



OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
CRAIG GREENBERG

August 10, 2026

Mr. Brent Ackerson, President
Metro Council
601 West Jefferson Street
Louisville, KY 40202

Dear President Ackerson:

In accordance with the Ordinance, I am appointing the following to the Deputy Sheriff Merit Board.

Name		Term
Danita Cheatham	appointment	June 13, 2027

Your prompt action on this appointment is most appreciated.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "C. Greenberg".

Craig Greenberg
Mayor

cc: Councilwoman Donna Purvis
Government Oversight and Audit Committee Chairperson

Louisville Metro Government

Deputy Sheriff Merit Board

Board Details

Deputy Sheriff Merit Board hold hearings, public and executive, in disciplinary matters concerning deputy sheriffs.

Overview

Size 2 Seats

Term Length 2 Years

Term Limit

Additional

Enacting Resolution Website

Enacting Resolution

Statutory Authority

KRS 70.260 - 273

Ordinance Authority¹

LMCO 36.35 et seq.

Powers

Holding hearings, public and executive, in disciplinary matters concerning deputy sheriffs.

Removal

Not stated

Bonding Authority?

No

Meeting

Shall meet when a disciplinary matter concerning a deputy sheriff is brought to its attention or at other times at the discretion of the Board, upon notification of its members.

Incorporated?

No

Open Records Info Receipt Required under KRS 65.055?

Yes

Oath of Office Required?

No

Subject to Open Meetings Law?

Yes

Bond Requirement for Members?

No

Officers

Elect a chair from its membership.

Fiscal Agent Agreement with Metro?

No

How is the Director or Executive Director Appointed/Hired?

Merit Board shall employ a chief examiner who shall operate under the Board's sole supervision.

Records & Reports

Keep an accurate record of its proceedings

Automatic Reappointment under KRS 65.008(2)?

No

Vacancy Appointment

Any vacancies shall be filled by the sheriff or county judge/executive, or the chief executive officer of an urban-county government or consolidated local government responsible for the appointment of the departing board member.

Council Approval of Appointment?

No

Ex Officio Members

Compensation

Only reimbursement for necessary expenses upon submission of proper receipts or documentation of all such expenses. Reasonable and necessary expenses of the Board shall be paid out of the fees and commissions collected by the sheriff.

Term of Appointment Details

Vacancy Appointment Details

Quorum

3 members shall constitute a quorum in all matters before the Board.

How Appointed

Two appointed by the Mayor with the approval of the Council. Two members appointed by the Jefferson County Sheriff. One member elected by the deputy sheriffs of Jefferson County.

Qualification of Members

At least 30 years old and a resident of the county. No person shall serve on the Board who is a deputy sheriff or who holds any elected public office. No person shall be appointed to the Board who is a member of the immediate family of the Jefferson County Sheriff (father, mother, brother, sister, spouse, son, daughter, aunt, uncle, son-in-law, or daughter-in-law. No person shall serve on the board who is a deputy sheriff or who holds any elected public office.

Purpose

Holding hearings, public and executive, in disciplinary matters concerning deputy sheriffs consistent with the duties and limitations set forth in this Ordinance and KRS 70.260-273

Ethics/Conflict of Interest Provision**Social Media Website****Subcommittees****Officers Term of Office****Address****Website****Council Approval Details**

Yes, approve Mayoral appointments

Officers Term of Office**Board Requirement Details**

Deputy Sheriff Merit Board

Council Districts

- 1 - Tammy Hawkins
- 2 - Barbara Shanklin
- 3 - Shameka Parrish-Wright
- 4 - Ken Herndon
- 5 - Donna Purvis
- 6 - J.P. Lyninger
- 7 - Paula Mccraney
- 8 - Ben Reno-Weber
- 9 - Andrew Owen
- 10 - Josie Raymond
- 11 - Kevin Kramer
- 12 - Jonathan "JJ" Joseph
- 13 - Dan Seum Jr
- 14 - Crystal Bast
- 15 - Jennifer Chappell
- 16 - Scott Reed
- 17 - Markus Winkler
- 18 - Marilyn Parker
- 19 - Anthony Piagentini
- 20 - Stuart Benson
- 21 - Betsy Ruhe
- 22 - Kevin D. Bratcher
- 23 - Jeff Hudson
- 24 - Ginny Mulvey-Woolridge
- 25 - Khail Batsch
- 26 - Brent T. Ackerson

Metro Council District

New Appointee

Mayor Appointee

Metro Council Appointee

Governor Appointee

Mayor & Metro Council Appointee

Mayor & Governor Appointee

