## M E M O R A N D U M

**TO:** Linda Gorton, Mayor

**Urban County Council** 

FROM: Patricia L. Dugger, Director, RS, MPA

**RE:** Hazard Mitigation Project Application

**DATE:** November 25, 2019

As a result of Presidential Disaster Declaration DR-4428 of May 8, 2019, the Commonwealth of Kentucky is eligible to apply for Pre-Disaster Mitigation grant funds to support mitigation projects at the county level. Accordingly, DEM would like to apply for a mitigation grant to procure and install a redundant emergency power system at the Lexington Fayette Animal Care and Control (LFACC) facility.

The LFACC is lead agency for the sheltering and well-being of domestic animals during a widespread disaster. LFACC is a routine participant in disaster and sheltering exercises to provide this FEMA-mandated capability in Fayette County. LFACC has received federally funded equipment, supplies and vehicles to maintain an emergency sheltering capability, and has participated in regional mutual aid.

LFACC facility on Old Frankfort Pike has no emergency power capability. In the event of an extended power outage, LFACC would not be able to perform this essential mission.

Total dollar amount for an emergency power system is estimated to be @ \$118,000. This includes a large emergency generator, overhaul of the LFACC electrical wiring to connect to generator, site prep, natural gas supply, and foundation work. This project, if approved, would obligate the Urban County Government to cost share 13% of the total cost. This obligation would total \$15,340. Historic timelines of review and / or approval of these applications would not affect the upcoming FY-20 Urban County budget.

