

Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government

*200 E. Main St
Lexington, KY 40507*



Tuesday, June 16, 2026

3:00 PM

Packet

Council Chamber

Urban County Council Work Session

Lexington-Fayette Urban County Council
Schedule of Meetings
June 15, 2026 - June 22, 2026

Monday, June 15

No Meetings

Tuesday, June 16

Environmental Quality & Public Works (EQPW) Committee

1:00 p.m. ET / 12:00 p.m. CT

Government Center – Council Chamber, 2nd Fl.

Council Work Session

3:00 p.m. ET / 2:00 p.m. CT

Government Center – Council Chamber, 2nd Fl.

Wednesday, June 17

No Meetings

Thursday, June 18

Boards and Commissions Subcommittee

1:00 p.m. ET / 12:00 p.m. CT

Government Center – Council Caucus Room, 2nd Fl.

Confirmation Hearings: Board of Adjustment and Ethics Commission

4:30 p.m. ET / 3:30 p.m. CT

Government Center – Council Chamber, 2nd Fl.

Council Meeting

6:00 p.m. ET / 5:00 p.m. CT

Government Center – Council Chamber, 2nd Fl.

Friday, June 19

Juneteenth Holiday – LFUCG Offices Closed

Monday, June 22

No Meetings

Lexington-Fayette Urban County Council
Work Session Agenda
June 16, 2026

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Administrative Synopsis - New Business Items

- a** **0477-26** Authorization to execute an Agreement of Sale, and any other necessary documents, and to accept deed for property located at 130 West New Circle Road, which is adjacent to the 8.43-acre tract owned by LFUCG which is being redeveloped to serve as the Division of Water Quality headquarters. At a cost of \$400,000. Funds are budgeted. (L0477-26)(Martin/Ford), p. 2-5
- b** **0493-26** Authorization to execute a Purchase of Services Agreement (PSA) with economic development partner agency Jubilee Jobs to enhance and connect individuals with the WORK-Lexington program for a term of July 1, 2026, to June 30, 2027, as approved by the Lexington Economic Development Investment Board on May 5, 2026. At a cost of \$62,718.42 for FY27. Funds are included in the FY27 budget. (L0493-26)(Glasscock/Atkins), p. 6
- c** **0495-26** Authorization to amend the classified civil service authorized strength by creating one (1) position of Recreation Manager (Grade 520N) and one (1) Recreation Specialist Sr. (Grade 516N) in the Division of Parks and Recreation, as approved in the FY 2027 budget process, to become effective July 1, 2026. (L0495-26) (George/Hamilton), p. 7
- d** **0496-26** Authorization to increase the salaries of all eligible classified and unclassified employees included in the unified pay plan (including employees who would otherwise be ineligible due to grade max restriction) by 2%. This action also amends the unified pay plan's salary scales by adjusting the scales by 1% and amends section 23-28 of the Code of Ordinances by increasing the existing step structure of Police Chief and Fire Chief by 2% and adjusting the incumbents' salaries accordingly. Finally, this action increases salaries of the following positions by 2%: Council Administrator (1), Law Clerk P/T (3), Friend of the Court (1), Family Court Services Specialist (5), Police and Fire Pension Benefits Specialist (2), and School Crossing Guards. All actions are effective June 29, 2026. (L0496-26) (George/Hamilton), p. 8
- e** **0497-26** Authorization to establish a Memorandum of Agreement with the Commonwealth of Kentucky, Department of Military Affairs, Kentucky Division of Emergency Management Urban Search and Rescue Program whereby participating agencies will provide urban search and rescue services pursuant to House Bill 157. Effective from July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2028. No budgetary impact. (L0497-26)(Wells/Armstrong), p. 9
- f** **0500-26** Authorization to execute an agreement with Overtime Athletics to provide youth sports programming at the Black & Williams Neighborhood Center for seven weeks beginning on June 16, 2026, at a cost not to exceed \$800.00. Funds are budgeted for FY27. (L0500-26)(Sanders/Lanter), p. 10
- g** **0501-26** Authorization to execute an agreement with Overtime Athletics to provide youth sports programming at the Tates Creek Community Center for seven weeks beginning on June 16, 2026, at a cost not to exceed \$800.00. Funds are budgeted for FY27. (L0501-26)(Sanders/Lanter), p. 11

h	0502-26	Authorization to submit an application, and to accept if offered, for a U.S. Department of Transportation, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration, Pipeline Emergency Response Grant in an amount to not exceed \$95,000 to improve response to accidents and incidents involving pipelines that transfer hazardous substances such as petroleum products thereby decreasing harm to the public and the environment. There is no local match required. (L0502-26)(Wells/Armstrong), p. 12
i	0503-26	Authorization to approve LeadsOnline as a sole source provider to ensure continued compatibility with the National Integrated Ballistics Information Network (NIBIN) that supports the current operating equipment for the Division of Police through June 30, 2031. ClearCase is a cartridge case triage solution for NIBIN. At a cost of \$101,634 for FY27. Budget amendments in process. (L0503-26)(Weathers/Armstrong), p. 13-14
j	0504-26	Authorization to submit a project proposal, and if invited, an application for a grant award, for the purpose of seeking and accepting funding to construct a new fire station that will enhance the fire and emergency response coverage for the community, including improved service response to Bluegrass Station. The proposal and application seek grant funding for a project cost not to exceed \$12 million, which includes a 30% local match for the construction of a new fire station. A budget amendment will be forthcoming if a grant award is offered. (L0504-26)(Wells/Armstrong), p. 15
k	0505-26	Authorization to execute a First Amendment to Purchase Service Agreements with Arbor Youth Services, Inc., Community Action Council for Lexington-Fayette, Bourbon, Harrison, and Nicholas Counties, Inc., and GreenHouse17, Inc. to extend the period of performance on one-time funding provided to address identified gaps and barriers to reducing homelessness through October 31, 2026, at no additional cost. (L0505-26)(Herron/Lanter), p. 16
l	0509-26	Authorization to execute Purchase Services Agreement (PSA) with the Kable Academy, pursuant to RFP No. 24-2026, to provide an Information Technology Short-Term Training Program from June 1, 2026, to December 31, 2026. At a cost of \$50,000 for FY27. Funds are included in the FY27 budget. (L0509-26)(Glasscock/Atkins), p. 17
m	0510-26	Authorization to amend the LFUCG Procurement Regulations to increase the amount of an expenditure for which the government is not required to legally advertise for bids from \$40,000 to \$50,000, to increase the lowest dollar threshold amount from \$2,500 to \$5,000 and to make changes consistent with the actual current operations of the government; and approving, adopting and restating the regulations to be effective as amended on July 1, 2026. (L0510-26)(Slatin/Hensley), p. 18
n	0511-26	Authorization to execute an amendment to the Purchase of Service Agreement with Urban League of Lexington Fayette County Inc. (Reso. 434-2025). The amendment extends the agreement for salary support for an office assistant and maintenance individual through June 30, 2027 and has no additional budgetary impact. (L0511-26)(Reynolds/Lanter), p. 19

o	0512-26	Authorization to execute the Memorandum of Agreement with Ky. Science and Technology Corporation for their Kentucky APEX Accelerator for services aimed at assisting the public in navigating government contracting opportunities, at a cost not to exceed \$8,400. Funds are included in the FY27 budget. (L0512-26)(Slatin/Hensley), p. 20-21
p	0514-26	Authorization to submit an application and accept if offered a Kentucky Emergency Management, Search and Rescue Aid Program grant award in the amount of \$14,760.00 for FY 2027. Funding will be utilized to purchase rescue equipment for the Division of Fire, Special Operations Command, for use in rescue operations. There is no local match required. (L0514-26)(Wells/Armstrong), p. 22
q	0520-26	Authorization to amend Article III of Chapter 27 and Section 27-5 of the Code of Ordinances to revise the minimum eligibility criteria for the Small Farm Conservation Easement Program and amending Section 27-6 to update and expand application submission requirements for participation in the program, as recommended by the Rural Land Management Board. No budgetary impact. (L0520-26)(Denney/Horn), p. 23
r	0521-26	Authorization to approve the annual renewal of ECaTS web-based queries of 911 statistics from Intrado Life & Safety Solutions, a sole source provider, for FY27 period of 7/1/2026 through 6/30/2027. At a cost of \$6,838.68. Funds are included the FY27 budget. (L0521-26)(Patton/Armstrong), p. 24
s	0522-26	Authorization to execute a Purchase of Services Agreement (PSA) with economic development partner agency Commerce Lexington, pursuant to RFP 35-2024. On May 5, 2026, the Lexington Economic Development Investment Board approved contracting with Commerce Lexington for a term of July 1, 2026, to June 30, 2027, to assist LFUCG with New Business Development and Existing Business Retention and Expansion. At a cost of \$209,061.41. Funds are included in the FY27 budget. (L0522-26)(Glasscock/Atkins), p. 25
t	0523-26	Authorization to execute Purchase Services Agreements with the Kable Academy (\$50,000), The Child Care Council of Kentucky (\$50,000), Building Institute of Central Kentucky (\$50,000), Liminal Consulting (\$50,000), Stable Recovery (\$50,000), Jubilee Jobs of Lexington (\$50,000), Lexington Rescue Mission (\$50,000) and IEC of the Bluegrass (\$50,000) to provide training and workforce development services for the government pursuant RFP #15-2026. The total amount is \$400,000 and funds are included in the FY27 budget. (L0523-26)(Glasscock/Atkins), p. 26
u	0524-26	Authorization to accept an award for the Fire Training Incentive Grant in an amount up to \$3,892,752.00 for FY 2027 from the Commission on Fire Protection, Personnel, Standards, and Education for Training Incentives for Firefighters. Fire Training Incentive funds are used to provide eligible firefighters with supplemental pay for participation in training programs. No local match required. FY27 budget amendment in process. (L0524-26)(Wells/Armstrong), p. 27
v	0525-26	Authorization to change street names and/or individual numbers of addresses within the 3rd Council District: 797-807 Press Ave to 797 Elizabeth St. and 710 Press Ave to 710 Elizabeth St. and 720 Press Ave to 720 Elizabeth St. No budgetary impact. (L0525-26)(Patton/Armstrong), p. 28

- w** **0526-26** Authorization to accept an award for the Police Training Incentive Grant in an amount up to \$4,018,122 for FY 2027 from the Kentucky Justice and Public Safety Cabinet under the Kentucky Law Enforcement Foundation Program Fund. Police Training Incentive funds are used to provide eligible police officers with supplemental pay for participation in training programs. FY27 budget amendment in process. (L0526-26)(Weathers/Armstrong), p. 29
- x** **0527-26** Authorization to execute a memorandum of agreement with the Triangle Foundation, Inc. and Friends Towards Freedom, Inc. (FTFI) in association with plans to construct a public plaza directly adjacent to the recently commissioned statue, "Towards Freedom" in honor of renowned abolitionists and Lexington natives, Lewis and Harriet Hayden. No budgetary impact. (L0527-26)(Conrad/Ford), p. 30

**URBAN COUNTY COUNCIL
WORK SESSION
TABLE OF MOTIONS
June 9, 2026**

Mayor Gorton called the meeting to order at 3:12 p.m. Vice Mayor Wu and Council Members Brown, Ellinger II, Morton, Lynch, Eblen, Curtis, Sheehan, Higgins-Hord, Beasley, Baxter, Sevigny, Reynolds, and Boone were present.

- I. Public Comment – Issues on Agenda
- II. Requested Rezonings/Docket Approval
- III. Approval of Summary

Motion by Ellinger to approve the June 2, 2026 Table of Motions. Seconded by Baxter. Motion passed without dissent.

- IV. Budget Amendments
- V. Budget Adjustments – For Information Only
- VI. New Business

Motion by Sevigny to approve New Business. Seconded by Curtis. Motion passed without dissent (as amended).

Motion by Brown to amend New Business to include the cost of \$249,000.00 on item a (file number 0406-26). Seconded by Morton. Motion passed without dissent.

- VII. Communications from the Mayor- Appointments
- VIII. Communications from the Mayor- Donations
- IX. Communications from the Mayor- Procurements
- X. Continuing Business/Presentations

Motion by Reynolds to approve Council Capital Projects, June 9, 2026. Seconded by Curtis. Motion passed without dissent.

Councilmember Reynolds provided a summary of the May 5, 2026 Social Services and Public Safety Committee meeting. There were no motions to report.

- XI. Council Reports
- XII. Public Comment – Issues Not on Agenda
- XIII. Adjournment

Motion by Baxter to adjourn at 3:49 p.m. Seconded by Curtis. Motion passed without dissent.



TO: Mayor Linda Gorton
Honorable Members, Urban County Council

FROM: 
Chris Ford, Commissioner of General Services

DATE: May 28, 2026

SUBJECT: Authorization to Purchase Property for Water Quality
Part of 130 West New Circle Road

Request:

Request Council authorization for the Mayor to execute an Agreement of Sale, and any other necessary documents, and to accept deed for property located at 130 West New Circle Road.

Purpose:

LFUCG proposes acquiring a land parcel (approx. 0.6 acres) from Goodwill Industries of Kentucky. This parcel sits adjacent to the 8.43-acre tract purchased by LFUCG in 2024, which is actively being redeveloped to serve as the operational headquarters for the Division of Water Quality.

Budgetary Implication:

The agreed purchase price is \$400,000.

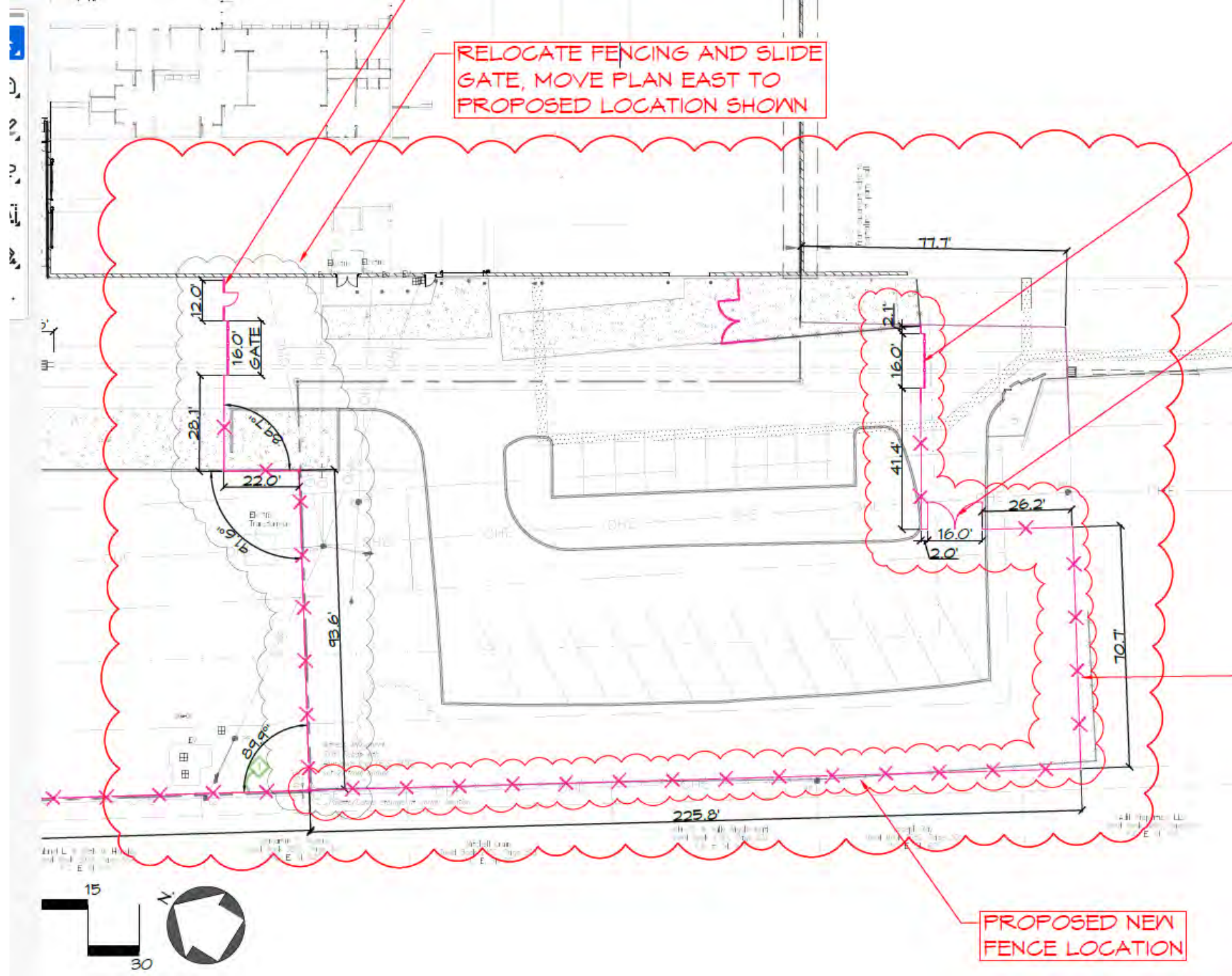
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File Number: 0477-26

Commissioners: Charlie Martin / Chris Ford







MAYOR LINDA GORTON



LEXINGTON

KEVIN ATKINS
CHIEF DEVELOPMENT OFFICER

TO: Linda Gorton, Mayor
Urban County Council

FROM: Kevin Atkins
Chief Development Officer

DATE: June 2, 2026

RE: FY2027 Economic Development Partner PSA – Jubilee Jobs

Request:

Authorization to execute a Purchase of Services Agreement (PSA) with economic development partner agency Jubilee Jobs.

Why are you requesting:

The Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government (LFUCG) annually contracts with economic development partner agencies to provide economic development services for the government. The Lexington Economic Development Investment Board (EDIB) at their May 5, 2026, meeting approved contracting with Jubilee Jobs for a term of July 1, 2026, to June 30, 2027, for economic development services on behalf of LFUCG. LFUCG may terminate this agreement with a 30-day written notice. The organization can terminate this agreement with a 90-day written notice.

Jubilee Jobs in FY2027 will assist LFUCG with coordination and work to enhance and connect individuals with the WORK-Lexington program. The PSA is for the same services and dollar amount (\$62,718.42) provided during the current fiscal year (FY2026) and as awarded under RFP 35-2024 "Economic Development Partnership Services."

What is the cost in this budget year and future budget years?

The cost for FY2027 is: \$62,718.42

The cost for future FY is: N/A

Are the funds budgeted?

Yes
Account Number: 1101-900351-0001-71101

Director/Commissioner:

Amy Glasscock/Kevin Atkins



MAYOR LINDA GORTON

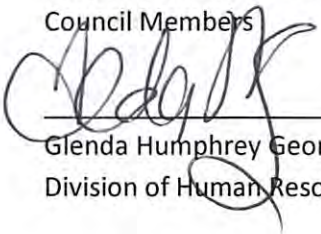


LEXINGTON

GLEND A HUMPHREY GEORGE
DIRECTOR
HUMAN RESOURCES

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Linda Gorton, Mayor
Sally Hamilton, Chief Administrative Officer
Council Members

FROM: 
Glenda Humphrey George, Director
Division of Human Resources

DATE: June 8, 2026

RE: Amendment to Authorized Strength - FY 2027 Budget

The attached action amends the classified civil service authorized strength by creating two position as approved in the FY 2027 budget process, to become effective July 1, 2026.

- Create one (1) classified civil service position of Recreation Manager (Grade 520N) and one (1) classified civil service position of Recreation Specialist Sr. (Grade 516N) in the Division of Parks and Recreation.

The fiscal impact for FY 2027 (26 pay periods) will be budget-neutral. Funding for these positions is included in the FY 2027 approved budget.

File Number: 0495.26

Director/Commissioner: Glenda Humphrey George/Sally Hamilton

If you have questions or need additional information, please contact Alana Morton 859-258-3037.



MAYOR LINDA GORTON

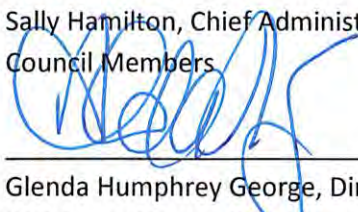


LEXINGTON

GLEND A HUMPHREY GEORGE
DIRECTOR
HUMAN RESOURCES

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Linda Gorton, Mayor
Sally Hamilton, Chief Administrative Officer
Council Members

FROM: 
Glenda Humphrey George, Director
Division of Human Resources

DATE: June 2, 2026

RE: Pay Increases and Salary Structure Movement – Division of Human Resources

Request:

The attached action increases the salaries of all eligible classified and unclassified employees included in the unified pay plan (including employees who would otherwise be ineligible due to grade max restriction) by 2%. This action also amends the unified pay plan's salary scales by adjusting the scales by 1% and amends section 23-28 of the Code of Ordinances by increasing the existing step structure of Police Chief and Fire Chief by 2% and adjusting the incumbents' salaries accordingly. Finally, this action increases salaries of the following positions by 2%: Council Administrator (1), Law Clerk P/T (3), Friend of the Court (1), Family Court Services Specialist (5), Police and Fire Pension Benefits Specialist (2), and School Crossing Guards. All actions are effective June 29, 2026.

Why are you requesting:

All funding for the increase is included in the FY 2027 proposed budget.

File Number: 0496.26

Director/Commissioner:

Glenda Humphrey George/Sally Hamilton

If you have questions or need additional information, please contact Alana Morton (859) 258-3037.



MAYOR LINDA GORTON

**LEXINGTON**Jason G. Wells
Fire Chief

TO: Mayor Linda Gorton

FROM: Jason G. Wells, Fire Chief

DATE: June 3, 2026

SUBJECT: Memorandum of Agreement with the Commonwealth of Kentucky, Department of Military Affairs, Kentucky Division of Emergency Management Urban Search and Rescue Program

The Division of Fire and Emergency Services request authorization to establish a Memorandum of Agreement with the Commonwealth of Kentucky, Department of Military Affairs, Kentucky Division of Emergency Management Urban Search and Rescue Program. The agreement would be effective July 1, 2026-June 30, 2028.

Why are you requesting? We are requesting to establish an agreement for whereby participating agencies will provide urban search and rescue services pursuant to House Bill 157.

Department needs this action completed because: LFD members may be deployed for statewide emergencies with deployment durations of up to 14 days. This agreement specifies how LFUCG will be reimbursed for equipment and personnel costs related to the deployments.

What is the cost in this budget year and future budget years?

The cost for this FY is: N/A

The cost for future FY is: N/A

Are the funds budgeted? N/A

File Number: 0497-26

If a contract, please indicate the cancelation clause: Breach or violation of Terms and Conditions shall be cause for termination of contract.

Director/Commissioner: Wells/Armstrong



MAYOR LINDA GORTON



LEXINGTON

CHARLIE LANTER
COMMISSIONER
HOUSING ADVOCACY &
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

TO: LINDA GORTON, MAYOR
URBAN COUNTY COUNCIL

FROM: CHARLIE LANTER, COMMISSIONER
DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING ADVOCACY AND COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT

DATE: June 3, 2026

SUBJECT: Summer Youth Sports Programming with Overtime Athletics at
the Black and Williams Neighborhood Center

Request: Council authorization to execute an agreement with Overtime Athletics to provide youth sports programming at the Black and Williams Neighborhood Center gymnasium, at a cost not to exceed \$800.00.

Purpose of Request: To provide weekly, variety-based sports programming for youth during the summer at the Black and Williams Neighborhood Center gymnasium. The program is on Tuesday afternoons from June 16, 2026, through July 28, 2026. Programming will be focused on skill development, teamwork and active play. This agreement has an initial term period of seven weeks, unless terminated by LFUCG at an earlier time. Either party may cancel this agreement with a minimum of 14 days' written notice prior to the start of the program.

What is the cost in this budget year and future budget years?

The cost for this FY is: \$0. The cost for future FY is: \$800.00

Are the funds budgeted? Yes

Account number: 1101-606202-0001-75101

File Number: 0500-26

Director/Commissioner: Sanders/Lanter



MAYOR LINDA GORTON



LEXINGTON

CHARLIE LANTER
COMMISSIONER
HOUSING ADVOCACY &
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

**TO: LINDA GORTON, MAYOR
URBAN COUNTY COUNCIL**

**FROM: CHARLIE LANTER, COMMISSIONER
DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING ADVOCACY AND COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT**

DATE: June 3, 2026

**SUBJECT: Summer Youth Sports Programming with Overtime Athletics at
the Bates Creek Community Center**

Request: Council authorization to execute an agreement with Overtime Athletics to provide youth sports programming at the Bates Creek Community Center, at a cost not to exceed \$800.00.

Purpose of Request: To provide weekly, variety-based sports programming for youth during the summer at the Bates Creek Community Center. Programming will be focused on skill development, teamwork and active play. The program is on Wednesday afternoons from June 17, 2026, through July 29, 2026. This agreement has an initial term period of seven weeks, unless terminated by LFUCG at an earlier time. Either party may cancel this agreement with a minimum of 14 days' written notice prior to the start of the program.

What is the cost in this budget year and future budget years?

The cost for this FY is: \$0. The cost for future FY is: \$800.00

Are the funds budgeted? Yes

Account number: 1101-606203-0001-71299

File Number: 0501-26

Director/Commissioner: Sanders/Lanter

MAYOR LINDA GORTON



LEXINGTON

THERESA REYNOLDS
DIRECTOR
GRANTS & SPECIAL PROGRAMS

**TO: LINDA GORTON, MAYOR
URBAN COUNTY COUNCIL**

**FROM: THERESA REYNOLDS, DIRECTOR
DIVISION OF GRANTS AND SPECIAL PROGRAMS**

DATE: JUNE 3, 2026

**SUBJECT: U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) Pipeline and Hazardous Materials
Safety Administration Program, Pipeline Emergency Response Grant (PERG)**

Request: Council authorization to submit an application, and to accept if offered a U.S. Department of Transportation, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration, Pipeline Emergency Response Grant in an amount to not exceed \$95,000. There is no local match required.

Purpose of Request: The Pipeline Emergency Response Grant program seeks to improve response to accidents and incidents involving pipelines that transfer hazardous substances such as petroleum products thereby decreasing harm to the public and the environment. The grant would provide funding for the purchase of a gas monitor and training to assist members of the Division of Fire and Emergency Services Hazardous Materials Team, to improve response capabilities to such incidents.

What is the cost in this budget year and future budget years? Federal funding in the amount of \$95,000 will be used to purchase a gas monitor and training. No matching funds are required. Total project cost is \$95,000. Future years funding is dependent upon availability of grant funding.

Are the funds budgeted? FY2027 Budget Amendment will be forthcoming, if an award is offered.

File Number: 0502-06

Director/Commissioner: Wells/Armstrong



MAYOR LINDA GORTON



LEXINGTON

THERESA REYNOLDS
DIRECTOR
GRANTS & SPECIAL PROGRAMS

**TO: LINDA GORTON, MAYOR
URBAN COUNTY COUNCIL**

**FROM: THERESA REYNOLDS, DIRECTOR
DIVISION OF GRANTS AND SPECIAL PROGRAMS**

DATE: June 3, 2026

SUBJECT: Approval of LeadsOnline as a Sole Source Provider for the Division of Police

Request: Council authorization to approve LeadsOnline as a sole source provider to ensure continued compatibility with the National Integrated Ballistics Information Network (NIBIN) that supports the current operating equipment for the Division of Police.

Purpose of Request: The Division of Police is requesting to establish LeadsOnline as a sole source provider. There are no competitors in existence that offer anything similar to the ClearCase System. They are the only vendor with the technology that has undergone and passed the security standards needed for integration into the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives information network.

The ClearCase system will serve as a dedicated triage instrument that photographs and analyzes cartridge casings recovered from crime scenes to determine the number of firearms involved and identify which casings should be entered into the NIBIN. This technology replicates the current manual triage process, in which detectives examine casings under a microscope and group them based on shared patterns and characteristics. However, the ClearCase system performs this function more efficiently while reducing the potential for human error and minimizing the risk of DNA contamination. Cartridge casings are stored in individual sterile tubes to preserve DNA evidence.

What is the cost in this budget year and future budget years? \$101,634 is the cost in FY27, fully funded from Project Safe Neighborhood (PSN) grants and will cover through June 30, 2031. Future cost is dependent on available grant funds.

Are the funds budgeted? Yes, funds will come from 3140-505506-5561-71208-PROJSAFNE_2026_ICC1 and PROJSAFNE_2026_ICC2.



File Number: 0503-26

Director/Commissioner: Weathers/Armstrong



MAYOR LINDA GORTON



LEXINGTON

THERESA REYNOLDS
DIRECTOR
GRANTS & SPECIAL PROGRAMS

**TO: LINDA GORTON, MAYOR
URBAN COUNTY COUNCIL**

**FROM: THERESA REYNOLDS, DIRECTOR
DIVISION OF GRANTS AND SPECIAL PROGRAMS**

DATE: JUNE 4, 2026

**SUBJECT: Office of Local Defense Community Cooperation, FY 26 Defense Community
Infrastructure Program Grant Application**

Request: Council authorization to submit a project proposal, and if invited, an application for a grant award, for the purpose of seeking and accepting funding to construct a new fire station that will enhance the fire and emergency response coverage for the community, including improved service response to Bluegrass Station. The proposal and application seek grant funding for a project cost not to exceed \$12 million, which includes a 30% local match for the construction of a new fire station.

Purpose of Request: This project seeks to improve fire and emergency services response to communities in which military installations are located by providing funding for critical infrastructure for fire stations. Construction of a new fire station would provide fire and emergency services coverage to Bluegrass Station and aligns with the current strategic growth plan in the Division of Fire.

What is the cost in this budget year and future budget years? The cost of this award will be in future budget years as anticipated award date is September 30, 2026. The period of performance if awarded is through September 30, 2031.

Are the funds budgeted? FY2027 Budget Amendment will be forthcoming, if a grant award is offered.

File Number: 0504-26

Director/Commissioner: Wells/Armstrong





TO: LINDA GORTON, MAYOR
URBAN COUNTY COUNCIL

FROM: CHARLIE LANTER, COMMISSIONER
DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING ADVOCACY & COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT

DATE: June 4, 2026

SUBJECT: Amendment to Agreements with Arbor Youth Services, Community Action Council and GreenHouse17

Request: Council authorization to execute a First Amendment to Purchase Service Agreements with Arbor Youth Services, Inc., Community Action Council for Lexington-Fayette, Bourbon, Harrison, and Nicholas Counties, Inc., and GreenHouse17, Inc. to extend the period of performance on one-time funding provided to address identified system gaps and barriers to reducing homelessness.

Purpose of Request: On April 24, 2025 (Resolution 174-2025), Council authorized execution of Purchase Service Agreements with Arbor Youth Services (\$39,999.00), Community Action Council (\$39,999.00), and GreenHouse17 (\$38,700.00) in response to proposals submitted under RFP 6-2025. This funding allowed the listed agencies to access funding to address identified system gaps and barriers to reducing homelessness.

Arbor Youth Services utilized funding to support staffing needed to extend outreach center hours, making their services to youth ages 18 to 24 years old available 24/7/365. Community Action Council utilized funding to provide supportive services and short-term hotel stays for families on the waitlist for or receiving aftercare services of their Emergency Family Housing program. GreenHouse17 leveraged funding to provide stipends toward housing-related expenses for residents participating in their Farm Stipend Program.

Due to needs such as hiring staff, the organizations were unable to expend their full award prior to the end of the period of performance in the original agreements. Therefore, the Office of Homelessness Prevention and Intervention requests authorization to amend the agreements to extend the period of performance through October 31, 2026, at no additional cost.

What is the Cost in this budget year and future budget years? Cost in FY26 is \$0

The cost for future FY27 is: \$0

Are the funds budgeted? N/A

Account number: N/A

File Number: 0505-26

Director/Commissioner: Herron/Lanter



MAYOR LINDA GORTON



LEXINGTON

KEVIN ATKINS
CHIEF DEVELOPMENT OFFICER

TO: Linda Gorton, Mayor
Urban County Council

FROM: Amy Glasscock, Director of Business Engagement

CC: Kevin Atkins, Chief Development Officer

DATE: May 29, 2026

SUBJECT: Workforce & Economic Development Grant for IT Short Term Training Program

REQUEST:

Authorization to execute Purchase Services Agreement (PSAs) with the Kable Academy to provide an Information Technology Short-Term Training Program from June 1, 2026, to December 31, 2026 in reference to RFP 24-2026.

WHY ARE YOU REQUESTING:

Due to the demand in Lexington-Fayette County for short-term information technology training, we are requesting approval to execute a Purchase Services Agreement for training utilizing unused workforce development funds to the Kable Academy for AI and Cybersecurity Training. Upon completion of training, participants will be provided assistance with employment opportunities. Under the agreement LFUCG may terminate the Agreement by providing The Kable Academy thirty (30) days written notice. The Kable Academy may terminate the Agreement by providing LFUCG ninety (90) days written notice.

What is the cost in this budget year and future budget years:

The cost for this FY '27 is: \$50,000.

Are the funds budgeted: Yes - 1144-136102-1362-78103

File Number: 509-26

Director/Commissioner: Amy Glasscock/Kevin Atkins



MAYOR LINDA GORTON



LEXINGTON

TODD SLATIN
DIRECTOR
PROCUREMENT

**TO: LINDA GORTON, MAYOR
URBAN COUNTY COUNCIL**

**FROM: TODD SLATIN, DIRECTOR
DIVISION OF CENTRAL PURCHASING**

DATE: June 4, 2026

**SUBJECT: Revision to the Lexington-Fayette Urban County
Government Procurement Regulations**

Request:

Request Council authorization to revise the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government (LFUCG) Procurement Regulations, effective July 1, 2026.

Why are you requesting?

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky revised KRS 45A.385 and KRS 424.260 to raise the dollar threshold amount for formal competitive advertised bids for local governments from \$40,000 to \$50,000. To be consistent with Kentucky law, the Division of Procurement recommends that the LFUCG Procurement Regulations be revised to reflect this change and raise the lowest dollar threshold amount from \$2,500 to \$5,000. We have also updated language related to online bid acceptance and to make other changes consistent with the current operations of LFUCG. All of the changes are reflected in the attached draft.

What is the cost in this budget year and future budget years?

There is no budgetary impact associated with this Amendment

Are the funds budgeted? Not applicable

File Number: 510-26

Director/Commissioner: Slatin/Hensley



MAYOR LINDA GORTON



LEXINGTON

THERESA REYNOLDS
DIRECTOR
GRANTS & SPECIAL PROGRAMS

**TO: LINDA GORTON, MAYOR
URBAN COUNTY COUNCIL**

**FROM: THERESA REYNOLDS, DIRECTOR
DIVISION OF GRANTS AND SPECIAL PROGRAMS**

DATE: June 4, 2026

**SUBJECT: Amendment to the Purchase of Service Agreement with Urban League of
Lexington Fayette County, Inc.**

Request: Council authorization to execute an amendment to the Purchase of Service Agreement with Urban League of Lexington Fayette County Inc.

Purpose of Request: The FY 2026 General Fund Budget provided \$50,000 to support the salary costs of the Urban League of Lexington Fayette County, Inc. This funding was approved by Council on September 18, 2025, (Res. No. 434-2025). This amendment extends the agreement through June 30, 2027. The agreement supports the addition of an office assistant to facilitate the efficient and timely reporting of annual tenant surveys, other required reporting, and assistance with grant applications. An additional maintenance person was hired to increase the efficiency and timeliness of maintenance and inspection punch lists. It is projected that this increase in personnel will result in a quicker turnaround of vacant units and keep units in compliance.

What is the cost in this budget year and future budget years? \$50,000.00 is the total cost in Fiscal Years 2026 and 2027. No future cost is anticipated.

Are the funds budgeted? Yes, funded in 1101-900206-0001-71101

File Number: 0511-26

Director/Commissioner: Reynolds/Lanter



MAYOR LINDA GORTON



LEXINGTON

TODD SLATIN
DIRECTOR
CENTRAL PURCHASING

**TO: LINDA GORTON,
MAYOR URBAN
COUNTY COUNCIL**

**FROM: TODD SLATIN, DIRECTOR
DIVISION OF CENTRAL PURCHASING**

DATE: June 4, 2026

**SUBJECT: MOA between the LFUCG and the Kentucky Science
and Technology Corporation (Kentucky APEX
Accelerator)**

Request:

Request Council authorization to execute a Memorandum of Agreement with the Kentucky Science and Technology Corporation (KSTC) and their Kentucky APEX Accelerator at a cost not to exceed \$8,400.00.

Why are you requesting?

The Kentucky Apex Accelerator will assist the LFUCG Minority Business Enterprise Program in providing joint classes, outreach events and webinars designed to increase MBE, WBE and veteran-owned business participation on LFUCG projects and procurement opportunities. The Kentucky Apex Accelerator provides technical capabilities and a network of clients that are beneficial to the advancement of the LFUCG Minority Business Enterprise Program. The agreement shall remain in effect until the successful completion of all outreach sessions or until June 30, 2027, whichever occurs first unless extended or terminated in writing by both parties.

What is the cost in this budget year and future budget years?

\$8,400.00, funds are budgeted

Are the funds budgeted? Yes, funds are fully budgeted in 1101-202801-0001-71299

File Number: 512-26



Director/Commissioner: Slatin/Hensley



MAYOR LINDA GORTON



LEXINGTON

THERESA REYNOLDS
DIRECTOR
GRANTS & SPECIAL PROGRAMS

**TO: LINDA GORTON, MAYOR
URBAN COUNTY COUNCIL**

**FROM: THERESA REYNOLDS, DIRECTOR
DIVISION OF GRANTS AND SPECIAL PROGRAMS**

DATE: JUNE 4, 2026

SUBJECT: Kentucky Emergency Management (KYEM) FY2027 Search and Rescue Aid (SAR) Program

Request: Council authorization to submit an application, and accept if offered a Kentucky Emergency Management, Search and Rescue Aid Program grant award in the amount of \$14,760.00 for FY 2027. Funding will be utilized to purchase rescue equipment for the Division of Fire, Special Operations Command, for use in rescue operations. There is no local match required.

Purpose of Request: The Kentucky Emergency Management, Search and Rescue Aid Program is a statutorily created program to provide funding to rescue squads to reduce and prevent loss of life by creating a better equipped, trained, and coordinated rescue force throughout the Commonwealth. The Division of Fire and Emergency Services serves as the rescue squad to Fayette County. This is done by Council action adopting a resolution accepting a Statement of Affiliation with LFUCG, Division of Emergency Management and Kentucky Emergency Management annually. Current resolution in place is R-346-2025, adopted 07/01/2025.

What is the cost in this budget year and future budget years? The cost for Fiscal Year 2027 is \$14,760.00. No matching funds are required. Future years funding is dependent upon availability of grant funding.

Are the funds budgeted? FY2027 Budget Amendment will be forthcoming, if an award is offered.

File Number: 0514-26

Director/Commissioner: Wells/Armstrong



MAYOR LINDA GORTON



LEXINGTON

KEITH HORN
COMMISSIONER
PLANNING AND PRESERVATION

**TO: Linda Gorton, Mayor
Urban County Council**

**FROM: Commissioner Keith Horn
Department of Planning and Preservation**

CC: CAO Sally Hamilton

DATE: 06/08/2026

**SUBJECT: Amendment to Small Farm Conservation Easement Program – Chapter 27
Code of Ordinances (Minimum Criteria and Application Requirements)**

Request: The RLMB is requesting the approval of an ordinance amending Sections 27-5 and 27-6 of the Code of Ordinances to revise the minimum eligibility criteria for the Small Farm Conservation Easement Program and to update and expand application submission requirements for participation in the program.

Purpose of Request: The purpose of this request is to strengthen and clarify the Small Farm Conservation Easement Program by updating eligibility standards and application requirements to improve program administration and land conservation outcomes. The amendments clarify eligible land use categories and ensure participating properties meet financial, environmental and agricultural Planning requirements. These changes are intended to support more effective implementation of the Purchase of Development Rights Program and ensure long-term protection of agricultural and rural lands within Fayette County.

Cost in this Budget year and future budget years: No budgetary impact.

Are the funds budgeted? Yes | 2615-160801-1881-90112

File Number: 0520-26

Director/Commissioner: Denney/Horn



MAYOR LINDA GORTON



JONELLE PATTON
DIRECTOR
ENHANCED 911

TO: Major Linda Gorton
Urban County Council Members


FROM: Jonelle Patton, Director
Lexington Enhanced 911

DATE: June 8, 2026

SUBJECT: Sole Source Authorization – Intrado Life & Safety Solutions ECaTS

Request:

The Division of Enhanced 911 is requesting a resolution authorizing a sole source designation for continued use of Intrado Life & Safety Solutions ECaTS statistical package to perform web based queries of 911 statistics. This is a unique software and the availability of software and services to perform these tasks on a regional, enterprise level is very limited and only the product from ECaTS has been successfully implemented in several states while meeting all security and NENA standards. The term of the annual renewal period is 7/1/2026 through 6/30/2027.

Why are you requesting?

The Division of E911 already has the hardware and software for continued use of this statistical package solution, which is compatible with the current computer aided dispatch (CAD).

What are the costs in this budget year and future budget years?

The expected cost for FY27 is \$6,838.68

Are the funds budgeted?

Yes, fully budgeted via E911 Funds in 4204-505602-5622-76102.

File Number: 0521-26



MAYOR LINDA GORTON



LEXINGTON

KEVIN ATKINS
CHIEF DEVELOPMENT OFFICER

TO: Linda Gorton, Mayor
Urban County Council

FROM: Kevin Atkins
Chief Development Officer

DATE: June 8, 2026

RE: FY2027 Economic Development Partner PSA – Commerce Lexington

Request:

Authorization to execute a Purchase of Services Agreement (PSA) with economic development partner agency Commerce Lexington.

Why are you requesting:

The Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government (LFUCG) annually contracts with economic development partner agencies to provide economic development services for the government. The Lexington Economic Development Investment Board (EDIB) at their May 5, 2026, meeting approved contracting with Commerce Lexington for a term of July 1, 2026, to June 30, 2027, for economic development services on behalf of LFUCG. LFUCG may terminate this agreement with a 30-day written notice. The organization can terminate this agreement with a 90-day written notice.

Commerce Lexington in FY2027 will assist LFUCG with New Business Development and Existing Business Retention and Expansion. The PSA is for the same services and dollar amount (\$209,061.41) provided during the current fiscal year (FY2026) and as awarded under RFP 35-2024 "Economic Development Partnership Services."

What is the cost in this budget year and future budget years?

The cost for FY2027 is: \$209,061.41

The cost for future FY is: N/A

Are the funds budgeted?

Yes
Account Number: 1101-900101-0001-71101

Director/Commissioner:

Amy Glasscock/Kevin Atkins



MAYOR LINDA GORTON



LEXINGTON

KEVIN ATKINS
CHIEF DEVELOPMENT OFFICER

TO: Linda Gorton, Mayor
Urban County Council

FROM: Amy Glasscock, Director of Business Engagement

CC: Kevin Atkins, Chief Development Officer

DATE: June 3, 2026

SUBJECT: Workforce and Economic Development Grant (Workforce Partners)

REQUEST

Authorization to execute Purchase Services Agreement (PSAs) with economic development partner agencies for workforce services in reference to RFP 15-2026.

- 1) The Kable Academy (\$50,000)
- 2) The Child Care Council of Kentucky (\$50,000)
- 3) Building Institute of Central Kentucky (\$50,000)
- 4) Liminal Consulting (\$50,000)
- 5) Stable Recovery (\$50,000)
- 6) Jubilee Jobs of Lexington (\$50,000)
- 7) Lexington Rescue Mission (\$50,000)
- 8) IEC of the Bluegrass (\$50,000)

WHY ARE YOU REQUESTING:

The Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government annually contracts with workforce development partners to provide training and workforce development services for the government.

The Lexington-Fayette Urban County Council authorized funding for one (1) year of the Economic Development Grant for workforce services from July 1, 2026, to June 30, 2027. Under the agreement LFUCG may terminate the Agreement by providing the economic development partner agencies thirty (30) days written notice. The economic development partner agencies may terminate the agreement by providing LFUCG ninety (90) days written notice.

What is the cost in this budget year and future budget years:

The cost for this FY '27 is: \$400,000.

Are the funds budgeted: Yes - 1144-136102-1362-78103

File Number: L523-26

Director/Commissioner: Amy Glasscock/Kevin Atkins





**TO: LINDA GORTON, MAYOR
URBAN COUNTY COUNCIL**

**FROM: THERESA REYNOLDS, DIRECTOR
DIVISION OF GRANTS AND SPECIAL PROGRAMS**

DATE: JUNE 8, 2026

SUBJECT: Fire Training Incentive for Fiscal Year 2027

Request: Council authorization to accept an award for the Fire Training Incentive Grant in an amount up to \$3,892,752.00 for FY 2027 from the Commission on Fire Protection, Personnel, Standards, and Education for Training Incentives for Firefighters.

Purpose of Request: Fire Training Incentive funds are used to provide eligible firefighters with supplemental pay for participation in training programs. Supplemental pay in the amount of \$4,653 for each eligible firefighter (621 estimated sworn positions) is provided for a total of \$2,889,513.00. In addition, the program contributes up to 34.72% of that total towards the pension of participants, totaling \$1,003,239.00.

What is the cost in this budget year and future budget years? Grant funds for Fiscal Year 2027 total \$3,892,752.00 with no local match required. Future years' funding is dependent upon availability of grant funding.

Are the funds budgeted? FY27 budget amendment is in process.

File Number: 0524-26

Director/Commissioner: Wells/Armstrong



Linda Gorton
MAYOR



LEXINGTON

Jonelle Patton
DIRECTOR
ENHANCED 911

TO: Mayor Linda Gorton
Council Members

FROM: Jonelle Patton, Director
Lexington Enhanced 911

DATE: June 8, 2026

SUBJECT: E911-UK Elizabeth St. Address Changes

Request:

The Division of Enhanced 911 is requesting a resolution authorizing the Mayor to change street names and/or individual numbers of addresses within the 3rd Council District. 797-827 Press Ave. to 797 Elizabeth St., 710 Press Ave. to 710 Elizabeth St., 720 Press Ave. to 720 Elizabeth St.

Why are you requesting?

The Division of E911 needs this action completed because the street name and/or number changes are necessary to ensure the proper operation of the Enhanced 9-1-1 system. The corrections eliminate confusing, duplicate and/or improperly named and numbered addresses in Fayette County.

What are the costs in this budget year and future budget years?

N/A

Are the funds budgeted?

N/A

File Number: 0525-26





TO: LINDA GORTON, MAYOR
URBAN COUNTY COUNCIL

FROM: THERESA REYNOLDS, DIRECTOR
DIVISION OF GRANTS AND SPECIAL PROGRAMS

DATE: JUNE 8, 2026

SUBJECT: Police Training Incentive for Fiscal Year 2027

Request: Council authorization to accept an award for the Police Training Incentive Grant in an amount up to \$4,018,122 for FY 2027 from the Kentucky Justice and Public Safety Cabinet under the Kentucky Law Enforcement Foundation Program Fund.

Purpose of Request: Police Training Incentive funds are used to provide eligible police officers with supplemental pay for participation in training programs. Supplemental pay in the amount of \$4,653 for each eligible officer (estimated 641 sworn positions eligible) is provided for a total of \$ 2,982,573. In addition, the program contributes up to 34.72% of that total towards the pension of participants, totaling \$1,035,549.

What is the cost in this budget year and future budget years? Grant funds for Fiscal Year 2027 total \$4,018,122 with no local match required. Future years' funding is dependent upon availability of grant funding.

Are the funds budgeted? FY27 budget amendment is in process.

File Number: 0526-26

Director/Commissioner: Weathers/Armstrong



TO: Mayor Linda Gorton
Honorable Members, Urban County Council

FROM: 
Chris Ford, Commissioner of General Services

DATE: June 8, 2026

SUBJECT: Memorandum of Understanding – Friends Towards Freedom Plaza
Triangle Foundation, Inc. and Friends Towards Freedom, Inc.

Request:

Request Council authorization for the Mayor to execute a memorandum of understanding with the Triangle Foundation, Inc. and Friends Towards Freedom, Inc. (FTFI) in association with plans to construct a public plaza directly adjacent to the recently commissioned statue, “Towards Freedom” in honor of renowned abolitionists and Lexington natives, Lewis and Harriet Hayden.

Purpose:

This MOU will guide the partnership between the Triangle Foundation, Inc., Friends Towards Freedom, Inc. and LFUCG Parks & Recreation for plans to construct and maintain the public plaza. As part of the MOU, LFUCG will facilitate access to site control of a small parcel of land (1,168 square feet) via acquisition from Fayette County Public Schools. The Triangle Foundation and FTFI will be responsible for capital costs to design and construct the plaza. The project site is near the intersection of North Limestone and East Fourth Street, at the Lexington Middle School campus.

Furthermore, LFUCG will lease the land parcel to the Triangle Foundation for \$1 per year. LFUCG will provide grounds maintenance of the public plaza, and the Triangle Foundation will be responsible for maintenance of the plaza’s structural and hardscape amenities. In addition, LexArts is a key stakeholder and convening partner in this effort, particularly in resource generation and support for the volunteer-based Friends Towards Freedom, Inc. (formerly referred to as the Lexington Freedom Train Committee).

Budgetary Implication:

There is no budgetary impact associated with execution of Memorandum of Understanding.

File Number: 0527-26

Director/Commissioner: Conrad / Ford

Urban County Council

Work Session

June 16, 2026

VIII Mayor's Report

A. Boards and Commissions

- Administrative Hearing Board
- Alarm Advisory Board
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- Board of Architectural Review
- Board of Health
- Corridors Commission
- Environmental Commission
- Ethics Commission
- Greenspace Trust
- Senior Services Commission
- Valley View Ferry Authority



Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

Linda Gorton
Mayor

To: Urban County Council

From: *Linda Gorton*

Linda Gorton, Mayor

Date: June 11, 2026

Re: Administrative Hearing Board

I recommend the following action be confirmed:

Reappoint:

Taylor Shepherd
Qualified Member

Term:

07/01/2026 – 07/01/2029

Council Confirmation

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Linda Gorton
Mayor

To: Urban County Council

From: *Linda Gorton*

Linda Gorton, Mayor

Date: June 11, 2026

Re: Alarm Advisory Board

I recommend the following action be confirmed:

Appoint:

Richard Taulbee
Member
Fills an unexpired term

Term expires:

07/01/2027

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Linda Gorton
Mayor

To: Urban County Council

From: *Linda Gorton*

Linda Gorton, Mayor

Date: June 11, 2026

Re: Board of Adjustment

I recommend the following actions be confirmed pending the results of the confirmation hearings on June 18, 2026:

Reappoint:

Term:

Harry Clarke
Member

07/01/2026 – 07/01/2030

James Persley
Member

07/01/2026 – 07/01/2030

Linda Tucker
Member

07/01/2026 – 07/01/2030

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Linda Gorton
Mayor

To: Urban County Council

From: *Linda Gorton*

Linda Gorton, Mayor

Date: June 11, 2026

Re: Board of Architectural Review

I recommend the following actions be confirmed:

Appoint:

Jonathan Chesser
Preservation Related Professional

Marcy Deaton
Fayette County Property Owner

Jason Zavala
Preservation Related Professional

Term:

07/01/2026 – 06/30/2030

07/01/2026 – 06/30/2030

07/01/2026 – 06/30/2030

Reappoint/Seat Change:

Brack Marquette
Fayette County Property Owner

Term Correction:

07/01/2024 – 06/30/2028

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Linda Gorton
Mayor

To: Urban County Council

From: *Linda Gorton*

Linda Gorton, Mayor

Date: June 11, 2026

Re: Board of Health

I recommend the following actions be confirmed:

Reappoint:

Elizabeth Riley
At large

Basel Touchan
At large

Term:

07/01/2026 – 06/30/2028

07/01/2026 – 06/30/2028

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Linda Gorton
Mayor

To: Urban County Council

From: *Linda Gorton*

Linda Gorton, Mayor

Date: June 11, 2026

Re: Corridors Commission

I recommend the following action be confirmed:

Appoint:

Joseph Daniels
Alternate Modes of Transportation Representative, non-voting
Fills an unexpired term

Term Expires:

08/01/2029

Council Confirmation

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Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

Linda Gorton
Mayor

To: Urban County Council

From: *Linda Gorton*

Linda Gorton, Mayor

Date: June 11, 2026

Re: Environmental Commission

I recommend the following action be confirmed:

Appoint:

Kennedy Little
District 6 Resident
Fills the unexpired term of Carina Grady

Term Expires:

08/01/2029

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Linda Gorton
Mayor

To: Urban County Council

From: *Linda Gorton*

Linda Gorton, Mayor

Date: June 11, 2026

Re: Ethics Commission

I recommend the following action be confirmed pending the results of the confirmation hearing on June 18, 2026:

Appoint:

Jonathan Gifford
Citizens for Ethical Government Seat
Fills an unexpired term

Term expires:

03/01/2029

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Linda Gorton
Mayor

To: Urban County Council

From: *Linda Gorton*

Linda Gorton, Mayor

Date: June 11, 2026

Re: Greenspace Trust

I recommend the following action be confirmed:

Reappoint:

Sadie Middleton
Member

Term:

07/01/2026 – 06/30/2028

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Linda Gorton
Mayor

To: Urban County Council

From: *Linda Gorton*

Linda Gorton, Mayor

Date: June 11, 2026

Re: Senior Services Commission

I recommend the following actions be confirmed:

Reappoint:

Deborah Dornbusch
Member

Martin Rivers
Member

Term:

09/01/2026 – 09/01/2030

09/01/2026 – 09/01/2030

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Linda Gorton
Mayor

To: Urban County Council

From: *Linda Gorton*

Linda Gorton, Mayor

Date: June 11, 2026

Re: Valley View Ferry Authority

I recommend the following actions be confirmed:

Appoint:

Term Expires:

Dallas Hodge
Member
Fills an unexpired term

05/02/2029

Charlie Martin
Member
Fills an unexpired term

05/02/2029

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Communications from the Mayor

Donations Recommendations

Urban County Council Meeting: June 18, 2026

Pursuant to CAO Policy 48 – *Donations*, the following donation recommendations will be placed on the Mayor’s Report for approval at the Council Meeting:

- (1) Accepting and approving the following donations for the following departments and divisions:
 - (a) Fire and Emergency Services – making a donation to the Morehead Fire Department: Scott (brand) self-contained breathing apparatus components. The breathing apparatus no longer provides a benefit to LFUCG.

Urban County Council Council Meeting June 18, 2026

The following procurement recommendations will be placed on the Mayor's Report for approval at the June 18, 2026 Council Meeting;

- (1) Accepting and approving the following bids and establishing price contracts for the following Departments or Divisions as to the specifications and amount set forth in the terms of the respective bids:
 - (a) Division of E911 – Temporary Labor for E911 – 21-2026 – Sapot Systems, Inc.
 - (b) Division of Water Quality – Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation (Lining and Manhole Rehabilitation) – 54-2026 – Insituform Technologies, LLC
 - (c) Division of Water Quality – Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation (Dig and Replace) – 53-2026 – Insituform Technologies, LLC

**Council Capital Projects
June 16, 2026
Work Session**

Amount	Recipient	Purpose
\$ 1,328.50	African Cemetery Number Two, Inc. Mark Coyne 1105-121001-0001-71102	For improvements to the cemetery landscaping and monuments
\$ 2,920.00	Northside Neighborhood Association Rachel Norton 1105-121001-0001-71102	For AED signage mapping in partnership with Cardiac Crusaders



Environmental Quality & Public Works (EQPW) Committee

May 12, 2026

Summary and Motions

Chair Dave Sevigny called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. Committee Members James Brown, Tyler Morton, Tom Eblen, Emma Curtis, Liz Sheehan, Lisa Higgins-Hord, Joseph Hale, Amy Beasley, and Hil Boone were in attendance as voting members. Council Member Shayla Lynch was present as a non-voting member.

I. APPROVAL OF MARCH 3, 2026 COMMITTEE SUMMARY

Motion by Morton to approve the March 3, 2026 Environmental Quality & Public Works Committee Summary. Seconded by Sheehan. Motion passed unanimously.

II. PAVEMENT MANAGEMENT PLAN

Acting Commissioner Charlie Martin presented the FY27 update to the Pavement Management Plan. Lexington continues to use pavement condition surveys and the Overall Condition Index (OCI) to resurface streets with an OCI below 60. The Administration proposed a \$13 million paving budget, including approximately \$5.2M for local roads, \$3.25M for collectors, \$3.25M for arterial/service-industrial roads, and \$1.3M for preventive maintenance. An additional \$1M is dedicated to ADA ramp improvements and \$200,000 to pothole repairs. Local funding distribution is based on each Council district's proportion of lane miles scoring below 60.

The update also emphasized coordination with utilities, a paving calendar spanning fiscal years, the continued success of the Paving Sharing Program, and future initiatives such as improved ArcGIS mapping, evaluation of national best practices, right-of-way restoration policy updates, and refinement of pavement classifications.

III. COMPLETE STREETS DESIGN MANUAL UPDATE

Consultant Bert Kuyrkendall presented progress on the new Complete Streets Design Manual (CSDM), intended to align Lexington's transportation design standards with the City's Complete Streets (2022) and Vision Zero (2023) policies. The manual consolidates and updates guidance from multiple regulatory documents, including subdivision regulations and traffic management guidance.

It covers street typologies, multimodal corridor design, pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure, intersection design, roundabouts, speed management, landscaping, utilities, and pavement standards.

Staff noted significant stakeholder engagement—working groups, workshops, and coordination with engineering, development, and utility partners. Feedback continues on topics such as alley standards, bikeway details, truck turning movements, utility placement, drainage, project cost considerations, and right-of-way needs. A revised draft is set for public release in May 2026, with Council review planned for Summer 2026 and subsequent Planning Commission review later in the year.

IV. PARKING CITATIONS DURING WINTER WEATHER EMERGENCIES

LexPark Executive Director Laura Boison presented an overview of existing and proposed winter-weather citation protocols. During a formal snow emergency declared by the Mayor, LexPark would provide free overnight parking in select downtown garages from 6 p.m. to 8 a.m., dependent on availability and event-related demand. Enforcement would be limited to major safety hazards and vehicles obstructing operations.

For significant snow or ice events without an emergency declaration, LexPark proposes reduced garage rates and limited citation activity. Enforcement is relaxed when accumulation exceeds 4 inches or when major ice conditions exist, but ADA and major safety violations remain enforceable.

The presentation also described operational challenges, legal constraints in existing parking ordinances, recent examples from winter storms in 2025 and 2026, and coordination needs between LexPark, LFUCG, and snow-route management efforts.

V. CONSENT DECREE AND REMEDIAL MEASURES PLAN

Charlie Martin provided an update on the federal sanitary sewer Consent Decree and the Remedial Measures Plan. The final compliance deadline has been extended from December 31, 2026 to December 31, 2030. Of the 113 required projects, 91 are complete or removed, 12 are under construction, and 10 major projects remain, including several large wet-weather storage tanks (Town Branch Phase 2, North Elkhorn, and Mint Lane).

Other active projects include major trunk sewers and pump station upgrades across the county. Some projects are expected to conclude in 2026, with others extending into 2027. Approximately 81% of capital work is complete, with overall costs trending below original 2014 projections despite inflation and construction cost pressures.

The program aims for all remaining projects to be under construction by January 1, 2029 to meet the extended deadline.

VI. ITEMS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE

Motion by Sheehan to remove *Parking Citations During Winter Weather Emergencies* from the list of items referred to committee. Seconded by Higgins-Hord. Motion passed without dissent.

The meeting adjourned at 2:25 pm.



Social Services and Public Safety Committee

June 9, 2026

Partial Summary and Motions

Chair Jennifer Reynolds called the meeting to order at 1:01 p.m. Vice Mayor Dan Wu and Committee Members Chuck Ellinger, Tyler Morton, Shayla Lynch, Tom Eblen, Lisa Higgins-Hord, Joseph Hale, Amy Beasley, and Whitney Elliott Baxter were in attendance as voting members. Council Members, Emma Curtis, Liz Sheehan, Dave Sevigny, and Hil Boone were present as non-voting members.

ANIMAL CARE AND CONTROL ORDINANCE CHANGES

The proposed Animal Care & Control ordinance amendments were developed following community concerns raised in 2025 regarding animals left outdoors during extreme heat, cold, and other unsafe weather conditions. A collaborative review involving Council offices, Animal Care & Control, the Fayette County Attorney's Office, LFUCG Law Department staff, and community advocates identified several areas where the ordinance would benefit from modernization, clarification, and stronger enforcement tools.

The proposed changes establish clear protections for animals during unsafe weather by defining extreme weather conditions and making it unlawful to leave unattended domestic animals outdoors during those conditions. The revisions also update tethering regulations by expanding protections from dogs to all animals and modernizing outdated collar provisions while maintaining safeguards against improper tethering.

Additional amendments address gaps in the handling of animals seized in cruelty cases. Current ordinance language authorizes impoundment but provides limited guidance on long-term custody, resulting in some animals remaining in protective care for months or even years while cases proceed through the courts. To address this issue, the proposal introduces a "cost of care" process similar to laws used in more than 40 states. Under this framework, courts may require owners to post a bond to cover ongoing care expenses or forfeit ownership, allowing animals to be adopted or transferred to rescue organizations rather than remaining indefinitely in shelter custody.

Overall, the amendments are intended to strengthen animal welfare protections, improve enforcement clarity, reduce burdens on shelter resources, and align local regulations with current best practices and public safety expectations.

Motion by Morton to approve an ordinance amending Chapter 4 and Sections 4-2, 4-9, 4-12.4, 4-12.5, 4-14, And 4-21 of the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government code of Ordinances to define unsafe weather conditions, set standards for tethering and confinement of domestic animals, implement a statutory scheme for the impounding and custody of victimized animals, and adopt urban county animal control officer as the Uniform Identification within this chapter, for officers of Lexington-Fayette Animal Care and Control, all effective following passage of Council. Seconded by Beasley. Motion passed without dissent.

ORDINANCE NO. ____-2026

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 4 AND SECTIONS 4-2, 4-9, 4-12.4, 4-12.5, 4-14, and 4-21 OF THE LEXINGTON-FAYETTE URBAN COUNTY GOVERNMENT CODE OF ORDINANCES TO DEFINE UNSAFE WEATHER CONDITIONS, SET STANDARDS FOR TETHERING AND CONFINEMENT OF DOMESTIC ANIMALS, IMPLEMENT A STATUTORY SCHEME FOR THE IMPOUNDING AND CUSTODY OF VICTIMIZED ANIMALS, AND ADOPT URBAN COUNTY ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER AS THE UNIFORM IDENTIFICATION WITHIN THIS CHAPTER, FOR OFFICERS OF LEXINGTON FAYETTE ANIMAL CARE AND CONTROL, ALL EFFECTIVE FOLLOWING PASSAGE OF COUNCIL.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE LEXINGTON-FAYETTE URBAN COUNTY GOVERNMENT:

Section 1 - That the following sections of Chapter 4 of the Code of Ordinances, Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government, be and hereby are amended to read as follows:

Sec. 4-2. - Care and treatment of animals.

(a) Definitions.

(1) *Adequate food* means the provision of foodstuff that is uncontaminated, wholesome, palatable, and of sufficient quality and nutritive value to maintain the normal condition and weight of the animal. Food shall be provided at suitable intervals or at least once a day, unless restricted by a veterinarian. The diet shall be appropriate for the animal's species, age and condition. Food shall be served in a receptacle, dish or container that is physically clean and absent of agents injurious to the health of the animal.

(2) *Adequate shade* means for dogs one (1) or more separate outside areas of shade, large enough to contain all dogs at one (1) time and to protect them from the direct rays of the sun. A doghouse shall not constitute adequate shade. For all other animals that, as determined by species, require shade, "adequate

shade" means one (1) or more outside areas of shade large enough to protect all the animals present from the direct rays of the sun.

(3) *Adequate shelter* means for dogs an appropriate, durable, enclosed, permanent structure, or a structure manufactured to serve primarily as an outdoor shelter for a dog, with a roof, four (4) sides and a floor constructed in a manner to protect a dog's feet and legs from injury and with dimensions appropriate for breed and size. The shelter shall provide the dog adequate protection and shelter from heat and cold and from the direct effect of wind, rain and snow. The shelter shall have a sufficient amount of clean organic bedding material, e.g., straw, hay or wood shavings, to keep the dog warm and dry. For all other animals, "adequate shelter" means an appropriate structure that provides the animal adequate protection and shelter, as determined by the animal's species, from heat and cold and from the direct effect of wind, rain and snow.

(4) Adequate water means constant access to a supply of clean, fresh, drinkable water, unless restricted by a veterinarian, which is provided in a sanitary manner.

(5) Veterinary care means an appropriate level of professional medical care and treatment by a licensed veterinarian to maintain the proper health and condition of an animal as determined by its species, breed and age.

(6) Unsafe Weather Conditions means any extreme hot or cold temperature, and/or any weather event that creates extreme conditions that compromise animal safety. During unsafe conditions, Fayette County will typically be under a warning, advisory or other special weather statement including but not limited to during activation of Fayette County, Kentucky Emergency Operations Plan or LFUCG Office of Homelessness Prevention and Intervention Plan

(b) It shall be unlawful:

(1) For any person within the urban county to unnecessarily or cruelly beat, torture, abuse or otherwise mistreat any horse or other animal, whether his own or that of another, or to subject such an animal to any condition that is likely to result in harm to the animal.

(2) For the owner or harbinger of an animal to fail to provide the animal with adequate food, water, shelter, shade or veterinary care.

(3) For any animal's housing area or enclosure to be excessively muddy or contain standing water, due to a lack of groundcover, or be otherwise unsanitary. Any animal's area or enclosure shall be free of objects or contaminants which are likely to cause injury or be detrimental to the health of the animal, including, but

not limited to, rusty or jagged metal objects, broken glass, or harmful chemical solvents or agents.

(4) For any person to permit the accumulation of animal excrement on property he or she owns or leases so as to cause unsightly litter or fouling of the air by odor, thereby creating an unreasonable annoyance or discomfort to neighbors or others in close proximity to the premises where the animal is kept or harbored.

(5) For the owner or harbored of a ~~dog~~ **an animal** to use a collar, **halter**, or harness ~~made of wire, flat chain, chain with sharp edges, or chain with rusty or non-uniform links~~ **unless it is properly fitted and manufactured primarily for animal use as a collar, halter, or harness**. If attached to a tether, the collar, **halter**, or harness shall ~~be properly fitting and~~ not primarily **be** metal or choke-type. The tether attached to a collar, **halter**, or harness shall be of a weight and material appropriate for the breed and size of the animal; ~~cannot weigh more than five (5) pounds total weight; be no less than twelve (12) feet in length;~~ and have swivels at both ends. A person shall not wrap a tether directly around a ~~dog's~~ **an animal's** neck. An area where a ~~dog~~ **an animal** is tethered shall be free of objects which could become tangled in the tether. The tether shall be secured to a fixed immobile point that allows freedom of movement while withstanding the force necessary to restrain the ~~dog~~ **animal**. **For dogs; a tether cannot weigh more than five (5) pounds total weight; be no less than twelve (12) feet in length;**

(6) **It shall be unlawful for any person to confine and leave unattended, any domestic animal (excludes cattle, equine, and fowl) in unsafe weather conditions.**

(c) Any person who violates this section shall be fined not less than one hundred dollars (\$100.00) nor more than five hundred dollars (\$500.00) or be imprisoned for a term not to exceed twelve (12) months, or both, for each act, which shall constitute a separate offense.

Sec. 4-9. - Same—~~Aid to S.P.C.A., Humane Society.~~ Impound and Custody of Victimized Animals

(a) It shall be the duty of police officers of the urban county government to aid any ~~member of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals or of the Lexington Humane Society~~ **urban county animal control officer** in the arrest of any persons who may be in the act of violating any of the provisions of sections [4-2](#) through [4-12.1](#) or of

the statutes of the state relating to cruelty, mistreatment, **sexual assault**, or torture of animals.

~~(b) Any police officer failing to perform the duty required of him in this section shall be fined five dollars (\$5.00) for each offense.~~ Any law enforcement officer or urban county animal control officer may impound any animal whose owner is found in violation of any law or ordinance outlined in section (a). Any animal which is removed from its owner under section (a), shall not be destroyed except for humane reasons determined by a licensed veterinarian.

~~(c) Animal control officers may seize and impound any animal or fowl which is the subject of a violation of the provisions of sections 4-2 through 4-12.1 of this Code. In addition to any other penalties provided in this Code~~ penalty under any law or ordinance outlined in section (a), any person whose animal or fowl is impounded under this section shall be liable to the urban county animal control officer for the actual costs incurred in seizing, impounding and confining the animal or fowl may be liable for reasonable cost of care for their animal which includes but is not limited to; impoundment fees, veterinary care, boarding, and transport of the animal.

(d) The urban county animal control officer shall serve notice of the animal impoundment to the animal owner, in person or by affixing the notice in a conspicuous place where the animal was removed. The owner's presence is not required for the impoundment to take place. The notice shall include:

- (1) Advise of the impoundment of the animal;
- (2) A description of the impounded animal;
- (3) The reason for the impoundment, including the date, time, and location;
- (4) A statement that the owner may be responsible for the reasonable cost of caring for the impounded animal during the pendency of the criminal case or until the animal is relinquished, forfeited, or returned, whichever occurs first; and
- (5) A declaration of ownership form, which shall:
 - i. Include the contact information of the urban county animal control officer;
 - ii. Provide for an affirmation of intent to reclaim the animal or affirmation of intent to voluntarily relinquish ownership of the animal to the urban county animal control officer;
 - iii. Collect the contact information of the owner, including name, address, email address, and phone number;
 - iv. Include a statement that the owner may be responsible for the reasonable cost of caring for the seized impounded animal during the pendency of the criminal case or until the animal is relinquished, forfeited, or returned, whichever occurs first;

- (e) If the urban county animal control officer wishes to withhold custody of the impounded animal during the pendency of the criminal case, the urban county animal control officer shall request a county attorney to file a motion for a hearing. At the hearing, the county attorney has the burden of establishing the probable cause for the impound under the violation of ordinance or law outlined in section (a).
- (1) If the judge finds that this burden has not been met, the judge shall order the animal returned to the defendant or owner, and the owner shall not be required to pay for the animal's cost of care for the period of time the animal was in the custody of the urban county animal control officer or its designee. The owner will have five (5) days to reclaim the animal(s) and if they fail to do so, the animal will be forfeited to the urban county animal control officer.
 - (2) If the judge finds that this burden has been met, the judge shall order that the animal remain in custody of the urban county animal control officer until final disposition of the criminal proceeding or until the owner voluntarily relinquishes ownership of the animal. The judge shall further order the owner to pay directly to the urban county animal control officer, the reasonable costs incurred for the care of the animal through the date of the hearing and, thereafter, in successive thirty (30) day increments until final disposition of the criminal proceedings. In determining the owner's obligation to pay such costs, the court shall not consider the defendant's financial inability to pay for the costs of care.
- (f) If the defendant fails to appear at any scheduled court appearance or fails to pay the ordered cost of care, the animal being withheld shall be forfeited to the urban county animal control officer and the person's ownership interest in the animal is terminated.
- (g) If the defendant is convicted of, or pleads guilty to, an offense outlined in Section (a), the judge shall determine whether the animal should be returned to the owner or whether the person's ownership interest in the animal shall be terminated. If the judge does determine that the ownership interest in the animal shall be terminated, the judge shall order the animal permanently forfeited to the urban county animal control officer. Additionally, a judge may impose restrictions on other animals in the custody or place of residence of the defendant for a period of time not to exceed the period of probation.

Sec. 4-12.4. - Kennel license.

- (a) A "*kennel*," for purposes of this section shall mean any establishment where eight (8) or more dogs are kept. Puppies in two (2) nursing litters shall not be included in the number of dogs used to define a kennel.
- (b) Any owner or operator of a kennel within the urban county shall apply to the designated license facility for a kennel license. A kennel license shall not be required for a licensed veterinary clinic, a state or federally regulated animal research facility, the urban county government division of police canine unit facility or the urban county animal shelter.
- (c) Any license issued by the designated license facility under this section shall be subject to all applicable provisions of the zoning ordinance, department of health regulations, [chapter 12](#) of this Code, and the minimum facilities and operating standards established by section [4-12.5](#) of the Code. Licenses shall be effective upon issuance and remain in effect for a period of twelve (12) months and shall expire the following year on the last day of the calendar month in which the license was issued, unless suspended or revoked pursuant to subsection (g). The designated license facility may refuse to issue a license to any person that fails to meet the requirements of this section or section [4-12.5](#) of the Code.
- (d) The license fee for each kennel is one hundred and thirty-five dollars (\$135.00). All license fees collected by the designated license facility shall be paid into the general services fund of the urban county government.
- (e) Any dog kept in violation of the provisions of this section or section [4-12.5](#) of the Code may be seized and impounded by any **urban county** animal control officer and may be confined at the animal shelter until all violations are corrected and all fines paid. The animal shelter may transfer title to any animal impounded for a period greater than thirty (30) days.
- (f) Any person owning or operating a kennel without the license required by this section or in violation of the minimum standards established by section [4-12.5](#) of the Code shall, upon conviction, be punished by a fine of not less than one hundred dollars (\$100.00) nor more than five hundred dollars (\$500.00). Each day's continuance of any such violation shall be a separate offense.
- (g) The designated license facility may suspend the license of any person convicted under this section or section [4-12.5](#) of the Code for up to ninety (90) days, and may revoke the license of any person convicted of two (2) or more such violations within any twelve-month period. The designated license facility may revoke the license of any person convicted of violating any state or local law that criminalizes the mistreatment of animals, including without limitation KRS 525.125, 525.130, 525.135, or Section [4-2](#) of

the Lexington-Fayette County Code of Ordinances. Any person whose license has been revoked may not apply for a new kennel license for a period of five (5) years.

Sec. 4-12.5. - Standards for kennels.

All kennels within the urban county shall be operated in compliance with the following minimum facilities and operating standards:

- (a) Veterinary care shall be provided for all dogs to maintain good health and general welfare and to prevent suffering.
- (b) All dogs shall, at a minimum, have current rabies vaccinations a local dog license.
- (c) Unless otherwise required by a licensed veterinarian, each dog shall have sufficient space to sit, stand, lie, and turn in a normal manner without touching the sides or tops of cages or enclosures and otherwise have freedom of movement.
- (d) *Housing facility* means any premises, shed, barn, building, trailer, or other structure or area housing or intended to house dogs. All dogs shall be provided with housing facilities which meet the requirements of this section and which may consist of an indoor, outdoor or sheltered housing facility, or any combination thereof.
 - (1) Housing facilities must be kept in good repair, and they must protect the dogs from injury, contain them securely, and restrict other animals from entering.
 - (2) The surfaces of housing facilities, including houses, dens, and other furniture-type fixtures and objects within the facility, must be constructed in a manner and made of materials that allow them to be readily cleaned and sanitized, or removed or replaced when worn or soiled. Interior surfaces and any surfaces that come in contact with dogs must:
 - (A) Be free of excessive rust that prevents the required cleaning and sanitization, or that affects the structural strength of the surface; and
 - (B) Be free of jagged edges or sharp points that might injure the dogs.
 - (3) *Indoor housing facility* means any structure or building with environmental controls housing or intended to house dogs. Indoor housing facilities must provide adequate protection against weather extremes and must comply with the following requirements:
 - (A) Floors, walls and roofs of structures and runs must be of impervious material. Floors must be metal, fiberglass, concrete or covered throughout with a minimum depth of three (3) inches of gravel.
 - (B) The ambient temperature must not fall below forty-five degrees Fahrenheit (45°F) for more than four consecutive hours and must not rise above eighty-five degrees Fahrenheit (85°F) for more than four (4) consecutive hours when dogs are present.

(C) Be sufficiently ventilated when dogs are present to provide for their health and well-being and to minimize odors, drafts, ammonia levels, and moisture condensation. Ventilation must be provided by windows, vents, fans, or air conditioning. Auxiliary ventilation, such as fans, blowers, or air conditioning must be provided when the ambient temperature is eighty-five degrees Fahrenheit (85°F) or higher.

(D) Be lighted well enough to permit routine inspection and cleaning of the facility, and observation of the dogs. Dog areas must be provided a regular diurnal lighting cycle of either natural and/or artificial light and lighting must be uniformly diffused throughout the facility for the well-being of the dogs. Lighting by either natural and/or artificial means shall provide a minimum sixty (60) watts of candle power for at least eight (8) hours each day unless such lighting will adversely affect the health of the dog. Primary enclosures within indoor housing facilities must be placed so as to protect the dogs from excessive light.

(4) *Sheltered housing facility* means a housing facility which provides the dogs with shelter, protection from the elements and protection from temperature extremes at all times. A sheltered housing facility may consist of runs or pens totally enclosed in a barn or building or of connecting outside runs or pens with inside pens in a totally enclosed building.

(A) Dogs kept in sheltered housing facilities must be provided with adequate shelter from the elements at all times to protect their health and well-being.

(B) The following areas in sheltered housing facilities must be impervious to moisture:

(i) Outdoor floor areas in contact with the dogs, when the floor areas are not exposed to the direct sun or are made of a hard material such as wire, wood, metal, or concrete; and

(ii) All walls, boxes, houses, dens, and other surfaces in contact with the dogs.

(5) *Outdoor housing facility* means any structure, building, land, or premise, housing or intended to house dogs, which does not meet the definition of any other type of housing facility provided in this section, and in which temperatures cannot be controlled within set limits.

(A) Outdoor housing facilities must include one (1) or more shelter structures that are accessible to each dog. In addition, one or more separate outside areas of shade must be provided, large enough to contain all the dogs at one time and protect them from the direct rays of the sun. Shelters in outdoor housing facilities must meet the definition in section 4-2 for adequate shelter.

(B) Building surfaces which come into contact with dogs in outdoor housing facilities must be impervious to moisture. Metal barrels, cars, refrigerators or freezers, and the like must not be used as shelter structures.

(6) *Primary enclosure* means any structure or device used to restrict a dog to a limited amount of space, such as a room, pen, run, cage, compartment or hutch. Primary enclosures must be constructed and maintained to meet the following minimum requirements:

- (A) Be designed and constructed of suitable materials so that they are structurally sound and be maintained in good repair;
- (B) Protect the dogs from injury;
- (C) Contain the dogs securely and keep other animals from entering the enclosure;
- (D) Enable the dogs to remain dry and clean;
- (E) Provide shelter and protection from extreme temperatures and weather conditions that may be uncomfortable or hazardous to all the dogs;
- (F) Provide sufficient shade to shelter all the dogs housed in the primary enclosure at one time;
- (G) Provide all the dogs with easy and convenient access to clean food and water;
- (H) Enable all surfaces in contact with the dogs to be readily cleaned and sanitized or be replaceable when worn or soiled;
- (I) Have floors that are constructed in a manner that protects the dogs' feet and legs from injury, and that, if of mesh or slatted construction, do not allow the dogs' feet to pass through any openings in the floor. If the floor of the primary enclosure is constructed of wire, a solid resting surface or surfaces that, in the aggregate, are large enough to hold all the occupants of the primary enclosure at the same time comfortably must be provided;
- (J) Provide each female with nursing puppies with an additional amount of floor space, based on her breed and behavioral characteristics, and in accordance with generally accepted husbandry practices as determined by a licensed veterinarian; and
- (K) Dogs that are housed in the same primary enclosure must be compatible, as determined by observation, with the following restrictions:
 - (i) Not more than ten (10) adult dogs may be housed in the same primary enclosure;
 - (ii) Females in heat (estrus) may not be housed in the same primary enclosure with sexually mature males, except for breeding purposes.

- (iii) Any dog exhibiting or known to have a vicious or overly aggressive disposition must be housed separately;
 - (iv) Puppies four (4) months of age or less may not be housed in the same primary enclosure with adult dogs, other than their dams or foster dams, except when permanently maintained in breeding colonies;
 - (v) Such housing must not adversely affect the health or the well-being of the dog, in the opinion of a licensed veterinarian; and
 - (vi) Dogs that have or are suspected of having a contagious disease must be isolated from healthy dogs in the colony. When an entire group or room of dogs is known to have or believed to be exposed to an infectious agent, the group may be kept intact during the process of diagnosis, treatment, and control.
- (7) When dogs are kept on tethers the tether must be attached to the front of the dog's shelter structure or to a post in front of the shelter structure and must be at least twelve (12) feet in length. The tether must allow the dog convenient access to the shelter structure and to food and water containers. The tether must be of the type and strength commonly used for the size dog involved and must be attached to the dog by a well-fitted collar or harness that will not cause trauma or injury to the dog. Collars or harnesses made of materials such as wire, flat chains, chains with sharp edges, or chains with rusty or nonuniform links are prohibited. The tether must be attached so that the dog cannot become entangled with other objects or come into physical contact with other dogs in the outside housing facility and so the dog can roam to the full range of the tether.
- (e) Kennel owners and operators must develop, document, and follow an appropriate plan to provide dogs with the opportunity to exercise. The plan must be made available to any **urban county** animal control officer or the designated license facility on request.
 - (f) *Feeding and watering.* Adequate food and water shall be provided in accordance with the definitions set forth for those terms in section 4-2. Food and water receptacles shall be readily accessible to all dogs, and shall be located so as to minimize contamination by excreta or pests, and be protected from rain and snow.
 - (g) Excreta and food waste must be removed from primary enclosures daily and from under primary enclosures as often as necessary to prevent an accumulation of feces and food waste, to prevent soiling of the dogs contained in the primary enclosures, and to reduce disease hazards, insects, pests and odors.

Sec. 4-14. - Vicious dogs.

- (a) A "vicious" dog is defined to include:

(1) Any dog owned or harbored primarily or in part for purposes of fighting, or any dog trained for fighting;

(2) Any dog that has bitten a human being or animal, excluding wildlife, without provocation; or

(3) Any dog declared by a court to be a vicious dog.

(b) Any ~~Lexington-Fayette County~~ **urban county** animal control officer may immediately take temporary possession of any dog that he or she has probable cause to believe has bitten a human being or domestic animal without provocation, and may cause the dog to be held at the Lexington-Fayette County animal shelter for no longer than ten (10) days, after which time the dog shall be returned to its owner if no civil or criminal complaint seeking to have the dog declared vicious has been filed in a court of competent jurisdiction. If a civil or criminal complaint seeking to have the dog declared vicious has been filed in a court of competent jurisdiction, the urban county animal control officer may retain temporary possession of the dog until the court enters a final determination that the dog is or is not vicious under KRS 258.235 or LFUCG Code of Ordinances Section 4-14, or until the court otherwise orders the dog released to its owner. The owner of any dog held under this section shall be liable to the urban county animal control officer for a boarding charge of ten dollars (\$10.00) per day, including the first and last day of impoundment. The urban county animal control officer may withhold release of the dog until all boarding charges incurred by the dog's impoundment hereunder have been paid in full. Any owner of a dog held hereunder that fails to take possession of the dog within five (5) days of being notified that the owner may reclaim possession shall forfeit ownership of the dog to the urban county animal control officer, who may dispose of the dog in any humane manner permitted by law.

(c) Vicious dog kenneling requirements.

(1) It shall be unlawful for any person to keep or harbor within Lexington-Fayette County a dog declared vicious by a court of competent jurisdiction unless it is at all times kept on the owner's or harborer's property securely confined indoors or in a securely enclosed and locked outdoor pen or shelter suitable to prevent the entry of young children and designed to prevent the dog from escaping. Such pen or structure must have minimum dimensions of five (5) feet by ten (10) feet, must have secure sides and must be at least seven (7) feet high and have a secure top. If it has no concrete, cement or asphalt bottom, the sides must be imbedded into the ground no less than two (2) feet. The enclosure must also satisfy the care and treatment standards of Section 4-2 of the LFUCG Code of Ordinances. A vicious dog shall be transported to or from the indoors and the securely enclosed and locked outdoor pen or shelter only if such dog is muzzled and restrained by a suitable chain or leash not exceeding six (6) feet in length and under the control of a responsible adult. The muzzle must be made in a manner

that it will not cause injury to the dog or interfere with its vision or respiration but will prevent the dog from biting any person or animal.

(2) Any ~~Lexington-Fayette County~~ **urban county** animal control officer that witnesses a vicious dog being housed or harbored in violation of the kenneling requirements for vicious dogs contained herein and in KRS 258.235 may immediately take temporary possession of the dog and may cause the dog to be held at the Lexington-Fayette County animal shelter. Before taking temporary possession of the dog hereunder, or as soon thereafter as reasonably possible, the urban county animal control officer shall issue a citation to, or cause charges to be filed against, the dog's owner or harbored for violation of state or local kenneling requirements for vicious dogs. The urban county animal control officer may hold the dog until the complaint against the owner or harbored has been resolved by the court. The owner or harbored of any dog held under this subsection shall be liable to the urban county animal control officer for a boarding charge of ten dollars (\$10.00) per day, including the first and last day of impoundment. The urban county animal control officer may withhold release of the dog until all boarding charges incurred by the dog's impoundment hereunder have been paid in full. Any owner or harbored of a dog held hereunder that fails to take possession of the dog within five (5) days of being notified that the owner may reclaim possession shall forfeit ownership of the dog to the urban county animal control officer, who may dispose of the dog in any humane manner permitted by law.

(d) Vicious dogs shall be permitted off the owner's or harbored's property only if such dogs are muzzled and restrained by a substantial chain or leash not exceeding six (6) feet in length and under the control of a responsible adult and only for the purposes authorized by KRS 258.235. The muzzle must be made in a manner that will not cause injury to the dog or interfere with its vision or respiration but must prevent the dog from biting any person or animal.

(e) When any dog is required by this section to be confined, it shall also be required that a conspicuous notice be posted at the place of confinement of such a nature as to warn the public of the nature of the dog therein confined.

(f) No person under the age of eighteen (18) years shall be permitted to own, harbor or handle a vicious dog.

(g) The urban county animal control officer shall maintain a photographic registry of all dogs in Lexington-Fayette County that have been declared vicious by a court of competent jurisdiction, which registry shall contain the following information for each dog:

- (1) The legal name, date of birth, and permanent address of the dog's owner;
- (2) The address for each location at which the dog is regularly kept;

- (3) A list of all vaccinations the dog has received;
- (4) The dog's microchip identification information;
- (h) The owner of any dog declared vicious by a court of competent jurisdiction shall thereafter have thirty (30) days to comply with the following provisions:
 - (1) The owner shall ensure that the dog is spayed or neutered;
 - (2) The owner shall present the dog to the urban county animal control officer so that it may be tagged with a microchip identifier if not already tagged and added to the photographic registry of vicious dogs in Lexington-Fayette County established in subsection (h) of this section;
 - (3) Should any of the information provided to the urban county animal control officer for the photographic registry of vicious dogs in Lexington Fayette County become inaccurate in any way, the owner shall contact the urban county animal control officer within ten (10) days thereof to provide updated information. The urban county animal control officer may require owners to provide reasonable verification of all information to be included in the photographic registry of vicious dogs in Lexington-Fayette County.
 - (i) The urban county animal control officer may charge a reasonable fee for spaying or neutering a vicious dog and for tagging a vicious dog with a microchip identifier as required in subsection (h) of this section.
 - (j) Any person violating any of the provisions of this section shall be fined not less than two hundred dollars (\$200.00) nor more than five hundred dollars (\$500.00) for each offense.

Sec. 4-21. - Impoundment.

- (a) Any dog, fowl or head of livestock found running at large within the urban county, unless accompanied by the owner, custodian, possessor or harbinger, and under his immediate control and not confined on the premises of the owner, custodian, possessor or harbinger, shall be taken up by an **urban county** animal control officer and held in the animal shelter designated as the urban county animal shelter. Each dog, head of livestock or fowl shall be there confined in a humane manner for a period of not less than five (5) days and each cat shall be there confined in a humane manner for a period of not less than three (3) days, unless sooner claimed by their owners, custodians or persons entitled to possession thereof, and may be disposed of in a humane manner if not otherwise claimed, sold or adopted. Equine and bovine livestock shall be confined for the period required by state law.
- (b) The urban county animal control officer may transfer title to all animals held after the legal detention period in subsection (a) hereof has expired and the animal has not

been claimed by its owner, custodian or other person entitled to possession thereof, provided the person to whom title is being transferred licenses said animal and pays for rabies inoculation for said dog or cat, together with the boarding and adoption charges levied by the urban county animal shelter, and in addition thereto pays the pickup fee payable to the animal shelter provided in subsection (c) hereof.

(c) Any owner, custodian or other person entitled to the possession of a dog, cat, head of livestock, or fowl impounded under subsection (a) hereof may claim the animal upon proof that said dog or cat has been inoculated against rabies or purchase of a vaccination voucher from the animal shelter; payment of boarding charges at the rate of ten dollars (\$10.00) per day, including the first and last day of impoundment, levied by the urban county animal shelter; payment to the urban county of any fine due under section 4-19 (e) hereof; compliance with the redemption requirements for dogs and cats under subsection (d); and payment of a pickup fee of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) for each fowl or head of livestock impounded, which pickup fee shall be paid into the general services fund of the urban county government. The agency designated by the urban county government responsible for enforcement of this ordinance may waive all impoundment and boarding fees if the impoundment of an animal resulted from an emergency situation, such as fire or natural disaster.

(d) In addition to the requirements in subsection (c) above, any owner, custodian or other person entitled to the possession of an impounded dog or cat may redeem the animal by paying a redemption fee. For the first impound within a twelve-month period, the fee is twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) for an altered dog or cat and seventy-five dollars (\$75.00) for an unaltered dog or cat. For the second and each subsequent impound within a twelve-month period, the fee shall be doubled. Twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) of the redemption fee; ½ shall be paid into the general fund and the balance shall be retained by the agency designated by the department of public safety and used solely to fund the spay and neuter grant program established by section 4-21.1 of this Code. In lieu of paying the redemption fee for an unaltered animal, the owner may elect to have the animal spayed or neutered by a licensed veterinarian provided by the Lexington Humane Society, at a cost not exceeding the sum of fifty dollars (\$50.00).



Project Update

Execution and Activation

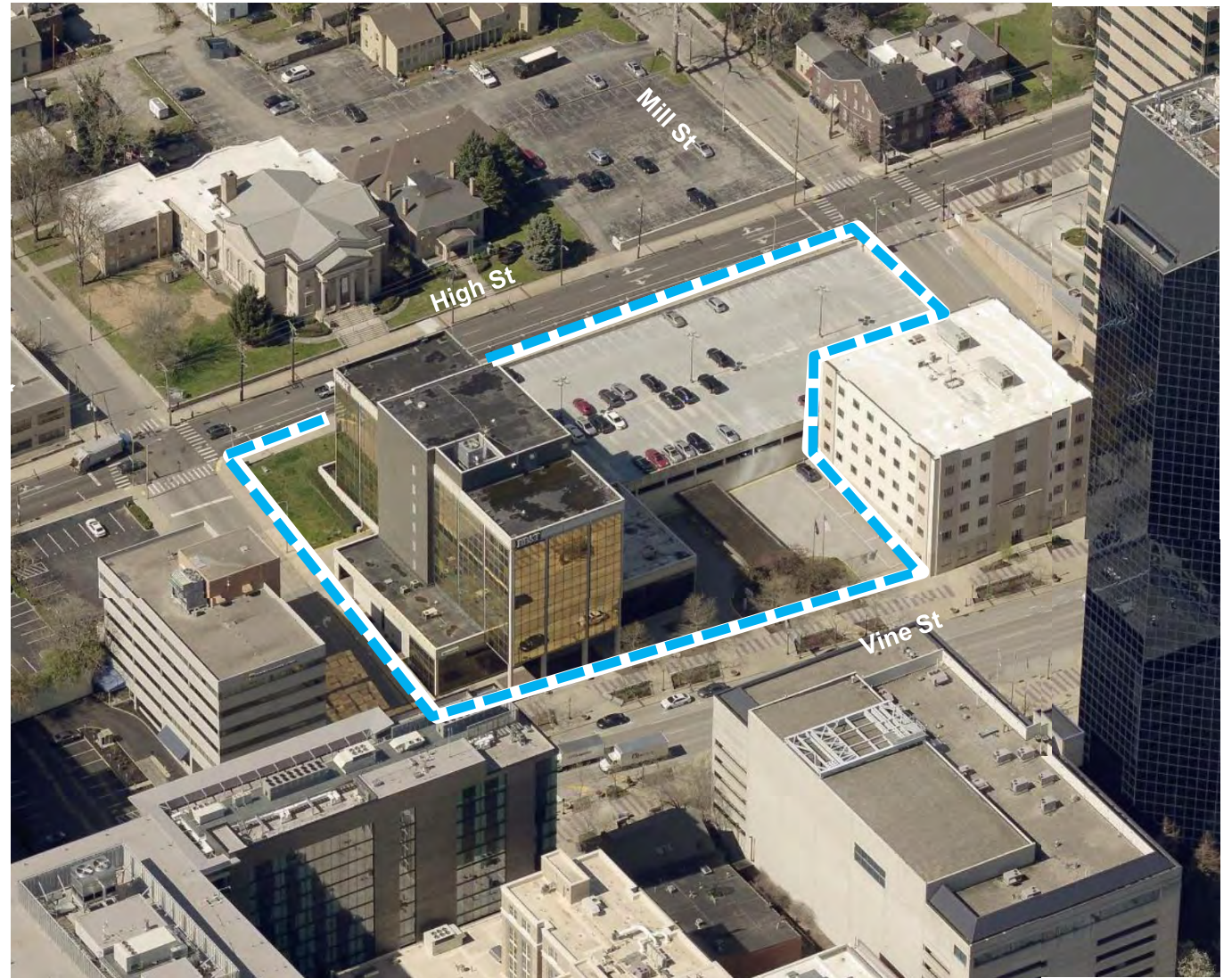
New Government Center

Commissioner Chris Ford, General Services
Council Work Session
June 16, 2026



Our Vision: A Civic Home for the Future at 200 W. Vine Street

- **Inclusive & Safe:** Open to all, with well-being at the core
- **Efficient & Functional:** Designed for productivity and seamless service
- **Community Hub:** Welcoming spaces for dialogue, service, and connection
- **Downtown Anchor:** Connecting government and community
- **Trusted Landmark:** A symbol of Lexington's pride and transparent government

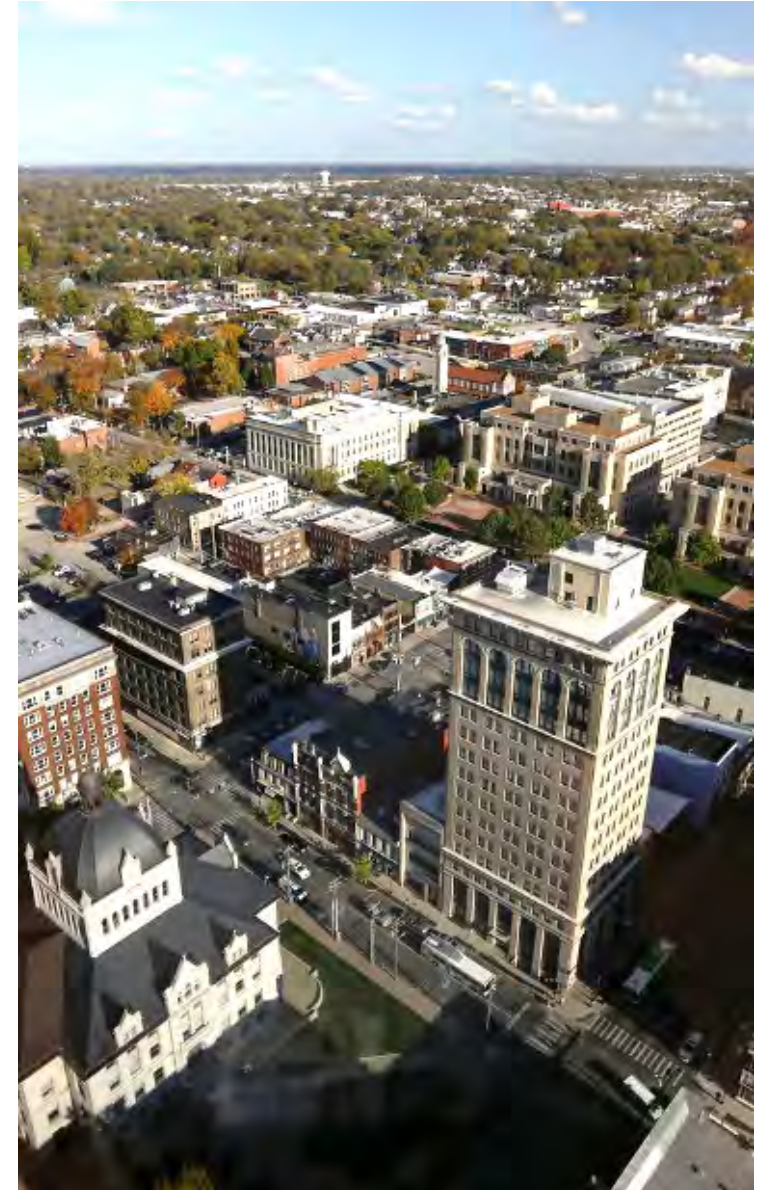




Public-Private Partnership (P3)

Goal: Leverage private expertise and investment to deliver Lexington a modern Government Center efficiently and responsibly.

- **Shared Risk:** Public and private partners share risks and responsibilities
- **Cost Savings:** Lowers LFUCG's total life-cycle costs and spreads investment over time
- **Faster Delivery:** Private expertise and a design-build, phased approach delivers the project more quickly
- **Higher Quality:** Best value selection and private expertise provides higher quality facilities
- **Focused Government:** Allows LFUCG to focus on serving residents while partners manage development





Public- Private Partnership (P3)

Project Team

Developer: Lexington Opportunity Fund LLC
Design Services: Champlin EOP
General Contractor: DW Wilburn Contractors

LFUCG External Legal Advisors: Frost Brown Todd Gibbons

LFUCG External Financial Advisors: Baird

LFUCG Cash Equity Investment: \$30 million

LFUCG Costs Incurred (to Date): \$839,062 (Purchase Deposits & Design Fees)



Projected Cost Summary

Negotiated Fall 2025

Site Control

Building
Parking Garage

\$8.0 million
\$15.6 million

\$23.6 million

Redevelopment

Construction
Design (8%)
Contingency (15%)

\$44.0 million
\$3.5 million
\$7.1 million

\$54.6 million

Soft Costs

Financing Costs
Developer Fee (5%)

\$5.7 million
\$2.7 million

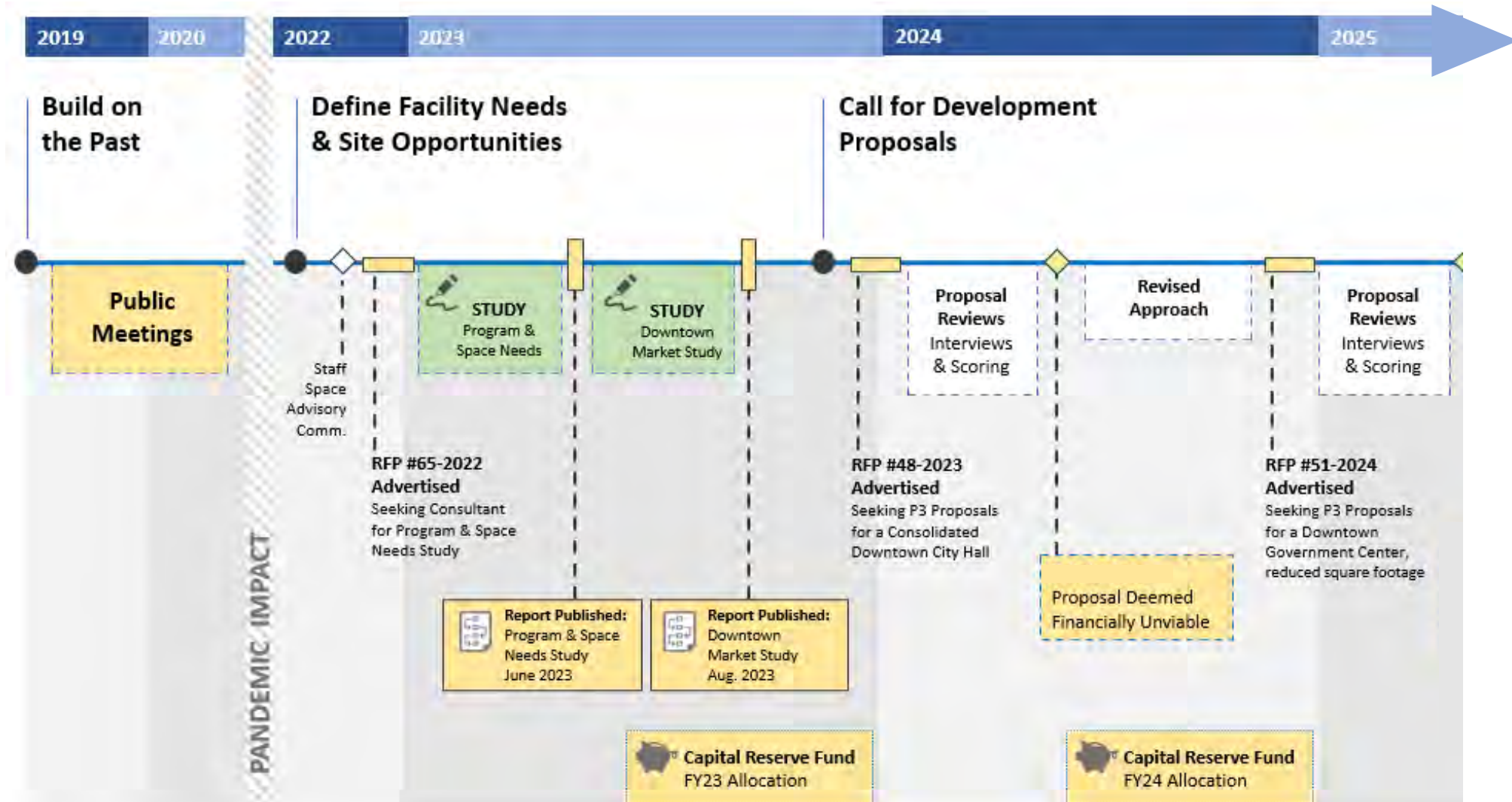
\$8.4 million

TOTAL PROJECT

\$86.6 million

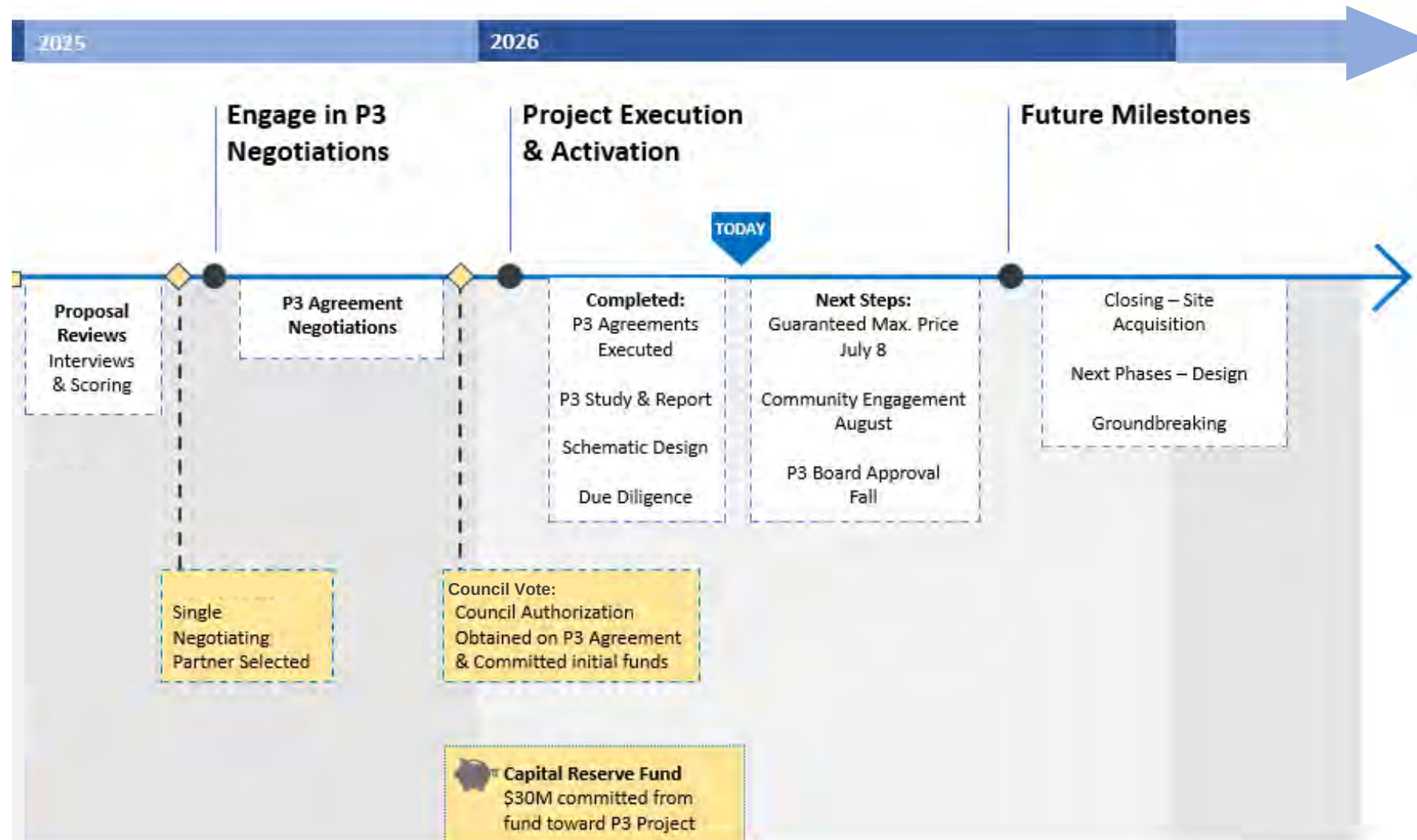


LFUCG Strategic & Methodical Pathway to New Government Center





LFUCG Strategic & Methodical Pathway to New Government Center





Completed – Performance & Deliberation

Winter & Spring 2026

Fully Executed Agreements

Development – Purchase & Sales – Ground Lease – Facilities Lease

P3 Study & Report

Schematic Design

Due Diligence Period

Purchase & Sales Agreement



Key Next Steps & Future Milestones

Reconstruction Cost = Guaranteed Maximum Pricing *

Community Engagement and Stakeholder Interaction

Kentucky Public Private Partnership (P3) Board Approval

Closing / Site Acquisition – Next Design Phases – Groundbreaking

Thank You

Questions?



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Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

Linda Gorton
Mayor

June 10, 2026

Secretary Holly Johnson
Kentucky Finance and Administration Cabinet
200 Mero Street, 5th Floor
Frankfort, KY 40622

Commissioner Matt Sawyers
Department of Local Government
100 Airport Road, 3rd Floor
Frankfort, KY 40601

Dear Secretary Johnson and Commissioner Sawyers,

The Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government is pleased to submit this public-private partnership agreement for the design, build, and financing of a new Government Center for consideration and approval by the Kentucky Local Government P3 Board. A third-party analysis conducted by Commonwealth Economics has found that our P3 approach will save LFUCG approximately \$2.2 million in costs over the traditional project delivery model, accelerate delivery by approximately 12 months, and provide meaningful protections against cost overruns through a guaranteed maximum price contract.

The Need for a New Government Center

LFUCG has operated out of a converted hotel at 200 East Main Street for roughly four decades. The building was never designed for permanent governmental use. Over those years, it has accumulated more than \$55 million in identified deferred maintenance needs and has a deteriorating parking structure. LFUCG has spent millions in recent years simply to maintain basic operations. Each additional year of delay exposes the City to continued seven-figure annual maintenance costs on a facility that does not meet modern accessibility, safety, security, or public engagement standards.

This project has been studied methodically over six years, across five mayoral administrations, and is supported by a 2023 Program and Space Needs Study and Downtown Market Study. The current

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plan represents a right-sized, fiscally disciplined approach to a long-overdue reinvestment in the City's core civic infrastructure.

The Project

The proposed Government Center is located at 200 West Vine Street, a 1.7-acre downtown site that includes an existing office building and a recently remodeled 286-space parking garage. The site was selected through an open, competitive RFP process (RFP #51-2024) that produced multiple proposals, involved over ten selection committee meetings, and included proposal presentations and site visits.

The project involves the acquisition and adaptive reuse of the existing building, including a substantial interior renovation and a modest addition, to create approximately 100,000 square feet of modern civic space. The design prioritizes accessible, welcoming public areas on the first two floors – including a new council chamber roughly twice the current size – along with modernized employee workspace, improved security, and sustainability features intended to reduce long-term operating costs. The total estimated project cost is approximately \$86.7 million, which includes site acquisition (\$23.6 million), construction and design (\$47.5 million), contingency (\$7.1 million), and soft costs including financing, additional contingency, and developer fees (\$8.4 million).

The P3 Structure

On December 2, 2025, the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Council voted to authorize the Mayor to enter into a public-private partnership with the Lexington Opportunity Fund (the "Developer") for the design, build, and financing of the Government Center. The P3 utilizes a Design-Build-Finance delivery model in which:

- LFUCG contributes \$30 million from its existing Capital Reserve Fund toward the acquisition of the site and initial construction costs;
- The Developer secures a private construction loan to finance the balance of the construction, and its design-build team (architect/engineer and general contractor) delivers the project under a to-be-negotiated guaranteed maximum price (GMP);
- Upon completion, the Developer is expected to issue tax-exempt Certificates of Participation (COPs) as permanent financing, structured as a lease-back to LFUCG with estimated annual payments of approximately \$3.4 million over 35 years; and

LFUCG retains all operations and maintenance responsibilities, avoiding the need to pay a private operator's risk premium.

The P3 agreement documents preserve LFUCG's flexibility to adjust its financing approach, including the option to purchase the completed facility and issue General Obligation Bonds directly if market conditions warrant. LFUCG intends to work closely with its Financial Advisor (Baird) and Legal Advisor (FBT Gibbons) to determine the optimal permanent financing structure at the appropriate time.

The P3 Agreement Documents

The P3 agreement, for purposes of KRS 65.028, includes the following documents, all of which were solicited and negotiated through the P3 RFP process:

- **Development Agreement:** governs the design-build scope, GMP process, timeline, contingency, and Developer obligations.
- **Purchase and Sale Agreement:** governs LFUCG's acquisition of the property from the Developer.
- **Ground Lease:** LFUCG ground-leases the site back to the Developer during the construction and financing period.
- **Facilities Lease:** establishes the lease-back structure under which LFUCG makes annual payments to service the COP financing, and includes LFUCG's option to purchase the facility and take full ownership at any time.

Key Findings of the P3 Study

In conformity with 200 KAR 5:355 § 2, LFUCG designated Commonwealth Economics to conduct the required written determination analyzing the qualitative and quantitative aspects of the proposed P3 delivery. That study, enclosed with this submission, finds:

- **Faster Delivery.** The Design-Build-Finance P3 structure is expected to save approximately 12 months compared to a traditional Design-Bid-Build procurement by combining the design and construction solicitations into a single process and allowing construction to begin before final designs are complete.
- **Cost Savings.** The P3 structure is estimated to produce approximately \$2.2 million in cost savings through reduced change orders, avoided inflation, and design-build collaboration; savings that would not be available under a traditional delivery model.
- **Risk Transfer.** The GMP contract allocates significant construction cost risk to the Developer and its team, protecting LFUCG from cost overruns that would otherwise be borne by the City under a traditional approach. Industry data indicates that design-build projects experience 3.8% less cost growth and 1.7% less schedule growth than traditional delivery.
- **Financing Flexibility.** The P3 structure provides LFUCG with flexibility to time the permanent financing to market conditions and to select between COP and G.O. Bond structures depending on which is most advantageous at the time of issuance.
- **Feasibility.** LFUCG can afford an annual lease payment of up to \$3.5 million without making tradeoffs in other areas of the City budget. The estimated payments are currently below this amount. LFUCG finds this Project is economically and financially feasible under KRS 65.028(12)(a)(2).

Statutory Threshold and Board Approval

The total cost of this Project exceeds 30 percent of LFUCG's general fund revenue receipts, thereby requiring approval of the Local Government P3 Board under KRS 65.028(12). LFUCG respectfully requests that the Board review and approve this agreement.

Written Determination Under 200 KAR 5:355 § 2

On September 25, 2024, prior to issuing RFP #51-2024, I made a written determination that it is most advantageous for LFUCG to utilize the public-private partnership method of procurement under KRS 65.028 to deliver this Project. In making that determination, all appropriate departments and divisions of the government were consulted, the regulatory analysis required by 200 KAR 5:355 was undertaken, and I designated the Division of Procurement and the Department of Finance to lead the additional quantitative analysis required under the law. A copy of that original determination is enclosed.

Since that time, LFUCG has solicited and evaluated proposals through a competitive process, successfully negotiated this P3 agreement, and completed both the quantitative analysis and an independent qualitative assessment of the prescribed regulatory factors through the enclosed P3 Study. Based on that work, I hereby reaffirm and renew my determination that the P3 delivery method is more advantageous than traditional procurement for this Project pursuant to 200 KAR 5:355 § 2. The enclosed P3 Study, prepared by Commonwealth Economics Partners, addresses each of the factors prescribed by the regulation.

Enclosed Documents

The following documents are enclosed for the Board's review:

1. This cover letter;
2. P3 Study from Commonwealth Economics;
3. Index Memorandum identifying the location of statutory and regulatory requirements within the enclosed documents;
4. Development Agreement, which includes the RFP and Developer's Proposal as exhibits; Purchase and Sale Agreement;
5. Ground Lease;
6. Facilities Lease; and
7. Mayor's Written Determination dated September 25, 2024.

Conclusion

This project represents a careful, deliberate, and fiscally responsible approach to solving a problem that five successive mayors and decades of study have identified: LFUCG's current government center is not sustainable. The P3 structure enables the City to deliver a modern, right-sized

civic facility faster, at lower risk, and with greater cost certainty than would be available through traditional procurement, while preserving the flexibility to optimize financing as market conditions evolve.

LFUCG has worked closely with its legal and financial advisors throughout this process to ensure compliance with Kentucky's P3 law. We are hopeful the Finance Cabinet, Department for Local Government, and Local Government P3 Board will find that this submission meets the standards for approval.

We welcome any questions and are prepared to present to the Board at its earliest convenience. Please do not hesitate to contact my office or LFUCG's legal counsel at FBT Gibbons if we can provide any additional information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Linda Gorton". The script is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Linda" and last name "Gorton" clearly distinguishable.

Linda Gorton
Mayor

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Jeffrey White, Kristen Martin, Emily Startsman





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Who We Are



The Nest is a safe and healing place for education, counseling, advocacy, and support — reaching thousands of individuals, parents, survivors, and children each year.

The Nest was founded in 1977 when two organizations, The Lexington Child Abuse Council and The Women's Center of Central Kentucky, joined forces. The Nest – Center for Women, Children & Families was created to streamline the work of both entities into one organization that could provide high quality, comprehensive services to individuals, children, and families in crisis, while working to prevent child abuse and neglect.

Mission

To help prevent abuse and neglect of children and adults by supporting families in crisis through education, counseling, advocacy, and resources.

Vision

To create a community where children, adults, and families thrive by transforming their lives through real and sustainable change.



What We Do

Since 1977, we have been a lifeline for all individuals and families in crisis, facing adversity, or who have unexpected needs. Our holistic approach incorporates four free programs: early childhood education and care, family assistance for basic human needs, counseling and advocacy for survivors of intimate partner violence, and education and support for parents. We are proud to provide support in English and Spanish.

Our purpose is to embrace, encourage, and empower without bias. Our vision is to be the leader of real and sustainable change by creating a safe, equitable, and thriving community. Together, we transform lives through education, counseling, advocacy, and support.

Last year we provided support to more than 7,500 individuals in our community.



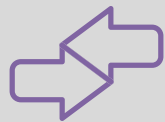
Our Values

Integral to our way of life



PASSION

We promote lifelong learning and are committed in heart and mind.



RESPONSIBILITY

We provide quality service by being adaptable, accepting ownership of our actions, and taking accountability for our results.



INCLUSION

We create a welcoming environment of mutual respect, acceptance, and dignity for all.



COLLABORATION

We effectively communicate, support one another, and combine our strengths to achieve greater goals.



EMPATHY

We take the time to understand and recognize each other's journey.



SAFETY

We prioritize the physical, mental, and emotional wellbeing of our clients, team and partners.

Our Programs

CHILD CARE

FAMILY ASSISTANCE

INTIMATE PARTNER VIOLENCE

PARENTING





Child Care

We believe every child deserves a safe and nurturing environment to grow, learn, and thrive.

A nest is a safe place to grow — a place to be nurtured and supported, to learn and be encouraged; a place to prepare to face the world with strength and confidence. We believe all caregivers should have equal access to high-quality child care - a nest for their children - regardless of financial status. From birth to age five, our state-licensed early childhood learning center provides caregivers with flexible child care options including short-term, long-term, and free drop-in care when unexpected situations arise.

Our educators, who have a combined 100+ years of teaching experience, create a nurturing environment to foster the physical, emotional, social, and educational development of every child who walks through our doors.

"You gave me hope and light in a time of darkness and confusion"

- Child Care Client

"I just want to thank everyone at The Nest. This year has been extremely hard for me with my separation, demotion, and loss of childcare assistance. And I know that might not seem like much to other people, but I truly was lost and broke and had no where to turn. I truly cannot tell you where me or the kids would be if it weren't for The Nest."

- Child Care Client

Family Assistance

At The Nest, we are dedicated to supporting families with children 0 to 5 by providing essential items they need to thrive during challenging times. From diapers and car seats to baby formula, clothing, and other necessities, we help families navigate the difficulties of raising young children without the added burden of financial strain. Our commitment to offering these vital resources - free of charge - ensures that parents can focus on what matters most: the well-being of their children. With services available in multiple languages via phone interpretation, we strive to ensure no family goes without the critical support they need.



“The Nest has done a lot for me and my family. My kids have had clothing and food. It’s wonderful that y’all are helping other people. The staff is tremendous. They go above and beyond to help. I’ve noticed that if somebody came in there and needed help with something you all couldn’t do, you guys tried to go find another organization to help. In some way, it’s always ending on a positive note.”

- Family Assistance Client



Intimate Partner Violence

Intimate Partner Violence (IPV) affects individuals in every community regardless of age, economic status, sexual orientation, gender, race, religion, or nationality. The devastating physical, emotional, and psychological consequences of IPV can cross generations and last a lifetime.

Our trained staff of counselors and advocates are dedicated to providing survivors with a safe and healing place to ask questions, receive support, and process trauma. We serve survivors in Fayette and several other surrounding counties. We are proud to offer survivors the following free services in English and Spanish:

- Court advocacy
- Legal representation
- Safety planning
- Individual counseling
- Educational support groups

“I am not a victim of domestic violence today.
Today... I am a survivor!”

- IPV Client

“I want to express my sincere appreciation to your organization for making it possible for my daughter to have protection by the service provided by Mr. Hickman. I really have no words to describe how grateful we are. The moment I heard Rachel's voice in response to the message I left, I knew I came to the right place. And I am beyond thankful for all that Mr. Hickman did for us. His thorough work, even sacrificing his weekend hours to demonstrate the questions he would be asking us at the hearing. Also his calm demeanor made my daughter who was scared about the whole petition process, very comfortable, even confident about what she could do. Mr. Hickman became the voice of my fearful daughter at the court, and the relief, happiness, and safety as well as gratitude we have now are indescribable. Thank you for operating such an amazing organization such as The Nest. You all are truly heroes. We are forever thankful.”

- IPV Client

Parenting

Caring for a child can be difficult and often overwhelming, especially without a support system. We strive to meet caregivers where they are and offer classes that are focused on effective and healthy parenting, nonviolent discipline, and parental self-care. Our classes also create an opportunity for social interaction with other caregivers who can share experiences and provide emotional support - a powerful way to improve parenting habits and overcome social isolation. We are proud to provide the following free classes and services in English and Spanish:

- Nurturing Moms & Dads parenting classes
- Nurturing Dads parenting class
- Madres y Padres Amorosos
- MPWR
- Parent advocacy



"This class, and the facilitator's were absolutely amazing. I really enjoyed it and learned a lot, I am grateful for the opportunity to participate and learn of other resources available and to feel the love and support the facilitator's have for this class and the participants."

- Parenting Client

"I love the judgment free environment where I'm learning. Since I've been in this program I've grown as a mother and as a woman I think this program is great. Thank you so much for the help you have done to help me."

- Parenting Client

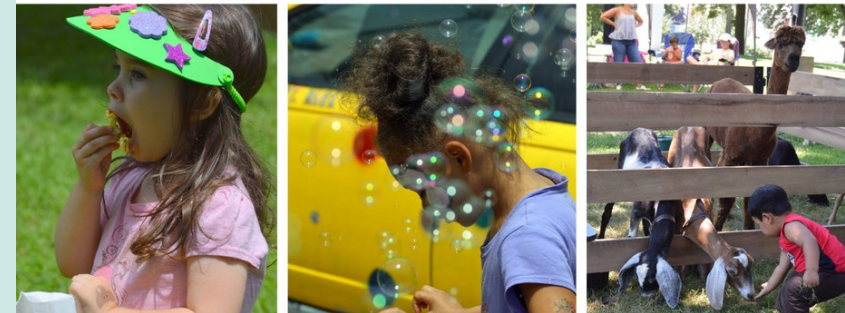
Pony Up for The Nest

Enjoy a fun afternoon at the races, a delightful luncheon, and an exciting event hosted at Keeneland.



Summer Family Fun Day

A community celebration for the whole family! Enjoy a fun filled day of activities like a petting zoo, pony rides, an obstacle course, a bubble truck, face painting, refreshments, music, and more! This is a completely free event bringing families together and is our way of saying thank you to our wonderful community.



A Night for The Nest

As our signature annual fundraising gala, A Night for the Nest has raised close to 1 million dollars to support our services and programming. The evening features a seated dinner, luxury live and silent auctions, live music, and dancing. All proceeds directly support our continued commitment to our community.



Reindeer Express

Every December, Reindeer Express provides the families of over 800 local children with brand new toys, books, art supplies, coats, and winter wear for children under 5 years old. They also receive a food box for the whole family for the holidays.



Jeffrey White

Jeffrey White is retiring from his role as Executive Director of The Nest – Center for Women, Children & Families on June 30, 2026. For over 16 years, Jeffrey has dedicated his career to strengthening communities through strategic growth, partnership development, fundraising, and program innovation. His collaborative leadership style and commitment to service have helped establish The Nest as a trusted nonprofit leader throughout Central Kentucky. Since joining The Nest in 2010, Jeffrey has guided the organization through a period of transformative growth. Under his leadership, The Nest has expanded its programs and community outreach efforts, enhanced its financial sustainability, and significantly increased annual funding through strategic partnerships with businesses, foundations, government agencies, and individual donors.



Kristen Martin

Kristen Martin, LMFT, joined The Nest on June 1, 2026 as the new Executive Director. Martin brings to The Nest more than a decade of experience in mental health, family services, early childhood development and public health leadership across Kentucky. Most recently, she served as Childhood Mental Health Section Supervisor for the Kentucky Department for Public Health, where she oversaw statewide early childhood mental health initiatives and multidisciplinary teams supporting children and families across the Commonwealth. Throughout her career, Martin has worked extensively in counseling, crisis intervention, early childhood mental health and statewide systems development.



Thank You!

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