

Lexington- Fayette Urban County Government Council Meeting

Lexington, Kentucky April 11, 2024

The Council of the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government, Kentucky convened in regular session on April 11, 2024 at 6:01 p.m. Present were Mayor Gorton in the chair presiding, and the following members of the Council: Ellinger, Elliott Baxter, Fogle, Gray, LeGris, Lynch, Monarrez, Plomin, Reynolds, Sevigny, Sheehan, Worley, Wu, and F. Brown. Absent was Council Members J. Brown.

The reading of the Minutes of the previous meeting was waived.

Ordinances No. 029-2024 through 032-2024, inclusive, and Resolutions No. 098-2024 through 150-2024, inclusive, were reported as having been signed and published and ordered to record.

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The Invocation was given by Dr. Jamil Farooqui, President of the Islamic Society of Central Kentucky.

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Mayor Gorton asked Teresa Rakes to join her at the podium, along with Ms. Reynolds, and read a Proclamation declaring April 11, 2024 as Teresa Rakes Day in Lexington. Mayor Gorton shared that Ms. Rakes had been spending her retirement keeping the Greater Cardinal Valley area clean by picking up trash.

Ms. Rakes thanked the Council for the honor and proposed that each Council District have a Council Clean Up Day once a month.

Ms. Reynolds spoke about Ms. Rakes dedication to picking up the Cardinal Valley neighborhood.

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Mayor Gorton asked Ms. Paula Singer to join her at the podium, along with Ms. Reynolds, and read a Proclamation declaring April 11, 2024 as Paula Singer Day in Lexington. Mayor Gorton spoke of Ms. Singer's activism in the 11th district.

Ms. Singer spoke of "The Goat Project" at Vaughn's Branch at Oxford Circle and her involvement with that project.

Ms. Reynolds detailed Ms. Singer's activism in the 11th District.

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The following ordinances received second reading. Upon motion by Ms. Ellinger, and seconded by Ms. Elliott Baxter, the ordinances were approved by the following vote:

Aye: Ellinger, Elliott Baxter, Fogle, Gray, -----14
LeGris, Lynch, Monarrez, Plomin,
Reynolds, Seigny, Sheehan, Worley,
Wu, F. Brown

An Ordinance amending the authorized strength by abolishing one (1) Unclassified Civil Service Position of Social Services Coordinator, Grade 520E, and creating one (1) Classified Civil Service Position of Social Services Coordinator, Grade 520E, in the Div. of Community and Resident Services, effective upon passage of Council.

An Ordinance amending the authorized strength by abolishing one (1) unclassified position of Early Childcare Assistant Teacher P/T, Grade 510N, abolishing one (1) unclassified position of Early Childcare Assistant Teacher, Grade 510N, and creating one (1) classified position of Early Childcare Teacher, Grade 512E, all in the Div. of Family Services, effective upon passage of Council.

Upon motion by Vice Mayor Wu, and seconded by Ms. Elliott Baxter, the resolution was approved by the following vote:

Aye: Ellinger, Elliott Baxter, Fogle, Gray, -----13
LeGris, Lynch, Monarrez, Plomin,
Reynolds, Sevigny, Worley, Wu, F.
Brown

Nay: -----0

Recuse: Sheehan -----1

award, if awarded, the acceptance of which does not obligate the Urban County Government to the expenditure of funds, and further authorizing the Mayor to transfer unencumbered Grant funds within the Grant Budget received first reading.

Upon motion by Ms. Reynolds, seconded by Vice Mayor Wu, and approved by unanimous vote, the rules were suspended and the resolution received second reading.

Upon motion by Vice Mayor Wu, and seconded by Ms. Elliott Baxter, the resolution was approved by the following vote:

Aye: Ellinger, Elliott Baxter, Fogle, Gray, -----14

for the West Hickman Creek/Veterans Park Water Quality Improvement Project, the acceptance of which does not obligate the Urban County Government to the expenditure of funds, approving the Grant Assistance Agreement, authorizing the amendment of the Lexington Fayette Urban County Government's annual Budget, and authorizing a representative to sign all related documents received first reading.

Upon motion by Ms. Monarrez, seconded by Ms. Elliott Baxter, and approved by unanimous vote, the rules were suspended and the resolution received second reading.

Upon motion by Vice Mayor Wu, and seconded by Ms. Elliott Baxter, the resolution was approved by the following vote:

Aye:

execute any necessary Agreement with Lexington Habitat for Humanity, related to the procurement, at a cost not to exceed \$14,200 received first reading.

Upon motion by Mr. Sevigny, seconded by Ms. Gray, and approved by unanimous vote, the rules were suspended and the resolution received second reading.

Upon motion by Vice Mayor Wu, and seconded by Ms. Elliott Baxter, the resolution was approved by the following vote:

Aye:	Ellinger, Elliott Baxter, Fogle,
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Engineering Technician Principal, Grade 519N, \$28.322 hourly in Div. of Engineering, effective March 13, 2024, Eric Sutherland, Urban Forester, Grade 521E, \$2,519.28 biweekly in the Div. of Environmental Services, effective March 25, 2024, Samantha Wittig, Telecommunicator, Grade 517N, \$23.824 hourly in the Div. of Enhanced 911, effective April 16, 2024, Jennifer Yeager, Administrative Specialist, Grade 516N, \$23.611 hourly in the Div. of Police, effective March 11, 2024, Tamia Waye, Staff Assistant Sr., Grade 511N, \$18.425 hourly in the Div. of Code Enforcement, effective March 25, 2024, Damon Lewis, Custodial Worker, Grade 506N

A Resolution authorizing and directing the Mayor, on behalf of the Urban County Government, to execute an End User License Agreement with DVR Examiner, for software at a cost not to exceed \$2,259.42.

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor, on behalf of the Urban County Government, to execute a Declaration of Covenants and Restrictions, in favor of the Dept. of Local Government, encumbering two parcels (3785 and 3990 Raven Run Way) owned by the Urban County Government, to fulfill requirements of the Land and water Conservation Grant in relation to the Raven Run Nature Sanctuary, and further authorizing the Mayor to execute any other documents needed to fulfill this Grant requirement.

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor, on

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor, on behalf of the Urban County Government, to execute an Agreement awarding a Class B (Infrastructure) Incentive Grant to OP Innovates LLC, for a Stormwater Quality Project, at a cost not to exceed \$29,890.

A Resolution authorizing and directing the Mayor, on behalf of the Urban County Government, to execute Contract Modification No. 1 to an Agreement with Palmer Engineering, Inc., to unencumber funds no longer needed for the design of the Harrodsburg Rd. Trail Project, decreasing the Contract price by the sum of \$224,684.83 and reducing the total Contract price from \$938,577.00 to \$713,892.17.

A Resolution authorizing and directing the Mayor

A Resolution amending Resolution No. 157 2023, authorizing the acceptance of deeds for property interests needed for the Barnard Drive Stormwater Improvements Project, increasing the cost of acquisition of easements by the sum of \$1,000, from \$3,000 to \$4,000.

A Resolution of the Lexington Fayette Urban County Government accepting the Grant of \$906,645 in Federal funds from the Ky. Cleaner Water Round 2 Grant (ARPA) for the Furlong Drive Water Quality Improvements Project, the acceptance of which does not obligate the Urban County Government to the expenditure of funds, approving the Grant Assistance Agreement, authorizing the amendment of the Lexington Fayette Urban County Government's Annual Budget, and authorizing a representative to sign all related documents.

for the Armstrong Mill PS Replacement (Delong Rd. PS/FM) EH 16 Project, the acceptance of which does not obligate the Urban County Government to the expenditure of funds, approving the Grant Assistance Agreement, authorizing the amendment of the Lexington Fayette Urban County Government's Annual Budget, and authorizing a representative to sign all related documents.

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor, on behalf of the Urban County Government, to execute Change Order No. 1 to the Agreement with Brown General Contractors LLC, for the Waste Transfer Station Repairs Project, increasing the Contract price by the sum of \$121,530, from \$399,970 to \$521,500.

A Resolution authorizing and directing the Mayor, on behalf of the Urban County Government, to

question substantially similar to the following “Are you in favor of the establishment of a dedicated public “Park Fund” Program that will provide funds to improve and develop neighborhood parks, walking and hiking trails, nature parks, bike trails, swimming pools, playgrounds, dog parks, recreational facilities, and other related facilities for children, adults, families, and seniors to be financed by the levy of an additional two and one quarter cents (\$0.0225) per one hundred dollars (\$100) on all taxable real property, effective January 1, 2025?”; and authorizing taking any related necessary actions.

A Resolution initiating a Zoning Ordinance Text Amendment to amend Article 21-6(B) and to create a new Article 30 (“Outdoor Lighting”), relating to Outdoor Lighting Regulations.

Directors; (9) Recommending the reappointments of Kenneth Cooke and Jessica Voigt to the Greenspace Trust, both with terms expiring June 30, 2026; (10) Recommending the appointment of Billie Love, filling the unexpired term of Adrian Wallace, to the Homelessness Prevention and Intervention Board with a term expiring October 1, 2026; (11) Recommending the reappointment of Kimberly Scott to the Housing Authority Board, with a term expiring June 30, 2028; (12) Recommending the reappointment of Randall Vaughn to the Lexington Center Corporation, with a term expiring July 1, 2028; (13) Recommending the reappointment of Jim Frazier to the Parking Authority Board, with a term expiring June 1, 2028; (14) Recommending the reappointment of Victoria Meyer, District 9 Resident, to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board, with a term exp

Appointment of Dane Grant, Administrative Specialist, Grade 516N, \$23.048 hourly in the Div. of Water Quality, effective April 8, 2024; (5) Probationary Classified Civil Service Appointment of Corey Barnes, Industrial Mechanic, Grade 517N, \$25.000 hourly in the Div. of Water Quality, effective April 15, 2024; (6) Probationary Classified Civil Service Appointment of Darien Butler, Public Service Worker Sr., Grade 510N, \$17.643 hourly in the Div. of Water Quality, effective April 15, 2024; (7) Probationary Classified Civil Service Appointment of Donald Randolph, Treatment Plan Operator, Grade 518N, \$25.250 hourly in the Div. of Water Quality, effective March 18, 2024; (8) Probation

Sr., Grade 519N, \$26.141 hourly in the Div. of Enhanced 911, effective March 25, 2024;

(19) Probationary Classified Civil Service Appointment of Gage Mitchell, Telecommunicator Sr., Grade 519N, \$25.537 hourly in the Div. of Enhanced 911, effective April 8, 2024; (20) Probationary Classified Civil Service Appointment of David Dawkins, Network Systems Administrator Sr., Grade 524E, \$2,847.52 biweekly in the Div. of Police, effective April 8, 2024; (21) Probationary Classified Civil Service Appointment of Don Waldroop, Building Inspector, Grade 518N, \$26.561 hourly in the Div. of Building Inspection, effective March 25, 2024; (22) Probation

Appointment of Larry Hutcherson, Public Works Apprentice, Grade 504N, \$15.760 hourly in the Div. of Water Quality, effective April 8, 2024; (33) Unclassified Civil Service Appointment of Trequan Griffin, Public Service Worker, Grade 508N, \$16.093 hourly in the Div. of Waste Management, effective April 8, 2024; (34) Unclassified Civil Service Appointment of Casey Doyle, Peer Support Specialist, Grade 516N, \$21.880 hourly in the Div. of Fire and Emergency Services, effective April 1, 2024; (35) Unclassified Civil Service Appointment of Huong Dunn, Staff Assistant Sr., Grade 511N, \$20.000 hourly in the Div. of Parks and Recreation, effective April 1, 2024; (36) Resignation of

(55) Resignation of James Webb, Vehicle and Equipment Mechanic, in the Div. of Streets and Roads, effective March 31, 2024.

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Ms. Reynolds announced that Mr. Ellinger’s birthday was on Saturday April 13, 2024.

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Ms. Lynch reminded the constituents of Kearny Ridge Neighborhood that there would be a neighborhood meeting on Tuesday,

Deputy Clerk of the Urban County Council