

**AGENDA
URBAN COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION
ZONING ITEMS PUBLIC HEARING**

December 17, 2009

- I. **CALL TO ORDER** – The meeting will be called to order at 1:30 p.m. in the Council Chamber, 2nd Floor LFUCG Government Center, 200 East Main Street, Lexington, Kentucky.
- II. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – Prior Planning Commission meeting minutes of November 19, 2009, will be considered at this time.
- III. **POSTPONEMENTS AND WITHDRAWALS** – Requests for postponement and withdrawal will be considered at this time.
- IV. **LAND SUBDIVISION ITEMS** - The Subdivision Committee met on Thursday, December 3, 2009, at 8:30 a.m. The meeting was attended by Commission members: Derek Paulsen, Mike Owens, Mike Cravens, Marie Copeland and Carolyn Richardson. Committee members in attendance were: Hillard Newman, Division of Engineering; and Jeff Neal, Division of Traffic Engineering. Staff members in attendance were: Chris Taylor, Tom Martin, Denise Bullock, Cheryl Gallt and Jimmy Emmons, as well as Captain Charles Bowen and Firefighter Allen Case, Division of Fire & Emergency Services; Paul Hockensmith, Addressing Office; and Bob Carpenter, Division of Building Inspection. The Committee made recommendations on plans as noted.

General Notes

The following automatically apply to all plans listed on this agenda unless a waiver of any specific section is granted by the Planning Commission.

1. *All preliminary and final subdivision plans are required to conform to the provisions of Article 5 of the Land Subdivision Regulations.*
2. *All development plans are required to conform to the provisions of Article 21 of the Zoning Ordinance.*

- V. **ZONING ITEMS** - The Zoning Committee met on Thursday, December 3, 2009, at 1:30 p.m. in the Division of Planning Office. The meeting was attended by Commission members Ed Holmes, Frank Penn, Lynn Roche-Phillips, Joan Whitman, and William Wilson. The Committee reviewed applications, and made recommendations on zoning items as noted.

A. ABBREVIATED PUBLIC HEARINGS ON ZONE MAP AMENDMENTS AND RELATED PLANS

The staff will call for objectors to determine which petitions are eligible for abbreviated hearings.

Abbreviated public hearings will be held on petitions meeting the following criteria:

- The staff has recommended approval of the zone change petition and related plan(s)
- The petitioner concurs with the staff recommendations
- Petitioner waives oral presentation, but may submit written evidence for the record
- There are no objections to the petition

B. FULL PUBLIC HEARINGS ON ZONE MAP AMENDMENTS AND RELATED PLANS – Following abbreviated hearings, the remaining petitions will be considered.

The procedure for these hearings is as follows:

- Staff Reports (30 minute maximum)
- Petitioner's report(s) (30 minute maximum)
- Citizen Comments
 - (a) proponents (10 minute maximum OR 3 minutes each)
 - (b) objectors (30 minute maximum) (3 minutes each)
- Rebuttal & Closing Statements
 - (a) petitioner's comments (5 minute maximum)
 - (b) citizen objectors (5 minute maximum)
 - (c) staff comments (5 minute maximum)
- Hearing closed and Commission votes on zone change petition and related plan(s)

Note: Requests for additional time, stating the basis for the request, must be submitted to the staff no later than two days prior to the hearing. The Chair will announce its decision at the outset of the hearing.

1. RAS LAND, INC., ZONING MAP AMENDMENT & RAS PROPERTY ZONING DEVELOPMENT PLAN

- a. **MAR 2009-14: RAS LAND, INC.** (1/7/10)* - petition for a zone map amendment from a Two-Family Residential (R-2) zone to a Mixed-Use: Neighborhood Node (MU-1) zone, for 0.25 net (0.33 gross) acre, for property located at 333 South Upper Street.

LAND USE PLAN AND PROPOSED USE

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The 2007 Comprehensive Plan (Sector 1) recommends Downtown Master Plan future land use for the subject property. The petitioner proposes reuse of the historic structure for professional office and residential uses. The petitioner proposes removing a small addition to the rear of the building, construction of one residential unit in the same location, and locating four dwelling units and office space in the existing structure. The proposed mixture of uses is 57% residential and 43% professional office.

The Zoning Committee Recommended: **Disapproval**, for the reasons provided by staff.

The Staff Recommended: **Disapproval**, for the following reasons:

1. The requested rezoning to a Mixed-Use: Neighborhood Node (MU-1) zone cannot be found to be in agreement with the 2007 Comprehensive Plan and the *Downtown Lexington Masterplan*, which recommend neighborhood residential land use for the subject property. The petitioner proposes residential and office uses on the subject property.
 2. The existing Two Family Residential (R-2) zone is appropriate and the proposed MU-1 zone is inappropriate for the following reasons:
 - a. An existing non-conforming use exists on the subject property that would allow 8-10 dwelling units, for a density of up to 40.0 dwelling units per net acre, to continue. This residential density supports the urban nature of the Historic South Hill Neighborhood and is in agreement with the 2007 Comprehensive Plan and the *Downtown Lexington Masterplan*'s recommendation.
 - b. Macks Alley creates a more appropriate land use buffer and zoning boundary between the historic neighborhood and the more intense church and residential uses to the northeast.
 - c. The historic neighborhood should maintain its urban residential core without constant pressure of more intense uses, such as the ones available in the mixed use zones, as recommended by the *Downtown Lexington Masterplan* in designating the immediate area along South Upper Street as a "residential neighborhood" area that requires selective infill and redevelopment.
 - d. Businesses already provide neighborhood level retail and office uses so that additional commercial land uses are not currently necessary at this location.
- b. ZDP 2009-76: RAS PROPERTY (1/7/10)* - located at 333 South Upper Street.

(Barrett Partners)

The Subdivision Committee Recommended: **Approval**, subject to the following requirements:

1. Provided the Urban County Council rezones the property MU-1; otherwise, any Commission action of approval is null and void.
 2. Urban County Engineer's acceptance of drainage, storm, and sanitary sewers.
 3. Urban County Traffic Engineer's approval of street cross-sections and access.
 4. Building Inspection's approval of landscaping and required street tree information.
 5. Addressing Office's approval of street names and addresses.
 6. Urban Forester's approval of tree preservation plan.
 7. Denote Historic Overlay (H-1) zone in site statistics.
 8. Denote developer's information.
 9. Denote storm drainage locations.
 10. Denote: Board of Architectural Review approval will be required at the time of a final development plan.
 11. Correct tree canopy information.
 12. Correct plan title to reflect status as a preliminary development plan.
 13. Denote landscape buffer adjacent to the R-2 zone.
 14. Denote: This property shall be developed in accordance with the approved final development plan.
2. **GROVER C. HUFF AND BRENDA HUFF ZONING MAP AMENDMENT & HAMBURG PLACE FARM, PLAUDIT PLACE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, LOT 5F ZONING DEVELOPMENT PLAN**

- a. MAR 2009-15: GROVER C. HUFF AND BRENDA HUFF (2/11/10)* - petition for a zone map amendment from a Wholesale and Warehouse Business (B-4) zone to a Highway Service Business (B-3) zone, for 1.04 net (1.24 gross) acres, for property located at 1872 Plaudit Place.

LAND USE PLAN AND PROPOSED USE

The 2007 Comprehensive Plan (Sector 8) recommends Retail, Trade and Personal Services (RT) land use for the subject property. The petitioner proposes a retail use of the subject property, with no physical change to the existing structure or the off-street parking.

The Zoning Committee Recommended: **Approval**, for the reasons provided by staff.

The Staff Recommended: **Approval**, for the following reason:

1. A restricted Highway Service Business (B-3) zone for the subject property is in agreement with the Retail, Trade and Personal Services (RT) future land use recommendation of the 2007 Comprehensive Plan at this location, since a retail

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use is proposed. The use restrictions offered by the petitioner will make the proposed zoning compatible with existing B-3 zoning in the immediate area.

2. This recommendation is made subject to the approval and certification of ZDP 2009-85: Hamburg Place Farm, Plaudit Place Community Development, Lot 5F prior to forwarding a recommendation to the Urban County Council. This certification must be accomplished within two weeks of the Planning Commission's approval.
3. Under the provisions of Article 6-7 of the Zoning Ordinance, the following uses are to be prohibited for the subject property via conditional zoning:
 - a. Establishments and lots for the display, rental, sale, service or minor repair of farm equipment, contractor equipment, tractor-trailer trucks, travel trailers, mobile homes, or supplies for such items.
 - b. Drive-in restaurants.
 - c. Adult arcades, massage parlors, adult bookstores, adult video stores, adult cabarets, adult dancing establishments, adult entertainment establishments, and sexual entertainment centers.
 - d. Taxidermy establishments.
 - e. Kennels.
 - f. Pawnshops.
 - g. Amusement park, fairgrounds, or horse racing track.
 - h. Outdoor recreational facilities including go-cart tracks, archery courts, skateboard and roller skating tracks, trampoline centers, rifle and other fire-arm ranges, swimming pools, water slides and other water-related facilities, and other similar uses.
 - i. Outdoor theaters.
 - j. Outdoor loud speakers.
 - k. "Advertising signs" (billboards) as defined in Article 17-3(b)(1) of the Zoning Ordinance.

These restrictions are appropriate and necessary for the subject property in order to restrict the most intense land uses otherwise allowable in the B-3 zone and those that are not recommended by the Comprehensive Plan at this location or in this area.

- b. ZDP 2009-85: HAMBURG PLACE FARM, PLAUDIT PLACE COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT, LOT 5F (2/11/10)* -
located at 1872 Plaudit Place. **(EA Partners)**

The Subdivision Committee Recommended: Approval, subject to the following requirements:

1. Provided the Urban County Council rezones the property B-3; otherwise, any Commission action of approval is null and void.
2. Urban County Engineer's acceptance of drainage, storm and sanitary sewers, and floodplain information.
3. Urban County Traffic Engineer's approval of parking, circulation, access, and street cross-sections.
4. Building Inspection's approval of landscaping and landscape buffers.
5. Urban Forester's approval of tree inventory map.
6. Improve legibility of contour lines and elevation references.
7. Addition of height of building.
8. Correct note number 18 from previous plan.
9. Correct plan title.
10. Correct site statistics to match B-3 acreage and statistics.
11. Clarify and correct zoning lines (to middle of street).

3. KAITEN PATEL ZONING MAP AMENDMENT & BRYAN PROPERTY ZONING DEVELOPMENT PLAN

- a. MAR 2009-16: KAITEN PATEL (2/11/10)* - petition for a zone map amendment from an Agricultural Urban (A-U) zone to a Highway Service Business (B-3) zone, for 7.35 net (7.60 gross) acres, for property located at 1810 Bryant Road.

LAND USE PLAN AND PROPOSED USE

The 2007 Comprehensive Plan (Sector 8) recommends Light Industrial (LI) land use for the subject property. The petitioner proposes a hotel, retail space, and associated off-street parking at this location.

The Zoning Committee Recommended: **Postponement**, for the reasons provided by staff.

The Staff Recommended: **Postponement**, for the following reasons:

1. The effects of the proposed zoning and uses on the established residential neighborhoods and the adjacent agricultural property need to be further evaluated. The applicant's proposal to significantly increase the intensity of use without restriction is a major concern.
2. No buffers have been proposed by the applicant near the Timber Creek subdivision.

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- b. ZDP 2009-86: BRYAN PROPERTY (2/11/10)* - located at 1810 Bryant Road.

(Vision Engineering)

The Subdivision Committee Recommended: Approval, subject to the following requirements:

1. Provided the Urban County Council rezones the property B-3; otherwise, any Commission action of approval is null and void.
2. Urban County Engineer's acceptance of drainage, storm and sanitary sewers, and floodplain information.
3. Urban County Traffic Engineer's approval of parking, circulation, access, and street cross-sections.
4. Building Inspection's approval of landscaping and landscape buffers.
5. Urban Forester's approval of tree inventory map.
6. Greenspace Planner's approval of the treatment of greenways and greenspace.
7. Addition of building dimensions.
8. Label construction entrance(s).
9. Addition of existing and proposed utility easement(s).
10. Delete note number 7 and correct note number 11.
11. Label building canopies.
12. Addition of bearings and distances for lot line on lots 1 & 2.
13. Denote: Mitigation for the loss of significant trees (per Article 26 of the Zoning Ordinance) will be identified at the time of final development plan.
14. Denote: Screening requirements and lighting adjacent to residential property will be resolved at the time of final development plan.
15. Identify internal pedestrian connection from proposed hotel to trail.

V. COMMISSION ITEMS

- A. ANNUAL REPORT FROM PURCHASE OF DEVELOPMENT RIGHTS PROGRAM – The Commission will hear from Mr. Billy Van Pelt, who will present the required Annual Report from the Rural Land Management Board.
- B. ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE COURTHOUSE AREA – The Commission will hear from Mr. Billy Van Pelt, who will present the required Annual Report from the Courthouse Area Design Review Board.
- C. SUBDIVISION REGULATION TEXT AMENDMENT INITIATION - DELETE ARTICLE 6-4(i) REGARDING STREET ADDRESSING AUTHORITY – The staff will request Commission initiation of an amendment to delete this Article of the Land Subdivision Regulations regarding the assignment of street addresses by the Commission. This regulation is in conflict with Section 17-2 of the Code of Ordinances. The conflict has let do some question about which government entity has the authority to assign street addresses. The Department of Law has recommended this amendment to the Division of Planning in order to eliminate any future uncertainty.

VI. STAFF ITEMS

- A. PFR 2009-8: COMMONWEALTH OF KY FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION CABINET – a public facilities review of new construction of the Eastern State Hospital Replacement Facility, located at 1350 Bull Lea Road, in the Coldstream Research Park.

SUMMARY FINDINGS: There are no Goals or Objectives of the Comprehensive Plan that are in opposition to use of the property as the Replacement Facility for Eastern State Hospital. Not only is it in compliance with the Land Use Element of the Plan (which is based on the current zoning), several Goals and Objectives, as well as text of the Plan, support the project. The property is within the Royal Spring Aquifer Protection Area and, merely by virtue of its development and occupancy 24/7/365, has the potential to contaminate the ground water system if Best Management Practices are not adhered to. Other than ensuring that a potable water supply for Scott and Fayette Counties is maintained, there are no significant issues that might be of concern in the proposed development and use of this property.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Approval, as requested, with the following recommendations:

1. Because the property is within the Wellhead Protection Area, it is recommended that the proposal be presented to the Royal Spring Water Supply Protection Committee, which is an advisory committee for Scott and Fayette Counties, the purpose of which is to review any development proposed within the Wellhead Aquifer Protection Area. The Committee is charged with protection of the water supply within the two counties and the ground water system that feeds it, in accordance with the requirements of the Kentucky Water Supply Planning Regulations (401 KAR 4:220).
2. It is recognized that the facility (primary hospital and other [personal care] buildings) will be LEED Silver Certified; however, because it is within the Wellhead Protection Area, Best Management Practices (BMP) should be used for all aspects of property development in order to protect the Cane Run Creek and its associated watershed.

B. Planning Services Activity Report

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- During the month of November, the Planning Services staff processed a total of 7 zone map amendments, and 3 text amendments to either the Zoning Ordinance or Land Subdivision Regulations—forwarding all three staff reports to private citizen-applicants for November agenda items at least ten working days prior to the scheduled Planning Commission public hearing(s). Also, 20 Board of Adjustment appeals were processed, 13 of which were for filed the Board's November meeting. All of those 13 written staff reports were forwarded to those applicants at least five working days in advance of the BOA public hearing.

In November, 32 subdivision and development plan items were processed by Planning Services staff, 10 of which were minor plans which were reviewed within two working days of their filing in every case. This month, another 5 major plans were submitted for certification—all of which were reviewed for compliance with all Planning Commission conditions of approval (including follow-up communications made with the plan preparers) within five working days of their submission to the Planning Services staff. The staff also provided floodplain assistance for 10 local property inquiries, which included 1 community determined BFE (which is a very specialized type of floodplain assistance for an individual property).

Processing of the above items included attendance and/or preparation of materials and presentations for the following: Technical, Subdivision and Zoning Committee meetings, one Planning Commission public hearing, one Planning Commission public meeting, and one Board of Adjustment public hearing. In addition, the staff held 2 pre-application conferences for zoning amendment requests, and several pre-application meetings for subdivision, development plan and Board of Adjustment items.

Also during November, there were 16 updates made to the Registered Neighborhood Association data base, and Planning Services staff assisted 48 unscheduled "walk-in" visitors other than attorneys and local land development professionals. Those unannounced office visitors were placed with a professional staff member in an average of 2.21 minutes. Much of the remainder of the staff's time was spent answering numerous telephone inquiries from people concerning zoning, subdivision plans, development plans, Board of Adjustment appeals, floodplains and related items.

- Planning Manager Bill Sallee completed review meetings with local engineers and surveyors prior to the last two meetings of the Technical Committee—the most recent being on the morning of November 25. The new Plan Certification filing deadlines were reviewed, along with what to expect from Planning Services staff at future Technical Committee meetings as these land development professionals work to complete their plans next year.
- Senior Planner Traci Wade continued work in November on a database that will be able to identify parcels with conditional zoning restrictions, and provide access to those applicable ordinances, via the LFUCG website. When completed, this work will identify all such ordinances back to 1987, when the first conditional zoning restrictions were seen in Lexington-Fayette County.
- Senior Planner Jimmy Emmons continued work on Infill & Redevelopment activities in November, including proposed legislation that will permit accessory dwelling units. Working towards an IR Steering Committee meeting in early December, the proposal for ADU's has been refined over the past several months and is now ready to be evaluated by the full Committee. The staff will forward this proposal to the Fayette County Neighborhood Council for review and comment prior to bringing any discussion of ADU's to the Planning Commission.
- Administrative Officer Barbara Rackers attended a meeting of the Town and Gown Commission on November 18th, and a Newtown Pike Neighborhood Meeting the following day. Planning Services has assumed some of these former Strategic Planning duties in 2009.
- Planner Chris Taylor has met with and begun some preliminary work with Long Range Planning staff to review and analyze vacant land acreages within the Urban Services Area. This information will be needed for the next update to the Comprehensive Plan.
- In November, Senior Planner Tom Martin prepared a community based floodplain elevation for one local property, and assisted two property owners with letters clarifying their floodplain information for insurance purposes. This type of direct assistance, while not very glamorous, is routine in Planning Services to assist our citizens in participating in the National Flood Insurance Program.
- In November, Planning Services staff began gearing up for new work next year in subdivision and development plan review. In 2009 and in years past, review comments on plans submitted to the Land Subdivision Technical Committee were provided orally at that meeting. However, beginning in January, such review comments will be distributed in writing at that monthly meeting directly to the professionals who have prepared these plans. It is hoped that this improved service will be a help to those land development professionals and their clients over our past practice.

C. Long Range Planning Activity Report

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- South Nicholasville Road Small Area Plan – With a unanimous vote, the Planning Commission adopted the South Nicholasville Road SAP as an amendment to the *2007 Comprehensive Plan* at a public hearing on November 12, 2009. The hearing included a presentation by staff and comments from the public. The Plan includes recommendations for mixed-use land use for several large parcels and for trail, transit, and road improvements throughout the area. For more information and to review the Plan, please see the SNR SAP Website at: <http://www.lexingtonky.gov/index.aspx?page=1468>.
- Sustainable Communities Conference – Staff attended the morning session of the Sustainable Communities Conference that was moderated by Dr. Derek Paulsen. The session included the presentation, “Crime Prevention and Sustainability: The English Experience” by Calvin Beckford with the United Kingdom’s Association of Chief Police Officers. A roundtable of local academics and community leaders provided their thoughts on economic and environmental sustainability and how to improve the practice of sustainability through architecture, urban planning, and crime prevention. The conference was held at the Central Library auditorium.
- Central Sector and East End Plan Implementation – A team of community leaders and LFUCG staff continued to review the implementation tasks for the Central Sector and East End Small Area Plans. The team will meet regularly to assess the progress of implementation.
- Congestion Management Committee – Staff presented the recently adopted South Nicholasville Road Small Area Plan to the Lexington MPO’s Congestion Management Committee. The Committee includes representatives of the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet, LFUCG Traffic Engineering, Police, and Transportation Planning, and LexTran. The Committee expressed support for traffic and congestion management initiatives in the Plan, including increased transit routes and stops, new collector roads, and trail construction.
- Green work, Greenways and Bike/Ped – Staff attended the Greenway Coordinating Committee meeting and continued to update the LFUCG trail and greenway properties databases and maps. Staff also attended the Greenspace Commission meeting.
- Development Review – Staff conducted a variety of development review duties and meetings, conducted field work, and coordinated greenway and greenspace development issues.
- General Work Activities – Staff prepared for and attended the Technical Review Committee. Staff answered questions about land use and other comprehensive plan issues as well as neighborhood association issues. Staff updated the Neighborhood Association data base. Using GIS, Census data, and PCensus software, staff created maps and data sets for the Urban County Council, other LFUCG Departments, and agencies and officials outside the government. Staff also attended LFUCG-sponsored training sessions, including PeopleSoft and staff development training.

D. Transportation Planning Activity Report

Administration – Committee meeting packets were prepared and distributed for the following Transportation Planning/MPO meetings held in November: Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC), Transportation Technical Coordinating Committee (TTCC), and Transportation Policy Committee (TPC).

- MPO Newsletter - “Bluegrass Traveler” – working on newsletter for next edition.
- Compiled and filed copies of all KYTC STIP actions, and state and federal program management authorization forms.

Transportation Improvement Programming (TIP) –

- Held meeting to discuss new TIP adjustments and the Federal Rescission Program reductions; included ARRA review.

Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) –

- The MPO staff continued to monitor ITS issues and pursue additional coordination with the LFUCG Division of Traffic Engineering, KYTC, and FHWA.

Surveillance –

- MPO Website Development – website continues to receive moderate growth in all categories. MPO staff updates the web site with new links, graphics and content on a continual basis.
- Staff attended The Bluegrass ADD Regional Transportation Committee meeting in November. Other important meetings with MPO staff participation included:
- Corridors Committee was not held but application for MPO Representative was submitted.
- Staff attended (as a member) the South Nicholasville Road SAP Steering Committee meeting.
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- Staff attended the Harrodsburg Road Corridor Plan Advisory Committee meeting.
- Staff organized ARRA project implementation coordination meeting.
- Staff attended the Blue Grass Airport Board meeting on November 18.

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- Staff held three meetings to get public input on the possible conversion of Second Street and Short Street to two-way traffic.

Transportation Plan Update –

- The Lexington MPO Public Participation/Involvement Access Database continues to be updated. The database now includes over 850 records.
- Travel Demand Model – Staff modeler continues to provide travel demand forecasts upon request and interprets modeling forecast results.

Transit Planning –

- Staff attended CMAQ workshop in Frankfort 11-12.
- Staff coordinated Second & Short Street conversion meetings.
- Staff working with LRP to consult on methodology for vacant land inventory.
- Staff met with Info USA representative to scrutinize data offerings for possible upcoming projects including MPO Traffic Model Update.
- Staff attended Second & Short Street Possible Conversion Study meeting held in Phoenix Bldg 11-17. .
- Staff attended meeting at EOP with KU reps concerning solar tie-in to the grid. Ongoing discussion taking place with this issue. Seeking practical solution for future tie-ins with bus shelter amenities etc.

Transportation-Land Use Impact Analysis and Forecasting –

- Staff participated in regularly scheduled development review meetings, and provided review and input on transportation, transit, and land use impact issues.
- Staff performed the monthly review of proposed zoning map amendments and proposed development plans for “general consistency” among planning efforts and different Planning units.
- Traffic count and roadway functional classification and TDM data information was provided to several development professionals, private consultants, and to citizens in November.
- The MPO staff continues to monitor the *Jessamine Journal* and the Jessamine County Comprehensive Plan to track on-going land development and consults with County officials on a regular basis to keep abreast of development activities.
- Identified roadway safety issues in Fayette and Jessamine counties.
- Staff met with Traffic Engineering consultant to discuss potential US 68 South Broadway and Virginia Avenue intersection improvement alternatives for a future land development at Red Mile Road.
- Staff attended University of Kentucky Transportation Center Traffic Impact Studies (TIS) Workshop to learn the latest regulations and guidelines for meeting KYTC Permits Manual Policy requirements for the performance of the TIS.
- Staff met with Bluegrass Area Development District representatives and KYTC District 7 to discuss regional transportation planning and program funding for a larger effort.

Multimodal / Intermodal Planning –

- Trail projects – Staff attended a presentation and provided feedback on the Jacobson Park Trails Feasibility and Design study. Staff prepared comments on the final draft of the feasibility study for the RJ Corman Lexington to Versailles rail trail.
- Grants – Staff met with the Division of Engineering and Parks & Recreation to begin formulating grant applications for this cycle. Due to federal funding rescissions, grant application deadline have been delayed. Staff also met with UK to discuss potential bike-ped grants including improvements to Cooper Drive.
- Second Sunday – Over 5,000 people attended the Second Sunday event in downtown Lexington on October 11.
- Public Information/Education Campaign – Staff is working with LFUCG’s PIO and Bike Task Force to launch a Bike Lexington webpage.
- Public Presentations - Staff presented at the Bluegrass Energy Expo, a UK Geography class and UK Engineering class.
- South Limestone Multimodal Transportation Study – the three (3) draft alternatives were presented to the Steering Committee as well as at a public meeting in October. In November, staff continued to work with committee.
- Streetscape Projects – Staff attended a series of meetings and coordinated a presentation to the Bike Task Force on the streetscape projects for Main and Vine Street. The schedule for the projects, which include major improvements for bicycling and walking, anticipates completion in July 2010.
- Community Bike Sharing Program – Funding for an automated bike sharing program was announced through the Department of Energy. Staff is working with the Department of Environmental Quality to begin implementing the project.
- Sidewalks – Staff responded to inquires related to sidewalks on Wilson Downing, Tates Creek Road, Citation Boulevard and St Joseph Drive. Still working on this request.
- Freight Planning – The final draft of the Freight Section Extension is complete and available for review by MPO members and interested parties.

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Air Quality Activities –

- Air quality forecasting ended in September. Actual air quality monitor readings will be tracked to assess the accuracy of the forecasting model in Lexington.
- Staff attended a LFUCG Local Action Plan meeting to develop a plan to address climate change.
- Staff attended a Kentucky Climate Action Plan meeting.
- The CMAQ application notice was revised based on KYTC's delayed schedule and distributed to MPO committees and other interested parties.
- An Air Quality Advisory Committee meeting was held.
- Staff participated in an air quality conference call.

Congestion Management Process (CMP) –

- Staff continued to work on the Congestion Management Process (CMP) Overview document.
- Staff prepared the Congestion Management Committee (CMC) meeting agenda, previous meeting summary, and presentation for the November CMC meeting.
- Staff continued to work on the *Linking Planning, Engineering, Operations and Safety (LPEOS) program*.
- Staff attended planning and transportation planning related meetings to gain directions and ideas in addressing congestion issues of the fall and winter season.
- Staff collected road closure information and prepared to help citizens and residents in regard to selecting alternate commute routes when regular commute roadways are closed or partially-closed for construction or re-construction.

Mobility Office Activities –

- Regular mobility office activities continued this month as well as researching new initiatives for the upcoming mobility marketing campaign.

Staff Development –

- Staff continues to monitor the latest information from planning, engineering, and traffic engineering publications.
- Staff attended Division-wide safety training meeting.
- Staff accessed a webinar – Driving and the Built Environment: The Effects of Compact Development on Motorized Travel, Energy Use, and CO2 Emissions.

Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) –

- Staff reviewed UPWP to ensure work program elements are being fulfilled, monitored, and improved for relevancy and changing Public Works needs.

VII. AUDIENCE ITEMS – Citizens may bring a planning related matter before the Commission at this time for general discussion or future action. Items that will NOT be heard are those requiring the Commission's formal action, such as zoning items for early rehearing, map or text amendments; subdivision or development plans, etc. These last mentioned items must be filed in advance of this meeting in conformance with the adopted filing schedule.

VIII. MEETING DATES FOR JANUARY, 2010

Subdivision Committee, Thursday, 8:30 a.m., Planning Division Office (101 East Vine Street).....	January 7, 2010
Zoning Committee, Thursday, 1:30 p.m., Planning Division Office (101 East Vine Street).....	January 7, 2010
Subdivision Items Public Meeting , Thursday, 1:30 p.m., 2 nd Floor Council Chambers.....	January 14, 2010
Work Session, Thursday, 1:30 p.m., 2 nd Floor Council Chambers.....	January 21, 2010
Council Planning Committee Joint Meeting.....	January 26, 2010
Technical Committee, Wednesday, 8:30 a.m., Planning Division Office (101 East Vine Street).....	January 27, 2010
Zoning Items Public Hearing , Thursday, 1:30 p.m., 2 nd Floor Council Chambers.....	January 28, 2010

IX. ADJOURNMENT