Lexington- Fayette Urban County Government Council Meeting

Lexington, Kentucky March 26, 2026

The Council of the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government, Kentucky convened in regular session on March 26, 2026 at 6:01 p.m. Present were Mayor Gorton in the chair presiding, and the following members of the Council: Eblen, Ellinger, Hale, Higgins-Hord, Lynch, Morton, Reynolds, Sevigny, Sheehan, Wu, Beasley, Boone, and Brown. Absent were Council Members Elliott Baxter and Curtis.

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

Ordinances No. 017-2026 through 022-2026, inclusive, and Resolutions No. 061-2026 through 088-2026, inclusive, were reported as having been signed and published and ordered to record.

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The Invocation was given by retired Rev. Daryl Baker.

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Upon motion by Vice Mayor Wu, seconded by Ms. Higgins-Hord, and approved by unanimous vote, the Minutes of the March 12, 2026 Council Meeting were approved.

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Mayor Gorton asked Frederick Douglass High School Cheerleading Coach Keyquan Ellis, to join her at the podium, along with the cheer team and Ms. Higgins-Hord, and read a Proclamation declaring March 26, 2026 as Frederick Douglass Cheerleading Day in Lexington.

The Mayor congratulated the team on their 2025 KHSAA all-girls large division state championship.

Ms. Higgins-Hord commended the athletes' hard work and expressed appreciation to the parents and staff for their continued support.

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A Resolution authorizing and directing the Mayor, or her designee on behalf of the Urban County Government and the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government Public Facilities Corporation, to execute a Ground Lease Agreement (awarded pursuant to RFP #35-2025 Haley Pike Solar Lease) and any additional necessary documents related thereto, except the Community Benefit Agreement referenced therein which shall require separate approval by the Urban County Council prior to execution, with Social Impact Solar LLC, leasing approximately 357 acres of the Haley Pike Landfill for the development, construction, and operation of a Solar Photovoltaic Project, in consideration of anticipated revenue in the amount of $30,345 as a base lease payment in the first year was on the docket for second reading.

Upon motion by Vice Mayor Wu, seconded by Ms. Higgins-Hord, and approved by unanimous vote, the Council agreed to take the resolution out of order to provide a situation report.

Sally Hamilton, Chief Administrative Officer, provided a progress report regarding the efforts to relocate the Flying Model Airplane Club from the proposed build site of the Solar Photovoltaic Project. She outlined the various parameters and constraints, presenting multiple challenges in finding a solution, and reported that despite best efforts an agreement had not been reached.

Mr. Morton asked about the process going forward. Comm. Dave Barberie, Dept. of Law, responded.

Ms. Reynolds asked about the probability of a new FAA clearance being granted at a new facility and location, should one be found. CAO Hamilton responded it was unlikely that a new one would be granted. Ms. Reynolds asked about financing a new runway. CAO Hamilton responded that previously the City had funded the initial runway, but the Club had funded the maintenance.

Mr. Brown thanked the CAO for her efforts and noted that CAO Hamilton was still willing to work toward a solution. He asked about the other possible locations for the Club. CAO Hamilton responded.

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The following people spoke in opposition to the resolution regarding the Haley Pike Solar Photovoltaic Project: Michael Breuning, Dist. 12, James Newberry, Dist. 12, Chris Chapman, Dist. 10, Brandon Chavez, Dist. 12, Theodore Payne, Dist. 8, Jim Martin, Dist. 12, Dale Arvin, Dist. 12, Matt Hanson, Dist. 9, John Fox, Dist. 3, Dean Hammond, Dist. 12, and Keith Hollifield, Dist. 3.

The following people spoke in support of the project: Matt Partymiller, Dist. 7, Braden Stamper, Dist. 3, and Jeremy Jenkins, Dist. 3.

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The following ordinances received second reading. Upon motion by Mr. Sevigny, and seconded by Mr. Ellinger, the ordinances were approved by the following vote:

Aye:	Eblen, Ellinger, Hale, Higgins-Hord, Lynch, Morton, Reynolds, Sevigny, Sheehan, Wu, Beasley, Boone, Brown	------13
Nay:		-------0

An Ordinance amending Section 16-1(c)(19) and Section 16-1(f)(70) of the Code of Ordinances of the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government, adopting and incorporating a maintenance manual for post-construction stormwater controls as an engineering manual for infrastructure in Lexington-Fayette County.

An Ordinance declaring a portion of Shaker Dr. starting at its intersection with Harrodsburg Rd. and ending at the entrance to the Harrodsburg Square Condominiums property to be dedicated to the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government as a public way and accepting the dedication.

An Ordinance amending certain of the Budgets of the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government to reflect current requirements for municipal expenditures, and appropriating and re-appropriating funds, FY 2026 Schedule No. 25.

An Ordinance amending the authorized strength by creating one (1) classified position of Accountant Sr., Grade 524E, in the Dept. of Housing Advocacy and Community Development, effective upon passage of Council.

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The following ordinances received first reading.

Upon motion by Mr. Brown, seconded by Mr. Morton, and approved by unanimous vote, the rules were suspended and the ordinances received second reading.

Upon motion by Mr. Sevigny, and seconded by Mr. Ellinger, the ordinances were approved by the following vote:

Aye:	Eblen, Ellinger, Hale, Higgins-Hord, Lynch, Morton, Reynolds, Sevigny, Sheehan, Wu, Beasley, Boone, Brown	------13
Nay:		-------0

An Ordinance amending Section 2-496 of the Code of Ordinances to reduce the membership of the Mayor's International Affairs Advisory Commission to twenty-three (23) members by decreasing the number of members from Africa; Asia; Europe; the Americas; and the Middle East, from three (3) to two (2) each.

An Ordinance pursuant to Section 6.12 of the Charter of the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government to reorganize and restructure LFUCG Divs. and Depts., as follows: transferring the Div. of Engineering and all incumbents in all authorized positions and all vacant positions at their current job classification, pay grade, and salary, from the Dept. of Environmental Quality and Public Works to the Dept. of Planning and Preservation; transferring the Div. of Building Inspection and all incumbents in all authorized positions and all vacant positions at their current job classification, pay grade, and salary, from the dept. of environmental quality and public works to the Dept. of Planning and Preservation; with such reorganization effective upon passage of Council, but provided that implementation of all accompanying financial updates shall be made effective July 1, 2026.

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The following ordinance received first reading and was ordered to be placed on file for public inspection until April 16, 2026:

An Ordinance amending certain of the Budgets of the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government to reflect current requirements for municipal expenditures, and appropriating and re-appropriating funds, FY 2026 Schedule No. 26.

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A Resolution authorizing and directing the Mayor, or her designee on behalf of the Urban County Government and the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government Public Facilities Corporation, to execute a Ground Lease Agreement (awarded pursuant to RFP #35-2025 Haley Pike Solar Lease) and any additional necessary documents related thereto, except the Community Benefit Agreement referenced therein which shall require separate approval by the Urban County Council prior to execution, with Social Impact Solar LLC, leasing approximately 357 acres of the Haley Pike Landfill for the development, construction, and operation of a Solar Photovoltaic Project, in consideration of anticipated revenue in the amount of $30,345 as a base lease payment in the first year was on the docket for second reading.

Mr. Morton motioned to amend the resolution to require that no construction commence until the Community Benefits Agreement has been approved by Council. Ms. Sheehan seconded the motion.

Mr. Morton expounded on his motivation for the amendment.

Mr. Brown thanked Mr. Morton for his motion and asked for clarification. Comm. Dave Barberie, Dept. of Law, confirmed that, in its current form, the agreement is not required to come before Council prior to construction. However, he stressed that the amendment may affect the timeline of the project. Adam Edelen, from Edelen Renewables, emphasized the amendment would affect the timeline of the project and the impact it could have on funding.

Mr. Brown opined that there was still some due diligence to be done and asked about securing protections for the Flying Model Airplane Club (FMAC). The Chief Development Officer of the project for Edelen Renewables, David Absher, responded. Mr. Brown asked if protections for the FMAC could be added to the agreement. Mr. Absher responded that significant tax credits would not be available if stringent deadlines were not met during the project's development.

Mr. Sevigny concurred with Mr. Brown and shared his view that there were multiple ways in which this project could proceed successfully.

Ms. Sheehan asked about the pilot agreement and the timeline for construction. Mr. Edelen confirmed that the construction would begin as scheduled. Ms. Sheehan asked about the timeline for the construction, to which Mr. Edelen replied that federal guidelines and regulations had to be met in order to satisfy the federal definition of "being under construction."

Mr. Morton then asked about supply chain, funding, and panel installation language. Mr. Edelen responded.

Mayor Gorton offered some clarification of Mr. Morton's question, to which Mr. Absher responded.

Mr. Morton spoke about the process and order of the steps for the current project, noting he did not support them in their current form.

Ms. Sheehan noted that pilot agreement is scheduled to take effect this summer, which was soon.

Mr. Edelen emphasized that the Industrial Revenue Bonds would not occur until the project was underway. Ms. Sheehan appreciated the reminder but noted that the Council must answer to the public.

Vice Mayor Wu asked about the lease and timeline in its current form, and about the forthcoming Community Benefits Agreement. Mr. Edelen responded.

Mr. Brown asked about making a motion to amend the amendment. Comm. Barberie shared that should the deal be hindered, there would be significant challenges ahead and stated his preference that the previous motion to amend be withdrawn before another motion be made.

Mr. Morton withdrew his motion to amend. Ms. Sheehan withdrew her second.

Mr. Brown motioned to amend the resolution to bring both the Community Benefits Agreement and the Industrial Revenue Bond back before Council together. Ms. Higgins-Hord seconded the motion. The motion to amend passed by unanimous vote.

Mr. Brown asked if this was a material change. Comm. Barberie stated it was not.

A Resolution authorizing and directing the Mayor, or her designee on behalf of the Urban County Government and the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government Public Facilities Corporation, to execute a Ground Lease Agreement (awarded pursuant to RFP #35-2025 Haley Pike Solar Lease) and any additional necessary documents related thereto, except the Community Benefit Agreement referenced therein which shall require separate approval by the Urban County Council prior to execution, and which shall return to the Council coinciding with the Industrial Revenue Bond, with Social Impact Solar LLC, leasing approximately 357 acres of the Haley Pike Landfill for the development, construction, and operation of a Solar Photovoltaic Project, in consideration of anticipated revenue in the amount of $30,345 as a base lease payment in the first year, as amended, received second reading.

Upon motion by Mr. Ellinger, and seconded by Mr. Sevigny, the resolution was approved by the following vote:

Aye:	Ellinger, Higgins-Hord, Lynch, Reynolds, Sevigny, Sheehan, Wu, Beasley, Boone, Brown	------10
Nay:	Eblen, Hale, Morton	-------3

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The following resolutions received second reading. Upon motion by Mr. Morton, and seconded by Mr. Hale, the resolutions were approved by the following vote:

Aye:	Eblen, Ellinger, Hale, Higgins-Hord, Lynch, Morton, Reynolds, Sevigny, Sheehan, Wu, Beasley, Boone, Brown	------13
Nay:		-------0

A Resolution authorizing and directing the Mayor, on behalf of the Urban County Government, to execute a Release of Easement, a sanitary sewer easement on the property located at 3855 Fountainblue Lane.

A Resolution authorizing and directing the Mayor, on behalf of the Urban County Government, to approve the Amendment to the Solid Waste Management Plan for 2023-2027 at a cost not to exceed $562.44 for advertising.

A Resolution authorizing and directing the Mayor, on behalf of the Urban County Government, to execute a Purchase of Service Agreement with Point One USA, LLC., for bomb technician training at a cost not to exceed $60,000.

A Resolution authorizing and directing the Mayor, on behalf of the Urban County Government, to execute an Agreed Order with the Commonwealth of Ky. Energy and Environment Cabinet, to resolve permit violations at the West Hickman Wastewater Treatment Plant, and further authorizing payment of a civil penalty in the amount of $5,000 to the Commonwealth of Ky., Ky. State Treasurer.

A Resolution accepting the bid of CY, LLC d/b/a Leanfeast, establishing a price contract for catering services for the Family Care Center, for the Dept. of Social Services, and authorizing the Mayor, on behalf of the Urban County Government, to execute the current Catering Agreement with CY, LLC d/b/a Leanfeast and further authorizing the Director of Procurement or his designee to execute any other necessary documents, related to the price contract.

A Resolution ratifying the Permanent Classified Civil Service Appointments of: Phillip Smith, Street Sweeper, Grade 515N, $23.638 hourly in the Div. of Streets and Roads, effective February 25, 2026; Randy Rosanbalm, Producer, Grade 518N, $27.364 hourly in the Div. of Government Communications, effective March 8, 2026.

A Resolution authorizing and directing the Mayor, on behalf of the Urban County Government, to execute Change Order No. 1 to the Agreement with Friends of Wolf Run, Inc., for a Stormwater Quality Project, for the Div. of Water Quality, decreasing the Contract by the sum of $8,504.24, from $53,020.00 to $44,515.76.

A Resolution authorizing and directing the Mayor, on behalf of the Urban County Government, to execute an Agreement with Eastern Ky. University, for student field placement opportunities.

A Resolution authorizing and directing the Mayor, on behalf of the Urban County Government, to execute an Agreement with Bluegrass Community and Technical College, for clinical experience for paramedic students.

A Resolution authorizing and directing the Mayor, on behalf of the Urban County Government, to execute an Amendment to an Agreement with Repairers of the Breach, Inc., in order to add a location to the project service area, and further authorizing the Mayor to execute any other amendments with Repairers of the Breach Inc., related to that Agreement.

A Resolution authorizing and directing the Mayor, on behalf of the Urban County Government, to execute an Agreement with Saint Joseph Health System, Inc., for use of the emergency room as a clinical practice area.

A Resolution authorizing and directing the Mayor, on behalf of the Urban County Government to accept a Grant from the Ky. Transportation Cabinet's Office of Highway Safety for participation in the Traffic Safety Program, which Grant funds are in the amount of $231,310 in Federal funds, no local match is required, and authorizing the Mayor to transfer unencumbered funds within the Grant Budget.

A Resolution authorizing and directing the Mayor, on behalf of the Urban County Government, to execute an amendment to an Agreement with Risk Management Services Co. for third party administrator for claims management services and claims adjustment handling services for workers' compensation, auto liability and physical damage, general liability, and property claims, to authorize additional one-year extensions at the current Contract pricing, at a cost estimated not to exceed $419,600 plus 20% of subrogation in FY 2027.

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor, on behalf of the Urban County Government, to enter into a Statement of Work with I/O Solutions, Inc. for testing applicants with the Div. of Fire and Emergency Services for Recruit Firefighter positions, at a cost not to exceed $1,875.

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor, on behalf of the Urban County Government, to enter into a Statement of Work with CPS HR Consulting for Fire Lieutenant, Fire Captain and Fire Major promotional processes for the Div. of Fire and Emergency Services, at a cost not to exceed $155,250.

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At 7:56 p.m. Mr. Ellinger departed the meeting.

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The following Resolutions received first reading.

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

Upon motion by Mr. Morton, and seconded by Vice Mayor Wu, the resolutions were approved by the following vote:

Aye:	Eblen, Hale, Higgins-Hord, Lynch, Morton, Reynolds, Sevigny, Sheehan, Wu, Beasley, Boone, Brown	------12
Nay:		-------0
Absent:	Ellinger	

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor, on behalf of the Urban County Government, to execute the fourth renewal of the Engineering Services Agreement (awarded pursuant to RFP No. 13-2022) with Stantec Consulting Services, Inc., for continued implementation of the Sanitary Sewer Capacity Assurance Program required by the Consent Decree, at a cost estimated not to exceed $300,000.

A Resolution authorizing and directing the Mayor, on behalf of the Urban County Government, to execute an Agreement with National CineMedia LLC., for an eight-week advertising campaign at a cost not to exceed $13,000.

A Resolution authorizing and directing the Mayor, on behalf of the Urban County Government, to execute Change Order No. 1 to the Agreement with Zerhusen Holten Commmissioning, for air leakage testing associated with the new Senior & Therapeutic Center Construction, increasing the amount by $8,000, raising the total Contract amount from $37,080 to $45,080.

A Resolution authorizing and directing the Mayor, on behalf of the Urban County Government, to execute an affiliation Agreement with the University of Louisville, providing students from the University's Kent School of Social Work and Family Science to support the Div. of Aging and Disability Services, at no cost to the Urban County Government.

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor, on behalf of the urban-county government, to submit various Grant Applications to the Ky. Transportation Cabinet, to provide any additional information requested in connection with these applications, and to accept these Grants, if awarded, which Grant funds are in the amount of $1,190,672 ($549,600 - FHWA Planning; $108,000 - FTA Section 5303; and $533,072 - Surface Transportation Block Grant (SLX)) in Federal funds and $68,700 in Commonwealth of Ky. funds, for FY 2027 Transportation Planning Activities, the acceptance of which obligates the Urban County Government to the expenditure of $228,968 as a local match; authorizing the Mayor to execute and submit any other documents necessary for the administration of these Grants; and authorizing the Mayor to transfer unencumbered funds within the Grant Budget.

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor, on behalf of the Urban County Government, to execute Amendment No. 1 to an Agreement with the Ky. Transportation Cabinet, accepting additional Federal Funds ($83,828) under the Surface Transportation Block Grant Program (SLX) for FY 2026 Transportation Planning Activities, the acceptance of which obligates the Urban County Government to the expenditure of an additional $20,957 as a local match; authorizing the Mayor to execute any other necessary documents related to this Grant; and authorizing the Mayor to transfer unencumbered funds within the Grant Budget.

A Resolution authorizing and directing the Mayor, on behalf of the Urban County Government, to approve and execute a training and expense reimbursement Contract with new Div. of Police hires, for reimbursement of training expenses from any Ky. law enforcement agency that hires a Lexington Police Officer within a 5-year period from the date of their academy graduation.

A Resolution authorizing and directing the Mayor, on behalf of the Urban County Government, to execute an Agreement related to Council Capital Project expenditure funds with LexArts Inc. ($3,990) for the Office of the Urban County Council, at a cost not to exceed the sum stated.

A Resolution accepting the bid of Tekton Construction LLC, in the amount of $207,746 for the Castlewood Community Center Entrance Improvements Project, for the Div. of Parks and Recreation, and authorizing the Mayor, on behalf of the Urban County Government, to execute an Agreement with Tekton Construction LLC, related to the bid.

A Resolution ratifying the Permanent Classified Civil Service Appointments of: William Razor, Attorney Sr., Grade 530E, $3,588.08 biweekly in the Dept. of Law, effective March 8, 2026, and ratifying the Permanent Sworn Appointments of Jacob Stack, Police Sergeant, Grade 315N, $42.968 hourly in the Div. of Police, effective February 25, 2026.

A Resolution authorizing the Div. of Community Corrections, on behalf of the Urban County Government, to purchase services related to fire monitoring and suppression from Siemens Industry, Inc., a sole source provider, at a cost estimated not to exceed $40,100.47, and authorizing the Mayor, on behalf of the Urban County Government, to execute an Agreement and any other documents related to the procurement of these services, including future renewals, subject to the appropriation of sufficient funds in future fiscal years.

A Resolution authorizing and directing the Mayor, on behalf of the Urban County Government, to execute Change Order No. 5 (Final) to the Agreement with Lagco Inc., for Joyland Area Storm Drainage Project- Contract No. 365-2024, for the Div. of Water Quality, increasing the Contract by the sum of $104,952, from $1,182,126 to $1,287,078.

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor, on behalf of the Urban County Government, to execute a Purchase of Service Agreement with the Hope Center, Inc., for the Div. of Community Corrections, to provide daily recovery services to the inmates of the Fayette County Detention Center, effective July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027, at a cost estimated not to exceed $228,000 in FY2027, subject to sufficient funds being appropriated.

A Resolution authorizing and directing the Mayor, on behalf of the Urban County Government, to execute a Purchase of Service Agreement with the Lexington Pride Center to support the Annual LGBTQ Festival, at a cost not to exceed $10,000.

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor, on behalf of the Urban County Government, to execute the Host Site Agreement with Ky. Association for Environmental Education, for the Workforce Development Internship Program, for the Div. of Parks & Recreation, at no cost to the Urban County Government.

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor, on behalf of the Urban County Government, to execute the first renewal of the Memorandum of Agreement with Fayette County Public Schools, for the continued operation of a Day Treatment Center by Fayette County Public Schools at the Audrey Grevious Center, at a cost not to exceed $300,000 in Fiscal Year 2027.

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor, on behalf of the Urban County Government, to execute the first renewal of the Lease Agreement with Fayette County Public Schools, for premises located at 1177 Harry Sykes Way, also known as the Audrey Grievous Center, for the period of July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2028, for its exclusive use in the continuing operation of a Day Treatment Program on the premises.

A Resolution authorizing and directing the Mayor, on behalf of the Urban County Government, to execute an Agreement with City Wise Software LLC, to establish and host a housing listing platform on the Urban County Government website, as a pilot project, with all costs of service paid for through listing fees charged by City Wise Software LLC, and with ten percent (10%) of all net listing fees annually remitted to the Urban County Government.

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor, on behalf of the Urban County Government, to execute the Welcoming Certification Agreement with Welcoming America, for Certified Welcoming status, for the Dept. of Social Services - Global Lex, at a cost not to exceed $8,400.

A Resolution authorizing and directing the Mayor, on behalf of the Urban County Government, to execute a three-year Service Agreement and related documents with

Cintas, for lease of Automated External Defibrillator (AED) Units, for the Div. of Environmental Services, at an annual cost not to exceed $9,720.

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor, on behalf of the Urban County Government, to execute a Professional Services Agreement (awarded pursuant to RFP No. 4-2026) with Solar Energy Solutions, LLC, for installation of a roof-mounted solar photovoltaic system at Police Sector West, at a cost not to exceed $54,440.70.

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor, on behalf of the Urban County Government, to execute Change Order No. 2 to the Agreement with Third Rock Consultants, LLC, for design services related to the Wolf Run Watershed §319(h) Grant Project, increasing the Contract price by the sum of $13,800, from $186,450 to $200,250.

A Resolution authorizing and directing the Mayor, on behalf of the Urban County Government, to execute and submit a Grant Application to the Ky. Justice and Public Safety Cabinet, to provide any additional information requested in connection with this Grant Application, and to accept this Grant if awarded, which Grant funds are in the amount of $56,750, for the 2026 Project Safe Neighborhood (PSN) Grant for a Gun Liaison Program, no local match is required, and authorizing the Mayor to transfer unencumbered funds within the Grant Budget.

A Resolution authorizing and directing the Mayor, on behalf of the Urban County Government, to execute and submit a Grant Application to the Ky. Justice and Public Safety Cabinet, to provide any additional information requested in connection with this Grant Application, and to accept this Grant if awarded, which Grant funds are in the amount of $18,795, for the 2026 Project Safe Neighborhood (PSN) Grant to purchase an IBIS Clearcase Acquisition Station subscription, no local match is required, and authorizing the Mayor to transfer unencumbered funds within the Grant Budget.

A Resolution authorizing and directing the Mayor, on behalf of the Urban County Government, to execute and submit a Grant Application to the Ky. Justice and Public Safety Cabinet, to provide any additional information requested in connection with this Grant Application, and to accept this Grant if awarded, which Grant funds are in the amount of $82,839.00, for the 2026 Project Safe Neighborhood (PSN) Grant to purchase an IBIS Clearcase Acquisition Station subscription, no local match is required, and authorizing the Mayor to transfer unencumbered funds within the Grant Budget.

A Resolution authorizing the Div. of Police to purchase Jet A Aviation Fuel from Signature Flight Air Inc., a sole source provider, and authorizing the Mayor, on behalf of the Urban County Government, to execute any necessary Agreement with Signature Flight Air Inc., related to the procurement at a cost discount of $1.10 per gallon based on fluctuating prices.

A Resolution authorizing and directing the Mayor, on behalf of the Urban County Government, to execute Agreements related to Neighborhood Development Funds with Winburn Neighborhood Association, Inc. ($750.00); Lexington Community Police Academy Alumni Association, Inc. ($499.92); Lafayette High School Baseball Boosters, Inc. ($500.00); Black Yarn Inc. ($1,850.00); the Fayette County Public School Education Foundation Corporation ($2,000.00); LFUCG Senior Intern Program ($4,000.00); Hearts for Basketball Christian Academy, Inc. ($450.00); and the Black Soil Charitable Fund, Inc. ($1,000.00), for the Office of the Urban County Council, at a cost not to exceed the sum stated.

A Resolution authorizing and directing the Mayor, on behalf of the Urban County Government, to execute an Agreement related to Council Capital Project expenditure funds with LFUCG Div. of Traffic Engineering ($17,727.68), for the Office of the Urban County Council, at a cost not to exceed the sum stated.

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Upon motion by Vice Mayor Wu, and seconded by Mr. Sevigny, the Communications from the Mayor (Appointments) were approved by majority vote (Mr. Ellinger was absent) and were as follows: (1) Recommending the reappointment of Joy Harris, Qualified Member, to the Charles Young Neighborhood Center Board with a term expiring March 1, 2030; (2) Recommending the appointment of Grant Klinksiek, Coast Guard Veteran, filling the unexpired term of Gerald Nauert, to the Commission on Veterans' Affairs with a term expiring July 1, 2028; (3) Recommending the appointment of Janet Cabaniss, Fayette County Neighborhood Council Representative, and Susan Pollack, Audubon Society Representative, filling an unexpired term, to the Masterson Station Park Advisory Board with terms expiring May 1, 2026 and May 1, 2027, respectively; (4) Recommending the appointment of Seth Church and Meckaela Sellers to the Racial Justice and Equity Commission with both terms expiring February 1, 2030;

and, (5) Recommending the reappointment of Councilmember Hil Boone, Council seat, to the Raven Run Citizens Advisory Board with a term expiring January 13, 2030.

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Upon motion by Ms. Reynolds, and seconded by Ms. Beasley, the Communications from the Mayor (Donations) were approved by majority vote (Mr. Ellinger was absent) and were as follows: (1) Accepting and approving the following donations for the following depts. and divs.: (a) Fire and Emergency Services - making a donation to the Evansville Police Department: 70 Harris P7200 portable radios to help equip their officers with the best radios available while they transition to new radios. The radios no longer provide a benefit to LFUCG; (b) Environmental Services - accepting a donation from Middleground Capital Charitable Foundation, Inc: $5,000 to assist with the implementation of the 2026 Reforest the Bluegrass event. (Budget amendment no. 14159); (c) Environmental Services - accepting a donation from the Lexington Lions Club: $500 to assist with the implementation of the 2026 Reforest the Bluegrass event. (Budget amendment no. 14158); (d) Parks and Recreation - accepting a donation from the Creech Family Foundation: $30,000 as an annual donation to be used for ADA-compliant park investments. (Budget amendment no. 14153); and, (e) Parks and Recreation - accepting a donation from Friends of McConnell Springs: bobcat taxidermy display case (estimated value of $2,901) for a new nature display for the McConnell Springs Nature Education Center.

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Upon motion by Vice Mayor Wu, and seconded by Mr. Sevigny, the Communications from the Mayor (Procurements) were approved by majority vote (Mr. Ellinger was absent) and were as follows: (1) Accepting and approving the following bids and establishing price contracts for the following Depts. or Divs. as to the specifications and amount set forth in the terms of the respective bids: (a) Div. of Water Quality - Custodial Services for Town Branch WWTP - 133-2025 - EM Corporate - Lexington Richmond, LLC dba Ecomaids of Lexington-Richmond-Nicholasville; (b) Div. of Parks & Recreation - Swimming Pool Chemicals - 5-2026 - Brenntag Mid-South LLC; (c) Div. of Parks & Recreation - Portable Restroom Units Rental and Service - 4-2026 - Martin's Sanitation Service, Inc.; (d) Div.

of Traffic Engineering - Fiber Optic Cable Install and Repair - 15-2026 - Davis H Elliot Construction Company, Inc.; (e) Div. of Fire & Emergency Services - Emergency Medical Supplies - 12-2026 - Life-Assist, Inc., Bound Tree Medical, LLC, Henry Schein, Inc., McKesson Medical-Surgical Government Solutions, LLC, Zoll Medical Corporation and Performance Safety Group; and, (f) Div. of Water Quality - Maintenance Services for Chemical Odor Control - 17-2026 - Evoqua Water Technologies LLC and Integrity Municipal Systems LLC; and, (2) Accepting and approving the following vendors as sole source providers: (a) Div. of Enhanced 911 - Kraus Associates dba AK Associates - Telephone equipment, software, licenses, managed services, and integration of existing systems.

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The following Communications from the Mayor were received for information only: (1) Probationary Classified Civil Service Appointment of Stephen Mulligan, ERP Senior Analyst, Grade 525E, $3,454.16 biweekly in the Div. of Enterprise Solutions, effective March 23, 2026; (2) Probationary Classified Civil Service Appointment of Caleb Mitchell, Heavy Equipment Mechanic, Grade 516N, $22.559 hourly in the Div. of Streets and Roads, effective March 23, 2026; (3) Probationary Classified Civil Service Appointment of Fredric Chenault, Streets and Roads Maintenance Worker, Grade 511N, $18.073 hourly in the Div. of Streets and Roads, effective March 16, 2026; (4) Probationary Classified Civil Service Appointment of Anthony Roberts, SLM Supervisor, Grade 518N, $26.461 hourly in the Div. of Water Quality, effective March 23, 2026; (5) Probationary Classified Civil Service Appointment of David Every, SLM Field Technician Sr., Grade 516N, $26.500 hourly in the Div. of Water Quality, effective March 16, 2026; (6) Probationary Classified Civil Service Appointment of Taylor Dawson, Service Dispatcher, Grade 516N, $22.541 hourly in the Div. of Waste Management, effective March 23, 2026; (7) Probationary Classified Civil Service Appointment of Rickie Hall, Telecommunicator Supervisor, Grade 523N, $33.362 hourly in the Div. of Enhanced 911, effective March 23, 2026; (8) Probationary Classified Civil Service Appointment of Kamil Azimov, Utilities Data Analyst, Grade 518N, $26.384 hourly in the Div. of Environmental Services, effective April 6, 2026; and, (9) Probationary Classified Civil Service Appointment of Doug

Johnson, Trades Worker Sr., Grade 515N, $25.950 hourly in the Div. of Parks and Recreation, effective April 13, 2026.

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Ms. Lynch shared the dates for the temporary closing of the Legacy Trail, which would begin on March 30. She also shared details of various Easter Egg hunts in her council district, the Masterson Station Creek Cleanup on April 11, 2026, the Spring Extravaganza on April 4, 2026, the District 2 Tenant Landlord Workshop on April 11, 2026, and the District-wide meeting on April 22, 2026.

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Mr. Morton announced the free lunch program, Hunger Doesn't Take a Spring Break, which would provide lunches to school children at various locations, April 6, 2026 through April 10, 2026. He also shared the Smithtown Voices would hold a concert at Coolavin Park on April 11, 2026, and Bring Back the Bluegrass project would be held at Marlboro Park on April 4, 2026, for site preparation and April 22, 24, and 25, 2026 for planting.

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Vice Mayor Wu recognized the ribbon cutting at the Oaks at Woodland Apartments, which was held earlier that morning. He noted the significance of the project, and recognized the many groups that coordinated efforts to renovate the building and create an affordable senior living community in the historic area.

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Mr. Sevigny wished Ms. Sheehan a Happy Birthday.

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Mr. Eblen shared a reminder that the 2026 Kentucky Writers Hall of Fame induction ceremony, hosted by the Carnegie Center for Literacy & Learning, would take place on March 30, 2026, at The Kentucky Theatre.

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Mayor Gorton wished Ms. Sheehan a Happy Birthday.

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Ms. Sheehan shared information regarding a survey seeking feedback for the proposed language for the Solar Working Group, noting the survey was now open. She also announced the Landsdowne Merrick Neighborhood Association meeting would be held April 14, 2026 at Tates Creek Christian Church.

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Ms. Beasley shared information for a Spring Fling that would be held at Heartland Park on March 28, 2026, and on March 21, 2026 through March 31, 2026, the First 5 Lex would hold the annual Book Madness Championship competition, and she urged everyone to vote for her favorite children's book, "Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus!".

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The following people spoke in opposition to FLOCK cameras: Isaac Looney, Dist. 3, Finley VanHook, Dist. 9, Cassidy Child, Dist. 6, Herbert Lynn, Dist. 7, Willow Jordan, Dist. 3, and Dylan Bourne, Dist. 1

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Gary Jones, Dist. 11, spoke about coordination between various associations in the community and urged the City to invest in relationships with residents.

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Travor Davis, Dist. 6, spoke about opioid abatement funds and voiced concerns about procedures and recommendations set forth by the Mayor's Opioid Abatement Commission.

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Upon motion by Vice Mayor Wu, seconded by Ms. Beasley, and approved by unanimous vote, the meeting adjourned at 9:25 p.m.

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Clerk of the Urban County Council