --> 01:09:06.540

In the definition section of this relevant range, it's LMCO one 4902. Enforcement action is defined as incident report arrest referral for prosecution. So it would be one of those types of enforcement from law enforcement.

109 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:09:06.540 --> 01:09:26.190

And then the types of crimes are listed in another section where it defines persistent illegal activity. And there are say a dozen types of crimes that are listed there. So 1st they determine if it was the right kind of law enforcement action, and then if it was.

110 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:09:26.190 --> 01:09:44.659

The listed type of criminal activity, and then there'd be that discretionary review to see if they thought the property was operated in a way that encourages activity. And that's all in the existing LMCO chapter 01:49.

111 "Scott Reed" (3626166528)

01:09:46.034 --> 01:09:59.599

In theory, business owner can do everything by the book, so.

112 "Scott Reed" (3626166528)

01:10:03.318 --> 01:10:08.118

I'll pass next.

113 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)
01:10:08.118 --> 01:10:23.660
Council Woman Hawkins. Well, just a little bit. I definitely understand what you're saying. Nowhere in here that I, that I see as a fight, and there's been several fights in several locations a little bit everywhere.

114 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)
01:10:23.660 --> 01:10:44.570
And nobody has gotten sited I know several business owners and club owners. It looks like prostitution, humid trafficking, number two sexual offenses, gambling, cell or use of alcohol, misdemeanor or felony possession, trafficking.

115 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)
01:10:44.570 --> 01:11:06.800
Murder, assault, theft, drug perfunctia. These are already illegal things. Unlicensed massage therapy, selling and smoking retail. So if these things are going on in a person's business after hours.

116 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)
01:11:06.800 --> 01:11:12.934
These are things that are against the law anyway.

117 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)
01:11:14.358 --> 01:11:42.780
So the owner is responsible for things that are going on inside their businesses. None of these things that I have on here should be going on inside a business at two in the morning. I'm gonna use this for an example. There was a liquor store that just got shut down, not because nothing happened inside the liquor store, but because there was some illegal gam gambling in the back.

118 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)
01:11:42.780 --> 01:11:59.460
After 02:00 A.M. in the morning, so they shut the liquor store down. The liquor store was attached. It was in the back room of, where they gambled it. So they shut it down.

119 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)
01:11:59.460 --> 01:12:19.460
The liquor store was fully closed, but it happened on the premises of the liquor store business. This wasn't even implemented, but it was illegal gambling. So what I'm saying is, is codes and ABC, they're already doing this.

120 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)
01:12:19.460 --> 01:12:35.978
Most of this was already here. So I hope hopefully that answered your question. Before we go any further council members Perndon and have joined us. Jenny Morvey Warriage is in the cube.

121 "Woolridge, Ginny" (1617638400)
01:12:35.978 --> 01:12:56.990

Thank you. And again I want to say to councilwoman Hawkins thank you for the, you know, the effort you put into this and the changes that have been made from where we were and taking all the considerations and conversations into play. Along with, you know, just the language of the fact that it's not an all or nothing, e.g..

122 "Woolridge, Ginny" (1617638400)

01:12:56.990 --> 01:13:16.990

Simple you know we talked about the up to or more than five or one, but it's not just a, if it's one, you're, you're done. You know, the questions and we talked about this yesterday, miss Hawkins, but the the question in regards to if if codes enforcement is ready for this, I don't know that it's gonna take any more work cause like you said there are.

123 "Woolridge, Ginny" (1617638400)

01:13:16.990 --> 01:13:41.210

Already doing this, but I know that we did have the budget cut recently and and they had layoffs, so the question around if if they're ready for this amount of work that may come from this or not, I'm not sure if they're in chambers or not to answer that or if, if you may have had conversations with them. Again, I know we kind of hit on that a little yesterday, but, but we couldn't talk long with other meetings that were in.

124 "Woolridge, Ginny" (1617638400)

01:13:41.210 --> 01:13:44.234

Day, but that was the question that I had.

125 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:13:44.234 --> 01:14:14.998

Well, it has a lot to do with if, if alcohol is involved, right? So if alcohol is involved, then they kinda lead on ABC. Codes in ABC, they kinda work hand in hand. But I mean, Brad's not had a concern with it and Donald Robinson has neither. They're already doing this.

126 "Woolridge, Ginny" (1617638400)

01:14:14.998 --> 01:14:35.420

Yeah, and I hear they're already, they're already doing and I've I've also talked to, you know, someone from ABC and they're, you know, the fact that the opportunity that if they have an incident that there's something that they can come back and and quickly say, hey, you either need security or there's this other, other, incident that or potentially.

127 "Woolridge, Ginny" (1617638400)

01:14:35.420 --> 01:14:54.360

To be shut down. And I understand again, like the county attorney said, there's already things that are in play and in law, whether they be enforced or not. But again, I think my, my only the question was is if because within the ordinance.

128 "Woolridge, Ginny" (1617638400)

01:14:54.360 --> 01:15:10.380

Codes is, is the one that would be enforcing this just to ensure that they have the resources available to ensure that it is enforced to ensure

that if someone were to come back and appeal it that that process in place, I think.

129 "Woolridge, Ginny" (1617638400)

01:15:10.380 --> 01:15:28.438

From what I read, and county attorney, correct me if I'm wrong, there's already an appeals process that's in play, so I think that that is a mute point, but I'll let you address that question if, if there's already resources, if there's already a process in play for appeals, et cetera.

130 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:15:28.438 --> 01:15:45.380

Again, in the existing LMCO 01:40 nine.oh seven subsection C, there's an appeals process from the code enforcement board orders. And then after that step, there's another appeal.

131 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:15:45.380 --> 01:15:49.899

It can be made to district court and that's in subsection E of that section.

132 "Woolridge, Ginny" (1617638400)

01:15:49.899 --> 01:16:12.341

Okay, thank you. Just want to make sure we're not recreating any processes and that was under that assumption. Just I didn't want to make an assumption because we know what that does to me. So I appreciate those answers, and again, if I if I have anything else then once this, once this moves forward, I can ask any other questions over the next week. Thank you.

133 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:16:12.341 --> 01:16:32.670

Councilwoman Hawkkins. That was a great concern. One one thing that I do want to say is that when I talk to codes, a lot of the times people don't, like let's say clubs, they don't have the money to.

134 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:16:32.670 --> 01:16:51.030

Obtain a lawyer for a lengthy amount of time, so they work out a agreement with ABC, basically like let's say, well, you have to have two police officers after 10:00 p.m., right? So.

135 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:16:51.030 --> 01:17:11.030

The club violates that they don't have police after 02:00 p.m.. I mean after 2aM. So now ABC comes back in and and closes them down, right? So now they get an attorney and now they fighten, right? But if this was already in place, it will.

136 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:17:11.030 --> 01:17:35.121

And that had to be a sad deal. It's already here, ABC or codes can just come in and just do what they need to do. But ABC is already making

arrangements with club owners saying if you wanna stay open past 10:00 P.M., you have to have two officers.

137 "Woolridge, Ginny" (1617638400)

01:17:35.121 --> 01:17:55.400

Sorry, go ahead. I was gonna say I do remember it and I and I apologize I had it on my notes and missed that, but I do remember that we had some businesses that had been shut down by ABCs or by code, but did make arrangements per, you know, per some of the ordinances and per their agreements that they would bring in to officers in order to.

138 "Woolridge, Ginny" (1617638400)

01:17:55.400 --> 01:18:04.278

Open back up, so some of these things that, that are put into this language are already happening. Okay.

139 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:18:04.278 --> 01:18:21.350

Okay, yeah, so I was just saying it wasn't something that was even in language, but it is something that ABC and Codes was already working with those businesses, giving them a series of opportunities to, if they did it.

140 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:18:21.350 --> 01:18:41.350

Of a violation, 26 streets really dark, and if or if they did have some fans, they say, hey, lightening up the corner, you know, if we get proof that you've lit the corner up or that you've added more cameras, we'll work. So they already have something that they kind of work with, but they're.

141 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:18:41.350 --> 01:18:52.840

There was nothing here in place. So this just also gives them something, just in the event that if it's an appeal or whatever that they have something they can go off of.

142 "Woolridge, Ginny" (1617638400)

01:18:52.840 --> 01:18:55.818

Thank you.

143 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:18:55.818 --> 01:19:13.670

Next MQ was Council woman. Jennifer Chapel, please. Hey Jared. And thank you. I know that there's a lot of hard work that's gone into this and what we have us here before is absolutely different than what was presented initially.

144 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:19:13.670 --> 01:19:33.670

Actually and so again I want to acknowledge the work that went into this and that, you know, we're not doing this if there was not a problem existing. And so I understand what this is trying to tackle. I have, a

few questions. I might have to get back into the queue, but, to understand.

145 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:19:33.670 --> 01:19:55.710

And how this happens, LMPD would have to create some sort of way to alert code enforcement that activity has happened on the property to flag a citation from codes. Is that correct?

146 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:19:55.710 --> 01:20:12.390

That process is in the existing ordinance now in the earlier sections, they, that law enforcement flags.

147 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:20:12.390 --> 01:20:28.170

The top, the list of criminal activity that council member Hawkins named the prostitution offenses gambling, et cetera. When those are flagged, there's a notice goes to code enforcement when it's.

148 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:20:28.170 --> 01:20:48.170

When you've reached the multiple multiple incidents for those crops. And that's in the existing. Is it in real time that they get those notifications? Does it go to a general inbox? Who decides what gets answered and who, what.

149 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:20:48.170 --> 01:21:21.320

The code enforcement officers area it goes into, think you'd need to bring the administration, you know, those administrative departments here to get that level of detail but the ordinance provides that they talk to each other in existing language. And then codes then sites the business LMPD alerts codes, codes goes and looks at the business and then codes gives a warning or a citation.

150 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:21:21.320 --> 01:21:41.480

Right? It's in the ordinance it's called a notice. Okay, so they get a notice. Our code enforcement currently only works for a shift. We recently saw a 21 person decrease in that department. They're already overwork.

151 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:21:41.480 --> 01:21:57.210

Worked with cases and I worry that this is adding to not only their capacity, but the capacity of the code enforcement board, which is a volunteer board that's already, pretty heavily stacked. They deal with everything from.

152 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:21:57.210 --> 01:22:13.710

Property violations to animal control issues. It's pretty far arranging. So, I have a question about capacity, but also if we're talking about a 1st shift department within Lovel Metro.

153 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:22:13.710 --> 01:22:40.500

Citing businesses that might only be open from 10:00 P.M. to 5aM. When are they expected to make contact with that owner or have we worked with that department or put it into this legislation to mandate code enforcement officers that work varied shifts to accomplish the goals of this ordinance?

154 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:22:41.159 --> 01:22:56.580

Vice your Hawkkins. Thank you. Good questions. One, I want to make this clear. Just because people get arrested does not mean codes will issue a saturation, ok? I'm gonna say that.

155 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:22:56.580 --> 01:23:14.130

Who and how the owner gets cited is already. I'm not recreating that. Okay, that's already in there. You know, this ordinance does not change or decide who or how businesses even get cited.

156 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:23:14.130 --> 01:23:32.850

And I just gotta re reiterate this this proposed ordinance is not defining who or how businesses are site that's already in here, right? So when you're dealing with codes.

157 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:23:32.850 --> 01:23:49.140

They never go into the next day anyway. They have to investigate. So once, like, let's say the police gets there, right? When LMPD gets there, you know, they contact codes nine times out of ten.

158 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:23:49.140 --> 01:24:10.400

Holds or ABC, if something happens after two in the morning, they don't get contact to the owner till in the morning anyway. So none of this is, is happening until 02:00 A.M. to 6aM. Right? Gonna use this for an example.

159 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:24:10.400 --> 01:24:25.980

What, well, 5aM. It's still really considered like the next day, right? We don't have a second shift or a 3rd shift, but it's the nature of the beast, right? We still got crime going on at.

160 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:24:25.980 --> 01:24:45.980

Two in the morning, right? We still have things going on, whether they get cited at two in the morning or whether they get cited at eight in the morning. Poles is still gonna get up that next morning or ABC is gonna

get up that next morning, you know, investigate, get the folder on what happened.

161 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:24:45.980 --> 01:25:09.050

And take action, even if it's the next morning. It things have been going on. There's been several incidents, the incident that again that happened at the lincol store of Cangroan, that was after two in the morning. Codes didn't get there until eight in the morning. The shooting happening at maybe three, somewhere around there. It is several incident.

162 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:25:09.050 --> 01:25:13.350

Events that occur.

163 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:25:13.350 --> 01:25:33.350

And we don't get to, you know, handle it until the next day, you know, which means that maybe we should think about next year, you know, if, if we want to worry about our coach departments being overworked, maybe we should or ABC or whoever is.

164 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:25:33.350 --> 01:26:02.630

Is maybe we should, you know, create a task force. I know that there's a task force for. Maybe the task force should be for from two to five all over the city, but that would just be LMPD, right? So maybe, you know, we should have a task force for this, you know, with codes or something, but I don't think that they, they didn't have a problem with funding LMPD from.

165 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:26:02.630 --> 01:26:05.130

To, to.

166 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:26:05.130 --> 01:26:25.130

Four or five in the morning for Bargetown road. And those businesses have to shut down two in the morning. Most of those businesses are forced to shut down. And and this was even before this and Bargetown Road has been around for years and for those businesses they have to shut down because a group of.

167 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:26:25.130 --> 01:26:45.870

People want to go target that area or waiting until they come to Nulu or wait until they come, you know, to Baxter Avenue somewhere, right? Something has to be in place. It doesn't matter what time that it's dealt with as long as it gets dealt with as is just how I'm looking at it. It's just a start for me.

168 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:26:45.870 --> 01:27:05.870

But I definitely understand, your concern. Sure, and I know this body has NO problem giving money to LMPD, I guess I'm just trying to understand our other departments such as codes. I'm also, and again this is, this went from a.

169 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:27:05.870 --> 01:27:21.060

Five page, document to a 13 page document so it there is quite a bit different about it, so sorry for not being as learned on it as I should be, but.

170 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:27:21.060 --> 01:27:41.060

I do have those concerns and also I I having concerns about these things and having good players that are open till 04:00 A.M. in my, in my community, which are community spaces that do act as safe haven spaces that are wonderful contributors to our community. I really have to look at this and and try to.

171 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:27:41.060 --> 01:28:01.060

To figure out how that impacts them, because it's blanketing and and a good law should apply to everyone, not just some. And so, that's why I I have a lot of pause about this and if these things are already happening, you know, I wish that we would have had, I know that the public can't see, but there's absolutely NO one in this room to speak to.

172 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:28:01.060 --> 01:28:20.700

To this, whether it's from code enforcement code enforcement board, LMPD, it would have been really wonderful to have them here. And then they could also provide some data and insight into the enforceability, the handoff, the nature of, you know, shifts, that would be really great.

173 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:28:20.700 --> 01:28:36.540

So in the I'll I'll switch gears here. In this legislation, it requires at least one security guard, between 02:10 P.M..

174 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:28:36.540 --> 01:28:55.860

For 02:00 A.M. to 5aM. If they're caught in violation is and is it in perpetuity because I did not see any sort of expiration. So, you know, you violate and you're forever an offender and forever required to have security.

175 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:28:55.860 --> 01:29:15.860

Yeah. No, that's not the case. And also if you look, this is after a series of violations that you would be required to have security there. So this isn't one and done.

176 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:29:15.860 --> 01:29:36.380

Right? This is basically after you've already been considered a nuisance. And I would think as a business owner, and I know several business owners, one of them is Fred in your district. He's a great actor, and in the event if somebody asks, oh, he's gonna get security, right? You know, and if Fred listened, hey Fred.

177 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:29:36.380 --> 01:30:01.110

So, I I pretty much in everybody's neighborhood or businesses, if they're good actors, they're good actors, they're gonna remain good actors, and none of this is gonna affect them. But in the event that if they're bad actors and they got gambling going on and murders happening there at their businesses, then that's when we take a look at them.

178 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:30:01.110 --> 01:30:21.110

And we should be doing that anyway. So that hopefully that answered your question. Sure, and I'll get back into the queue, but just for clarification on that one, it looks like the penalty would be between possibly 90 days of that requirement to have security to up to one year. Is that correct?

179 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:30:21.110 --> 01:30:39.780

Correct. Yes, after a series of things that happened. Let's say you have three murders in your at the business. Yeah. They better be coming to protect the business or.

180 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:30:39.780 --> 01:30:59.780

You just have someone get shocked or you know people feel like they can come to your business because you don't get security and they can get away with doing whatever they want to. Then at that point, yeah, I feel like somebody should step in and just say, hey, if you don't know that you should be having security, then.

181 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:30:59.780 --> 01:31:20.090

We're gonna have to make you have security if a series of things happen, right? And like right now, codes ABC, and I'm sure you know this codes can come right in because they're the nuisance ordinance that if codes come in right now.

182 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:31:20.090 --> 01:31:41.610

Codes can shed any business down the same day until further investigation without this. They can do that and until, you know, ABC gets ready to say, well, hey, you're gonna do this, this, this, this, and this. And then we'll consider you opening back up.

183 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:31:41.610 --> 01:32:02.630

Would have been a great accompaniment to this legislation. Yeah. Well unfortunately, I talked to Brad. You know, he's with his father right now

so sorry, you know, you know, I'm gonna allow him to spend some time with his dad, but he didn't have a problem with it.

184 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:32:03.839 --> 01:32:23.009

So I'm pretty sure if he did him and I have a great relationship, he would address it and I met with Bill Crow and Donald Robinson, they didn't have a problem with it. The only issue that they had at 1st was who was gonna handle it.

185 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:32:23.009 --> 01:32:41.849

You know, which, but they have to work together in the event that if alcohol is involved, then it includes ABC. But either one of those entities, NO matter what's going on, don't have second or 3rd shift.

186 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:32:41.849 --> 01:32:58.259

So it's just, just would be LNPd. Then once, you know, even if ABC is not working or they don't have second shift, they will get up the next day and try to handle it. Oh, I asked that question as well. Thank you.

187 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:32:58.259 --> 01:33:14.969

Council Woman Rui, please? For taking this on and taking so much time to, I've watched this evolve.

188 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:33:14.969 --> 01:33:34.969

From something that was very simple and straightforward to something that's much more nuanced. And I can tell you you've talked to many stakeholders. I'm sure you haven't gone through all of them, but you've done what to me looks like a very good job with a complicated subject. And I'm on here as a co sponsor because we had a shooting.

189 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:33:34.969 --> 01:33:53.734

In a parking lot outside an event facility and we couldn't figure out how to force them to have security because everything's filled out and they're after hours and this answers the need that we saw at that time so thank you for doing it. I'm good.

190 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:33:56.719 --> 01:34:20.239

Council Woman chapel, please? You're last in queue. Don't have to be. I'm just wondering if this is kind of odd but if Louisville Metro is requiring a security guard from the bill.

191 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:34:20.239 --> 01:34:27.809

Business could have any liability of future incidents or do occur involving that security guard?

192 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:34:27.809 --> 01:34:47.809

A liable if, you know, by requirement we set a business had to have them, but they were involved in a future incident with Louisville Metro being anyway held liable for that activity. What do you mean if they was involved in a future incident? So if the club owner is responsible.

193 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:34:47.809 --> 01:35:07.809

For, security to protect their business, they would have to like hire somebody with the rest powers, whether that's a sure for LMPD or, you know, I don't know. I know Brad when he's been making negotiations with the different.

194 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:35:07.809 --> 01:35:28.129

Businesses. I do know that he's been requiring them to have police officers too. If they've been a bad actor or things like any of these things have occurred. He's been requiring them to have officers.

195 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:35:28.129 --> 01:35:44.009

At 10:00 P.M. and, you know, the business was like, I just get out of Ford, you know, it's just easier for me just to shut down at ten, but so much was happening, you know, outside.

196 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:35:44.009 --> 01:36:04.009

That of that business that even the business owner couldn't control. It was like Derby, you know, and I kept on begging for LMPD to, you know, go to 26th street. And they just would not go down there cause it was like Derby on that strip.

197 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:36:04.009 --> 01:36:21.989

So, club owner just said, well, I'll just shut down because I can't control the noise. I can't control, you know, the people if somebody gets shot outside, right? So, you know, I'll just close, you know, but.

198 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:36:21.989 --> 01:36:41.989

When an incident happened on the inside, right? He was already having issues outside. Brad said you have to have, two, two officers and you will be surprised. There is several officers, they find officers that were.

199 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:36:41.989 --> 01:37:00.119

Work overtime. You know, that overtime pay is, is very expensive, right? So you find officers definitely that will work that. I've I've not had what people complain about is the price. It's not that they not there.

200 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

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Could could we get a county attorney line to answer that question? I I think I know the answer whether Metro would have liability in that situation, but can you weigh in on that for us, please? Oh, I wanna start by saying that I.

201 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:37:19.409 --> 01:37:39.409

There maybe scenarios we we can't play what ifs here, but I think this would be the equivalent of any enforcement action that Metro takes. So any time that you require a permit, anytime you require that you meet a certain bar before you can do XYZ. It's, it would.

202 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:37:39.409 --> 01:37:58.529

Follow the same framework, so I, I doubt there'd be a liability arising directly from the requirement. I can't I don't know what scenarios you're, you're cooking at the moment but in the general government enforces its own.

203 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:37:58.529 --> 01:38:18.529

Ordinances, there wouldn't be a liability in that sense. Thank you. And I think these would be off duty the same way they wouldn't be working, they'd be off duty, they'd be getting paid from the business. Is that what you were asking? No, I wasn't talking about specifically. Okay.

204 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:38:18.529 --> 01:38:35.429

I'll just say that beyond the bureaucrac or the messy bureaucracy of this legislation, the concerns I have with capacity and also unintended consequences that I, I fear, I just don't.

205 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:38:35.429 --> 01:38:55.429

Feel like it's something that I could support. I'm not on this committee, so I won't be buying on it regardless, so it's not up to me, but I just really had to come in here especially since we've been working so much on looking to alternatives to creating safer environments and if it is cost prohibitive for people to have security armed security or off duty LMPD officers or.

206 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:38:55.429 --> 01:39:22.639

You know, a law enforcement officer with a background license for five years or whatever. You know, I, I wish that we would look at ways that we could help those businesses to provide security without requiring such cost prohibit cost prohibitive measures. One of those ways would be creating a licensure for an unarmed security officer, that would certainly lower the cost.

207 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:39:22.639 --> 01:39:42.639

Just create a broader market instead of a little monopoly on security and hopefully have more people that are trained in skills of de escalation

and such. But until this body is willing to, you know, consider that in other ways that we can keep global m.

208 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:39:42.639 --> 01:39:51.650

Metro, bulk safe without in enforcing laws that I feel like.

209 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:39:51.650 --> 01:40:12.889

Aren't the best for the constituents that I represent I don't think that I can bring myself to support this, but I appreciate the efforts. Thank you. And go ahead. And I'm sorry that you think the legislation.

210 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:40:12.889 --> 01:40:35.449

It's messy, because you know for you to use that word messy, you know, to me it's definitely not messy. It would be messy if I wouldn't be trying to do something that would, protect not only the employees of these businesses, but the people.

211 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:40:35.449 --> 01:40:40.289

That go into these businesses.

212 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:40:40.289 --> 01:41:00.289

And I would definitely think, after, four or five of any of these things that are going on in someone's business, then the ordinance would even be kind of messy, you know, though, you know, I felt like it was a little disrespectful or maybe if it had christopher's law at the top.

213 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:41:00.289 --> 01:41:16.019

Of it, it wouldn't be disrespectful to you. But you and I both, you know, we're club floors, right? We like to go outside. We're both outside. But when we go outside, we want to be safe, right? But just because it doesn't have.

214 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:41:16.019 --> 01:41:36.019

To your tasting, right? It shouldn't be called messy, right? I would never call your legislation messy, right? This is gonna protect somebody, whether you like it or whether you don't, right? And when you want to protect your constituents, right? And your business owners, you do what you need to do, right? Not only.

215 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:41:36.019 --> 01:42:04.517

Just for the business owners, but also for the people that attend those businesses and the employees that work in that space, right? So what messy is definitely something that this is not spent a lot of time on this and not only just that, you've not contacted me one time about this messy legislation. Thank you.

216 "Shameka Parrish-Wright" (654108416)

01:42:04.517 --> 01:42:10.121

Mr. chair, I wanted to make a comment. I, I would like to make a comment
mr. chair.

217 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:42:10.121 --> 01:42:12.775

Okay, you may? Thank you.

218 "Shameka Parrish-Wright" (654108416)

01:42:12.775 --> 01:42:39.679

I've just been listening, I hear a lot of things that I agree with as far
as consequences, I do think about the safety. I I do love a night life
and I I understand that. But I'm thinking about the businesses and how
this will impact them and just the examples that we're giving here. I
know the county attorney said we can't do what if but there are a lot of.

219 "Shameka Parrish-Wright" (654108416)

01:42:39.679 --> 01:42:59.679

What ifs? We, we see what's happening in the highlands. We see what's
going on with our entertainment districts, and I think that some of those
things need to play out before we institute this kind of legislation
because there's just still some unknowns with the with the hours and with
the, you know.

220 "Shameka Parrish-Wright" (654108416)

01:42:59.679 --> 01:43:19.019

So there's a lot going on with the police and overtime and I And I'm just
really concerned about the unintended consequences and the equity and
enforcement and the discretion of code enforcement officers and like how
will they be trained to deal with this? And so.

221 "Shameka Parrish-Wright" (654108416)

01:43:19.019 --> 01:43:39.019

I do as somebody who did actually work as a security officer with a
private investigator's license, I do understand a lot about security, but
the main thing about security is that it's a deterrence. It's even I
mean, you can have police officers there and people still commit crimes
or do things. And so nothing stops any.

222 "Shameka Parrish-Wright" (654108416)

01:43:39.019 --> 01:43:59.019

Everybody from walking into there right now and doing whatever they want
to do. But I do think this is a great effort as a councilwoman who wants
to do something about this, these growing issues in different parts of
our city. I do think it's important and I commend the efforts to that. I
just can't wholeheartedly support this legisla.

223 "Shameka Parrish-Wright" (654108416)

01:43:59.019 --> 01:44:19.019

Because of the unintended consequences that I see from being in the
business community, understanding what I understand about security and
and how these things might play out. I'm really, really concerned. I do

think we have enough in place to deal with this and we need to look at ways to improve and ways to.

224 "Shameka Parrish-Wright" (654108416)

01:44:19.019 --> 01:44:39.019

You know, to deal with the community protection in different ways, the training, the conflict resolution, the, you know, making sure that the security officers are, are able to be trained. We have licensure processes. There's a lot that we've been trying to do over the few years that I think we could work on. So I do commend the efforts. This is nothing against what's happened. We have.

225 "Shameka Parrish-Wright" (654108416)

01:44:39.019 --> 01:44:56.493

I've talked about it. I still have the same concerns around equity and enforcement, but I, but, but don't be discouraged if everyone doesn't agree. That's why we're in this committee. But that's I just wanted to explain why I I'll be a NO.

226 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

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Miss Ordinance requires a roll call vote. Would you please open the roles?

227 "Shameka Parrish-Wright" (654108416)

01:45:08.878 --> 01:45:13.455

No.

228 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

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Council member Reed. Council Memorickler? Yes. Council Member.

229 "Woolridge, Ginny" (1617638400)

01:45:23.318 --> 01:45:27.756

Were we? Yes.

230 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

01:45:27.756 --> 01:45:46.189

Sure you have nine yes. Thank you Clerk. This measure will be sent to all business. Our next regular committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday August five at 4pM. If there's NO other matters, this.

231 "Harward, Sonya" (628564480)

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Yeah, that took a while, didn't it? Well, good thing we didn't have NO speakers. Yeah. When you said get You could have some speakers, good thing I didn't.