Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government

200 E. Main St
Lexington, KY 40507

Tuesday, April 21, 2015

3:00 PM

Packet

Council Chamber

Urban County Council Work Session

URBAN COUNTY COUNCIL
SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS
April 20 – April 27, 2015

Monday, April 20
No Meetings

Tuesday, April 21
Environmental Quality & Public Works Committee……1:00 pm
Council Chamber – 2nd Floor Government Center

Work Session……..…3:00 pm
Council Chamber – 2nd Floor Government Center

Wednesday, April 22
Transportation Policy Committee……1:30 pm
Council Chamber – 2nd Floor Government Center

Parks Advisory Board……4:30 pm
Picadome – 469 Parkway Drive

Thursday, April 23
Finance & Social Services Link……12:00 pm
Caucus Room – 2nd Floor Government Center

Friday, April 24
No Meetings

Monday, April 27
No Meetings

Lexington-Fayette Urban County Council
Work Session Agenda
April 21, 2015

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X. Adjournment

Administrative Synopsis - New Business Items

a	**0446-15**	Authorization establish a "Sole Source" agreement between the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government and Sierra Monitor Corp. in the amount of $59,291.98 without competitive bidding for the purchase of stationary hazardous gas monitoring equipment for the West Hickman WWTP. Funds are fully budgeted. (L0446-15)(Martin/Holmes) p. 3-4
b	**0449-15**	Authorization to execute an agreement between the LFUCG and Cornerstone Environmental to provide design, construction administration, and quality assurance for restoration to the landfill cap of the Haley Pike Landfill. This agreement is an award from RFP #63-2014. The cost will be $43,630. The funds are budgeted. (L0449-15)(Thurman/Holmes) p. 5
c	**0455-15**	Authorization to accept a donation to Parks and Recreation in the amount of $2,317.90 from the Meadows-Loudon Neighborhood Association. The donation is to be used for the purchase of one (1) park bench and the remainder to be used to purchase and plant oak trees. The bench and trees will be placed in Castlewood Park. A budget amendment is in process. (L0455-15)(Reed) p. 6
d	**0465-15**	Authorization to approve modification to the existing Accela Civic Platform Phase 2 implementation contract between LFUCG and Accela Inc. in accordance with the Capacity Assurance Program. The request stems from analysis sessions between LFUCG and Accela during which it was discovered that additional resources will be necessary to facilitate and enhance the Department's mission. This implementation will help to provide streamlined services in Planning, Building Inspection, and Engineering. A budget amendment in the amount of $35,000 has been initiated for FY15. The annual impact will be $134,752. (L0465-15)(Paulsen) p. 7
e	**0470-15**	Authorization to submit application to the U.S. Department of Labor for development and implementation of an employment training program that targets court-involved youth. The program is designed to improve the workforce outcomes of court-involved youth who have never been convicted in the adult criminal system. If awarded, no local match is required. There is no budgetary impact. (L0470-15)(Gooding/Ford) p. 8
f	**0474-15**	Authorization to execute amendments to multiple Neighborhood Action Match Agreements to modify the scope of work and/or extend the deadline for expenditure of funds to December 31, 2015. These Neighborhood Action Match Agreements are for Headley Green Homeowners Association, the Gratz Park Neighborhood Association, the Northside Neighborhood Association, and the Ashland Neighborhood Association. There is no budgetary impact. (L0474)(Gooding/Hamilton) p. 9

g **0479-15** Authorization to revise an agreement the LFUCG and IBM BCRS for disaster recovery services. This revision will increase the original contract by $51,660. The change is needed to increase the server and storage requirements for effective disaster recovery services. The new contract amount is $136,020 and is budgeted for FY15. (L0479-15)(Nugent/Valicenti) p. 10

URBAN COUNTY COUNCIL
WORK SESSION
TABLE OF MOTIONS
April 14, 2015

Mayor Gray called the meeting to order at 3:00pm. Council Members Kay, Stinnett, Moloney, J. Brown, Gibbs, Lamb, Farmer, Evans, Scutchfield, F. Brown, Mossotti, Bledsoe, Henson and Lane were present. Council Member Akers was absent.

I. Public Comment – Issues on Agenda

II. Requested Rezonings/Docket Approval

Motion by Farmer to approve the docket for April 16, 2015. Seconded by Scutchfield. Motion passed without dissent.

Motion by Lamb to place ordinance number 3 on the docket without a public hearing. Seconded by Farmer. Motion passed without dissent.

Motion by Scutchfield to place ordinance number 4 on docket without a public hearing. Seconded by Henson. Motion passed without dissent.

Motion by Stinnett to place ordinance ordinance number 5 on the docket without a public hearing. Seconded by Farmer. Motion passed without dissent.

III. Approval of Summary

Motion by Mossotti to approve the April 7, 2015 work session summary. Seconded by Farmer. Motion passed without dissent.

IV. Budget Amendments

Motion by Farmer to approve budget amendments. Seconded by Scutchfield. Motion passed without dissent.

V. New Business

Motion by Farmer to approve new business. Seconded by Scutchfield. Motion passed without dissent. Lane recused on item E.

VI. Continuing Business/Presentations

Motion by Kay to approve neighborhood development funds. Seconded by Scutchfield. Motion passed without dissent.

Motion by Gibbs to place on the docket for the April 16, 2015 Council meeting an ordinance creating and establishing the "Downtown Lexington Management District" pursuant to KRS 91.750, et seq. Seconded by Farmer. Motion passed with a 12 - 1 vote. Kay, Stinnett, Moloney, J. Brown, Gibbs, Lamb, Farmer, Evans, Scutchfield, F. Brown, Mossotti, Bledsoe and Henson voted yes. Lane voted no.

Motion by Gibbs to schedule the public hearing on the question of the establishment of the proposed "Downtown Lexington Management District", as required by KRS 91.756, for April 30, 2015 at 6 p.m. Seconded by Farmer. Motion passed without dissent.

VII. Council Reports

Motion by Moloney to place the neighborhood traffic management program into the Environmental Quality & Public Works committee for review and discussion. Seconded by Farmer. Motion passed without dissent.

Motion by Stinnett to direct the Administration to use remaining paving funds for the Man O' War and Beaver Creek project. Seconded by Farmer. Motion passed without dissent.

Motion by Kay to go into closed session pursuant to KRS 61.810(1)(c) for the purpose of discussing pending litigation. Seconded by Farmer. Motion passed without dissent.

Motion by Kay to return from closed session. Seconded by Mossotti. Motion passed without dissent.

Motion by Stinnett to place on the docket for Thursday, April 16 a resolution initiating text amendments to provide for day shelters to be permitted uses in certain zones and conditional uses in other zones. Seconded by Moloney. Motion passed without dissent.

VIII. Mayor's Report

IX. Public Comment – Issues Not on Agenda

X. Adjournment

Motion by Stinnett to adjourn at 5:25pm. Seconded by Farmer. Motion passed without dissent.

Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY AND PUBLIC WORKS

Jim Gray
Mayor

David L Holmes
Commissioner

TO: Todd Slatin, Director
Division of Purchasing

FROM: Charles H. Martin, P.E., Director
Division of Water Quality

DATE: April 1, 2015

SUBJECT: Sole Source Recommendation for Sierra Monitor Corporation

The Division of Water Quality requests a resolution authorizing a "Sole Source" agreement between the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government and Sierra Monitor Corporation in the amount of $59,291.98 without competitive bidding. The "Sole Source" request is for the purchase of Sierra Monitor Corporation stationary hazardous gas monitoring equipment (sensor, transmitters and controllers) for completion of a project that replaces/upgrades existing and obsolete(no longer technically supported) stationary hazardous gas monitoring equipment located at West Hickman Creek WWTP.

As a result of Bid# 33-2012 (Hazardous Gas Detection Systems) and subsequent Resolution #214-2012, the specified hazardous gas monitoring equipment manufactured and sold by Sierra Monitor Corporation (SMC) has become the "standard" for stationary hazardous gas detection equipment installed within the Division of Water Quality. At the time of Resolution #214-2012, Industrial Products Corporation (IPC) was the single regional distributor for SMC products. Resolution #214-2012 established a Unit Price Contract (UPC) for SMC products.

Prior to the completion of the replacement/upgrade of the hazardous gas detection system(s) at West Hickman, SMC and IPC terminated their contract and ended their manufacturer – distributor relationship. The UPC associated with Resolution #214-2012 could not be transferred to SMC because the resolution identified IPC as the vendor.

Therefore, in order to proceed with and complete the project, the Division of Water Quality is recommending a resolution designating Sole Source Certification for Sierra Monitor Corporation as it relates to stationary hazardous gas detection systems for the division. The benefit of this resolution would be two-fold:

- Allows for efficient completion of $284,276.98 replacement/upgrade project which was suspended at 79% of completion, and
- Maintains equipment/system uniformity within the Division of Water Quality.

Attached with this request is a letter from Sierra Monitor Corporation (SMC) documenting that they are the sole source manufacturer and distributor of gas detection equipment specified for the replacement/upgrade of the hazardous gas detection system project. Additionally, SMC will be honoring the original "unit prices" as provided in Resolution #214-2012.

The project is fully budgeted and funds are located in the accounting shown below:
4002 303403 0001 91017

Should you have any questions, please contact me at extension 2455.

Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY AND PUBLIC WORKS

Jim Gray
Mayor

David L. Holmes
Commissioner

TO: Mayor Jim Gray
Urban County Council

FROM:

Tracey Thurman, Director
Division of Waste Management

DATE: April 9, 2015

RE: **Engineering Services Agreement for Haley Pike Landfill Cap Restoration**
RFP #1-2015

The Division of Waste Management is requesting a resolution authorizing the award of an engineering services agreement between the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government (LFUCG) and Cornerstone Environmental to provide design, construction administration and quality assurance for restoration to the landfill cap of the Haley Pike Landfill located at 4216 Hedger Lane. The agreement is for an amount not to exceed $43,630.

On April 6, 2015, a Request for Proposal (RFP) selection committee reviewed six (6) proposals for providing engineering services submitted in response to **RFP #63-2014**. The committee scored each proposal according to the criteria advertised in the RFP, and unanimously recommended Cornerstone Environmental for the contract.

The project is fully budgeted and funds are located in the following account:

4121- 303102 - 3061 – 71205

A copy of the Proposal and agreement is attached.

If you have any questions, please let me know. Thank you for your consideration.

Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government
DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES

Jim Gray
Mayor

Geoff Reed
Commissioner, General Services

MEMORANDUM

TO: **Jim Gray, Mayor**
Sally Hamilton, CAO
Urban County Council Members

FROM: Geoff Reed
Geoff Reed, Commissioner
General Services

RE: **Donation**

DATE: **April 8, 2015**

This is a request for Council approval of a donation to Parks and Recreation in the amount of $2,317.90 from the Meadows-Loudon Neighborhood Association.

This donation is to be used for the purchase of one (1) park bench and the remainder be used to purchase and plant Burr Oak trees. The bench and the trees will be placed in Castlewood Park.

Please contact me if there are any questions.

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Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government
DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING, PRESERVATION & DEVELOPMENT

Jim Gray
Mayor

Derek Paulsen, PhD
Commissioner

MEMORANDUM

To: Mayor Jim Gray
Sally Hamilton, CAO
Aldona Valicenti, CIO
Derek Paulsen, Commissioner
Urban County Council

From: Kevin Wente, Administrative Officer Sr

Date: April 7, 2015

RE: Request to authorize Accela phase II contract modification within the Department of Planning, Preservation & Development

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This memorandum is to request the authorization, by Urban County Council, for modification to the existing Accela Civic Platform phase II implementation contract in accordance with the Capacity Assurance Program. The request stems from lengthy analysis sessions among LFUCG and our partners with Accela Inc.; during which it was discovered that additional resources (time, programming, reports, etc.) will be necessary to facilitate and enhance the Department's mission. This implementation will help leverage our technology investments in Water Quality to provide streamlined services in Planning, Building Inspection, and Engineering. A budget amendment, in the mount of $35,000.00, has been initiated for the costs associated with this modification; implementation of the system is expected to be complete within a 12 month period per Urban County Council authorization. Should you have any questions regarding this request, please feel free to contact me at 258-3436. Thank you for your time and consideration in this matter.

Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government
DIVISION OF GRANTS AND SPECIAL PROGRAMS

Jim Gray
Mayor

Sally Hamilton
CAO

TO: **JIM GRAY, MAYOR**
URBAN COUNTY COUNCIL

FROM: **IRENE GOODING, DIRECTOR**
DIVISION OF GRANTS AND SPECIAL PROGRAMS

DATE: **April 13, 2015**

SUBJECT: **Request Council Authorization to submit application to the U.S. Department of Labor for development and implementation of an employment training program that targets court-involved youth**

The Division of Youth Services has prepared an application for submission to the U.S. Department of Labor Employment and Training Administration requesting federal funds in the amount of $1,050,000 for development and implementation of a court-involved youth employment training program. This project is targeted toward youth who are ages 14 through 24, who have been involved with the court system, and who have never been convicted in the adult criminal system. The program will be designed to systematically improve the workforce outcomes of court-involved youth by helping them to continue their education and obtain industry-recognized credentials that prepare them for jobs in demand industries using career pathways.

The period of performance begins July 1, 2015 and lasts for 39 months.

Federal funds will be used for the hiring of personnel such as a project manager and two case managers. Additionally, funds will be used to purchase educational materials and equipment which includes desks and computers. Other uses of funding include travel, stipends in lieu of salaries for program participants, and supportive services such as costs related to transportation, child care, food, etc that enable the court-involved youth to participate in the employment training program.

No local match is required. These federal funds originate from the U.S. Department of Labor Employment and Training Administration, authorized by Section 171 of the Workforce Investment Act and Section 212 of the Second Chance Act of 2007.

Council authorization to submit the application is hereby requested.

Irene Gooding, Director

Xc: Chris Ford, Commissioner of the Department of Social Services

Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government
DIVISION OF GRANTS AND SPECIAL PROGRAMS

Jim Gray
Mayor

Sally Hamilton
CAO

TO: **MAYOR JIM GRAY**
URBAN COUNTY COUNCIL

FROM: **IRENE GOODING DIRECTOR**
DIVISION OF GRANTS AND SPECIAL PROGRAMS

DATE: **APRIL 13, 2015**

SUBJECT: **Request Council Authorization to execute amendments to multiple Neighborhood Action Match Agreements to modify the scope of work and/or extend the deadline for expenditure of funds to December 31, 2015**

On March 6, 2014, the Urban County Council, per Resolution No. 104-2014, authorized the award of $6,312.94 in Neighborhood Action Match Program funds to the Headley Green Homeowners Association for the carrying out of various neighborhood improvement activities which included pruning of street trees, new landscaping for the neighborhood entrance, and pruning of pine tree screen along Mason Headley Road. The Headley Green Homeowners Association has requested an extension through December 31, 2015 and a change in the scope of work. Proposed scope of work includes the installation of monkey grass and plants along the drainage ditch/basin.

On January 16, 2014, the Urban County Council, per Resolution No. 5-2014, authorized the award of $7,000 to Gratz Park Neighborhood Association, $7,000 to the Northside Neighborhood Association, and $ 2,257 to the Ashland Neighborhood Association. All three Neighborhood Associations have requested an extension through December 31, 2015.

Council authorization to execute Amendments with Headley Green Homeowners Association, Gratz Park Neighborhood Association, Northside Neighborhood Association and Ashland Neighborhood Association is hereby requested.

Irene Gooding
Director

Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government
CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICE

Jim Gray
Mayor

CIO
Aldona Valicenti

MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor Jim Gray

FROM: Michael Nugent, Director
Division of Computer Services

DATE: April 13,2015

RE: Contract change with IBM Business Continuity and Recovery Services

Authorizing the Mayor to revise an agreement with IBM Business Continuity and Recovery Services (BCRS) for disaster recovery services, at a cost not to exceed $136,020.00. The original contract amount of $84,360 is included in this figure. The additional $51,660 is needed to increase the server and storage requirements for effective disaster recovery services. The schedule of resources and rates is included in the contract documents. Increase to contract was known last FY and has been fully budgeted. Annual change in contract pricing takes effect during final 2 months of fiscal year.

Neighborhood Development Funds
April 21, 2015
Work Session

Amount	Recipient	Purpose
$ 1,350.00	Lakeshore Village, inc. 500 Lakeshore Drive Lexington, KY 40502 Karen Di Girolomo	To provide funds for a neighborhood garden.
$ 800.00	Crossroads Christian Church 4128 Todds Road Lexington, KY 40509 Audra Patrick	To provide funds for the Woodhill Back to School Rally.

Environmental Quality & Public Works Committee

March 10, 2015
Summary and Motions

Chair Farmer called the meeting to order at 1:01 p.m. All committee members were present: Brown, Evans, Farmer, Ford, Gibbs, Kay, Lane, Moloney, Mossotti, and Stinnett. Council Member Akers was also in attendance.

I. Approval of Committee Summary

Farmer requested a correction of the spelling of Kirwan-Blanding from the February 24th, 2015 Summary. He also noted that "Cooper Drive is currently…construction only" is incorrect and requested correction of that item.

A motion was made by Ford to approve the February 24, 2015 Committee Summary, seconded by Stinnett. Motion passed without dissent.

II. Streetlights- Analysis of Lighting Types, Installation/Lease Costs, Etc.

Dowell Hoskins-Squier, Director of Traffic Engineering, presented an update regarding streetlight installation. She stated that street lighting has been mandated within the Urban Service Area since 1984, and the majority of existing streetlights in the city are leased. Hoskins-Squier reviewed the streetlight styles, and explained that the Cobrahead light is the standard for new installations. She presented revenues and expenses associated with the program, and discussed the costs associated with LED streetlights. A total of 757 lights remain on the list to be installed, including 354 that are part of corridor lighting projects.

In response to a question from Mossotti regarding the determination to change to the new lighting fixtures, Jeff Neal from Traffic Engineering stated that the Cobrahead lights were chosen as a result of ongoing costs. Neal stated that Cobrahead lights are installed unless a different style already exists in a neighborhood. In response to a question from Mossotti, Neal stated that there is currently no formal process in place to obtain neighborhood input on lighting style.

Stinnett stated he believes neighborhoods should have an option. Commissioner Holmes stated a viable funding mechanism for neighborhoods has not been developed. Stinnett inquired about the type of bulb being used for the Colonial streetlight, and if a brighter bulb

could be used to lower the cost. Neal stated the larger bulb creates glare that does not meet criteria. Stinnett stated Council needs a policy going forward, and inquired if they had talked with KU about the installation of the upcoming 757 lights, and if they would install them this year. Hoskins-Squier stated that the budget will allow the installation of 400 streetlights this year.

Evans inquired when the lights at Summerfield would be installed. Neal stated they are in the process of being installed. Evans stated her desire to see detailed options in the future. Hoskins-Squier reiterated that the Cobrahead model is currently being installed, unless a different style currently exists in the neighborhood.

Moloney commented about the need for a more formal process for streetlight selection and installation. Commissioner O'Mara provided background regarding funding for streetlights, and stated that streetlights are currently funded with property taxes with a supplement from the General Fund ($2.5 million).

Akers asked why we have four options and how they were chosen. Neal provided a history of the utilization of streetlight styles. Akers inquired when the remaining lights would be installed. Hoskins-Squier stated she would provide Council with more installation regarding the streetlight installation progress.

Stinnett stated he would like to see a policy created to determine what lighting is utilized going forward.

Mossotti asked if Traffic Engineering meets with Developers to discuss their input on lighting and Hoskins-Squier replied that they do not. Mossotti stated that this should be considered for consistency.

Moloney inquired about the use of franchise fees for streetlights. O'Mara said there is approx $2.5 million in supplements from the General Fund to the streetlight fund to fill in remaining gaps in the streetlight program. In response to a question from Moloney, O'Mara replied that the franchise fee increase resulted in approximately $4 million in revenue. O'Mara stated that streetlights were not underfunded, and that the transfer from the General Fund to the streetlight fund has been adequate to meet the needs of the streetlight program. O'Mara clarified that the property tax street fund revenue is short, but the total program is funded from two sources, and the difference is made up from the transfer from the General Fund.

Lane stated the franchise fee went from 3% to 4% and is applied also to electricity and natural gas and inquired which other utilities are taxed. O'Mara replied that telecommunications are not able to be franchised and that the fee was applied to electric and gas. O'Mara stated water was not up for renewal at that time and would be up for debate this year. Lane inquired if Council is able to raise the amount up to 5% under current contracts and stated his preference to tax only homeowners receiving those services.

Kay inquired if there is a way to earmark the funds for a specific use. Andrea Brown from Law responded the franchise fees are collected as the right to use the public rights–of-way and will report back to Council with an answer. Kay stated he thinks this is why there were two decisions made in the past. Farmer stated he would like to see information about adding LED lights in the next presentation.

A motion was made by Stinnett to move the funding mechanism discussion on the revenue stream for street lighting to Budget & Finance, seconded by Mossotti. Motion passed without dissent.

III. Safe Routes to School

Myron Thompson with the Fayette County Public Schools (FCPS) Department of Risk Management gave a presentation of Safe Routes to School, a partnership between LFUCG and the FCPS. The program is intended to delineate and provide improvements to preferred routes for students that walk to school. Thompson reviewed the benefits to student health resulting from walking to school, and presented the pilot program in the East End. He explained that routes will be approved by FCPS, and Traffic Engineering and Streets and Roads will assist with crosswalk and other improvements.

Hoskins-Squier spoke about the Division of Traffic Engineering's grant submission to the MPO that is intended to provide $200,000 in funding for this program. She stated that the funding would be used to evaluate crosswalk markings and school zone signage around elementary schools throughout Fayette County.

Ford stated this is a good opportunity to work with Fayette County Schools. Brown asked for clarification about safe routes and their status on priority routes. Thompson stated he will follow up.

A motion was made by Ford to approve the resolution supporting the Safe Routes to School Program, seconded by Brown. Motion passed without dissent.

IV. Speed Reduction on Cromwell Way Between Clays Mill Road and Cornwall Drive to 25 mph

Mossotti introduced the item, and explained the reason for the request. She reviewed the report provided by the Division of Traffic Engineering.

A motion was made by Mossotti to approve the resolution designating the speed limit on Cromwell Way between Clays Mills Road and Cornwall Drive as 25 mph, seconded by Ford. Motion passed without dissent.

V. UK Forest Health Research & Education Center

Gibbs introduced Professor Jerrell "Red" Baker, Chairman of the UK Forestry Department and Founder of the UK Forest Health Research and Education Center. Baker introduced Dr. Bert Abbott, a senior scientist at UK Dept. of Forestry and Dr. Dana Nelson, a visiting scientist at UK and the project leader for the US Forest Service Southern Research Center. Baker presented the current threats facing various tree species and requested the Council's support of the proposed resolution.

Farmer inquired if the proposed resolution gives them a standing within the community. Baker replied that it does give them better standing as they seek delegation in DC and the US Forest Service and as they search for funding and partners. Farmer asked if they have been involved in the drafting of the resolution, to which Baker replied they have.

Lane stated he was supportive of their efforts.

A motion was made by Gibbs to approve the resolution supporting and encouraging the establishment of the Forest Health Research and Education Center at the University of Kentucky, seconded by Kay. Motion passed without dissent.

VI. Items Referred to Committee

A motion was made by Stinnett to remove the Capacity Analysis referral item, seconded by Kay. Motion passed without dissent.

Stinnett stated the Waste Management Funding Options item will be heard in April.

Vice Mayor Kay agreed to take ownership of the Distillery District Update and asked for an update for recent activities in the District in May 2015

A Motion was made by Kay to remove the Distillery District Update from Committee. Motion failed by a 5-5 vote. (Yay: Brown, Ford, Lane, Moloney, Stinnett. Nay: Evans, Farmer, Gibbs, Kay, Mossotti)

Gibbs agreed to take ownership of the Urban Forestry Management Plan, originally referred by Clarke.

A motion was made by Kay to consolidate the Snow Removal plan and Snow & Ice Control Plan, seconded by Gibbs. Motion passed without dissent.

Brown stated he would like to see this on the agenda by May. Stinnett stated this was the annual approval plan and it would make sense to merge the two. Gibbs stated he would like to see the pedestrian impact included in the discussion as well.

Mossotti agreed to take ownership of the Streetlights Analysis item, originally referred by Myers.

A motion was made by Mossotti to remove Woodland Avenue Pedestrian Enhancement from Committee, seconded by Gibbs. Motion passed without dissent.

A motion was made by Gibbs to remove Columbia Heights No Through-Trucks from Committee, seconded by Kay. Motion passed without dissent.

A motion was made by Gibbs to remove Ferndale Pass & Buck Lane Multi-way Stop Study from Committee, seconded by Kay. Motion passed without dissent.

A motion was made by Mossotti to remove West Second Street Speed Limit Analysis from Committee, seconded by Kay. Motion passed without dissent.

A motion was made by Mossotti to remove Speed Reduction on Cromwell Way between Clays Mill & Cornwall Drive from Committee, seconded by Brown. Motion passed without dissent.

A motion was made by Gibbs to remove UK Forest Health & Education Research Center from Committee, seconded by Lane. Motion passed without dissent.

A motion was made by Lane to Adjourn, seconded by Ford. Motion passed without dissent.

This meeting adjourned at 2:32 p.m.

DS 3.11.2015

RESOLUTION NO. _____ - 2015

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL (SRTS) PROGRAM, A PROPOSED PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN THE LEXINGTON-FAYETTE URBAN COUNTY GOVERNMENT AND THE FAYETTE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION, FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT AND MAINTENANCE OF SAFE ROUTES FOR CHILDREN AND PARENTS BIKING AND WALKING TO SCHOOL IN LEXINGTON-FAYETTE COUNTY.

WHEREAS, the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government ("LFUCG") and the Fayette County Board of Education have proposed the Safe Routes to School (SRTS) program in an effort to designate safe routes for students and parents walking and biking to school in Lexington-Fayette County; and

WHEREAS, the health and safety of pupils is a priority for the Board of Education and LFUCG; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education and LFUCG recognize that heart disease, stroke, and diabetes are responsible for two-thirds (2/3) of deaths in the United States, and a major risk factor for those diseases is sedentary behavior formed during childhood; and

WHEREAS, the National Center for SRTS lists the five following health benefits of walking or biking to school: (1) weight and blood pressure control; (2) bone, muscle, and joint health and maintenance; (3) reduction in the risk of diabetes; (4) improved psychological welfare; and (5) better academic performance; and

WHEREAS, Fayette County Public Schools and LFUCG seek to provide and promote opportunities for physical education, like walking or biking to and from school, in order to foster lifelong habits of healthy physical activity; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education and LFUCG Divisions of Police, Planning, Traffic Engineering, and Streets and Roads have been identified as critical partners for the establishment and maintenance of safe routes to school; and

WHEREAS, the Division of Traffic Engineering has submitted an application to the Lexington Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO), under the Transportation Alternatives Program, for Fayette County Elementary School Zone Enhancements in the SRTS project category; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of this project is to ensure that school zones are

provided with consistent signage and markings throughout the county in a manner that adheres to the current Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices; and

WHEREAS, if constructed, these improvements will encourage alternative modes of accessing school facilities by providing safer school zones and connectivity of bicycle and pedestrian routes.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE LEXINGTON-FAYETTE URBAN COUNTY GOVERNMENT:

Section 1 - That the above recitals are incorporated herein as if fully stated.

Section 2 - That the Urban County Council of the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government supports the SRTS Program, a proposed partnership between the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government and the Fayette County Board of Education, for the establishment and maintenance of safe routes for children and parents biking and walking to and from school in Lexington-Fayette County.

Section 3 – That the Clerk of the Urban County Council is hereby authorized and directed to send a copy of this Resolution to the Fayette County Board of Education.

Section 4 - That this Resolution shall become effective on the date of its passage.

PASSED URBAN COUNTY COUNCIL:

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MAYOR

ATTEST:

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CLERK OF URBAN COUNTY COUNCIL

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RESOLUTION NO. ____-2015

A RESOLUTION DESIGNATING THE SPEED LIMIT ON CROMWELL WAY, BETWEEN CLAYS MILL ROAD AND CORNWALL DRIVE, AS 25 MILES PER HOUR, AND AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE DIVISION OF TRAFFIC ENGINEERING TO INSTALL PROPER AND APPROPRIATE SIGNS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE DESIGNATION.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Code of Ordinances Section 18-51 and other authorities, the Division of Traffic Engineering is authorized and empowered to maintain traffic-control signs, signals, and devices deemed necessary to regulate traffic; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 18-66 of the Code of Ordinances, the Urban County Government may determine that certain speed regulations shall be applicable on certain streets or in certain areas; and

WHEREAS, the Urban County Council has determined that the speed limit on Cromwell Way, between Clays Mill Road and Cornwall Drive, should be 25 miles per hour.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE LEXINGTON-FAYETTE URBAN COUNTY GOVERNMENT:

Section 1 - That the speed limit on Cromwell Way, between Clays Mill Road and Cornwall Drive be and hereby is designated as 25 miles per hour and the Division of Traffic Engineering is authorized and directed to install proper and appropriate signs in accord with that designation.

Section 2 - That this Resolution shall become effective on the date of its passage.

PASSED URBAN COUNTY COUNCIL:

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MAYOR

ATTEST:

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CLERK OF URBAN COUNTY COUNCIL

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RESOLUTION NO. _____ - 2015

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING AND ENCOURAGING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE FOREST HEALTH RESEARCH AND EDUCATION CENTER (FHC) AT THE UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY, FOR THE EXPANSION OF CRITICAL RESEARCH AND EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMMING AND TO ADDRESS INCREASED THREATS FROM INVASIVE PESTS AND PATHOGENS ON TREES AND FORESTS THROUGHOUT THE REGION.

WHEREAS, a growing number of experts, public officials, and citizens recognize that tree and forest resources critical to our country's economy and urban and natural landscapes are facing numerous threats, including a variety of pests and pathogens with the demonstrated potential to completely destroy foundational tree species, degrade forest productivity, and deteriorate ecosystem value; and

WHEREAS, several tree species (e.g. American chestnut, ash, hemlock) have been lost or are disappearing at an alarming rate, and other valuable tree species such as oak (a foundational tree species compromises nearly 50% of hardwood sawtimber volume in Kentucky and also contributes to this region's distinct bourbon industry) are equally imperiled; and

WHEREAS, the University of Kentucky ("UK"), the United States Department of Agriculture Forest Service Southern Research Station, and the Kentucky Division of Forestry have partnered to form the Forest Health Research and Education Center ("FHC") on UK's campus; and

WHEREAS, the FHC plans to assemble a core group of researchers and educators to collaborate with experts around the world with the goal of solving the region's most pressing forest health challenges; and

WHEREAS, the FHC will conduct: (1) biological research to understand and enhance tree resistance and forest/ecosystem responses to biotic and abiotic stressors; (2) social research on the economic and cultural impacts of tree/forest/ecosystem loss, as well as factors affecting adoption of new technologies and approaches in order to improve forest health; and (3) outreach programs meant to educate stakeholders and researchers on forest health issues, connect these parties through participatory research networks, and develop resistant trees and improve forest resilience; and

WHEREAS, the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government has been awarded

the 'Tree City USA' designation for twenty-six (26) years by the National Arbor Day Foundation in cooperation with the National Association of Foresters, for its strong commitment to the management of its urban forests; and

WHEREAS, the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government acknowledges this project's potential to maintain the environmental and social benefit of trees in urban and natural forests, and to provide important economic opportunities throughout the region.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE LEXINGTON-FAYETTE URBAN COUNTY GOVERNMENT:

Section 1 - That the above recitals are incorporated herein as if fully stated.

Section 2 - That the Urban County Council of the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government hereby supports and encourages the establishment of the Forest Health Research and Education Center at the University of Kentucky, for the expansion of critical research and educational programming and to address increased threats from invasive pests and pathogens on trees and forests throughout the region.

Section 3 – That the Clerk of the Urban County Council is hereby authorized and directed to send a copy of this Resolution to the University of Kentucky, the United States Department of Agriculture Forest Service Southern Research Station, and the Kentucky Division of Forestry.

Section 4 - That this Resolution shall become effective on the date of its passage.

PASSED URBAN COUNTY COUNCIL:

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MAYOR

ATTEST:

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CLERK OF URBAN COUNTY COUNCIL

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General Government & Social Services Committee

April 7, 2015

Draft Summary and Motions

Acting Chair Akers called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. All committee members were present: Akers, Bledsoe, F. Brown, Evans, Gibbs, Henson, Lamb, Moloney and Scutchfield. Vice-Mayor Kay and CMs J. Brown and Steve Kay were also in attendance.

I. Election of Committee Chair/Appointment of Vice Chair

Akers opened the floor for nominations for Chair of the General Government and Social Services Committee. Moloney nominated Lamb, and she accepted the nomination. Lamb asked Akers if she would serve as Vice Chair, and Akers declined. Lamb offered the role of Vice Chair to Evans and Evans accepted.

A motion was made by Moloney to nominate Lamb to the position of Chair, seconded by F. Brown. Motion passed without dissent.

A motion was made by F. Brown to close nominations, seconded by Evans. Motion passed without dissent.

A motion was made by Evans to accept Lamb as Chair, seconded by Henson. Motion passed without dissent.

II. Approval of Committee Summary

A motion was made by Scutchfield to approve the March 10, 215 Special General Government & Social Services Committee Meeting Summary, seconded by Gibbs. Motion passed without dissent.

III. SAFE Parks Position

Henson provided an introduction and a brief history of the item. Henson expressed the need for more volunteers and activities to enhance the safety of our parks.

Chris Cooperrider, Enterprise Deputy Director of Parks and Recreation, presented a summary of the Neighborhood Task Force's goals. Brian Rogers, Deputy Director of Parks and Recreation, presented the SAFE Parks program, and explained that this program will be offered at Opportunity Parks. Rogers defined Opportunity Parks as parks identified by Council and Parks that are perceived as not being family friendly, and have opportunities for improvements.

Rogers stated that Wolf Run Park has been identified as an Opportunity Park, and the FY16 budget requests improvements to the park to help ensure the success of the program. He presented several of the pilot programs being offered at Opportunity Parks, including fitness programs and the development of activity boards to identify additional opportunities. He stated that the taskforce has recommended a SAFE Parks Program Supervisor in the FY16 budget.

Moloney thanked Henson for her work on this project and inquired if funding for the position is

included in the proposed budget. Moloney questioned if the department has reached out to UK to establish a relationship for this effort. Rogers replied the funding is included in the FY16 budget request, and confirmed that they are coordinating with UK. Rogers stated they would like for the proposed position to enhance volunteer efforts, and the University has been very responsive in that regard.

Bledsoe stated that the proposed position is in alignment with the Parks Master Plan, and emphasized the importance of local parks meeting the needs of the neighborhoods they serve. Bledsoe gave her support for a policy wherein the department can work with other organizations and non-profits to coordinate efforts to enhance existing programming. Bledsoe inquired if the proposed position would work to achieve those relationships. Rogers affirmed that it would.

Evans requested background information to address the need for the position, asking if there has previously been someone assigned to those responsibilities. Rogers stated Parks has maintained relationships for 50 years with various neighborhood associations, noting that in some parks the structures are owned by those associations and the programming and rental of those structures are the neighborhood's responsibility. Rogers stated in those cases Parks only maintains a superficial relationship with the associations. Rogers stated the position would allow the opportunity to reach out and make connections with the neighborhood associations and third parties, which has not been possible due to time and staffing constraints.

In response to a question from Stinnett, Rogers replied that in the recent past Parks staff attempted to reestablish individual park managers, but the effort did not result in significant increases in park attendance. Rogers stated the proposed position will work with neighborhoods to determine and establish the parameters for the types of activities and programs each neighborhood wants, and can work collaboratively to advertise those programs within the community. He stated this component was missing from previous efforts.

Stinnett asked if the proposed included additional security for parks. Cooperrider stated they have an existing security component called Parks Patrol that addresses safety and patrol in parks. Stinnett inquired about the number of current security positions. Cooperrider replied that there is only one coordinator position and that they engage the Division of Police for additional support. Stinnett asked if there is an adequate budget for those services, to which Cooperrider replied that there is.

F. Brown inquired if the position has a job description and budget, and who the position reports to. Cooperrider stated the position requested in the budget has a title of Program Supervisor. Cooperrider stated the new Program Supervisor will report directly to him, the Enterprise Deputy Director. F. Brown asked how many parks would be impacted by the position. Cooperrider stated there are 11 in the pilot program with 7 of those having neighborhood buildings. F. Brown inquired if they are in the Capital Improvement Program. Cooperrider stated they are currently working on some CIP projects, and that this position would provide a greater focus in this area. F. Brown asked if they are addressing every council district and Cooperrider answered the pilot program does not, but they are willing to in the future.

Henson thanked everyone for their conversation and stated she feels this is extremely important to Lexington's parks and for neighborhood parks in particular.

Moloney stated he felt there should be a motion to create the program.

A motion was made by Henson to support the creation of a SAFE Parks position in the FY16 budget, seconded by Scutchfield. Motion passed without dissent.

Henson asked to recognize the efforts of new Council Member James Brown, and his father who were both present at the meeting, thanking them for their work to ensure the success of the pilot program.

IV. Proposed Department Reorganization – Security to Department of Public Safety

Vice Mayor Kay introduced Jamshid Baradaran, Director of Facilities & Fleet Management. Baradaran presented the proposed department reorganization of Security to the Department of Public Safety. Baradaran stated that over the past 24 months they have intensified efforts to examine their resources and identify areas where they can increase efficiencies. Baradaran further noted they have incorporated new policies and procedures supportive of this effort.

F. Brown inquired if the budget for FY16 would cover the new Administrative Officer position, which would manage Security, to which Baradaran replied that the position was funded in the budget. F. Brown also inquired if security officers carry firearms. Baradaran stated they do not, and stated that they rely on police for any additional assistance. Baradaran stated they have had conversations with former Commissioner Mason and now Commissioner Bastin about the reorganization. Baradaran stated that the proposed FY16 budget was developed with the full participation of the Commissioner.

In response to a question from F. Brown, CAO Hamilton stated her support for the reorganization.

Evans asked if the uniforms and equipment they will need are included in the budget. Baradaran stated they are included in the budget proposal. Evans inquired if their role would be to "observe and report". Baradaran stated the first year would be a transitional period wherein they will assess the short term changes and a long term mission for Security. Baradaran stated that Security will not assume the role of a public safety officer, but he envisions their primary role would change over time. Commissioner Bastin stated that changes will be incremental, and that the goal is for a smooth transition. Bastin noted they will strive for continual improvement and would welcome Council input in the process.

Moloney stated his support for the reorganization. Moloney inquired if light duty police officers could fill in some of the open security positions. Bastin replied they have not had those conversations but they will certainly explore the most appropriate staffing needs and will try to find resources from within when appropriate.

Commissioner Reed stated his support for the move and noted Commissioner Bastin's expertise and his relationship with the Police Department. Reed stated Bastin is in a better position to access the security needs than General Services has been, and he believes these are important issues for the new Council to revisit.

Henson stated her support for the move.

A motion was made by Scutchfield to move to Council the Proposed Department Reorganization of Security to the Department of Public Safety, seconded by Bledsoe. Motion passed without dissent.

V. Proposed Department Reorganization – Office of the Chief Information Officer

Aldona Valicenti, Chief Information Officer, presented the proposed department reorganization of the Office of the Chief Information Officer. Valicenti noted that the reorganization of her department and its transition has been occurring in phases, and that this is the next step in incremental improvements to the organization. She stated that a new Department of Information Technology would be created, which would include the Divisions of Enterprise Solutions and Computer Services.

In response to a question from F. Brown, CAO Hamilton stated her support for the reorganization. F. Brown inquired if the move would require additional staff. Valicenti stated that it did not and that the reorganization would not have an associated budgetary impact. Valicenti stated they would assess their support structure. F. Brown asked if they would raise salaries to attract IT employees. Valicenti stated that there are challenges related to salary at the higher experience levels, and further stated that those positions are so specialized they may not be needed at all times, but on a temporary basis. F. Brown stated his support for the move.

Kay expressed his support and inquired about the structure of the proposed Department of Information Technology, including who would be the head of the department. Valicenti stated the current office of the CIO would change in name to the Department of Information Technology, which would merge the Division of Enterprise Solutions and Computer Services, and that the Chief Information Officer would be the head of the department.

A motion was made by F. Brown to move to Council the Proposed Department Reorganization of the Office of the Chief Information Officer, seconded by Henson. Motion passed without dissent.

VI. Items In Committee

A motion was made by Henson to remove the SAFE Parks Position referral item from Committee, seconded by Akers. Motion passed without dissent.

A motion was made by Gibbs to remove the Proposed Reorganization of Security to the Department of Public Safety from Committee, seconded by Bledsoe. Motion passed without dissent.

A motion was made by Gibbs to remove the Proposed Reorganization of the Office of the Chief Information Officer, seconded by Scutchfield. Motion passed without dissent.

A motion was made by F. Brown to adjourn, seconded by Scutchfield. Motion passed without dissent.

The meeting adjourned at 2:19 p.m.

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