

RESOLUTION NO. 137, SERIES 2024

**A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE PLANNING COMMISSION REVIEW  
THE METRO LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE REGULATIONS WITH  
REGARD TO DEVELOPMENT ALONG SUBSTANDARD ROADS.**

**SPONSORED BY: COUNCIL MEMBER STUART BENSON**

**WHEREAS**, the Legislative Council of the Louisville/Jefferson County Metro Government (“Council”) has the authority under KRS 100.211(3) to direct the Planning Commission hold hearings on and make recommendations regarding proposed amendments to the Land Development Code (the “LDC”); and

**WHEREAS**, in Ordinance No. 162, Series 2023, the Council made updates to Chapters 94, 115, and 156 of the Louisville Metro Code of Ordinances (“LMCO”) to better match state laws and regulations concerning Fire Prevention; and

**WHEREAS**, one such update was to LMCO § 94.80 providing that Roadways must be a minimum of twenty (20) feet wide, rather than the previous eighteen (18) feet, unless certain exceptions are met; and

**WHEREAS**, some roads used for emergency access purposes throughout Metro Louisville do not even meet the previous 18 foot standard, much less the current 20 foot standard; and

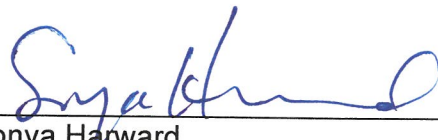
**WHEREAS**, development along any such significantly sub-standard road may need to be restricted in order to prevent potential public health and safety emergencies which modern emergency service vehicles could not quickly and safely access to address; and

**WHEREAS**, the Council wishes to have the Planning Commission consider amendments to the LDC to restrict development on significantly substandard roads, including but not limited to density and intensity of use.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL OF THE LOUISVILLE/JEFFERSON COUNTY METRO GOVERNMENT AS FOLLOWS:**

**SECTION I:** The Planning Commission should undertake a review of and consider amendments to the current Land Development Code which would restrict the density and intensity of development on significantly substandard roads.

**SECTION II:** This Resolution shall take effect upon its passage and approval or otherwise becoming law.

  
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Sonya Harward  
Metro Council Clerk

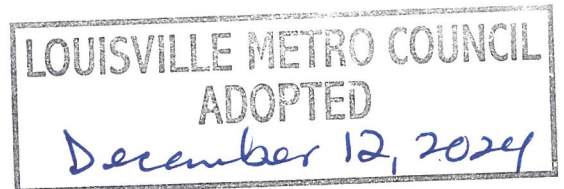
  
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Markus Winkler  
President of the Council

  
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Craig Greenberg  
Mayor

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**APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:**

Michael J. O'Connell  
Jefferson County Attorney



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