

Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government

200 E. Main St
Lexington, KY 40507



Tuesday, January 20, 2026

3:00 PM

Packet

Council Chamber

Urban County Council Work Session

**Lexington-Fayette Urban County Council
Schedule of Meetings
January 19 – 26, 2026**

Monday, January 19

Holiday – LFUCG Offices Closed

Tuesday, January 20

General Government and Planning Committee.....1:00 p.m.
Government Center – Council Chamber, 2nd Fl.

Council Work Session.....3:00 p.m.
Government Center – Council Chamber, 2nd Fl.

Wednesday, January 21

No Meetings

Thursday, January 22

Council Budget Retreat.....4:30 p.m.
Government Center – Caucus Room, 2nd Fl.

Council Meeting.....6:00 p.m.
Government Center – Council Chamber, 2nd Fl.

Friday, January 23

No Meetings

Monday, January 26

No Meetings

**Lexington-Fayette Urban County Council
Work Session Agenda
January 20, 2026**

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- II. Requested Rezoning/ Docket Approval- Yes**
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Administrative Synopsis - New Business Items

- a** **0014-26** Authorization to accept the Participating Addendum NASPO Value Point Agreement with Safariland LLC to establish a price contract for Body Armor and Ballistic Resistant Products. The Lexington Police Department utilizes Body Armor and Ballistic Resistant Products within the scope of their work and the products are of vital importance in keeping officers safe and free from injury. Total cost of \$43,000 for FY 2026. Funds are Budgeted. (L0014-25) (Slatin/Hensley), p. 6
- b** **0029-26** Authorization to enter into a Release of Claims Against LFUCG to allow the Lexington Police Department to release retired Canine Echo to Officer Patrick Murray. No budgetary impact. (L0029-26)(Weathers/Armstrong), p. 7
- c** **0032-26** Authorization to execute the necessary documents to extend current software licensing agreement for an additional 18 month term ending June 30, 2027 with Vermont Systems for RecTrac and WebTrac applications that support online booking and management software for Parks & Recreation activities, and further authorize the execution of any future documents, including annual renewals for successive 12-month periods, necessary for the operation, support, or maintenance of the same, subject to the appropriation of sufficient funds. At a cost of \$30,000 for FY 2026 and \$60,000 for FY 2027. Funds are budgeted. (L0032-26)(Stewart/Rodgers), p. 8 - 9
- d** **0040-26** Authorization to execute an agreement with Tetra Tech Inc. for the North Elkhorn PS WWS Tank NE-1 design and construction administration services, pursuant to RFP #38-2025. This is for the construction of a new pumpstation which will accept gravity flow from two pumpstations that will be eliminated in the future. The cost of services is \$1,495,000.00. Budget amendment in process. (L0040-26)(Martin/Albright), p. 10
- e** **0041-26** Authorization to execute a 36-month Agreement with Lynn Imaging to lease the HP DesignJet T2600 plotter for the Commissioner of General Services Administration. At a cost of \$960 for FY26. Funds are budgeted. (L0041-26)(Ford), p. 11
- f** **0042-26** Authorization to execute Change Order No. 2 to the consultant services agreement with GRW Engineers Inc. for professional design services of the Division of Water Quality Headquarters and Operations Facility Renovation and Refit Project (Contract #48-2024), increasing the contract amount by the sum of \$64,353, from \$443,965 to \$508,318. The increase covers additional construction administration oversight as well as additional design fees relating to conflicts with KYTC US 27 Railroad Bridge replacement. Funds are budgeted. (L0042-26)(Dugas/Albright), p. 12 - 14

- g** **0047-26** Authorization to amend the Addendum attached to the Purchase of Service Agreement with Lexington-Fayette Animal Care and Control, LLC to add the enforcement of certain provisions of the Lexington-Fayette County Code of Ordinances: Section 4-13 prohibiting the sale of dogs and cats by retail pet stores and Section 4-13.1 prohibiting the sale of dogs and cats in public places. No budgetary impact. (L0047-26)(Armstrong), p. 15
- h** **0048-26** Authorization to execute a catering contract with Hyatt Regency Lexington to provide space, AV equipment, and catering for the annual Senior Intern Alumni Luncheon on Friday, June 5, 2026. Required minimum cost is \$5,000. Total cost not to exceed \$8,000 depending on number of attendees. Funds are budgeted. (L0048-26)(Stambaugh/Allen-Bryant), p. 16
- i** **0049-26** Authorization to execute an amendment to the 2019, 2020, and 2023 Annual Action Plans and reallocate funding from several existing Community Development Block Grant projects for the Arbor Youth sprinkle system installation (\$155,464), and Community Block Grant Cares Act funding for the Office of Homelessness Prevention and Intervention for laundry service at the winter shelter (\$7,031.83). Funds will be reallocated within existing CDBG grant budgets; there are no additional costs. (L0049-26)(Reynolds/Lanter), p. 17 - 18

URBAN COUNTY COUNCIL
WORK SESSION
TABLE OF MOTIONS
January 13, 2026

Mayor Gorton called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. Council Members Wu, Brown, Ellinger II, Morton, Lynch, LeGris, Curtis, Sheehan, Higgins-Hord, Hale, Beasley, Baxter, Sevigny, Reynolds, and Boone were present.

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

Motion by Baxter to approve the January 15, 2026 Council Meeting Docket, as amended. Seconded by Ellinger II. Motion passed without dissent.

Motion by Boone to place on the docket for the January 15, 2026 Council Meeting, an Ordinance changing the zone from an Agricultural Rural (A R) zone to a Medium Density Residential (R 4) zone and a Light Industrial (I 1) zone, for 65.69 net (73.72 gross) acres for properties located at 200, 201, 250, 251 and 301 Canebrake Dr. without a public hearing. Seconded by Baxter. Motion passed without dissent.

Motion by Reynolds to place on the docket for the January 15, 2026 Council Meeting, a Resolution authorizing and directing the Mayor, on behalf of the Urban County Government, to execute and submit a Grant Application to the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet – Office of Local Programs, to provide any additional information requested in connection with this application, and to accept this grant if awarded, which grant funds are in the amount of \$4,700,000.00 in federal funds from the Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP), for the Town Branch Trail Phase IV and V Project, the acceptance of which obligates the Urban County Government to the expenditure of \$1,175,000.00 as a local match, and authorizing the Mayor to transfer unencumbered funds within the Grant Budget. Seconded by Ellinger II. Motion passed without dissent.

- III. Approval of Summary

Motion by Sheehan to approve the December 2, 2025 Table of Motions. Seconded by Curtis. Motion passed without dissent.

- IV. Budget Amendments

Motion by Baxter to approve Budget Amendments. Seconded by Wu. Motion passed without dissent.

- V. Budget Adjustments – For Information Only

VI. New Business

Motion by Sevigny to approve New Business. Seconded by Curtis. Motion passed without dissent.

VII. Communications from the Mayor- Appointments

Motion by Wu to approve Communications from the Mayor- Appointments. Seconded by Ellinger II. Sevigny recused from voting on the appointments to the Library Board of Advisors. Motion passed without dissent.

VIII. Communications from the Mayor- Donations

IX. Communications from the Mayor- Procurements

Motion by Reynolds to approve Communications from the Mayor – Procurements. Seconded by Curtis. Motion passed without dissent.

X. Continuing Business/Presentations

Reynolds, SSPS Chair, provided a summary of the October 14, 2025, Social Services and Public Safety Committee Meeting.

XI. Council Reports

Motion by Beasley to place the Meet and Confer between the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government and the American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees ASFME 4468 into the Environmental Quality and Public Works Committee for review and consideration, including terms related to workforce conditions and operational impacts. Seconded by Morton. Motion passed without dissent.

Motion by Morton to place Chapter 17C – Public Rights of Way of the Code of Ordinances, into the Environmental Quality and Public Works Committee. Seconded by Beasley. Motion passed without dissent.

Motion by Morton to place the Housing Rehabilitation Program into the Budget, Finance, and Economic Development Committee. Seconded by Beasley. Motion passed without dissent.

XII. Public Comment – Issues Not on Agenda

XIII. Adjournment

Motion by Sevigny to adjourn at 3:43 p.m. Seconded by Beasley. Motion passed without dissent.

BUDGET AMENDMENT REQUEST LIST

JOURNAL	160732-33	DIVISION	Streets and Roads	Fund Name	General Fund	
				Fund Impact		3,000.00
						3,000.00CR
						.00

To provide funds for the Clothing/Equipment Other account by recognizing revenue from the sale of scrap metal materials.

JOURNAL	160744	DIVISION	Streets and Roads	Fund Name	General Fund	
				Fund Impact		8,735.00
						8,735.00CR
						.00

To provide funds for wayfinding sign removal expenses in the correct account codes by reallocating funds for this purpose.

JOURNAL	160734-35	DIVISION	Streets and Roads	Fund Name	General Capital Fund	
				Fund Impact		21,062.87
						21,062.87CR
						.00

To provide funding for paving by recognizing revenues received for Paving Cost Sharing Program from Columbia Gas (Wilson Street and Curley Avenue).

BUDGET AMENDMENT REQUEST SUMMARY

1101	General Services District Fund	0.00
1105	General Fund Capital Projects	0.00

INFORMATION ONLY

BUDGET ADJUSTMENT LIST
APPROVED JANUARY 5, 2026 THROUGH JANUARY 9, 2026

JOURNAL	160553	DIVISION	Fire and Emergency Services	Fund Name Fund Impact	General Fund 3,700.00 3,700.00CR .00
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To move funds from Professional Services - Architect to Repairs and Maintenance to cover the cost of remodeling projects within the division.

JOURNAL	160554	DIVISION	Fire and Emergency Services	Fund Name Fund Impact	General Fund 2,143.88 2,143.88CR .00
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To provide funds for conferences by decreasing funds for professional services in order to cover conference expenses for Peer Support personnel.

JOURNAL	160557	DIVISION	Police	Fund Name Fund Impact	General Fund 10,778.34 10,778.34CR .00
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To provide funds in Rent/Lease SBITA (Subscription-Based Information Technology Arrangement) by reducing budget for Software Maintenance. This will account for expenses related to Liebert Equipment in the correct account code.

JOURNAL	160618	DIVISION	Finance/ Various	Fund Name Fund Impact	General Fund 137,659.00 137,659.00CR .00
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To reallocate budget from Contingency to divisions where expenses occurred in General Fund for lump and sick payouts in November 2025.

JOURNAL	160619	DIVISION	Finance/ Various	Fund Name Fund Impact	Urban Fund 6,316.00 6,316.00CR .00
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To reallocate budget from Contingency to divisions where expenses occurred in Urban Fund for lump and sick payouts in November 2025.

JOURNAL	160620	DIVISION	Finance/ Various	Fund Name Fund Impact	Sanitary Sewer Fund 142,692.00 142,692.00CR .00
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To reallocate budget from Contingency to divisions where expenses occurred in Sanitary Sewer Fund for lump and sick payouts in FY26 through November 2025.

INFORMATION ONLY

JOURNAL	160621	DIVISION	Finance/ Various	Fund Name	Water Quality Mgmt Fund
				Fund Impact	4,535.00
					4,535.00CR
					.00

To reallocate budget from Contingency to divisions where expenses occurred in Water Quality Management Fund for lump and sick payouts in FY26 through November.

JOURNAL	160622	DIVISION	Finance/ Various	Fund Name	Landfill Fund
				Fund Impact	6,353.00
					6,353.00CR
					.00

To reallocate budget from Contingency to divisions where expenses occurred in Landfill Fund for lump and sick payouts for FY26 through November.

JOURNAL	160623	DIVISION	Finance/ Various	Fund Name	Enhanced 911 Fund
				Fund Impact	2,234.00
					2,234.00CR
					.00

To reallocate budget from Contingency to divisions where expenses occurred in Enhanced 911 Fund for lump and sick payouts for FY26 through November.

BUDGET ADJUSTMENT SUMMARY

1101	General Services District Fund	0.00
1115	Full Urban Services District Fund	0.00
4002	Sanitary Sewer Revenue and Operating Fund	0.00
4051	Water Quality Management Fund	0.00
4121	Landfill Fund	0.00
4204	Enhanced 911 Fund	0.00

MAYOR LINDA GORTON



LEXINGTON

TODD SLATIN
DIRECTOR
DIVISION OF PROCUREMENT
ADMINISTRATION

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

**FROM: TODD SLATIN, DIRECTOR
DIVISION OF PROCUREMENT**

DATE: January 12, 2026

**SUBJECT: PARTICIPATING ADDENDUM NASPO VALUE
POINT AGREEMENT WITH SAFARILAND LLC**

Request:

Request Council authorization to accept the Participating Addendum NASPO Value Point agreement with Safariland LLC to establish a price contract for Body Armor and Ballistic Resistant Products and authorize the Mayor to sign this agreement.

Why are you requesting?

The Lexington Police Department utilizes Body Armor and Ballistic Resistant Products within the scope of their work. This Body Armor and Ballistic Resistant Products offer protection for officer and is of vital importance in keeping officer safe and free from injury. This contract meets those requirements.

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

FY 2026 \$43,000 and to be determined by available funding for additional years.

Are the funds budgeted? Yes, funds are fully budgeted in 1101-505507-5571-75801

File Number:

Director/Commissioner: Slatin/Hensley



MAYOR LINDA GORTON



LEXINGTON

LAWRENCE WEATHERS
CHIEF
LEXINGTON POLICE DEPT.

TO: Mayor Linda Gorton
Urban County Council

Lawrence B. Weathers

FROM: Chief Lawrence B. Weathers
Lexington Police Department

CC: Commissioner Kenneth Armstrong
Department of Public Safety

DATE: January 6, 2026

SUBJECT: Release of Claims Agreement – Retired Police Canine Echo

Request

Authorization to enter into a Release of Claims Against the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government (LFUCG) Agreement. This agreement will allow the Lexington Police Department to release retired **Canine Echo to Officer Patrick Murray.**

Why are you requesting?

The attached agreement will release and forever discharge the LFUCG, and its agents and successors, of and from any all manner of actions, claims and demands whatsoever arising out of the gift of the retired police canine. In return, Officer Murray acknowledges that this agreement will preclude him from utilizing the retired police canine in an “off-duty” employment assignment for security or law enforcement purposes, and is prohibited to sale or transfer the retired police canine to another public safety entity. We are requesting Council approval for Mayor Gorton to sign the attached agreement. There will be no budgetary impact. Upon approval and signing, please forward a copy of the signed agreement to the Chief’s Office for our records.

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?

There will be no budgetary impact.

File Number: - 0029-26

**Director/Commissioner: Lawrence B. Weathers, Chief
Lexington Police Department**

LBW/rmh



MAYOR LINDA GORTON



LEXINGTON

LIZ RODGERS
CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICER

TO: Linda Gorton, Mayor
Honorable Members, Urban County Council

FROM: Liz Rodgers, Chief Information Officer

DATE: January 6, 2026

SUBJECT: Vermont Systems RecTrac SaaS agreement renewal

Request:

Authorize the Mayor, on behalf of the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government, to execute the necessary documents to extend current software licensing agreement for an additional 18 month term ending June 30, 2027 with Vermont Systems for RecTrac and WebTrac applications that support online booking and management software for Parks & Recreation activities, and further authorize the Mayor or the Chief Information Officer as her designee to execute any future documents, including annual renewals for successive 12-month periods, necessary for the operation, support, or maintenance of the same, subject to the appropriation of sufficient funds.

Purpose:

RecTrac and WebTrac from Vermont Systems is an integrated parks and recreation management software as a long-tenured software provider supporting LFUCG Parks & Recreations activities including constituent booking and internal management services and reporting for golf tee times, park facilities, events and classes, programs and leagues. This new agreement adds licensing for the WebTrac mobile application to improve options for constituents to access activities booking via an integrated mobile application, and migrates the application to the vendor's cloud hosted solution.

Term and Termination:

Renewal of an existing long-term agreement for an additional 18 month term, ending June 30, 2027. Unless Customer provides written notice of cancellation at least 90 days prior to the end of the annual maintenance cycle, agreement will automatically renew for another 12-month term, subject to appropriation by future Council.



Budgetary Implication:

Cost for FY26 not to exceed \$30,000 Renewal increases at 5% annually.

Cost for FY27 not to exceed \$60,000

Are the funds budgeted? Yes

Account String:

1101-202505-001-76102 \$30,000

File Number:0032-26

Director/Commissioner: Stewart/Rodgers




MAYOR LINDA GORTON



LEXINGTON

CHARLES H. MARTIN, P.E.
DIRECTOR
WATER QUALITY

TO: Mayor Linda Gorton
Urban County Council

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

DATE: December 3, 2025

SUBJECT: **Contract for Design/Construction Administration Services for North Elkhorn PS WWS Tank. RFP #38-2025**

Request

The purpose of this memorandum is to request a resolution authorizing execution of an agreement with Tetra Tech Inc. for the North Elkhorn PS WWS Tank NE-1.design and construction administration services. The contractual cost for the requested services is \$1,495,000.00.

Purpose of Request

The purpose of the North Elkhorn PS WWS Tank NE-1, as defined by RFP #38-2025, is to meet both current and future sanitary sewer service needs of the Urban Service Area and Consent Decree obligations. The pump station will be constructed to accept gravity flow from two existing pump stations that will be eliminated in the future. After designing and advertising for project, the consultant will also provide construction administration services until the project is complete.

On November 13, 2025, a workgroup led by the Division of Procurement reviewed five RFPs for providing design and construction administration services for the North Elkhorn PS WWS Tank NE-1. The workgroup scored Tetra Tech as the firm most qualified in meeting the objectives listed in the advertised Request for Proposals.

Project Cost in FY26 and in Future Budget Years

The cost for services requested by RFP#38-2025 is \$1,495,000.00.

Are Funds Budgeted

Funds will be budgeted in the following account pending approval of budget amendment #14042

4003 303408 3466 92811 LFUCG PWSW_NEPSTANK26/CONSENT_DE

Martin/Albright



MAYOR LINDA GORTON



LEXINGTON

CHRIS FORD
COMMISSIONER
GENERAL SERVICES

TO: Mayor Linda Gorton
Honorable Members, Urban County Council

FROM: 
Chris Ford, Commissioner of General Services

DATE: January 8, 2026

SUBJECT: Lease Agreement with Lynn Imaging
Large Format Plotter Printer

Request:

Request Council Authorization for the Mayor to execute a 36-month agreement with Lynn Imaging to lease a large format plotter printer (Model HP DesignJet T2600) for General Services' Capital Project Management office. The base charge is \$192.00 per month.

Purpose of Request:

The Capital Project Management office leases the large format plotter printer to produce digitized plans, maps and other documents for the various capital projects actively in design phase or under construction.

Budgetary Implication:

The cost for current fiscal year: \$960.00
The cost for future fiscal years: \$2,304.00

Funding Source: 1101-707106-0001-71303

File Number: 0041-26

Commissioner: Chris Ford



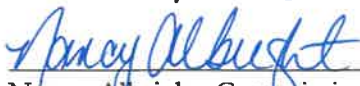
MAYOR LINDA GORTON



LEXINGTON

NANCY ALBRIGHT
COMMISSIONER
ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY & PUBLIC WORKS

TO: Mayor Linda Gorton
Urban County Council

FROM: 
Nancy Albright, Commissioner
Environmental Quality and Public Works

DATE: January 8, 2026

SUBJECT: Change Order #2 - Consultant Services Agreement for Professional Design Services --
Division of Water Quality Headquarters and Operations building.

Request

Request Council approval for the Mayor to execute Change Order # 2 to consultant services agreement with GRW for professional design services of the Division of Water Quality Headquarters and Operations building Renovation & Refit Project.

Why are you requesting?

This CO covers additional Construction Administration Oversight for the three alternates selected during the bidding process. As well as additional design fees relating to conflicts with the KYTC US 27 Railroad Bridge replacement project requiring alteration of the property lines, parking lot, and other site-related items. Current Contract amount \$443,965, amended contract amount \$508,318. Change Order #2 exceeds 10% requiring approval of the Council. Professional design services for this renovation & refit were competitively advertised under RFP #48-2024.

Termination Summary: The term of this contract ends with completion of all closeout documentation at the end of the 1-year post construction warranty period. LFUCG may terminate for failure to perform or at-will with 30 days notice per the terms of the contract.

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

The cost for Fiscal Year 2026 is \$ 64,353

Are the funds budgeted?

Yes.

CO#2

\$23,336 4003-303401-3401-90511-DWQFACILITY-BUILD_ACQU

\$41,017 4052-303401-3401-90511-DWQFACILITY-BUILD_ACQU

Law: Yes, Reviewed by Dave Barberie, 01/06/2026

Director/Commissioner Dugas / Albright

File No: 0042-26



LEXINGTON-FAYETTE URBAN COUNTY GOVERNMENT CONTRACT CHANGE ORDER Page 1 of 2	Date:	January 2, 2026
	Project:	Div. of Water Quality HQ and Oos Facility Renovation
	Location:	134 W. New Circle Rd.
To (Contractor): GRW Inc. 801 Corporate Dr. Lexington, KY 40503	Contract No.	48-2024 LF00211437
	Original Contract Amt.	\$299,120.00
	Cumulative Amount of Previous Change Orders	\$144,845.00
	Percent Change - Previous Change Orders	48.42%
	Total Contract Amount Prior to this Change Order	\$443,965.00
	Change Order No.	2

You are hereby requested to comply with the following changes from the contract plans and specification;

Current Change Order

Item No.	Description of changes-quantities, unit prices, change in completion date, etc.	Decrease in contract price	Increase in contract price
1	Additional Design Services due to KYTC US27 Project and Construction Administration for Alternates 1-3	\$0.00	\$64,353.00
2		\$0.00	\$0.00
3		\$0.00	\$0.00
4		\$0.00	\$0.00
5		\$0.00	\$0.00
6		\$0.00	\$0.00
7		\$0.00	\$0.00
8		\$0.00	\$0.00
	Total decrease	\$0.00	
	Total increase		\$64,353.00
	Net Amount of this Change Order	\$64,353.00	
	New Contract Amount including this Change Order	\$508,318.00	
	Percent Change - This Change Order		21.51%
	Percent Change - All Change Orders		69.94%

The time provided for the completion in the contract and all provisions of the contract will apply hereto.

Recommended by:	<i>[Signature]</i> (Project Manager)	Date	1/6/26
Reviewed / Accepted by:	N/A (Design Build Contract) <i>[Signature]</i> (Consultant)	Date	1/5/26
Accepted by:	<i>[Signature]</i> (Contractor)	Date	1/5/26
Approved by:	(Director)	Date	
Approved by: N/A (Less than 5%)	<i>Nancy Albright</i> (Commissioner)	Date	N/A 1/6/26
Approved by: N/A (Less than 5%)	(Mayor or CAO)	Date	N/A

MAYOR LINDA GORTON



LEXINGTON

SALLY HAMILTON
CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

TO: Mayor Linda Gorton
Members, Urban County Council

FROM: Ken Armstrong, Commissioner of Public Safety

DATE: January 12, 2026

SUBJECT: First Amendment to Purchase of Service Agreement with Lexington-Fayette Animal Care and Control, LLC

Request approval to amend the Addendum attached to the Purchase of Service Agreement with Lexington-Fayette Animal Care and Control, LLC.

Authorization to: Amend the Addendum attached to the Purchase of Service Agreement with Lexington-Fayette Animal Care and Control, LLC to add the enforcement of certain provisions of Lexington-Fayette County Code of Ordinances adding Section 4-13 prohibiting the sale of dogs and cats by retail pet stores and Section 4-13.1 prohibiting the sale of dogs and cats in public places

Why are you requesting?

Department needs this action completed to comply with revised Lexington-Fayette County Code or ordinances Section 4-13 and Section 4-13.1.

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?

The funds are budgeted or a budget amendment is in process: N/A

Account number: 1101-505002-0001-71299

File Number: 0047-26

Director/Commissioner: Ken Armstrong, Commissioner of Public Safety



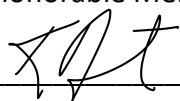
MAYOR LINDA GORTON



LEXINGTON

Kacy Allen-Bryant
COMMISSIONER
SOCIAL SERVICES

TO: Mayor Linda Gorton
Honorable Members, Urban County Council

FROM: 
Kacy Allen Bryant, Commissioner of Social Services

DATE: January 6, 2026

SUBJECT: Catering Contract with Hyatt Regency Lexington
Senior Intern Alumni Luncheon

Request:

Request Council Authorization for the Mayor to execute a Catering Contract with the Hyatt Regency Lexington for catering services for the annual Senior Intern Alumni Luncheon on Friday, June 5, 2026.

Purpose:

This contract will provide for the space, AV equipment, and catering of the annual Alumni Luncheon for the Senior Intern Program.

Budgetary Implication:

The required minimum for the contract is \$5,000. Total cost not to exceed \$8,000 depending on the number of attendees.

Are the funds budgeted?

Yes. This contract will be paid from the following accounts:

1103-606102-6063-75102	\$790.00
1101-606102-6063-75102	\$7,210.00

File Number: 0048-26

Director/Commissioner: Kristy Stambaugh / Kacy Allen-Bryant





TO: LINDA GORTON, MAYOR
URBAN COUNTY COUNCIL

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

DATE: JANUARY 12, 2026

SUBJECT: Amendment to the 2020 and 2023 Consolidated Plans and the 2019 and 2020 Community Development Block Grant Cares Act – Public Hearing on February 12, 2026, for Arbor Youth sprinkler system installation and Office of Homelessness Prevention and Intervention for laundry service at the winter shelter

Request: Council authorization to approve and adopt a substantial amendment to the 2019, 2020, and 2023 Annual Action Plans and reallocate funding from several existing Community Development Block Grant projects Arbor Youth sprinkle system installation, and Community Block Grant Cares Act funding for the Office of Homelessness Prevention and Intervention for laundry service at the winter shelter, resulting in a net zero change in total CDBG funding and expense to LFUCG.

Purpose of Request: Several existing projects in the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and Cares Act program were completed or are expected to be completed without spending all allocated funds. To ensure these funds are utilized for other eligible activities in the CDBG and CDBG Cares Act programs. Arbor Youth Services has requested funding to install a sprinkler system, which will provide an additional 8 beds for homeless youth. The Office of Homelessness Prevention and Intervention has requested funding to maintain laundry service at levels that promote a sanitary environment and prevent the spread of COVID and other transmissible illnesses in the winter shelter. Funding will be reallocated as follows:

Existing Project/Funds To Be Reallocated	Amount to be Reallocated to New Projects	HUD Annual Action Plan Year(s)	LFUCG Project ID(s)
Community Development Block Grant Cares Act Admin	\$3,600.11	2019	CDBG_CV_2020
Community Development Block Grant Cares Act Admin	\$3,431.72	2020	CDBG_CV_2021
Total	\$7,031.83		
New or Expanded Project/Activity	Amount of New Allocation	HUD Annual Action Plan Year(s)	LFUCG Project ID(s)
Office of Homelessness Prevention and Intervention	\$7,031.83	2019,2020	CDBG_CV_2020 CDBG_CV_2021



Existing Project/Funds To Be Reallocated	Amount to be Reallocated to New Projects	HUD Annual Action Plan Year(s)	LFUCG Project ID(s)
Radio Eye	\$8,910.47	2023	CDBG_2024
Application Fees and Deposit Assistance	\$88,763.27	2020	CDBG_2021
Meadows Northland Arlington Public Improvement	\$57,790.26	2023	CDBG_2024
Total	\$155,464		
New or Expanded Project/Activity	Amount of New Allocation	HUD Annual Action Plan Year(s)	LFUCG Project ID(s)
Arbor Youth	\$155,464	2020, 2023	CDBG_2021 CDBG_2024

In accordance with federal regulations found at 24 CFR Part 91 and the amended Citizen Participation Plan approved by the Urban County Council on May 28, 2020 (Resolution 219-2020), these modifications require a substantial amendment to the Annual Action Plan. Substantial amendments require opportunities for citizen comment. **Therefore, a public hearing will be held in conjunction with the regularly scheduled Urban County Council meeting on Thursday, February 12, 2026, at 6:00 pm.**

What is the cost in this budget year and future budget years? Funds will be reallocated within the existing CDBG grant budgets. There are no additional costs.

Are the funds budgeted? Budget adjustments will be submitted to reallocate funds within the existing grant budgets as needed.

File Number: 0049-26

Director/Commissioner: Reynolds/Lanter

Urban County Council

Work Session

January 20, 2026

Mayor's Report

A. Boards and Commissions

- Bluegrass Crime Stoppers Board of Directors



Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

Linda Gorton
Mayor

To: Urban County Council

From: *Linda Gorton*

Linda Gorton, Mayor

Date: January 15, 2026

Re: Bluegrass Crime Stoppers Board of Directors

I recommend the following actions be confirmed:

Appoint:

Term Expires:

Crystal Newton
Member

03/01/2030

Chris Schnelle
Member

03/01/2030

Council Confirmation

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Urban County Council Council Meeting January 22, 2026

The following procurement recommendations will be placed on the Mayor's Report for approval at the January 22, 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 Water Quality – Electric Pumps and Motors – 135-2025 – BL Anderson Company

- (2) Accepting and approving the following vendors as sole source providers:
 - (a) Division of Water Quality – Trojan Technologies – Trojan UV Disinfection Equipment for wastewater treatment plants



**Council Capital Projects
January 20, 2026
Work Session**

Amount	Recipient	Purpose
\$ 2,000.00	Common Good Community Development Corp. Sara Isaacs 1105-121001-0001-71102	To provide hands on visual media curriculum for students in North Lexington by purchasing cameras and equipment
\$ 1,000.00	Living Arts and Science Center Janette Tesmer 1105-121001-0001-71102	For the building of a gate for outdoor education space
\$ 3,483.65	Sayre Christian Village Elise Hinchman 1105-121001-0001-71102	For the purchase and installation of a campus receiving door
\$ 5,000.00	LFUCG - Parks and Recreation Lisa Grober 1105-707602-7221-91017	For the renovation project at the Cadentown Historic Site
\$ 5,000.00	Keep Lexington Beautiful Rachel Skinner 1105-121001-0001-71102	For a Loudon median landscaping beautification project
\$ 5,000.00	Black Soil Charitable Fund Tim Small 1105-121001-0001-71102	For refrigeration equipment upgrades at 820 Lane Allen Neighborhood Pharmacy location
\$ 50,000.00	LFUCG - Complete Streets Brandi Peacher 1105-135001-0001-91710	For the Safe Routes to School infrastructure initiatives in the 3rd District



General Government & Planning (GGP) Committee

December 2, 2025

Summary and Motions

Committee members Liz Sheehan (Chair), Shayla Lynch, J.D. (Vice Chair), Dan Wu, James Brown, Chuck Ellinger II, Hannah LeGris, Emma Curtis, Whitney Elliott Baxter, Dave Sevigny, and Jennifer Reynolds were present. Council members Tyler Morton, Lisa Higgins-Hord, Joseph Hale, Amy Beasley, and Hil Boone were present as non-voting members.

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m. by Chair Sheehan.

I. APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER 9, 2025 COMMITTEE SUMMARY (Sheehan)

A motion by Ellinger to approve the September 9, 2025, Committee Summary, seconded by Brown, passed without dissent.

II. APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER 16, 2025 SPECIAL COMMITTEE SUMMARY (Sheehan)

A motion by Ellinger to approve the September 16, 2025, Special Committee Summary, seconded by LeGris, passed without dissent.

III. PURCHASE OF DEVELOPMENT RIGHTS (PDR) REVIEW (Sheehan/Overman)

Sheehan introduced the annual review of the Purchase of Development Rights Program (PDR) presented by Beth Overman, PDR Director. Housed in the Department of Planning and Preservation, the program is governed by the Rural Land Management Board (RLMB), which includes 13 voting members, three non-voting members, and an Urban County Council representative.

Overman reported that the RLMB and PDR Program has been designated a Certified Entity by the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service, allowing conservation easements to close more efficiently by eliminating multiple layers of federal approval. Since receiving this designation, the program has closed 16 farms totaling 1,075 acres, bringing total conserved acreage to 33,333 acres, with four additional farms under contract. The most recent November application cycle yielded 10 new applications, more than double the prior year. Qualifying farms will be included in the federal grant application due December 31.

Overman also reviewed the Small Farm Program (SFP), adopted in January 2025, which serves actively farmed parcels between 10 and 19.99 acres. The inaugural application cycle received 37 applications, of which 14 met eligibility requirements related to active farming, zoning, and mortgage subordination. Two offers have been extended, six appraisals remain pending, and additional appraisal authorizations are expected at the RLMB meeting on December 10, 2025. Applications that do not yet meet requirements will stay in the queue as issues are resolved, and the next application cycle is anticipated in the spring or early summer of 2026.

During the discussion, councilmembers asked whether any SFP applications were in rural hamlets and how the program's funding levels would be determined, given the absence of a federal match. Staff indicated that no applicants were in rural hamlets—many of which contain parcels under 10 acres—and that no funding percentage has been set; allocations will depend on the number of qualified applications. Members also sought clarification on eligibility thresholds and confirmation that small farms count toward the program's 50,000-acre conservation goal; staff confirmed this. Staff explained that disqualifying factors included zoning issues (since modified), lack of active agricultural use, and difficulty obtaining mortgage subordination from lenders unfamiliar with conservation easements. Members noted the need to clarify further how agricultural use is assessed, particularly given its potential impact on future dual-use land considerations, such as solar development.

IV. LEXINGTON'S PRESERVATION & GROWTH MANAGEMENT PROGRAM (LPGMP) (Wu/Baillie)

Wu introduced the second presentation on Lexington's Preservation and Growth Management Program (LPGMP), noting that the program establishes a data-driven, proactive framework to address growth and long-standing community needs while preserving agricultural land. He emphasized that the Comprehensive Plan calls for robust public and stakeholder engagement, which has directly shaped the program. Outreach included educational events, committee previews, public input sessions, surveys, and online forums through Engage Lexington, an in-person public forum, and meetings with a wide range of stakeholders, including planning officials, preservation advocates, builders, business representatives, and former council members involved in earlier growth management efforts.

Hal Baillie, Manager of Long-Range Planning, outlined the implementation timeline. Following Council action, the Planning Commission would incorporate the ordinance as an amendment to the Comprehensive Plan and adopt it by August 1, 2026. The program is intended to move beyond recurring debates over Urban Service Area expansion by codifying long-standing practices into a transparent, research-based, and publicly accessible process grounded in official data sources and current development metrics. It also establishes a clear, orderly review structure involving all decision-making bodies.

Key revisions to the draft ordinance include expanded detail in the Growth Trends Report regarding required data and potential policy recommendations; clarification of the Planning Commission's role in promoting efficient, sustainable, and fiscally responsible growth within the Urban Service Area; a shortened timeframe and clarified procedures for vacant land review, including allowing parcels within the Urban Service Area to be considered for removal; strengthened preservation criteria and added public meeting requirements for land application review; provisions allowing initiation of zone changes for applications ready to proceed and meeting residential needs; and removal of the requirement to identify a specific company for special economic development needs.

During the discussion, members asked how land availability within the Urban Service Area would be evaluated, particularly for surface parking lots and infill sites currently in use. Baillie explained that such questions are addressed through policy analysis in the Growth Trends Report rather than parcel-by-parcel classification, and that sites permitted under the zoning ordinance are not considered vacant. Instead, the report may recommend strategies—such as zoning reforms, transit investments, or funding mechanisms—to encourage more intensive use over time, with implementation decisions resting with the Council. Staff also clarified that the program does not involve contacting all landowners about willingness to infill and that only parcels meeting the ordinance's definition of vacant land are subject to specific review, including potential removal in limited circumstances.

Additional questions addressed incentives for infill, the shortened timeline for vacant land reviews, and the definition of “significant economic impact.” Baillie noted that the ordinance intentionally avoids fixed thresholds, leaving determinations to elected officials and allowing future guidance through Growth Trends Reports. The 250-acre cap on special economic development sites was described as reflecting community concerns about scale and historical precedent, while limiting eligibility to certain industrial zones was intended to prioritize high-job-creation uses. Discussion also touched on neighborhood stability, rural activity centers, and the Planning Commission’s role in zoning actions. Baillie emphasized that the Growth Trends Report will track neighborhood stabilization indicators—such as income, housing, demographic change, and ownership patterns—to inform policy decisions, with staff providing analysis and recommendations and the Council retaining decision-making authority.

The ordinance requires a Growth Trends Report every five years, beginning one year after adoption of the Comprehensive Plan, creating an ongoing mechanism to reassess infill, redevelopment, and stabilization policies.

A motion by Wu to approve the draft ordinance of the preservation and growth management program, as presented at today's committee meeting, to move to the full council, seconded by Lynch, passed without dissent.

Chair Sheehan noted that the committee report will be presented at the Council Work Session, following the next General Government & Planning (GGP) Committee meeting on January 20, 2026.

V. ITEMS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE (Sheehan)

A motion by LeGris to remove Acquire Investor-Owned or Other Properties from the committee, seconded by Reynolds, passed without dissent.

A motion by LeGris to remove the Public Input Subcommittee from committee, seconded by Sevigny, passed without dissent.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:00 p.m. by Chair Sheehan.

ORDINANCE NO. _____ - 2026

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE LEXINGTON-FAYETTE URBAN COUNTY GOVERNMENT CODE OF ORDINANCES AS FOLLOWS: AMENDING CHAPTER 20, CREATING SECTION A, RELATING TO PRESERVATION AND URBAN GROWTH MANAGEMENT, ADOPTING SECTIONS RELATING TO INTENT; DEFINITIONS; APPLICABILITY; AND GENERAL REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO THE PRESERVATION AND GROWTH MANAGEMENT PLAN, ALL EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE OF COUNCIL. (URBAN COUNTY PLANNING COUNCIL).

WHEREAS, the Lexington-Fayette Urban County established the nation's first urban service area in 1958; and

WHEREAS, balancing rural preservation and urban growth is vital to the unique character of Lexington-Fayette County Kentucky; and

WHEREAS, in order to ensure that balance, a data and needs driven process mandated as a goal and objective in both the 2018 and 2023 Comprehensive Plans for Lexington-Fayette County, is necessary to guide future preservation and growth;

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

Section 1 – That the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government Code of Ordinances be and hereby amends Article 20, creating Section A, adopting sections relating to Intent; Definitions; Applicability; and General Requirements Applicable to the Preservation and Growth Management Plan, to read as follows:

ARTICLE 20 (A)

Section 1 –Growth Trends Report

- 1) One year from the date of the adoption of Lexington's Comprehensive Plan update, the Division of Planning shall generate a Growth Trends Report.
- 2) Required Growth Trends Report Contents - The Growth Trends Report shall provide guidance on Lexington's long term growth needs and identify the total land need (in acres) to accommodate Lexington's population growth for a period of 20 years and shall include the following:
 - a) Community Trends Update
 - i) Community Demographics, including but not limited to:
 - (1) Housing Data
 - (2) Demographic Change
 - ii) Housing Activity, including but not limited to;
 - (1) Housing Construction
 - (2) Housing Affordability
 - (3) Neighborhood Stability
 - iii) Employment Activity, including but not limited to:
 - (1) Job and Wage Growth
 - (2) Commercial and Industrial Land Utilization
 - iv) Vacant Land Review
 - b) Projected Land Need: The formula for projecting the amount of land needed for 20 years shall be as follows:

- i) $(20 \text{ Year Projected Population} - \text{Current Population}) = \text{Net New Population}$
- ii) $\left(\frac{\text{Net New Population}}{\text{Average Household Size}}\right) = \text{Total Dwelling Units(DUs) Needed}$
- iii) $\left(\frac{\text{Total DUs Needed}}{\text{Five-Year Average DUs Per Acre}}\right) = \text{Total Acres Needed}$
- c) Review of Policy and Regulatory Recommendations:
 - i) Funding Options
 - ii) Governance Strategies
 - iii) Land Use and Zoning Reform
 - iv) Homeowner and Renter Support
 - v) Neighborhood Stabilization and Investment
- 3) Growth Trends Report Data Sources and Formulas
 - a) 20-Year Projected Population
 - i) The 20-year projected population shall be from the most recent update from the Kentucky State Data Center or similar state institution.
 - ii) The calculation shall exclude the Kentucky State Data Center's projected number of persons residing in group quarters.
 - b) Current Population
 - i) The population estimate shall be taken from the most recent census or update from the American Community Survey (ACS)
 - ii) The calculation shall exclude the Census or ACS calculation of persons residing in group quarters.
 - c) Average Household Size shall be from the most recent census or update from the American Community Survey (ACS).
 - d) Vacant Land Review
 - i) Requirements for Vacant Land:
 - (1) Property must be located within the Urban Service Area and meet the following criteria:
 - (a) The property is zoned agricultural or has an ongoing agricultural principal land use.
 - (b) There is no principal land use or conditional land use located on any urbanized zoning category.
 - (c) There is not a certificate of occupancy for the subject property that has a current building permit.
 - (2) The following property shall be exempt from consideration as vacant land:
 - (a) Property zoned agricultural but which has an active and constructed conditional use that is substantially similar to those land uses that are also principal or conditional uses for the urbanized zoning categories (church, school, athletic facility).
 - (b) Property that is unbuildable due to floodplain or special hazard area
 - (c) Common area property that is part of a surrounding residential subdivision or commercial development or;
 - (d) National, State, or Local owned property if part of a contiguous development (example: UKY campus, BCTC Campus, LFUCG Parks, LFUCG Greenways).
 - ii) Calculation of Vacant Parcels
 - (1) The total vacant parcels shall be calculated through an annual review that includes the following permit activity:
 - (a) Demolition permitting
 - (b) New construction permitting
 - (c) Recorded Subdivision Plans

- iii) Calculation of Vacant Acres: Total vacant acres shall be derived from the total vacant parcels removing all floodplains and special hazard areas that are readily available to the Urban County Government.
- e) Five-year residential density average
 - i) The residential density calculation shall be updated and provided to the public annually.
 - ii) The five-year residential density shall be calculated as follows:
 - (1) Review of Residential New Construction Building Permits
 - (a) All Residential New Construction permits shall be included in this calculation upon issuance of the Certificate of Occupancy.
 - (b) Parcel location acreage shall be calculated by removing floodplains or identified special hazard areas
 - (2) Review of Commercial New Construction Building Permits
 - (a) All Commercial New Construction permits that are residential and are located within a residential zoning category shall be included in this calculation upon receipt of the Certificate of Occupancy.
 - (b) Parcel location acreage shall be calculated, removing floodplains or identified special hazard areas
 - (3) Five-Year Dwelling Units per Acre
 - (a) The total dwelling units for the five-year calculation shall be the sum of all dwelling units as described in Sections 1.3.e.ii.1.a and 1.3.e.ii.2.a for the defined five-year period.
 - (b) The total acreage for the five-year calculation shall be the sum of the acreage as described in Sections 1.3.e.ii.1.b and 1.3.e.ii.2.b for the defined five-year period.
 - (c) Dwelling units per acre shall be the result of Section 1.3.e.ii.3.a divided by 1.3.e.ii.3.b.

Section 2 – Planning Commission Review and Recommendation

- 1) Should the Growth Trends Report indicate that the inventory of vacant land meets the 20-year supply as described in Section 1, the Planning Commission shall provide recommendations to the Urban County Council to improve the efficiency of land use and promote sustainable development within the existing Urban Service Area. Additionally, agricultural land preservation is best achieved when growth policies and regulations direct and enable growth to occur within the existing Urban Service Area. Recommendations shall include one or a combination of the following:
 - a) Policy recommendations
 - b) Regulatory changes
- 2) Should the Growth Trends Report indicate that the inventory of vacant land does not meet the 20-year supply as described in Section 1, the Planning Commission shall provide recommendations to the Urban County Council as to how to meet the need. Priority should be given to strategies that create highly efficient growth and development outcomes through policy and regulation implementation. These strategies should be considered prior to expanding the Urban Service Area. To ensure fiscal and environmentally sustainable growth, the location of conserved agricultural properties, which are not eligible for development, should be carefully considered and avoided in any discussion about the future expansion of the Urban Service Area. Recommendations shall include one or a combination of the following
 - a) Policy recommendations
 - b) Regulatory changes

- c) Additional acreage to be added to the Urban Service Area
- 3) All recommendations by the Planning Commission shall be forwarded to the Urban County Council within 90 days of the Division of Planning's presentation to the Planning Commission regarding the findings of the Growth Trends Report.

Section 3 – Urban County Council Review

- 1) Should the Growth Trends Report indicate that the inventory of vacant land meets the 20-year supply as described in Section 1, the Urban County Council shall consider the recommendations of the Planning Commission regarding policy and regulatory changes within 90 days of receipt of the Growth Trends Report.
- 2) Should the Growth Trends Report indicate that the inventory of vacant land does not meet the 20-year supply as described in Section 1, the following shall be reviewed by the Urban County Council
 - a) The Urban County Council shall first consider the policy and regulation recommendations of the Planning Commission within 90 days of receipt of the Planning Commission's recommendation.
 - i) For any regulatory changes to the Zoning Ordinance, the Urban County Council shall initiate a Zoning Ordinance text amendment, to follow the procedures outlined in Article 6 of the Zoning Ordinance.
 - ii) For all policy changes, the Urban County Council shall place the issue into the appropriate committee or establish a task force to establish the stated recommendation.
 - b) Following the Council's action regarding the policy and regulation recommendations, the Urban County Council may consider the inclusion of additional acreage to be added to the Urban Service Area
 - i) No expansion of the Urban Service Area may establish a vacant land total, as defined in Section 1, that exceeds 30 years supply based on the current Growth Trends Report calculations.
 - ii) An action to include additional acreage shall come in the form of a resolution to the Planning Commission indicating the total vacant acreage to be added to the Urban Service Area.

Section 4 – Urban County Planning Commission Vacant Land Review

- 1) If it is determined by the Urban County Council that there is a need for additional acreage within the Urban Service Area, the resolution adopted by the Urban County Council shall be forwarded to the Planning Commission for review of applications.
- 2) The Planning Commission shall organize a subcommittee of residents of Lexington-Fayette County to include representatives from the following stakeholders:
 - a) The Mayor shall appoint 3 members within 21 days of the adoption of the Resolution by the Urban County Council that identifies a need for additional acreage.
 - i) Any members not appointed within the allotted time shall be appointed by the Urban County Council within 28 days of adoption of the resolution by the Urban County Council.
 - b) The Urban County Council shall appoint 3 members by a majority vote of the full body within 21 days of the adoption of the Resolution adopted by the Urban County Council that identifies a need for additional acreage.
 - i) Any members not appointed within the allotted time shall be appointed by the Urban Planning Commission within 35 days of adoption of the resolution by the Urban County Council.
 - c) The Planning Commission shall appoint 3 members by a majority vote of the full body within 21 days of the adoption of the resolution by the Urban County Council that identifies a need for additional acreage.

- i) Any members not appointed within the allotted time shall be appointed by the Urban County Council within 42 days of adoption of the resolution by the Urban County Council.
 - d) Membership of the Subcommittee shall not include elected officials of the Urban County Government or appointed members of the Urban County Planning Commission.
- 3) The Subcommittee shall examine the findings of the Vacant Land Review, per the Growth Trends Report, and provide recommendations regarding any removal of acreage within the Urban Service Area.
 - a) Recommendations shall be submitted to the Planning Commission within 30 days of the formulation of the Subcommittee.
- 4) The Urban County Planning Commission shall either affirm or amend the recommendations of the Subcommittee at the next public hearing.
- 5) Should property be recommended for removal, the Urban County Planning Commission shall hold a public hearing to modify the Urban Service Area.
 - a) Any vacant acreage that is removed from the Urban Service Area shall be added to the vacant acreage identified in Section 3 to satisfy the Urban County Council's action per Section 3.
 - b) The new total vacant acreage shall be utilized for Section 5

Section 5 – Urban County Planning Commission Land Application Review

- 1) Within 14 days of the findings of the Vacant Land and Acreage Analysis, the Planning Commission shall begin accepting proposals from property owner(s), or those with permission from property owner(s), to meet the needs identified by the Urban County Council plus, if found, the additional acreage identified by the Planning Commission in Section 4.
 - a) Such proposals shall be submitted to the Division of Planning within 60 days.
 - b) Such proposals shall meet all of the following eligible parcel locational criteria:
 - i) Parcel or group of parcels constituting a contiguous area adjacent to the existing Urban Service Area.
 - ii) Adjacent to an Arterial or Major Collector roadway as designated by the Metropolitan Planning Organization
 - iii) Access to sanitary sewer connections or would have access as part of a contiguous area per Section 1.b.i.
- 2) The chair of the Planning Commission shall reconvene the Subcommittee identified in Section 4 to review proposed locations for additional acreage.
 - a) When evaluating parcels for inclusion the following land preservation factors shall be considered:
 - i) Proximity to Purchase Development Rights properties
 - ii) Environmentally sensitive areas
 - iii) Rural Land Management Plan recommendations
 - iv) Properties or structures identified in the National Register of Historic Places
 - v) Properties along adopted nation or state scenic or historic byways
- 3) Twenty-one days following close of proposal submissions, the Subcommittee shall hold a public meeting to receive input regarding expansion locations and make a prioritized recommendation to the Planning Commission regarding the preferred vacant parcels for inclusion to the Urban Service Area.
- 4) The Planning Commission shall hold a public meeting to recommend areas for Master Planning from the Subcommittee's prioritized recommendation to meet the identified vacant acreage need within 30 days of the Subcommittee's recommendation to the Planning Commission.

Section 6 – Urban County Planning Commission Master Plan

- 1) Provided funding has been allocated by the Urban County Council, the Division of Planning shall commence with a master planning process for the areas identified by the Planning Commission.
- 2) The master plan shall be adopted as an element of the comprehensive plan in accordance with the requirements in KRS 100.197
- 3) Final amendment of the Urban Service Area occurs with the adoption of the master plan.
- 4) Following adoption of the Master Plan, the Planning Commission shall consider initiating a zone map amendment request to implement the adopted Master Plan.

Section 7 – Special Economic Development Need Identification

- 1) A Special Economic Development Need of no more than 250 acres may be identified by the Mayor or Urban County Council at any time.
- 2) A Special Economic Development Need is defined as a proposal for additional acreage, which meets the criteria defined in Section 5, to be included in the Urban Service Area on behalf of a specific employer (or affiliated group of employers) or an economic development focused organization seeking to locate new significant employment opportunities or facilitate growth of existing employers in Lexington-Fayette County.
- 3) The identification of a Special Economic Development Need shall include:
 - a) Economic Assessment, which should include the following information:
 - i) Proposed location and defined acreage total
 - ii) Proposed user or initial user for portion of the area
 - iii) Economic Impact Statement, including proposed number of jobs, wages, and future growth opportunities.
 - b) Economic Expansion Plan
 - i) Preliminary Development Plan, including all elements required for the submission of a preliminary development plan as outlined in Article 21 of the Zoning Ordinance.
 - ii) Proposed conditional zoning restrictions to require long-term agreement with the Economic Assessment
 - iii) Justification Statement documenting agreement with the adopted Comprehensive Plan.
- 4) There shall be a required two-thirds vote of the total membership of the Urban County Council to approve the Economic Assessment and initiate an expansion of the Urban Service Area.
 - a) Findings for initiation by Council shall include, but are not limited to, the following:
 - i) The unique economic opportunity
 - ii) The significant economic impact for Lexington
 - iii) The appropriate location for proposed development
 - iv) The necessary acreage for the proposed development
 - v) Availability or access to required infrastructure
 - b) Should an expansion be affirmed by the Urban County Council, there shall be a resolution initiating the Planning Commission to review and adopt the identified areas.
 - c) At such time that the Urban County Council forwards the resolution to the Planning Commission, the Urban County Council shall also initiate a map amendment request for the identified parcel(s) to either the Light Industrial (I-1) or Heavy Industrial (I-2) zone. This initiation shall include:
 - i) The findings for approval of the Economic Assessment; and
 - ii) The Economic Expansion Plan, which will serve as the required submission for the Urban County Planning Commission's review of the amendment of the Comprehensive Plan and the map amendment request.
- (5) The Planning Commission shall have 90 days from the date of the Urban County Council's action to review both the amendment to the Comprehensive Plan

and the initiated zone map amendment request, in that order.

Section 2 – That this Ordinance shall become effective on the date of its passage.

PASSED URBAN COUNTY COUNCIL:

MAYOR

ATTEST:

CLERK OF URBAN COUNTY COUNCIL
PUBLISHED:
4934-8806-3608, v. 1