

City of Henderson, Kentucky

NOTICE OF SPECIAL CALLED MEETING  
FOR TUESDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2021

October 18, 2021

Commissioner Robert N. Pruitt  
Commissioner Bradly S. Staton  
Commissioner Rodney Thomas  
Commissioner Austin P. Vowels

Dear Board Members:

As a result of the state of emergency declared by the President of the United States, the Governor of Kentucky, and the Mayor of the city of Henderson due to the global COVID-19 pandemic, and in accordance with recommended precautions related to COVID-19, the following Meeting Notice is issued:

Please take notice that as Mayor of the City of Henderson, Kentucky, I hereby call a meeting of the Board of Commissioners to be held on **Tuesday, October 19, 2021, at 3:00 p.m.** in the third-floor assembly room, 222 First Street, Henderson, Kentucky. One or more members of the Board of Commissioners may participate via Zoom and the meeting will be broadcast to the public. The meeting will be broadcast live on Zoom (call in number/webinar ID – 1 312 626 6799 / 821 9875 1578 Password: 8311200) or <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82198751578> Password: 8311200; will be broadcast on cable Spectrum Channel 200; live streamed on the city's website: <https://www.cityofhendersonky.org/CivicMedia>; Facebook and Twitter.

This meeting will be conducted as a video teleconference meeting as allowed under KRS61.826. Any interruption in the video or audio broadcast at any location shall result in the suspension of the meeting until the broadcast is restored.

1. Roll Call

Municipal Order: Municipal Order Amending Municipal Order 48-21 Voluntary Financial Incentive Program for City of Henderson, Kentucky Adult Residents – to Extend the Program Through November 22, 2021

2. Adjournment

Respectfully,

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Steve Austin, Mayor

A copy of the foregoing notice received, and service thereof waived this 19<sup>th</sup> day of October 2021.

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Commissioner Robert N. Pruitt Sr.

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Commissioner Bradley S. Staton

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Commissioner Rodney Thomas

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Commissioner Austin P. Vowels

**City Commission Memorandum  
21-259**

September 17, 2021

TO: Mayor Steve Austin and the Board of Commissioners

FROM: William L. "Buzzy" Newman, Jr., City Manager *BN/MC*

SUBJECT: Amended Public COVID-19 Vaccination Incentives – to Extend the Program Ending Date through November 22, 2021

The accompanying municipal order authorizes the approval of amending Municipal Order 48-21, Voluntary Financial Incentive Program for City of Henderson adult residents who have received full doses of a COVID-19 vaccine.

The amended municipal order will extend the Program ending October 22, 2021 through November 22, 2021, for first dose of the two-dose vaccines and become fully vaccinated within twenty-eight (28) days thereafter. This will hopefully increase the number of vaccinated Hendersonians, in turn decreasing the spread of the virus during the holiday season.

Participating agencies were contacted and are agreeable with extending the Program through November 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Your approval of the attached municipal order is requested.

MUNICIPAL ORDER \_\_\_\_\_

MUNICIPAL ORDER AMENDING MUNICIPAL ORDER 48-21  
VOLUNTARY FINANCIAL INCENTIVE PROGRAM FOR CITY OF  
HENDERSON, KENTUCKY ADULT RESIDENTS WHO HAVE  
RECEIVE FULL DOSES OF COVID 19 VACCINE

WHEREAS, there continues to be an increase of new active cases of Covid-19 within the City of Henderson and Henderson County; and

WHEREAS, as of September 1, 2021, the fully vaccination rate of Henderson County is 40.39% which is below both the state (58%) and national averages (52.7%); and

WHEREAS, the current surge of COVID-19 cases in Henderson County and the counties surrounding Henderson and the associated increase of hospitalizations have caused local hospital to be at capacity or near capacity;

WHEREAS, Kaiser estimates 113,000 unvaccinated Americans who were hospitalized with Covid-19 in June and July would have stayed out of the hospital had they gotten vaccinated, and at an average cost of \$20,000 per hospitalization, those unvaccinated Covid victims required about \$2.3 billion in unnecessary health care spending, in just two months; and

WHEREAS, the City of Henderson would like to provide a financial incentive for its unvaccinated adult citizens to get vaccinated against Covid-19 to assist in stopping the Covid-19 virus outbreak and provide some relief to area hospitals; and

WHEREAS, the City of Henderson received funding from the federal government through the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) which can be used to pay for vaccine incentive programs; and

WHEREAS, the City has worked with T & T Drug Store, Midway Pharmacy, Butler's Apothecary, and the Green River District Health Department to develop, promote, and administer an incentive program to get more City residents vaccinated; and

WHEREAS, the City desires the first one thousand (1,000) adult City of Henderson residents, age 18 and over, who become fully vaccinated during this [~~thirty (30) day~~] period receive a one (1) time financial incentive of One Hundred Dollars (\$100) provided in gift cards with the citizens' understanding that providing false information may result in criminal charges; and

WHEREAS, to be eligible for the financial incentive, all eligible residents must receive his/her first dose of a Covid-19 vaccine between September 22, 2021 and [~~October~~] November 22, 2021, and become fully vaccinated within twenty-eight (28) days thereafter. Those residents who received their first dose of a Covid-19 vaccine, or the one (1) dose of Johnson & Johnson vaccine, on or after September 14, 2021, and receive the second dose of the same vaccine from a participating provider of the Vaccine Incentive Program between September 22, 2021 and [~~October~~] November 22, 2021 are also eligible for the one (1) time financial incentive.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED, by the City of Henderson, Kentucky, will develop a vaccination incentive program for City of Henderson adult residents wherein the first one thousand (1,000) adult residents of the City of Henderson, Kentucky who receive his/her first Covid-19 shot between September 22, 2021 and [~~October~~] November 22, 2021, and become fully vaccinated within twenty-eight (28) days thereafter, at one of the participating pharmacies will receive a \$100 gift card, the funds will come from ARPA funds. Those residents who received their first dose of a Covid-19 vaccine, or the one (1) dose of Johnson & Johnson vaccine, on or after September 14, 2021, and receive the second dose of the same vaccine from a participating provider of the Vaccine Incentive Program between September 22, 2021 and [~~October~~] November 22, 2021 are also eligible for the one (1) time financial incentive.

On motion of Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_, that the foregoing Resolution be adopted, the vote was called. On roll call the vote stood:

Commissioner Pruitt: _____	Commissioner Vowels: _____
Commissioner Staton: _____	Mayor Austin: _____
Commissioner Thomas: _____	

**INTRODUCED, PUBLICLY READ AND FINALLY APPROVED ON ONE READING**, this the \_\_\_\_\_ day of October 2021.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Steve Austin, Mayor  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_

ATTESTED

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Maree Collins, CKMC  
City Clerk

**APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY THIS \_\_\_\_ DAY OF OCTOBER, 2021.**

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Dawn S. Kelsey  
City Attorney