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1	Entry	Date Created	Name	Last	Council District	Please list your comments here	Attachment #1	Attachment #2
2	2	2023-07-20 09:59:43 -0500	Michael	Schnuerle	8	At the July 14 meeting, you referenced spreadsheets and data that included census tract and census block level data. Can you please post that resource on the website for all to see and to help replicate your PDF maps, or email them to me for my use?		
3	3	2023-07-20 15:27:46 -0500	Patrick	Smith	8	paying for services in low density suburbs is really expensive. we really need to focus the largest possible amount of funding to improving services and infrastructure in the core city, inside the Watterson. there are decades of research demonstrating that a strong core city results in a stronger surrounding region. let use this as an opportunity to recommend a greater share of resources are directed to core city improvements in downtown and the historic urban neighborhoods		
4	4	2023-07-20 15:49:46 -0500	Michael	Schnuerle	8	Hi just recommending that you put the list of the 15 committee members on the webpage. Co-Chair Representative Jason Nemes - KY Rep - Majority Whip Co-Chair Earl Jones - GLI Appointee Senator Gerald Neal - KY Senate Minority Leader Senator Julie Raque Adams - KY Senate Majority Caucus Chair Senator Mike Nemes - KY Senate Rep. Ken Fleming - KY Rep Rep. Pamala Stevenson - KY Rep CM Anthony Piagentini - Councilmember CM Jecorey Arthur - Councilmember CW Cindi Fowler - Councilmember Marianne Butler - Mayor's Appointee Shelby Williams Somervell - GLI Appointee Scott Shoenberger - GLI Appointee Mayor Bonnie Jung - Jeff. Co. League of Cities Appointee Chief Sean Dreisbach - (Jtown Fire Chief) Jeff. Co. Fire Service Appointee		

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5	5	2023-07-22 13:52:03 -0500	Mike	Randall	3	<p>Pray from my friend in Taylor Berry and other part from me</p> <p>Anti Teen and Young adult violence ideas 2 part Video finally posted online from the Saturday 7/15/23 Board of public Commission Meeting video posted now if you get a chance to watch it. I came up twice to talk about ways to reduce teen and young adult violence in Louisville KY. Again I spoke once they brought me up a 2nd time at the end after the other guy to explain my ideas more YouTube link starting at about minute 3:00 I spoke the 1st time and again I spoke again at the meeting at about minute 16:15 the 2nd time so I spoke twice at the meeting link below</p> <p>Louisville Metro Review Commission Public Meeting 7/15/23 - YouTube</p> <p>All but the ones showing up to the public meetings should be replaced because they want to make changes without public input which should be illegal 6 out of 15 board members showing up to the 7/15/23 1st public July 2023 Louisville Metro Comprehensive Review Commission meeting and not live streaming it and almost all board members being at the non public meeting on 7/14/23 shows how much they care about the public input which is like 0 and those members should resign or forced out with</p>		

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6	6	2023-07-22 14:06:12 -0500	Jared	Randall	3	<p>Anti Teen and Young adult violence ideas 2 part Video finally posted online from the Saturday 7/15/23 Board of public Commission Meeting video posted now if you get a chance to watch it. I came up twice to talk about ways to reduce teen and young adult violence in Louisville KY. Again I spoke once they brought me up a 2nd time at the end after the other guy to explain my ideas more YouTube link starting at about minute 3:00 I spoke the 1st time and again I spoke again at the meeting at about minute 16:15 the 2nd time so I spoke twice at the meeting link below about Midnight Basketball and Scared Stiff and Park Rangers and a Paid community advocate needed to work with the kids at a micro neighborhood level because most neighborhoods plaque by violence like Taylor Berry and Russell and Portland etc only have unpaid volunteers advocating for the neighborhood we have no paid people like Jtown and Shivley do in Taylor Berry</p> <p>Louisville Metro Review Commission Public Meeting 7/15/23 - YouTube</p> <p>The Tarc board and City Zoning boards should be elected or really not even needed usually just rich out of touch people and his rich friends appointed to boards like Tarc board who have no idea the need of poor areas of town like Taylor Berry and Algonquin etc because the Tarc board does not attend public neighborhood meetings so out of touch what poor people need . Each neighborhood group who also should be elected should be able to vote on new businesses to the area like in Taylor Berry we</p>		

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9	9	2023-07-22 14:50:32 -0500	Jared	Randall	3	<p>Anti Teen and Young adult violence ideas 2 part Video finally posted online from the Saturday 7/15/23 Board of public Commission Meeting video posted now if you get a chance to watch it. I came up twice to talk about ways to reduce teen and young adult violence in Louisville KY. Again I spoke once they brought me up a 2nd time at the end after the other guy to explain my ideas more YouTube link starting at about minute 3:00 I spoke the 1st time and again I spoke again at the meeting at about minute 16:15 the 2nd time so I spoke twice at the meeting link below about Midnight Basketball and Scared Stiff and Park Rangers and a Paid community advocate needed to work with the kids at a micro neighborhood level because most neighborhoods plaque by violence like Taylor Berry and Russell and Portland etc only have unpaid volunteers advocating for the neighborhood we have no paid people like Jtown and Shively do in Taylor Berry</p> <p>https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=5_jle223Yyg</p> <p>The Tarc board and City Zoning boards should be elected or really not even needed usually just rich out of touch people and Mayors rich friends appointed to boards like Tarc board who have no idea the need of poor areas of town like Taylor Berry and Algonquin etc because the Tarc board does not attend public neighborhood meetings so out of touch what poor people need . Each neighborhood group who also should be elected should be able to vote on new businesses to the area like in Taylor Berry we have like 10 bars and liquor stores just</p>		

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11	11	2023-07-25 00:41:43 -0500	Ric	Schaefer	2	<p>The merger was one of the biggest mistakes ever. Let's look at misappropriation of funds. How much of that money allocated to Jefferson county/Louisville is being spent in the east end? In Jeffersontown? in High view? Versus how much are you pouring into the west end downtown areas? It's a joke!</p> <p>I personally have lived all over the country 7 states. Not one of those cities focused solely on the downtown areas because they wanted all areas of the city to prosper and draw people.</p> <p>I will tell you I personally won't go past the Highlands because I value my safety. The police department, tho I respect the officers, the police department is prevented from doing their constitutional jobs, the prosecutors office is pathetic. The crime rate is a result of not properly prosecuting people, lax penalties, and cowards refusing to testify against neighbors and relatives. That is fact. May not be pretty but it is fact.</p> <p>Before the merger small cities had low crime rates, more community involvement and appreciation, and respect. They were able to offer sufficient fire EMS coverage for their areas, they weren't dependant on breadcrumbs from a city trying to rape every hardworking citizen</p>		
12	12	2023-07-25 01:13:51 -0500	Alice	Braasch	21	<p>I did not vote for merger because I knew what would happen: city took county tax dollars to pay for downtown and west end needs. You have poured dollars after dollars into the west end and it only got worse: more crime and more death.</p> <p>The school system has slowly deteriorated since the merger. Too big with the poor and minorities getting less and less.</p> <p>More small cities in Jefferson County is the dumbest idea yet to come out of Frankfort and there is a lot of stupid going on in Frankfort.</p>		

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13	13	2023-07-25 01:23:42 -0500	Emmett	Seay	ot in Jeff C	(Lived in Jeff Co for 70+ yrs, recently moved.) It has been a disaster for the county VS, PRP, & other outlying areas. Much of the inner city crime has been relocated to the outer limits of the county. The neighborhoods have been destroyed by continually ignoring the population density being crammed into these areas. Zoning for more apts & low income housing has ruined these neighborhoods. The city is more interested in new taxes than quality of life in these areas. Hopefully some of these areas will incorporate soon & begin the healing process bc the mayor & counsel r'nt improving anything..:		
14	14	2023-07-25 06:44:07 -0500	Timothy	Garrett	17	The merger has been a disaster for areas outside of Watterson Expressway. Infrastructure upgrades have not occurred (travel down Shelbyville Road and Westport Road during rush hour). There is essentially no police presence. Road maintenance only occurs when you complain. If a vote was to occur today to dissolve the merger, I would vote in favor of it being dissolved.		
15	15	2023-07-25 06:51:51 -0500	William	Clark	19	Do not approve high density housing without corresponding increase in police officers. These developments always result in increased crims		
16	16	2023-07-25 07:15:08 -0500	Lewis	Rowe	6	Merged city and county government had been fantastic. We have great services our roads trash fire protection are the finest, we have new sidewalks our streets are paved merger had been great for my neighborhood.		

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17	17	2023-07-25 07:31:05 -0500	Tim	Thompson	16	<p>The merger has been HORRIBLE. All focus is in the original city limits. Public areas are not properly maintained. Grass in medians grows as high as 6 feet before it is mowed. So much work has been done on the Waterson Expressway but the merge from Waterson to I-71 north is still antiquated and causes traffic back up past Shelbyville Road Outside original city limits, we still have to pay for trash pick-up. Police patrols and protection is non-existent in the "county" area because of the issues in the original city limits.</p>		

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18	18	2023-07-25 07:41:08 -0500	Taylor	Thompson	19	<p>My biggest problem with the merger is that we did not completely merge. We are either one city or not. The biggest disservice to our citizens is having several different Fire, EMS and Police Departments. Other major cities do. It have this. Lexington does not even have this. Louisville Fire needs to merge with all of the remaining fire departments. Metro EMS needs to be the sole EMS provider. LMPD should merge with the remaining PD and be the primary police department with the JC Sheriffs Office possibly having a supplemental patrol role in addition to their duties. With all of our emergency services being one department we can allocate resources better. We can use city taxes as well as property taxes to ensure adequate and competitive pay/benefits with top of the line equipment. Having all of our citizens contributing their tax money to one set of services instead of many will give them a better service. All of the independent cities need to have minimal power and really should be changed to boroughs with borough presidents to take the place of the mayors. This still allows that area to have their own representation that answers to the mayor of Louisville and they can keep their city (borough) tax in place for additional public works and borough representation. Functioning as one city can only make us stronger and a better city. We have several duplication of services which was a reason for the merger to begin with. Keeping the city history alive is important but to secure a brighter future for Louisville we really need to address completing the merger to better serve our citizens as a whole.</p>		

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19	19	2023-07-25 07:41:26 -0500	Kimberly	Fulkerson	22	I feel like all we do is provide money to the city. we are still very much split city /county and it is very obvious. If i call 311 for anything the first thing asked is for my zip code, if it is not a city zip code they tell you places you can call for assistance but you have to pay for it. We have none of the services provided to us that city does ie garbage pickup, junk pickup . The Police Department does the best they can but most of their attention is spread city wide.		
20	20	2023-07-25 08:02:19 -0500	Tom	Dick	23	After spending a ton of money to get the merger accomplished we are now looking at spending more to dismantle it. The lady that complained about extra traffic will never have it addressed with all the funding that will be needed to switch back. Where is her council person? Shouldn't he be the advocate for her and acquire funding to expand the road? I personally don't see a benefit from merger but I don't see any detriment to continuing.		
21	21	2023-07-25 08:13:31 -0500	Missy	Meier	1	I am commenting about the merger. I agree about the lack of resources and not being heard living in the southwest side of old county.		

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22	22	2023-07-25 08:33:44 -0500	Bradley	Burke	23	<p>The city services that we receive in the Highview/ Fern Creek area is quite frankly unacceptable. We have asked LMPD several times to increase patrol in our neighborhood after some car break-ins/ thefts, however, they never increased it. In fact, I have lived at my current residence for almost 3 years, and I have never seen 1 LMPD officer patrol the neighborhood. At my past residence (Pioneer Village, KY), the police patrolled the neighborhood a couple times a day, and we had almost 0 crime. I believe if we had an independent police department, we would be able to increase patrol, safety, and overall satisfaction. Do not get me wrong, I am HUGE supporter of our law enforcement officers, but I do not believe we are getting the financial/ man-power allocation from the city that we deserve since we live in a suburban area.</p> <p>In addition to policing, the city services in our area is horrible. For an example, all of our street signs in the neighborhood were leaning/ broke for over 6 months. My neighbors and I filled out multiple forms requesting for the city to come out and repair them. They eventually did, but it was more 6 months later. That is quite frankly unacceptable.</p> <p>I would love to see the Fern Creek/ Highview area form together to create a new city that is not part of Louisville Metro.</p>		
23	23	2023-07-25 08:48:02 -0500	David	Aikens	19	<p>Consolidated metro government is working just fine! No more duplications, Metro Council is working reasonably well and beside issues with guns and LOUISVILLE WATER COMPANY bills, law enforcement leadership has been lacking, but a fix is now in place. In short, we are 20 years post-merger and its working! Dont let the complaints of the few make you think otherwise!</p>		

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24	24	2023-07-25 09:01:08 -0500	Edward J.	Brennan	17	<p>I have been deeply concerned about the merger since it was announced. Since implementation, the merger has caused a significant hardship on those of us in the City of Rolling Hills and adjacent areas. We immediately noted a drop in police presence as we lost the Jefferson County Police contingent. Our contract police force then and now could not and cannot provide the service we need to keep our community safe. Our streets have become raceways, our senior neighbors are afraid to travel alone (especially at night), and even our homes are threatened more by groups intent on malicious deeds.</p> <p>The Metro Government spends its major efforts on misguided DEI initiatives instead on basic city-building strategies. It's more concerned about pronouns than about serious responsibility to all constituents. Where the so-called Urban District has waste pickup provided by our tax dollars, we pay for those services again in our local city taxes.</p> <p>I'm a former Mayor of Rolling Hills and 20-year resident, and I've continued to witness our quality of life deteriorate since the merger. Democrat social initiatives have pushed the West end to the East end with increased crime, but no increased police presence. The current system supported by the merger is BROKEN. The model duplicates what I see in Washington...throw money at the problem. It simply doesn't work that way!</p> <p>I'm a 30-year Air Force veteran, pilot, and commander. I know leadership (I spent a year studying it in an Air Force advanced educational institution), and Louisville Metro severely needs leadership. If good managers do things right, and good leaders do the right thing, I don't see Louisville government anywhere in the definition of either.</p>		

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25	25	2023-07-25 09:10:10 -0500	Jamie	Brown	22	Since the merger our district has lost police coverage, the township is forgotten on any changes, the people do not have a voice in making changes. Currently development is delayed in certain areas, the additional grocery , the library, box stores have not progressed. Every night we have people going through our neighborhood looking for unlocked cars or stealing from our yards, since there is no police presence. Fern Creek is a forgotten burg, which got worse after the merger.		
26	26	2023-07-25 09:47:16 -0500	Kim	Mathes	14	The merger has not helped our area in PRP , money is not spent out here like it is in the West End and Downtown. Our roads need fixing especially subdivisions, we have an emergency room in our area but not a local hospital. The Police department needs help to recruit more Police when Jefferson County had their own Police Department it was better for everyone . I think we should be able to become our own cities and have control and say where our tax dollars are spent .		

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27	27	2023-07-25 10:32:02 -0500	Dustin	Brown	4	I feel like the merger is not working when it comes to public safety. I really feel that if Louisville Police Department and Jefferson County Police had remained separate, we wouldn't have seen the rise in violent crime that we have today. LMPD is too big as an organization with too large of a service area and too few patrol officers to respond to calls. I spoke to one Heine Bros barista who told me she had to wait two hours for police to remove a disorderly subject from their coffee shop. She was told it was "shift change time." If we had a city police department and county police department, they would be able to dedicate more resources and focus on their specific (and smaller) areas. The way it is now, I feel that the best way to get adequate police service and good response time is to move to a suburban small city. I'm thankful the fire departments didn't merge. Now we need to look at other resources and downsize metro government.		
28	28	2023-07-25 10:37:07 -0500	Deborah	Herbert	not in Jeff C	I am a former resident of Louisville Metro but moved in 2021. I think that the merger only truly benefitted those residents who resided in the old city of Louisville limits. You collect resident taxes from people who live in old Jefferson County but don't offer them the same services such as trash and recycling. However, they are required to follow all the same ordinances as those who receive all services.		

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29	29	2023-07-25 10:40:24 -0500	Charles	Raymond	12	The merger has failed as far as any type of equity is concerned for residents in the southwest suburban neighborhoods. We are still forced to pay for services in addition to higher tax rates to support the same services the other residents in Louisville are getting for free. All this stunt appears to have benn about is a way to take the money and resources away from the Jefferson County residents and funnel it to the mayor and city council for their pet social engineering projects. Meanwhile, crime, trash, and homelessness are out of control. We spend a ton of money on our schools but the school system cannot manage to get kids to schools on time, the students can't read, write, or do basic math but nothing is ever done about it except to raise property taxes. It is a shame that this whole thing cannot be reversed		
30	30	2023-07-25 10:49:01 -0500	Melissa	Lee	15	If I remember correctly, one mission of that merger was to grow Louisville 's population to garner more consideration for its one million-residents target. It seemed to be a sound idea then, but now I fear we've gotten too big for our britches. Emergency services, middle-to-lower income residents and public safety suffer. Large corporate entities are allowed tax breaks and special considerations that perhaps should be directed toward hardworking taxpayers to enable us to survive constant rate increases from our utility companies, high grocery prices and the costs of owning and maintaining our homes. Thanks for listening.		

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31	31	2023-07-25 10:56:36 -0500	Norman	Williams	9	20 years ago I was supportive of the merger. But,time has shown that other than combining Jefferson County Police into LMPD & a few sidewalks its not REALLY improved the overall quality of life for merged citizens. The ONLY positive leans towards City Hall as the merger simply meant more TAXED citizens while seeing no overall improvement. Currently the LMPD are understaffed,hand tied to DO the job they were sworn in/obligated to do so expansion would only add to the already nightmare of more people/more crime & less Police to combat it. I thoroughly believe that IF the taxpaying citizens of Louisville had the chance to vote yes or no the majority would revert back & vote NO on the merger (including me).		

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32	32	2023-07-25 10:57:10 -0500	Luke	Flint	9	<p>https://www.ky3.com/2023/02/06/missouri-recreational-marijuana-sales-topped-8-million-first-weekend</p> <p>https://www.wlky.com/amp/article/kentucky-lawmakers-seeking-public-input-louisville-merger/44633056</p> <p>Hey fam, hope all awesome, currently waiting for DoJ to ACH wire funds to my business operating account, which covers deal below exactly as proposed forward, yet is there anyway we could please ACH wire \$2M to Mr. Border's office while waiting, like this week, so they can commence escrow etc, go ahead and complete assembly title work into one entity? #Holler @ mobile anytime really etc #LouisvilleLove #Isn'tThisCool!? 502-744-6399 ---> https://www.bordersandborders.com</p> <p>"RE: 545 S Clay St Louisville, KY 40202 (only existing ingress curb cut access for all ten adjacent parcels)</p> <p>https://www.uoflnews.com/post/uofltoday/uofl-health-announces-144-million-expansion-at-uofl-hospital (one city block away from parking lot development)</p> <p>https://www.loopnet.com/Listing/545-S-Clay-St-Louisville-KY/4898623</p> <p>...seeking \$2,000,000 loan for 36 months with parking lot (1 block from largest hospital medical campus complex in Kentucky) as collateral, shall have contractual revenue to cover debt service ---> \$2,000,000 (new loan) ÷ \$4,970,196 (current land value before paving) *\$163ppsf = 40% LTV #ParkingLotRevenue</p>		

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33	33	2023-07-25 10:59:39 -0500	Melissa	Lee	15	<p>I'm hoping my initial comments went through. Here's a summary of what I said: If I remember correctly when the merger was initially proposed it seemed to be a good idea. One Miss of the merger was to grow Louisville 's population to one million residents in order to garner more considerations for a population that size. Now I fear we've gotten too big for our britches. Emergency services, middle -to-lower income residents and public safety suffer as a result. Large corporate entities reportedly receive tax breaks and other considerations that might better serve hardworking taxpayers to combat constantly rising utility rates, high grocery prices and the cost of owning and maintaining our homes. Thanks (again) for listening.</p>		
34	34	2023-07-25 11:16:45 -0500	Harold	Helms	14	<p>south west dixie hwy. in valley station looks like trash. there homeless people on every corner. kids on dirt bikes riding on roads. the police seams not to care. stores have carts all over the place and do nothing about it. i our councilwoman is out of touch. the roads are in very bad shape all gets done to them is patched. why did they close the post office and remove most blue boxes?</p>		

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35	35	2023-07-25 11:49:42 -0500	J	S		<p>I would hope that a commission is not necessary to realize that there is a fairness problem with the way tax dollars are being allocated and spent in Jefferson County.</p> <p>It is actually hard to believe that the new mayor (Greenberg) is turning out to be worse than the last mayor (Fischer) with regards to how tax dollars are being allocated and spent, but it's definitely happening.</p> <p>Case in point, is the situation with the Castleman statue in the Cherokee Triangle. The majority of the people that live in that neighborhood want the statue placed back but Greenberg says he's not interested. In other words, he does not care what the residents of that neighborhood want. He is catering to the wishes of a group of people who do not even live in that neighborhood. Very unfair. Next you have the Hogan's Fountain Pavillion in Cherokee Park. Greenberg is not interested in that either. Says it costs too much to repair it. So, what we are hearing is that if any structure that needs repair in any of the parks on the east side they will not be repaired because the mayor thinks they are too expensive.</p> <p>The mayor is spending all the money (\$millions\$ and \$millions\$) on the homeless and the west end. It may come to everyone's surprise but there are food deserts in the east end and south end as well. There are also lots of people living in those areas who do not have transportation. Not everyone who lives in those areas is rich. As a result, the mayor and metro council spend millions on building things in the west end while not</p>		

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36	36	2023-07-25 12:19:59 -0500	Katherine	Wigley	26	<p>The Louisville/Jefferson County merger works just fine. The cost savings for services purchased on behalf of the citizens is a huge advantage. If little cities are allowed, then they must be solely responsible for creating their own emergency services. No piggybacking off Louisville metro services and no emergency funds/federal grants earmarked for Louisville/Jefferson County. Newly created cities allowed to fall outside the merger must operate as fully independent entities.</p>		
37	37	2023-07-25 13:03:59 -0500	Jeremy	Arnold	10	<p>The micro-cities are ruining Louisville. They are little havens for people to exempt themselves from contributing to Louisville while complaining Louisville isn't doing enough for them. They all need to be annexed into the city so that taxes are paid fairly and services can be better distributed.</p> <p>Additionally, Frankfort politicians need to quit kicking and trying to punish the one place that funds the rest of the state. Without us and Lexington the rest of the state would be where Mississippi is. Maybe some respect would be nice.</p>		
38	38	2023-07-25 13:55:49 -0500	Ron	Young	16	<p>Due to developers lack of concern for neighbors, I think the developer and their family be required to live in the development for one year to experience the chaos they have created.</p> <p>The developer who is trying to build multiple "luxury" units on River Road needs to participate in the traffic jam they will create. Not against anyone from having a livelihood, but they need to participate in the problems they create for at least a year.</p> <p>A second proposal would be that, in the River Road example, the developer be required to build all the traffic infrastructure, on their dime, and not use city, county, or state funds to build adequate roads to handle the increase in traffic.</p>		

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39	39	2023-07-25 14:17:49 -0500	Susan	Seeley	13	<p>I am a 68 year old retired white female. I remember when we had Jefferson county Police in Louisville City Police. The Jefferson county Police were renowned for being knights and shining armor whereas the Louisville City Police were known as thugs when the merge happened I believe that was the worst of it we lost our Police department. We're considered Louisville Metro I would think for financial reasons to benefit Louisville with federal dollars. However we do not get the services that people in the downtown areas get. I'm speaking specifically of garbage collection we have to pay for it. When Harvey Sloan closed 4th Street to car traffic the downtown area immediately went downhill. I would not even consider the possibility of attending any functions or shopping for anything in downtown Louisville to me it's become Chicago or Detroit. There's a concert coming to town that I would really like to attend but fear keeps me from doing that. If people were to be honest with you they would tell you that are remembrances of downtown Louisville were terrific it was a vibrant City. We had movie theaters on 4th Street we had nice department stores you wouldn't think anything of taking a bus downtown to shop eat and be entertained. But today that is not an option. Anyone who thinks that they can come up with a trick where people will consider going back downtown again our only fooling themselves. As long as 14-year-olds are carrying assault weapons and beggars it cost you at every corner you will not entice people back into Louisville open 4th Street back up use its history as a template. Stop mollycoddling these kids and their parents that are so out of control. The parents should be made accountable for their children. One of the television stations years ago would ask this</p>		
40	40	2023-07-25 14:40:44 -0500	Dennis	Newton	11	<p>With all the traffic out here now, the PUBLIC roads are outdated and overrun by the increase in traffic. Two lane country roads are being destroyed. I can't share a road with a tractor trailer from FedEx or a big box truck from UPS! I invite Nemes to try it. I invite all of our government hiarchy to travel them.</p>		

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41	41	2023-07-25 14:46:16 -0500	BC	Hall	15	There are far too many council districts. The old county had 3 representatives and the city had 9. The current amount is over double that and weakens any balance of power the mayor has.		
42	42	2023-07-25 14:47:25 -0500	Jim	Oxyer	8	The whole thing was designed to fail. All the other cities should have been eliminated at merger. we are one city, one government. LMPD has stopped working entirely anyway so I don't know why small cities expect better service than Louisville gets now. the state legislature keeps binding metro government from doing anything so how is this supposed to work? Reform LMPD, get the legislature out of city hall and then it has a chance.		
43	43	2023-07-25 14:50:47 -0500	Paul	Hinson	18	Definitely not working, Metro has become so large it's not manageable. Jefferson County does not have the resources to support the entire City of Louisville. All Services fall short of expectations for taxpayers and safety for citizens.		
44	44	2023-07-25 15:17:29 -0500	Brian	Keener	13	We have no resources out here in Valley Station. We are the junk drop off site for the city. Our community center is very out dated, hasnt been updated in years. We pay same taxes but get nothing in return from the so called metro. Our streets are literally falling apart. Our YMCA is the same building it was when it opened in the late 1970's. They ask for us to spend \$90 a month and it is a apatch work of buildings they added onto. Our schools are a joke for the rest of the country....		

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45	45	2023-07-25 15:43:55 -0500	Patricia	Long	3	<p>I feel extensive attention has been made for the betterment of the East end of Louisville and absolutely very little in Southwest Louisville.</p> <p>Many have relegated Southwest to West Louisville. West virtually has pushed its way into Southwest leaving us with little "true development" and upgrades. Yes our small does well BUT with more can and should be done.</p> <p>Too many rentals, liquor stores, vacant commercial property, and junk commercialism.</p>		
46	46	2023-07-25 17:44:08 -0500	Johnny	Stribling	14	<p>The merger of the county and the city was the worst thing that ever happened in Jefferson County. They take all of the tax money and only spend it on downtown. The suburbs are getting screwed.</p>		
47	47	2023-07-25 19:20:56 -0500	Bruce	Ernst	15	<p>This was voted on 20 years ago and seems to be working. It appears some politicians out in the state want control which they now don't have and do not need. It looks like a political ploy</p>		
48	48	2023-07-25 20:17:16 -0500	Barry	Stokes	7	<p>Kentucky Lawmakers, leave us alone - us being Jefferson County. Leave us alone.</p>		
49	49	2023-07-25 21:01:26 -0500	Debbie	Pottinger	22	<p>We get nothing from being a part of the "city" except the city gets our money. We have always had to pay for trash pick up the city does not. I feel all of the money goes to the West End. Totally lopsided. Lovers Lane and Billtown road is a totally dangerous intersection and it is next to impossible to turn left there. There should at least be a three way stop or something.</p>		

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50	50	2023-07-25 21:45:51 -0500	Ariana	Levinson	8	<p>1. Almost everyone believes they lack services, whether urban core or small city resident. This is because there is not enough funding for Louisville Metro to run well. Taxes should be raised and/or Frankfurt should return more funds to Louisville.</p> <p>2. Regardless of what is done, the funding should not be equally distributed. More funding should go to areas of the city that have been historically discriminated against through redlining and disinvestment. Equity should be at the base of all our discussions.</p> <p>3. Has anyone researched whether city's/metro city's of a similar size have part-time council members? Running a city is a full time job. If we paid council members to do full time work, then maybe they would focus more on running the city well.</p> <p>4. Likewise small cities like the one I live in have a volunteer mayor and officers. They are similar to a condominium or a home owner's association. If we want professional leadership we need to pay people to lead full time. Perhaps the cities should be fully merged but permitted to continue to function as an association.</p> <p>5. Why are there three GLI reps on this Committee? There aren't reps from organizations concerned about business development in the West End such as AMPED or LUL. Nor are there representatives of labor, such as the Teamsters or Greater Louisville Labor Council.</p> <p>6. Merger and its impact is a very complicated issue. Correlation does not equal causation. There has not been enough education of the citizens of Louisville Metro that this process is underway and about what is at stake. I hope the Commission will delay issuing its report until many more people have been educated about and able to</p>		

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52	52	2023-07-25 22:35:05 -0500	Jared	Randall	3	<p>Anti Teen and Young adult violence ideas 2 part Video finally posted online from the Saturday 7/15/23 Board of public Commission Meeting video posted now if you get a chance to watch it. I came up twice to talk about ways to reduce teen and young adult violence in Louisville KY. Again I spoke once they brought me up a 2nd time at the end after the other guy to explain my ideas more YouTube link starting at about minute 3:00 I spoke the 1st time and again I spoke again at the meeting at about minute 16:15 the 2nd time so I spoke twice at the meeting link below about Midnight Basketball and Scared Stiff and Park Rangers and a Paid community advocate needed to work with the kids at a micro neighborhood level because most neighborhoods plaque by violence like Taylor Berry and Russell and Portland etc only have unpaid volunteers advocating for the neighborhood we have no paid people like Jtown and Shively do in Taylor Berry</p> <p>https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=5_jle223Yyg</p> <p>The Tarc board and City Zoning boards should be elected or really not even needed usually just rich out of touch people and Mayors rich friends appointed to boards like Tarc board who have no idea the need of poor areas of town like Taylor Berry and Algonquin etc because the Tarc board does not attend public neighborhood meetings so out of touch what poor people need . Each neighborhood group who also should be elected should be able to vote on new businesses to the area like in Taylor Berry we have like 10 bars and liquor stores just</p>		

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54	54	2023-07-26 05:17:37 -0500	Traci	Vinson	23	<p>Merger has done nothing EXCEPT take all resources away from suburban areas. We have had to obtain our own CON for ambulances, thank goodness our HVFD was able to achieve that. This area has little or no police presence. In June a couple of years ago, I had returned from vacation when 3 teens were walking/cutting through yards. I thought nothing of it originally, then one returned, he stopped briefly at a neighbor's house, my husband thought he was urinating on the side of her house. I had checked the security cameras on my house only to see just before that stopped he ran across my front yard and pulled firearm out of the front of his shorts. I immediately called 911, because those cameras showed where the firearm was had been taken and hidden. Apparently, There were no officers available, because no one ever came by. I again call 911 and asked for on officer to meet me at the government center on the outer loop, but again no one came. Not one officer came to retrieve this firearm. A few months later my next door neighbor's vehicle was stolen...those criminals had to drive through my yard to drive away. I'm a retired first responder and I remember when the suburbs were relatively safe, by relatively safe I mean I could wear head phone or ear buds while working in the yard and such but since merger all crimes have been slowly increasing. The police are spread so thin most all are in urban area so in the suburban areas there are just not enough officers to cover every thing. This merger has made at least my area unsafer. The mayor(both the previous and so far this current mayor)has failed at keeping keeping crime down. It seems the suburbs have been pushed aside and every single penny is filtered to the urban area for whatever is</p>		

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55	55	2023-07-26 09:09:40 -0500	Michael	Handley	9	<p>I hate hearing that people who live in small cities feel so entitled to receive the same services as those who live in the old city of Louisville while not paying the same tax rate. They get what they pay for and need to stop complaining. Their city can provide the same services as Louisville if they want to raise their taxes. I get so frustrated hearing their complaints when they refuse to pay their fair share.</p> <p>The state government should quite literally tampering with local government. We voted to make these changes locally and the state should respect our decision and get out of the way.</p>		

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56	56	2023-07-26 15:57:01 -0500	Michael	Schnuerle	8	<p>NOTE: Please see this link for the text below with proper formatting and image attachments.</p> <p>https://docs.google.com/document/d/1tyl6Zllbceu_IDhGI0ysH_42-mdzYuvr2yr7SGpIVM/</p> <p>----</p> <p>To the Comprehensive Review Commission,</p> <p>The committee at last night's July 25 meeting again said the raw data used to make the reports and PDFs was on the website. I checked again today, and all that is there are PDFs which include charts and graphs and tables. That's not data, raw data, or the data used to make those visuals.</p> <p>I just want to confirm with you all that the data is not posted on the website.</p> <p>It would be good to post the data for the public well before the Aug 4 end of public comment period. This would allow transparency with calculations, the press and residents to check numbers and do their own analysis, and maybe even find honest mistakes.</p> <p>From the Feb 17th Commission meeting, here are some relevant meeting minutes:</p> <p>A robust conversation was held on how and when to make the Merger Study report's information available to the public.</p>		

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57	57	2023-07-26 16:35:40 -0500	Michele	Restainer	12	If there had been a true merger of governments to one instead of all these little "cities" with their mayor, councils, fire, police and EMS, and those funds transferred to metro government, along with merging police, fire and EMS it would make one government work more efficiently. There needs to be a TRUE and complete merger getting rid of the cost of mayors and councils in all these "cities". Merge all the first responders under one umbrella.		
58	58	2023-07-26 18:24:40 -0500	Michele	Restainer	12	When the merger took place it wasn't a full merger. The multitude of "cities" stayed the same. The merger should have incorporated all the small "cities" in Jefferson County. It would have cut what taxpayers are paying for in these others "cities", I.e. mayors, council members, first responders. Merging the first responders into metro government would have been a much cleaner merger. There are far too many fiefdoms! Too many taxes!		

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59	59	2023-07-26 23:35:46 -0500	Mike	R.		<p>But we never get funding for this Anti Violence idea because LMPD wants allow new ideas funding unless they can get the credit for it and LMPD has all the funding and no one else in the community gets funding for new ideas unless LMPD takes credit or OSHN gets to decide who and who does not for political reasons . JCPS would not help us figure this idea out either and they got more of our tax money and a bigger budget than LMPD. Most people from JCPS and most a city and state leaders skipped the 2 day anti violence summit at the Ali Center even the mayor skipped day 2 public commits it and most of Metro Council and the Mayor and the local news channels skipped the "7/15/23 Louisville Metro Review Commission public meeting in Southwest Louisville" and it was not even lived streamed like it was supposed to only 6 out of the 15 members showed because most were playing a volleyball game together with the Mayor's office and Local News Channels but funny how the biggest turn out from city and state leaders was the Rich part of town meeting on 7/24/23 in East Louisville with lots of Metro Council members and state reps that did not even need to be there came out to show support for east Louisville but you did not see those city and state rep turn our or local media turn out for the poor neighborhood meetings like the 7/15/23 meeting most city and state leaders skipped it because East Louisville has the influence and full of rich people with money. I bet the 9 missing members from the 7/15/23 Louisville Metro Review Commission public meeting in Southwest Louisville never even watch the 7/15/23 video but came in person to see the rich East Louisville meeting on 7/24/23 so where the equity in that city and state leaders and news</p>		

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60	60	2023-07-27 10:10:54 -0500	Michael	Schnuerle	8	<p>Since attachments and formatting are not allowed on this form, please see this link for full details, links, formatting, and images.</p> <p>https://docs.google.com/document/d/16cRofbwRiPz7SVF8EldcPPSis5DQV_JLtrLzyvVDVAK/</p> <p>-----</p> <p>Comprehensive Review Commission Data analysis public comments A version of these comments were presented by me for 3 minutes at the July 25 public meeting at Atherton. I'm Michael Schnuerle and I have done data mapping and data analysis professionally for 25 years. I'd like to talk about 3 things to include while you look at data around people's tax revenue and the cost of providing services to them. Point 1: Revenue per person Have you seen the maps of the US for presidential elections? Looks like 90% red with 10% blue around the cities. But as you know the presidential election was not 90 to 10 percent. If you look instead at the votes made, counting the PEOPLE who live there, it's very close to 50/50.</p> <p>Same is true when looking at tax revenue or any other number across the county. If you look at tax revenue by council district or zip code, you'll see more revenue total, if you add up the suburban areas and compare that to the urban areas. But it's a bit of an unfair fight, an unequal comparison.</p>		

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61	61	2023-07-27 11:53:14 -0500	Jackie	Cobb	8	<p>The way the government (and all associated agencies) are organized today does not properly account for the fact the suburban development patterns are MUCH more expensive to run per acre.</p> <p>The more densely populated areas of the county are generating much MORE revenue per acre. And, those same more densely populated areas of the county cost LESS per acre to run.</p> <p>In areas of the county with more dispersed population and development patterns, it costs our government and government agencies more to provide services - like running sewers & building and maintaining roads, providing transit services. And, as you can see from my examples, it's imperative to look not only at Louisville Metro Government costs and revenue, but also the expenditures of agencies like MSD and TARC, and also state government and their state transportation department that manages lots of roads and interstates in our county.</p> <p>The current form of governance we have does not adequately value the efficiency and efficacy of denser population patterns. Instead, our current governance patterns subsidize suburban communities and development patterns - where the costs to deliver roads, sewer, services is not adequately borne by those who are living in this development pattern.</p> <p>I would like the city and this commission to hire a firm like Urban3 (see website here: https://www.urbanthree.com/) They will perform a thorough analysis to really see how the revenue and expenditures shake out holistically in this county. Then, let's build a government structure that</p>		

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63	63	2023-07-27 13:05:26 -0500	Jerry	McGraw	19	In at least two different sessions of the Review Commission, inferences were made alleging that Louisville has a relatively low tax burden. Having known for over a year that national research has indicated Louisville in in the highest taxes cities in the nation, i obtained and am providing here several documents/reports of research showing how high the tax burden is in Louisville.	20130302_10_us_cities_with_highest_taxes_market_watch.pdf	20211008_u.s._cities_where_people_pay_the_mos.pdf
64	64	2023-07-27 13:07:57 -0500	Jerry	McGraw	19	I am submitting documents relating to the Metro Louisville tax burden. I just submitted two documents but since the form only allows two files to be attached, I am submitting two more here.	20230726_10_cities_with_the_highest_tax_rates.pdf	20230726_cities_with_the_highest_tax_rates_turbo_tax.pdf
65	65	2023-07-27 13:10:12 -0500	Jerry	McGraw	19	I am submitting documents relating to Metro Louisville's tax burden. I have submitted 4 previous documents but since this form only allows for two documents at a time, i am submitting one more with this submission. I request that all exhibits be provided to each commissioner and also posted for public viewing.	20230726_citybycity_tax_burdens.pdf	

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66	66	2023-07-27 16:38:56 -0500	Matt	Stone	8	<p>While the city/county merger may have given Louisville an advantage of absolute population numbers in order to apply for certain types of funding only available to larger cities, it has absolutely gutted the ability for the downtown core area to make necessary changes in order to remain a relevant and vibrant city. If the priorities, budget, and vision of the city core can be greatly influenced and tempered by the desires and whims of the affluent commuters from the suburbs and exurbs, then we will have a downtown that primarily caters to what are essentially non-local residents. Parking garages and surface parking lots for commuters absolutely decimate the ability to create a cohesive downtown. Instead of being a place where people can live or a true destination that people want to visit for any prolonged period of time, we have a glut of parking lots and people only come downtown for one specific purpose and then leave immediately after. Think of coming to a concert, or visiting the science center, and then leaving because there is no cohesive community to keep you here. Just a bunch of spread out, one-off destinations. The core city needs freedom to progress and change without having the burden of appeasing Middletown, Prospect, or PRP residents, just as the residents of those parts of town should be able to progress and change as they see fit without the express approval of people living 30+ miles away.</p> <p>Beyond the issue of being able to affect appropriate local change, the spreading of services across the city-county area has put far too high of a burden on departments such as public transit, police, MSD, etc. It is considerably more expensive to service low-density suburbs with</p>	155235895377393254 6fyswpoeaaaaalqno.jpg	

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67	67	2023-07-29 00:19:24 -0500	Mike	R.	3	<p>pray</p> <p>How many JCPS Leaders you all see at the two different Anti-Violence summits at the Ali center in 2023??? JCPS is not a part of the solution for anything. If it is a bad idea why Midnight Basketball and Scared Stiff in over 29 urban cities in America are doing it. What you all got against Scared Stiff???? Just FYI this new police chief is not working did you all forget the fatal and non-fatal shooting are up since she took over LMPD compared to 2022 so she has not been doing a good job and we hired her full time which was stupid. What you want the kids to do in Taylor Berry hang out in front of one of the 10 Taylor Berry liquor stores???? All we got in Taylor Berry because the state leaders do not make “residential zoning laws placing distance between them” and Louisville zoning boards allow back to back strip clubs and liquor stores in Taylor Berry next to houses and apartments with kids and this would not be allowed in East Louisville good luck getting a YMCA or Movie theater or something positive for kids in Taylor Berry kind of like starting at “Algonquin/7th street driving down to 7th and Berry street” and look on both sides of the street and you see real fast why no YMCA or Movie Theater coming out here!!!! I encourage for people to start at “Algonquin/7th street and drive down to 7th and Berry street” JCPS school board and leaders do not attend community neighborhood meetings at least not out this way in Taylor Berry. You all are out of touch what is going on with the kids just tax us to death and pretend to care about the kids but you all got a new law passed sure pushed by the teachers union so you can kick more kids out of school easier for minor things 3 write ups in 30 days and sure that kid want be</p>		

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						There are no labor laws in Kentucky so they can work you any amount of hours they want even over 16 in an air condition warehouse like you are not even human and city and state leaders are fine with this just like city buses in Louisville people have to take 2 and 3 buses a hour and half sometimes to get to work late to still do that and the city or state should increase the Tarc tax and look into maybe Light Rail but city and state leaders care more about green buses that cost twice as much as non green buses so they can feel like that are saving the planet and care more about bridge funding than public transportation so people can move to Indiana even people on 84WHAS radio live in Indiana and talk about Louisville politics and they sold Louisville out and moved across the bridge just work here which is messed up should call out the people who live in Indiana who work in Louisville for being sell outs and pretend to have a voice here they are sell outs should tax the crap out of those people and use the money to fund better Tarc. For the record even coffee shop workers in a union now which is crazy. Union were made to protect older workers being out worked by younger workers at labor jobs like at my father's production job he worked at. Work 12 plus hours in a factory or a un air condition warehouse in Louisville where you treated like a machine and not a person pumping out so much per hour or you get wrote up I been there and done that teachers, cops and coffee shop ain't nothing. I know life ain't a movie but seen that new movie "All Day and a Night" just like that movie "Beats" think it really does show what is going on in Louisville. It is a generational repeat I coach sports at the prisons before and there is people there who 19 or 20 year olds kids end		
68	68	2023-07-29 11:07:49 -0500	Mike	R.				
69	69	2023-07-29 18:05:24 -0500	Trinity	Smith	4	The state should provide for a mechanism that allows for the state and the county to unmerge.		

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70	70	2023-07-30 08:45:30 -0500	Sydney	Thompson	19	<p>It would be beneficial for all emergency services to be under one department...Louisville Fire and Rescue, Metro EMS, LMPD. Louisville Fire should merge with all of the county departments enabling a stronger work force of firefighters to serve our entire city. Allowing for one fire department puts a set training standard for all of our firefighters and ultimately training together will help ensure elite performance. Metro EMS would benefit from covering the entire county with being able to do things like predicative calls something we can't do now due to all of the different departments. Also being able to move trucks around would be beneficial. Currently if an east end truck has to make a downtown run they will be down for a lot longer and the east goes without an ambulance. The flip side would us being able to move trucks to higher call areas during peak times so that trucks that are placed in the East can stay there.</p> <p>Jefferson county sheriffs office should merge with all of the county police departments and the sheriffs office should have a patrol function. This model is implemented in many areas where city police and the sheriffs office share patrolling responsibility. Having both of these departments patrolling will increase police presence and be able to utilize both forces.</p>		

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71	71	2023-07-31 00:05:23 -0500	Mike	R.	3	<p>Do you all live in a small neighborhood of poverty surrounded by like 10 liquor stores and strip clubs?? The older generations think kids are in the house at 6:00PM on the weekends and they are completely false. They are out anyway and if you do not give the kids something to do then they find something negative. I went to that 1st anti Violence summit then a month later to the 2nd one which was a 2 day summit and remember how many people were asking at the 1st anti violence summit where the JCPS leaders were and I was mad about that too???</p> <p>Teachers and the news media used the most extreme case to justify the law: a staff assault. I think everyone would agree with that, but this law allows places on online learning and BD school for 3 minor things in 30 days and could be from a racist person starting the process. The parents are responsible, but you all need to get over the parent thing you keep going back to because parents are messed up. We as a city start dealing with this stuff on the front end or have to pay the high cost pay for someone to become a prison inmate (medical, food, cloths, expensive medical surgery, everything) or repeat jail inmate or stealing cars and breaking into people's houses working for a living trying to do right or like the girl shot 6 times for her purse across the street from me in 2021, Even if you do not agree with Midnight basketball think you like the Scared Stiff program. I talk about it twice in the above video starting at minute 3:00 and again at minute 16:15 the Douglass Hills Mayor liked my idea and that is why she brought me up twice and she is also past president of league of Louisville small cities . Like I said, a lot of people agree with me. I rather work with JCPS school board but I can do this with or without JCPS.</p>		

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72	72	2023-07-31 00:16:47 -0500	Mike	R.	3	<p>Hi Carrie Butler</p> <p>Also if you could please come up with a way or plan so I can start lobbying for a Tarc Tax increase I really want to. I think if the plan is partly community lead then has a better chance. Can you please meet with some of us in the community to come up with a plan???? The tax has not been raised since 1974 and “ The Time Tarc Now” this can be our slogan It would make Louisville a more modern city for businesses to move too and help poor and people without cars and with disabilities get a job because some now are taking 2 and 3 buses 1 hour and half hour trips and the buses are late and the employers like UPS sure do not care. Wish we could come up with 3 options to vote on a ballet in a future election and let the people of Louisville decide. Again, this needs to be a community pushed plan and not Tarc or Metro Council. Like maybe:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Little tax increase for a few more buses and Modern Shelters 2. Medium Tax increase for more buses and Modern bus shelters with phone chargers on both sides of the street at Major intersections. 3. The most expensive option Light Rail (LRT) like the old T2 plan maybe like Chicago on a bridge above ground or this new thing just coming out simply on a rail like a pole and the rail cars hang off it so no concrete or street space needed. 		

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74	74	2023-07-31 14:57:31 -0500	Gregory	Zahradnik	10	<p>Please address the misconception that many people have who live outside the USD. I have been to countless meetings where people complain they don't get the same services that the people do in the USD, which is also mentioned in this review. Explain -</p> <p>IT'S BECAUSE THEY DON'T PAY THE SAME TAXES!!!</p> <p>PEOPLE MOVE TO OR LIVE OUTSIDE THE USD BECAUSE THEY DON'T WANT TO PAY THE HIGHER TAX RATE!</p> <p>I have lived in both and can attest to this personally. Please get the facts straight and educate the public and our State Legislators.</p>		
75	75	2023-07-31 15:17:41 -0500	Shawn	Reilly	8	<p>I would like to see Louisville Merger undone.</p> <p>Current tax revenue generated in the old city is subsidizing growth and infrastructure in far flung areas of the country and not supporting the area were it's generated.</p> <p>Our services like water, sewer, fire, EMS and police are spread too thin and we need to refocus on the urban core.</p> <p>It's time for the suburbs to stand on their own without draining resources from the city.</p>		
76	76	2023-07-31 16:28:28 -0500	Paula	Head	8	<p>This is a Frankfort initiated agenda to grab more power and money from Louisville Metro.</p>		
77	77	2023-08-03 09:56:30 -0500	Michael	Schnuerle	8	<p>Please do all the summary calculations here also per capita, and per acre!</p> <p>https://louisvilleky.gov/metro-council/document/lrcr-occupational-tax-history-07-14-23</p>		

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78	78	2023-08-03 10:39:09 -0500	Mike	Randall	3	PrayThese are the members of the Tuesday 8/1/23 "Task Force on School & Campus Security Committee" and "Education Committee" who do not believe in the 1st Amendment Freedom of speech, press, petition, assembly and religion. I was born and raised in Louisville Kentucky and so was my father and grandfather and his father and they fought in several American wars in the United States Army protecting this freedom and again I was told by the Deputy mayor of Louisville that I can go to Frankfort and sign up and speak and the only way for me to do this is to sign up in person before the meetings started and drove all the way from Louisville to the state Capital on Tuesday 8/1/23 with a speech about Louisville violence and the youth of the city, JCPS kids of Louisville and JCPS school safety and was completely shut down at not just one committee meeting but 2 back to back committee meetings who members want to control the narrative and just allow the guest speakers they want to talk and suppress out all commits from the public and 2 back to back committee meeting. I am going to talk about this on live Metro TV at a future Metro Council Louisville meeting. At least the Louisville Metro Council allows me and public talk in Louisville because the Frankfort Task Force on School & Campus Security Committee" and "Education Committee members do not allow public comments from people that drove all the way from other cities. The committee members could have gave us 2 or 3 minutes each but they shut everyone from the public down from talking at the Tuesday 8/1/23 committee meeting guess because all the news media was there so they wanted to control the narrative again WLKY, WDRB, Wave3 the below are the members of Frankfort Task		
79	79	2023-08-03 21:27:27 -0500	Honi	Goldman	8	this all about Frankfort wanting to castrate Louisville even farther — think redistricting! Don't be conned, leave Louisville merger in place.		

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80	80	2023-08-03 22:59:20 -0500	Michael	Schnuerle	8	<p>Using your own data on Slide 3 in this report https://louisvilleky.gov/metro-council/document/lrcr-occupational-tax-history-07-14-23</p> <p>... see the same data shown by per person and per square mile in the attached chart.</p>	<p>charts per capita and per square mile.png</p>	<p>source data from slide 3.png</p>
81	81	2023-08-03 23:16:28 -0500	Michael	Schnuerle	8	<p>Could you please publish your methodology and the raw data used to make the sums shown on Slide 3 of this commission report? https://louisvilleky.gov/metro-council/document/lrcr-occupational-tax-history-07-14-23</p> <p>The data seems to vary greatly from the official open data published by the Metro Revenue Commission here (Slide 7). https://data.louisvilleky.gov/documents/LOJIC:louisville-metro-ky-2021-occupational-license-zip-code-report/about</p> <p>If you look at zip codes and sum them in the USD or unincorporated area, the sums are much different than what you see in the commission report using an unclear methodology.</p>	<p>commission_chart.png</p>	<p>official_revenue_commission_chart.png</p>

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82	82	2023-08-04 07:30:54 -0500	Kurt	Wallace	19	<p>1. Jefferson County Public Schools receives county money collected by county tax collector and JCPS uses those funds in crimes against children by purchasing obscene material in interstate commerce and making it available to populations which include minors, a class D felony. The issue is that the county tax collector Bobby Holsclaw uses the armed sheriff under color of law to collect taxes at threat of gunpoint or loss of property through forfeitures and tax liens and then she sells them in tax sales and gives money to metro government. Bobby Holsclaw's reelection campaign bragged on how she collected \$13 million and gave it to METRO to be used as the mayor saw fit. In other words it was an abuse of tax money collected without representation and used for the whims of the elected public servants against the consent of we the people. There are 90 pages of JCPS purchase orders/invoices showing 8 felony counts of interstate acquisition of obscene material. These JCPS purchase orders have JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION on them, making them under the authority, responsibility, and control of the Board, making the Board acting UNLAWFULLY and outside their Oath of Office. The Sheriff refused to investigate because he works for Metro. LMPD refused to investigate because the school has its own SRO. The county attorney refused to investigate because he is complicit. They are all complicit in failing to investigate. This is what happens when power is centralized; however, all power is vested in the People. The People do not consent; therefore, all THE JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION, the SHERIFF, LMPD, the COUNTY ATTORNEY are all complicit and acting unlawfully in violation of Section 1, 2,</p>	3_aug_commission_in_put_public_comment_for_improvement_.docx	
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84	84	2023-08-04 09:44:07 -0500	Anita	Hall	6	<p>I am very concerned about how this commission was created and run. No underlying data has been shared out from this group, and they have come to conclusions that seem to conflict with other sources of publicly-available data. At best they seem to be analyzing data extremely selectively in order to arrive at pre-ordained conclusions. Less densely-populated suburban areas of Metro Louisville require much more expensive services and maintenance than the USD and yet already pay lower taxes. Yet representatives from these areas present the situation as the exact opposite, despite well-established data and research. It is very worrying that this commission seems set on slashing the Occupational License tax and gutting city services even further.</p>		

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85	85	2023-08-04 10:34:48 -0500	Glenn	Essex	9	<p>The data, per capita, shows that suburban cities cost more and contribute less (because there are fewer people per acre).</p> <p>The commission should release the raw data from which they are working.</p> <p>But I fear that the commission formed their conclusions right from the very start and they intend to further starve the USD and further decrease the already inadequate service level that Louisville is able to offer its suburbs.</p> <p>I fear also that the commission will make changes that do not respect the values of local control, and that do not reflect the will of Jefferson County's population.</p> <p>If the commission is trying to massage the data to fit their preconceived conclusions, or if they over step their bounds in the changes they try to make, legal action may impede their efforts.</p> <p>So I hope they are doing this work in good faith. But I doubt it.</p>		

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86	86	2023-08-04 14:47:23 -0500	Rebecca	Phillips	6	<p>I oppose merger of Louisville Metro government with suburban and other special districts without taxing these areas consistent with the cost of providing services to them. I reside within the City of Louisville boundaries. Recently, recycling pick up service was reduced from weekly to every other week, big trash pick up must now be scheduled and no hazardous waste pickup is offered.</p> <p>We must pay for recycling cans and the older basket model ones will not be emptied.</p> <p>I want my substantial tax dollars going to services with the city proper, not to outlying suburban and special districts. Many of these areas are affluent. They should be obliged to pay proportionally.</p> <p>In closing, I am adamantly opposed to further merger with suburban and special districts.</p>		

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87	87	2023-08-04 15:50:11 -0500	Robert	Monsma	8	<p>I am extremely concerned by the underlying data this committee is using which was created by a former Bevin administration official. Before making policy changes that could alter our tax and administrative structure for generations, we need to have a study from an impartial, third party economist. The commission has released a report from Dr. Coomes but will not release the raw data that informs the report. This is necessary to assure impartiality.</p> <p>The company Urban3 has facilitated these types of analyses in multiple cities across the country which have informed policy changes. I would suggest they be hired as soon as possible to conduct a comprehensive analysis of revenue and services across Jefferson County. This seems like a partisan attempt to slash the Occupational Tax which will affect Louisville Metro Government, TARC, and JCPS significantly for generations.</p> <p>Sincerely, Rob Monsma</p>		

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						<p>Until the Commission releases the raw data that it has been working from, they cannot claim that they are being transparent and impartial.</p> <p>The charts the Commission has presented are misleading because they are not per capita and per acre.</p> <p>A response from Representative Nemes to concerns from the public on the issue of data integrity clearly shows that the Commission is not interested in correctly studying available data and that certain members are drawing conclusions well before the review is finalized.</p> <p>I am concerned that the Commission is merely theatrical. That is: it was formed not to study a problem, but as a pretext for starving the Urban Services District, and usurping Metro powers.</p> <p>If this Commission lacks objectivity, and is found to be a partisan scheme that is massaging data to fit preconceived conclusions, then I have to be highly skeptical of the soundness of its eventual recommendations.</p> <p>If this Commission's possibly ill-gotten findings and recommendations serve as the basis for any changes to Louisville Metro Government, then I have to wonder if legal challenges will put a stop to such changes.</p>		
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89	89	2023-08-04 17:01:08 -0500	Will	Morgan	8	<p>Regardless of what physical services any area has the residents get benefits from living near a large metro like Louisville. We have a lot of attractions downtown and in the historical metro that the suburban communities will use. For instance someone in a home rule neighborhood is highly likely to drive down town to visit a museum, to go to a concert at the YUM center, or to go on a date than someone in a more central neighborhood is to go to their neighborhood.</p> <p>If they decide to leave they still need to pay a portion of the upkeep for the areas that are "common use" like downtown but the city should not be on the hook for any of their upkeep. Otherwise they are simply leaching of the (generally poorer) areas of downtown</p> <p>This should be accomplished by a more level property tax level in new home rule cities and not the reduced value that they currently get.</p>		
90	90	2023-08-04 20:09:39 -0500	David	Andrews	6	<p>I would love to see the state offer the citizens of Jefferson County a mechanism to abolish Metro government. Metro government currently is too big to facilitate competition economic development (compared to our peer cities) and is so uncoordinated and underfunded that it doesn't provide any meaningful regional planning or reliable city services. In other words, Louisville Metro is too big and too cumbersome for all of its residents. I hope that the citizens of Jefferson County will be given a mechanism to disband Louisville Metro as a result of this report to the General Assembly. However, if the General Assembly finds that notion untenable for any reason, I hope that they provide the current Metro Government with additional taxation tools to be able to adequately fund economic development projects and current city services.</p>		

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