

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

June 25, 2009

- I. **CALL TO ORDER** – The meeting will be called to order at 1:30 p.m. in the Council Chamber, 2nd Floor LFUCG Government Center, 200 East Main Street, Lexington, Kentucky.
- II. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – Prior Planning Commission meeting minutes of May 28, 2009, will be considered at this time.
- III. **POSTPONEMENTS AND WITHDRAWALS** – Requests for postponement and withdrawal will be considered at this time.
- IV. **LAND SUBDIVISION ITEMS** - The Subdivision Committee met on Thursday, June 4, 2009, at 8:30 a.m. The meeting was attended by Commission members: Neill Day, Mike Cravens, Mike Owens, Marie Copeland and Carolyn Richardson. Committee members in attendance were: Hillard Newman, Division of Engineering; and Jeff Neal, Division of Traffic Engineering. Staff members in attendance were: Bill Sallee, Chris Taylor, Tom Martin, Cheryl Gallt, and Barbara Rackers, as well as Rochelle Boland, Department of Law; Capts. Charles Bowen and Allen Case, Division of Fire & Emergency Services; Bob Carpenter, Division of Building Inspection, and Paul Hockensmith, LFUCG Addressing Office. The Committee made recommendations on plans as noted.

General Notes

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

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

A. Final Subdivision Plans

1. **PLAN 2009-54F: TAYLOR PLACE (STINNETT PROPERTY) (8/13/09)*** - located at 7900 Tates Creek Road.
(Council District 12) **(MSC - Moore Surveying)**

Note: The purpose of this final record plat is to subdivide one lot into four 10-acre lots for property zoned A-B. This subdivision also requires the posting of a sign and an affidavit of such.

The Subdivision Committee Recommended: Postponement. There were questions regarding the filing of the preliminary subdivision plan, as required by the preliminary development plan, and the 30% infrastructure report required by Article 4-5(b) of the Land Subdivision Regulations.

Should this plan be approved, the following requirements should be considered:

1. Urban County Engineer's acceptance of drainage, storm, and sanitary sewers and floodplain information.
2. Urban County Traffic Engineer's approval of street cross-sections and access.
3. Building Inspection's approval of landscaping and required street tree information.
4. Addressing Office's approval of street names and addresses.
5. Urban Forester's approval of tree preservation plan.
6. Department of Environmental Quality's approval of environmentally sensitive areas.
7. Addition of utility and streetlight easements, as required by the utility companies and the Urban County Traffic Engineer.
8. Update and correct floodplain information.
9. Document compliance with Article 4-5(b) of the Land Subdivision Regulations regarding the Improvement Plan Progress Report.
10. Addition of street tree information.
11. Certification of preliminary subdivision plan prior to certification.

B. Development Plans

1. **DP 2009-30: RICHARDSON PROPERTIES (AMD) (8/22/09)*** - located at 328 Hannah Todd Place.
(Council District 7) **(Carol Goes)**

Note: The purpose of this amendment is to revise the townhouse and apartment/condominium layout in area 3. This plan also requires the posting of a sign and an affidavit of such.

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

1. Urban County Engineer's acceptance of drainage, storm, and sanitary sewers.
2. Urban County Traffic Engineer's approval of parking, circulation, access and street cross-sections.
3. Building Inspection's approval of landscaping and landscape buffers.

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4. Urban Forester's approval of tree preservation plan.
5. Division of Fire's approval of emergency access and fire hydrant locations.
6. Division of Solid Waste's approval of refuse collection.
7. Addressing Office's approval of street names and addresses.
8. Addition of existing and proposed easements in and adjacent to the area of amendment.

V. **ZONING ITEMS** - The Zoning Committee met on Thursday, June 4, 2009, at 1:30 p.m. in the Division of Planning Office. The meeting was attended by Commission members Patrick Brewer, Frank Penn, Randall Vaughn, and Joan Whitman. The Committee reviewed applications, and made recommendations on zoning items as noted.

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

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

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

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

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

The procedure for these hearings is as follows:

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

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

1. **KYROB II, LLC, ZONING MAP AMENDMENT & HAMBURG PLACE FARM, PLAUDIT PLACE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, LOTS 5, 5-A, 5-G & 5-I ZONING DEVELOPMENT PLAN**

- a. MARV 2009-7: KYROB II, LLC (8/12/09)* - petition for a zone map amendment from a Wholesale & Warehouse Business (B-4) zone to a Highway Service Business (B-3) zone, for 4.63 net (6.07 gross) acres, for property located at 1837 and 1844 Plaudit Place. A dimensional variance is also being requested at this location.

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

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

1. The requested Highway Service Business (B-3) zone for the subject property is in agreement with the Retail, Trade and Personal Services (RT) future land use recommendation of the 2007 Comprehensive Plan. Additionally, use restrictions are appropriate to make the proposed zoning compatible with nearby B-3 zoning and with existing residential and future public use to the south of this area.
2. This recommendation is made subject to the approval and certification of ZDP 2009-39: Hamburg Place Farm, Plaudit Place Community Development Lots 5, 5A, 5G & 5I prior to forwarding a recommendation to the Urban County Council. This certification must be accomplished within two weeks of the Planning Commission's approval.
3. Under the provisions of Article 6-7 of the Zoning Ordinance, the following use restrictions are proposed for the subject property via conditional zoning:

PROHIBITED USES AND SIGNS:

- a. Establishments and lots for the display, rental, sale, service or repair of farm equipment, contractor equipment, automobiles, motorcycles, trucks, boats, tractor-trailer trucks, travel trailers, mobile homes, or supplies for such items.
- b. Automobile service stations.
- c. Car washing establishments.
- d. Drive-in restaurants.

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- e. Major or minor automobile and truck repair.
- f. Adult arcades, massage parlors, adult bookstores, adult video stores, adult cabarets, adult dancing establishments, adult entertainment establishments, and sexual entertainment centers.
- g. Taxidermy establishments.
- h. Kennels.
- i. Pawnshops.
- j. Amusement park, fairgrounds, or horse racing track.
- k. Outdoor recreational facilities including go-cart tracks, archery courts, skateboard and roller skating tracks, trampoline centers, rifle and other fire-arm ranges, swimming pools, water slides and other water related facilities, and other similar uses.
- l. Outdoor theaters.
- m. "Advertising signs" (billboards) as defined in Article 17-3(b)(1) of the Zoning Ordinance.
- n. Free-standing signs.

These restrictions are appropriate and necessary for the subject property to protect nearby single family residential uses from the most intrusive of signage and land uses otherwise possible at this location in a B-3 zone. Most of the above uses are not recommended by the Comprehensive Plan at this location or in this area.

b. REQUESTED VARIANCE

1. Reduce the required vehicular use area screening along portions of the cul-de-sac frontage from 5' to 3'.

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

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

- a. There does appear to be some potential to revise the proposed reconfiguration of this parking lot to the extent that a variance is no longer needed. Possible revisions relate to traffic aisle width, the number of parking spaces proposed, and shifting the location of the building. Additional time is needed for the applicant to consider those revisions.
- b. The Landscape Review Committee is scheduled to meet on June 16, 2009 to consider the requested variance. Input from that committee is needed before a substantive recommendation can be finalized.

c. ZDP 2009-39: HAMBURG PLACE FARM, PLAUDIT PLACE COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT, LOTS 5, 5-A, 5-G AND 5-I (AMD) (8/12/09)* - located on Plaudit Place. **(BTM Engineers)**

Note: The purpose of this amendment is to request a zone change for lots 5, 5-A, 5-G and 5-I, and to revise the proposed development.

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

1. Provided the Urban County Council rezones the property B-3; otherwise, any Commission action of approval is null and void.
2. Urban County Engineer's acceptance of drainage, storm and sanitary sewers, and floodplain information.
3. Urban County Traffic Engineer's approval of parking, circulation, access, and street cross-sections.
4. Building Inspection's approval of landscaping and landscape buffers.
5. Urban Forester's approval of tree inventory map.
6. Greenspace Planner's approval of the treatment of greenways and greenspace.
7. Division of Solid Waste's approval of refuse collection.
8. Remove dark gray shading from plan face.
9. Clearly denote area of zone change.
10. Correct title and purpose of amendment note.
11. Addition of all site information from previous plan.
12. Denote 50' B-6P setback along Plaudit Place and Pink Pigeon Parkway.
13. Correct Lot 5-D information per recorded final record plat.
14. Clarify acreage of Lots 5 and 5-G.
15. Addition of Man O' War Boulevard landscape plan information to the approval of Building Inspection.
16. Delete notes #10 and 13.
17. Provided the Planning Commission grants a variance for the vehicular use area screening.
18. Discuss plan status.

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C. PUBLIC HEARINGS ON ZONING ORDINANCE TEXT AMENDMENT REQUESTS

1. **ZOTA 2009-1: AMEND ARTICLE 9 : GROUP RESIDENTIAL PROJECTS** - petition for a Zoning Ordinance text amendment to Article 9 to simplify existing regulations regarding open space and yard setbacks, and to provide for pedestrian accommodation and bicycle parking.

INITIATED BY: Urban County Planning Commission

PROPOSED TEXT: (Copies of the latest draft for this text are available upon request)

The Zoning Committee Recommended: **Postponement**.

The Staff Recommends: **Approval**, for the following reasons:

1. The proposed text amendment to Article 9 of the Zoning Ordinance, which regulates Group Residential Projects, will allow for more appropriately scaled and designed Group Residential Projects by reducing the required Project perimeter yards, allowing indoor recreational facilities to meet open space requirements, requiring adequate pedestrian connections, limiting over-building of surface parking and requiring bicycle parking spaces.
 2. These changes will allow for slightly more dense development of our urban land without compromising open space and recreation amenities that benefit the residents of such Projects.
 3. The proposed amendments to Article 9 will simplify Group Residential Project regulations for those designing townhouse and apartment development plans, as well as for the Planning Commission and the LFUCG staff who administer the Zoning Ordinance.
2. **ZOTA 2009-5: AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE 27 TO PROHIBIT THE ISSUANCE OF PERMITS PRIOR TO COMMISSION REVIEW OF A COURTHOUSE AREA DESIGN REVIEW BOARD APPEAL** – petition for an amendment to Article 27 to prohibit demolition, building, or other permits from being issued by the LFUCG in the instance of an appeal of a decision by the Courthouse Area Design Review Board to the Planning Commission until after the Commission holds a public hearing and takes action on the appeal.

REQUESTED BY: Urban County Planning Commission

PROPOSED TEXT: (Note: Text underlined is an addition, while text ~~dashed through~~ is a deletion to the current Zoning Ordinance.)

ARTICLE 27: COURTHOUSE AREA DESIGN OVERLAY ZONE

27-7 APPEALS - Any person or entity claiming to be injured or aggrieved by any decision of the Board to approve or deny any request for an Authorization Permit may appeal such decision to the Planning Commission within thirty (30) days of the Board's action. Such appeal shall be in writing and shall fully state the grounds upon which the appeal is sought. Upon receipt of the appeal, the Secretary to the Planning Commission shall notify the Design Review Officer, who shall promptly transmit the entire record of the Board, including tapes and transcripts, if any. In addition, within five (5) days of the filing of the appeal, the Secretary to the Planning Commission shall notify in writing the Divisions of Building Inspection and Engineering, and by certified mail, notify the applicant of the appeal, if the applicant is not the appellant. No building or demolition activity may be undertaken by the applicant or its agents, and no building, demolition, or other permits may be issued by the Divisions of Building Inspection and Engineering until after the Commission holds a public hearing and takes action on the appeal. The Commission shall then hold a de novo hearing on the appeal and render a decision within ninety (90) days of the date of filing the appeal.

27-7(b) APPEAL TO THE FAYETTE CIRCUIT COURT - Any person or entity claiming to be injured or aggrieved by any order of the Planning Commission to affirm, modify or set aside the Authorization Permit and/or final decision of the Board may appeal from the Planning Commission's action to the Fayette Circuit Court within thirty (30) days of that order in the manner as established in KRS 100.347.

All orders of the Planning Commission which have not been appealed within thirty (30) days shall become final; ~~however, there shall be no stay of any action on the subject property until such time as an appeal has been filed with the Fayette Circuit Court.~~

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

The Staff Recommends: **Approval**, for the following reasons:

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1. The Zoning Ordinance allows for activity on a property within the Courthouse Design Area Overlay Zone, including demolition, grading and building, while a decision of the Courthouse Area Design Review Board is being appealed to the Urban County Planning Commission. The notification of the Divisions of Building Inspection and Engineering soon after receipt of an appeal will help prevent the issuance of any permits that may alter the property in question while an appropriately filed appeal is pending.

V. COMMISSION ITEMS

- A. **APPOINTMENT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE FOR COMMISSION OFFICERS** – The Chair will appoint a nominating committee to consider officers for the Planning Commission. New officers will need to be elected by the Commission by the July 9 meeting.
- B. **AMENDMENT OF THE PLANTING MANUAL TO REMOVE ALL ASH TREES** – Due to the recent discovery of the Emerald Ash Borer in the State of Kentucky, the staff will ask the Commission to either suspend the use of Ash trees as acceptable street tree species and landscaping material until further notice, or remove them entirely from the adopted Planting Manual.

VI. STAFF ITEMS

- A. **ZONING ORDINANCE TEXT AMENDMENT INITIATION REQUEST** – The staff requests that the Planning Commission initiate a Zoning Ordinance text amendment to create an Urban Design Planned Unit Development (PUD-2) zone. The proposed text amendments would also require changes to Articles 6 and 22 of the Zoning Ordinance. If initiated, the text amendment could be ready for a public hearing as soon as August 2009.

C. **Planning Services Activity Report**

- During the month of May, the Planning Services staff processed 3 zone map amendments, 3 Zoning Ordinance text amendments, 1 Subdivision Regulations amendment, 29 subdivision and development plan items, and 10 Board of Adjustment appeals. Processing of the above items included attendance and/or preparation of materials and presentations for the following: Technical, Subdivision and Zoning Committee meetings, one Planning Commission public hearing, one Planning Commission public meeting, one Planning Commission work session, and one Board of Adjustment public hearing. In addition, the staff held 3 pre-application conferences for zoning map amendment requests, and several pre-application meetings for subdivision, development plan and Board of Adjustment items.

Much of the staff's time was spent answering approximately 800 inquiries from people concerning zoning, subdivision plans, development plans, Board of Adjustment appeals and related matters. The staff also provided floodplain assistance for 12 local property inquiries.

- Congratulations to Administrative Specialist Stephanie Cunningham who was honored as the 2009 Employee of the Year for the Division of Planning, during Public Works Week in May. Stephanie was also one of five finalists for Public Works Employee of the Year, and was recognized by Mayor Jim Newberry and Commissioner Mike Webb for her efforts. She was selected for her work in updating, organizing and greatly streamlining the Division of Planning web-page information over the past year, in working to smoothly transfer telephone and office reception duties to Planning Services, and for her overall positive attitude to her more routine duties serving the Planning Commission and the citizens of our community.
- In May, the third set of Infill & Redevelopment text amendments over the past decade were completed by many members of the Planning Services staff, and were presented to the Planning Commission. All of the Commission's recommendations will be forwarded to the Urban County Council in June.
- On the evening of May 12, Director Chris King, Planning Manager Jim Duncan, Bill Sallee, Barbara Rackers and Jimmy Emmons attended the second in a series of meetings of a working group tasked to consider future land use scenarios and possible development principles for the Red Mile property on Red Mile Road. This meeting was held at the trotting track, and was well attended by neighborhood representatives and several area property owners. Additional meetings are planned in the hope that a consensus will emerge about the future of infill development on a portion of the track's property.
- On May 13, Administrative Officer Barbara Rackers and Planner Sharon Buford supplied Neighborhood Design Character Overlay (ND-1) zone information to leaders of the Southern Heights Neighborhood Association. Residents in this neighborhood are beginning to consider the merits of ND-1 overlay zoning.
- Infill & Redevelopment Senior Planner Jimmy Emmons continued leading Planning Services' efforts on a major amendment to Article 9 of the Zoning Ordinance. This text amendment would establish new design guidelines for Group Residential Projects, if adopted as drafted. Some area landscape architects have been asked to review the latest draft of the text amendment, and this item is scheduled for a public hearing this month by the Planning Commission.

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- On May 15, Barbara Rackers, Jimmy Emmons and Planning Director Chris King attended the Legacy Foundation Tour in Louisville. That day, they were able to visit several infill and redevelopment projects in urban Louisville-Jefferson County, and speak with other government and land development professionals on the tour.
- Senior Zoning Planner Traci Wade has continued expanding Planning Services' electronic logs of past map amendment requests. Electronic copies of these log sheets currently cover the past 12 years of rezoning activity now as a result of this effort.
- Work continued in May by Senior Board of Adjustment Planner Jim Marx on the enhancement of the data base of past Board of Adjustment cases. Information from cases since 1981 have now been entered; and in combination with past indexing of minute books, Board of Adjustment records can now be accessed for cases presented to the Board over the past 45 years or more.
- On May 18, Jimmy Emmons and Barbara Rackers assisted the Long Range Planning staff by attending a Steering Committee meeting for the North Nicholasville Road Small Area Plan. The Planning Services staff will be available to further assist in this effort of the Planning Commission, as necessary.
- Senior Subdivision Planner Tom Martin provided assistance to the Purchase of Development Rights program over a proposed subdivision plat in the Rural Services Area in the month of May. A meeting was recently held between staff members and a rural property owner attempting to become eligible to participate in the PDR program.
- On Tuesday, May 26th, Jimmy Emmons attended a training session in the Sustainable City Series sponsored by the Urban Design Studio in Louisville. This session in the series focused on urban transportation issues. Other Planning Services staff have attended these sessions in Louisville in the past.
- Planning Services staff provided direct assistance to the current floodplain study underway for portions of the proposed Distillery District along Old Frankfort Pike. These efforts also were related to the completion of the development plans approved previously by the Planning Commission for this area.

D. Long Range Planning Activity Report

- North Nicholasville Road Small Area Plan – The Planning staff met with the steering committee for the North Nicholasville SAP. The agenda included a report on the residential focus group meeting, a discussion of vision and action items, and discussion about land use alternatives. For more information, please visit the Website at <http://www.lexingtonky.gov/index.aspx?page=1525>.
- South Nicholasville Road Small Area Plan – The Planning staff hosted a residential focus group meeting for property owners in the study area for the South Nicholasville Road SAP. The meeting was held at the Tates Creek library and included discussions about issues and future development potential of the area. Participants were invited to complete a comprehensive survey and were given other information about the study. For more information, please visit the Website at <http://www.lexingtonky.gov/index.aspx?page=1468>.
- Regional Planning – Staff made a presentation about small area plans to the bi-monthly meeting of the Bluegrass Regional Planning Council at the Bluegrass ADD. The presentation included a discussion of process, outcomes, obstacles, and cost, among many other issues related to East End, Central Sector, and the two Nicholasville Road small area plans. Staff also made a presentation to the Jessamine County/Nicholasville/Wilmore comprehensive plan update committee about the South Nicholasville Road Small Area Plan. Since the South Nicholasville Road SAP boundary abuts Jessamine County and the city of Nicholasville, there are numerous issues related to compatible land uses, road connectivity, environment, and safety that are being considered as both plans are developed. Representatives from Bluegrass ADD, who are providing staff for the Jessamine County plan, are also serving on the steering committee for the SAP.
- COOL – Staff spent a day in Louisville meeting with representatives of Louisville Metro's Economic Development Department *Corridors of Opportunity in Louisville* (COOL) program. This program enhances the quality of life in neighborhoods by developing quality shopping and service opportunities along Louisville's commercial corridors. The visit included a meeting with Economic Development staff and a riding tour of several project sites. The trip was organized by Councilmember Andrea James and the Legacy Center at Blue Grass Community Foundation.
- Green work, Greenways and Bike/Ped – Staff attended trail committee meetings to discuss projects, including a review of the Legacy Trail Feasibility Study, as well as meetings with state officials to discuss grants. Staff met with the Beaumont Neighborhood Association to discuss a trail grant. Staff worked on an LFUCG trail database and map and prepared a list of greenway properties for General Services.

- Development Review – Staff conducted a variety of development review duties and meetings, conducted field work, and coordinated greenway and greenspace development issues.
- General Work Activities – Staff prepared for and attended the monthly meetings for the Technical Review Committee. Staff prepared for and attended the monthly **Greenspace Commission** meeting. Staff also answered questions about land use and other comprehensive plan issues as well as neighborhood association issues. Staff updated the Neighborhood Association data base. Using GIS, Census data, and PCensus software, staff created maps and data sets for the Urban County Council, other LFUCG Departments, and agencies and officials outside the government. Staff also attended LFUCG-sponsored training sessions, attended a green storm water management workshop in Frankfort, and attended the KIA workshop for procedures to accept ARRA funds. Staff assisted in meeting the first deadline submission of ARRA funding.

E. Transportation Planning Activity Report

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

- MPO Newsletter - "Bluegrass Traveler" – working on newsletter for next edition.
- Staff attended legal and ethics training in May, and received continuing education credits.

Transportation Improvement Programming (TIP) –

- TIP Administrative Modifications #11 to FY 2006 – FY 2009 TIP was sent to routing list partners.
- FY 2010 – FY 2013 TIP by MPO Transportation Policy Committee on May 27, 2009.
- Worked with the Division of Engineering to finalize project applications for possible earmark funding.
- Began discussions with KYTC and Jessamine County to "swap" ARRA funding with SLX.

Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) –

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

Surveillance –

- MPO Website Development – In May, the website had 603 unique visitors; 1,024 visits; 2,880 page views; total 1.45 GB bandwidth usage; and 11,116 hits. There were 288 links from search engines in May. MPO staff updates the web site with new links, graphics and content on a continual basis.
- Staff attended The Bluegrass ADD Regional Transportation Committee meeting in May.
- Staff attended the May Traffic Safety Coalition meeting.
- Other important meetings with MPO staff participation included: Corridors Committee.
- Staff attended (as a member) the South Nicholasville Rd SAP Steering Committee meeting 2-9-09.
- Staff attended (as a member) the North Nicholasville Rd SAP Steering Committee meeting 2-10-09.
- Staff attended the Harrodsburg Rd Corridor Plan Advisory Committee 2-19-09 representing the MPO.
- Staff organized the Transportation Coordination Meeting which included an extensive discussion of Local Public Agency (LPA) requirements.
- Staff attended Bluegrass Tomorrow's Innovation work session.
- Staff attended Local Planning Agency (LPA) project implementation training.

Transportation Plan Update –

- The 2035 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) was approved by the Transportation Policy Committee (TPC) on May 27th at the Jessamine County Courthouse
- Public Involvement – A public meeting was held to present the 2035 MTP and TIP.
- The Lexington MPO Public Participation/Involvement Access Database continues to be updated. The database now includes over 813 records.
- Travel Demand Model – Staff modeler continues to provide travel demand forecasts and interpret modeling forecast results. Model data provided to consultant for Limestone Corridor Study. In addition, the TRANSCAD Modeler worked with KYTC to solve model issues for the 2035 MTP.
- Staff continued to make revisions to the new MTP document.

Transit Planning –

- Staff attended (1 day) ESRI seminar in Louisville. Presentation of new software capabilities.

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- Staff continues to work extensively with Lextran and the Urban County to locate sites and develop bus shelter plans.
- Staff coordinated with LFUCG Long Range Planning and District 7 representatives on issues brought up in South Nicholasville Road Small Area Plan proceedings. (Meeting Held)

Transportation-Land Use Impact Analysis and Forecasting –

- Staff participated in regularly scheduled development review meetings, and provided review and input on transportation, transit, and land use impact issues.
- Staff performed the monthly review of proposed zoning map amendments and proposed development plans for “general consistency” among planning efforts and different Planning units.
- Traffic count and roadway functional classification information was provided to several development professionals, private consultants, and to citizens in May.
- The MPO staff continues to monitor the *Jessamine Journal* and the Jessamine County Comprehensive Plan to track on-going land development and consults with County officials on a regular basis to keep abreast of development activities.

Multimodal / Intermodal Planning –

- Safe Routes to School - Walking Wednesdays and Fitness Fridays were held at Glendover Elementary throughout May. Walking to school increased five-fold on Wednesdays and over 400 hundred students participated in the Friday events each week. Surveys were also collected from parents on barriers to bicycling and walking and to gauge their interest in forming Walking School Buses. Nearly 600 students completed bike and pedestrian safety activity books. A press release was issued near the end of May summarizing the program.
- Bike Lexington – The Bike Lexington calendar and website promoted nearly 100 bike events in May including bike rides, safety events, bike films and more. Estimated participation in the Bike Lexington fun ride was 1000.
- The Legacy Trail Steering Committee finalized the feasibility study. Design is underway for Phase 1. Change orders are underway to approve start of Phase 2 design. A portion of the Legacy Trail, the Coolavin Rail Trail, was awarded funding in the amount of \$100,000 from the Recreational Trails Program
- The Mayor's Bike Task Force hosted a Community Bike Forum on May 5 with Mayor Newberry. Approximately 60 people attended to discuss bicycling issues and to help develop a plan for improved communication and coordination on bike-related projects and topics.
- The South Limestone Steering Committee received a summary report on existing conditions from the consultants and commented on corridor goals and objectives. A public meeting is scheduled for June.
- Council action was initiated to accept the CMAQ grant awards for the Share the Road Campaign, Brighton Rail Trail Bridge and Tates Creek sidewalks. Staff fielded questions and provided information to Council and citizens on the Tates Creek Sidewalk project.
- Staff worked with Engineering and the Aylesford Neighborhood Association to resolve concerns raised by the Board of Architectural Review on the Maxwell Street bike/ped project.
- Staff worked with the Division of Environmental Quality to pursue energy-related grants for the Community Bike Sharing Program.
- Staff coordinated with Traffic Engineering to install 20 Share the Road Signs on county-maintained roads. Work is still in progress to install 20 additional signs on state routes.
- Staff is working with UK representatives on a bike safety campaign that will be launched in the fall and will coincide with the new bike registration process.
- Staff met with M2D and Parks & Recreation to discuss a study that will determine feasibility and cost of converting half of the Jacobson Park Rd into a designated bike/walk lane.
- LFUCG's internal trails committee updated project maps, status reports and reviewed funding constraints to recommend a course of action on trail projects over the next year.
- Council action to approve the Complete Streets consulting contract was initiated. Staff began preparing materials to provide to the consulting team.
- Freight Planning – The final draft of the Freight Section Extension is complete and available for review by MPO members and interested parties.

Air Quality Activities –

- Staff started air quality forecasting in May.
- Staff attended an energy grant meeting and a Climate Protection Local Action Plan Team meeting.

Congestion Management Process (CMP) –

- Staff continued to work on the Congestion Management Process Overview document.
- The Congestion Management Committee (CMC) meeting was conducted in May.
- Staff continued to work on the Linking Planning, Engineering, Operations and Safety (LPEOS) program.

Mobility Office Activities –

- The Mobility Office Marketing Campaign continued this month, including TV spots (Transit, Carpool, Trip Chain and Bike/Ped) on Ch. 27 during primetime and on various cable channels on Insight. A number of radio spots continued this month, including two radio spots in Spanish.

Staff Development –

- Staff continues to monitor the latest information from planning and engineer publications.
- Staff attended Emergency Operation Center training.
- Staff attended division-wide safety training meeting.
- Staff attended government-wide PeopleSoft software training sessions.

Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) –

- UPWP approved and funding pending; funding expected in June.

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

VIII. MEETING DATES FOR JULY, 2009

Subdivision Committee, Thursday, 8:30 a.m., Planning Division Office (101 East Vine Street).....	July 2, 2009
Zoning Committee, Thursday, 1:30 p.m., Planning Division Office (101 East Vine Street).....	July 2, 2009
Subdivision Items Public Meeting , Thursday, 1:30 p.m., 2 nd Floor Council Chambers.....	July 9, 2009
Work Session, Thursday, 1:30 p.m., 2 nd Floor Council Chambers.....	July 16, 2009
Zoning Items Public Hearing , Thursday, 1:30 p.m., 2 nd Floor Council Chambers.....	July 23, 2009
Technical Committee, Wednesday, 8:30 a.m., Planning Division Office (101 East Vine Street).....	July 29, 2009
Work Session, Thursday, 1:30 p.m., 2 nd Floor Council Chambers.....	July 30, 2009

IX. ADJOURNMENT

TLW/TM/BJR/BS/src