

Environmental Quality & Public Works Committee

Committee Referrals

Maintenance of streets in transition from development to completion

- Referred by CM Scutchfield in 2016 and CM Worley took it over
- Last heard: February 21, 2017
- Item details: This item pertains to the maintenance of streets which will ultimately be turned over to LFUCG. The presentation stated that this is the responsibility of the property owner according to the Land Subdivision Regulations. The enforcement process of public and private infrastructure was also discussed as well as the process for correcting problems as they arise. CM Worley is currently looking into regulations and will determine whether this should stay in committee or be removed.

Solid Waste - Trash Compactors

- Referred by: CM Moloney on August 22, 2017
- Last heard: Not yet presented
- Item details: This item was placed in committee after The Solid Waste 5-Year Plan presentation when the subject of recycling was discussed. CM Moloney had asked about plans to expand the urban service area. He said we need to be proactive to keep up with times. He asked if we are going to start using compactors for developers. And asked for this to be a separate committee item for discussion.

Curbs

- Referred by: CM Gibbs on July 7, 2015
- Last Heard: October 24, 2017
- Item Details: The discussion centered around ordinance versus policy on curb responsibility. It was stated that curb evaluation can be a part of the pavement condition assessment, which will take place in fiscal year 2019 and cost estimates can be generated from that.

Kentucky Utilities/LED Collaborative

- Referred by: CM Farmer on May 1, 2016
- Last Heard: October 24, 2017
- Item Details: LFUCG pays KU to provide street lighting; KU street light options are under tariff and subject to approval by the Public Service Commission and KU did not offer LED street lights until July 1 2017. The benefits of LED lights include maintenance savings, lower emissions and energy savings. The presentation provided an LED cost comparative and said that the LED lighting collaborative could start here as early as November 2017. The latest update is that there have been 3 meetings since November 2017 and traffic engineering has a call into the KU representative.

Man O' War Small Area Plan Study

- Referred by: CM Stinnett in 2017
- Last Heard: September 19, 2017
- Item Details: The Man O' War study done in 2007 showed Alumni Drive to the interstate and between Tates Creek and Nicholasville Road to have the most congestion on Man O' War. The goals of the study were to reduce congestion, improve safety and mobility for all travel modes, improve route reliability, reduce demand at some intersections and increase supply at other intersections. The recommendation was to have an I-75 Southbound auxiliary lane from US-60 to Man O' War and a third lane for Eastbound US-60.

Fiber Optic Technology

- Referred by: CM Farmer on May 6, 2014
- Last Heard: September 19, 2017
- Item Details: The presentation discussed how businesses outside the urban services boundary (USB) have limited connectivity options and that Windstream and Spectrum have limited plans for expanding to rural parts as well. The economics of building broadband in rural areas is difficult, but it is something we want to explore and there may be some opportunities.

Review of Salt Equipment

- Referred by: CM Moloney on January 30, 2018.
- Last Heard: Not yet presented
- Item Details: CM Moloney said there were a couple of times when we had snow that required salt trucks to come out and there was salt left behind on the ground. He would like to have a review of the salt equipment and how it is being used.

Explore Lexington's Sustainability options

- Referred by: CM Mossotti on February 20, 2018
- Last Heard: Not yet presented
- Item Details: CM Mossotti is very interested in making Lexington more sustainable and after reading about the steps Louisville is taking to be more sustainable, she placed this item in committee. Currently, there is a question by Division of Environmental Quality & Public Works as to whether this belongs in this committee or moved to the Planning and Public Safety committee. Perhaps we could have staff from EQPW speak to why it should not be in this committee.

Glass Recycling

- Referred by: CM Henson on January 23, 2018.
- Last Heard: April 24, 2018
- Item Details: There was some discussion on the benefits to glass recycling. There were several questions raised about various scenarios that were presented and pros and cons to those. In the end, it was requested to leave the item in committee and have Law Department and Commissioner Hoskins-Squier return to the committee to provide answers.

Private Waste Collection Enforcement Options

- Referred by: CM Lamb on May 15, 2018
- Last Heard: Not yet presented
- Item Details: CM Lamb said there are some districts have both private waste collection and city waste collection. She said she has had several constituents state that when there is private waste collection; we do not have enforcement capabilities that we do with city waste collection. She placed this into committee to further discuss this.

Consideration of a lower speed-limit on recently swapped roads

- Referred by: CM Gibbs on March 13, 2018
- Last Heard: not yet been presented
- Item Details: Traffic Engineering is currently collecting data and will need time to analyze that data before it can be presented.

Waste Management Fines

- Referred by: CM Gibbs on April 17, 2018
- Last Heard: not yet presented
- Item Details: Waste Management is working out the final details and we are looking at possibly September to have a presentation.

Annual/Periodic Updates:

Review & Update Snow & Ice Control Plan

- Referred by: CM Stinnett and CM F. Brown on February 15, 2014
- Last Heard: September 19, 2017
- Item Details: Annual update on the Snow/Ice removal plan

Leaf Collection Plan

- Referred by: CM Farmer
- Last Heard: October 24, 2017
- Item Details: Annual Update on the Leaf Collection Plan

Beaumont Traffic Study

- Referred by: CM Bledsoe on May 16, 2017
- Last Heard: November 14, 2017
- Item Details: This item was referred after some concerns were raised about the flow of traffic in and out of the Beaumont Center. The study used a comprehensive approach which reviewed the intensity of development in the area; lack of access points; heavy traffic on Harrodsburg Road, and the growing population in Jessamine County. CM Bledsoe requested to leave this in committee to have periodic updates on the study.

Bicycle Lanes - Location and Timing

- Referred by: CM Stinnett on November 1, 2016
- Last Heard: November 14, 2017
- Item Details: Annual Update on plans for Bicycle Lanes in the Lexington area

Annual status update on the Energy Improvement Fund

- Referred by: CM Farmer on January 1, 2017
- Last Heard: January 23, 2018
- Item Details: Annual Update on the Energy Improvement Plan

Keep Lexington Beautiful Annual Report

- Referred by: CM Henson on March 10, 2015
- Last Heard: February 20, 2018
- Item Details: Annual Update on Keep Lexington Beautiful initiatives

Artwork on Utility Boxes (policy / framework)

- Referred by: CM Bledsoe on January 16, 2018
- Last Heard: February 20, 2018
- Item Details: The process for this was approved by committee and it was decided to remain in committee for periodic updates as work will continue.

Additional Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day

- Referred by: CM Farmer on March 13, 2018
- Last Heard: May 15, 2018
- Item Details: Annual Update on adding an additional day for household hazardous waste collection

Storm-Water Priority List

- Referred by: CM Farmer on February 20, 2018
- Last Heard: May 15, 2018
- Item Details: Annual Update on Storm-Water Quality Projects in Fayette County

Division of Water Quality Projects

- Referred by: CM Farmer
- Last Heard: May 15, 2018
- Item Details: Annual update on Division of Water Quality Projects and the consent decree.

Presentation and Follow-up Items:

Review of current Tax District Change Policy

- Referred by: CM Plomin on March 13, 2018
- Last Heard: July 3, 2018
- Item Details: Review of Current Tax District Change Policy

Items for Removal

MS4 Program Update Pursuing Illicit Discharges to Resolve an Enforcement Action

- Referred by: CM Farmer on February 20, 2018
- Last Heard: May 15, 2018
- Item Details: **We need a motion to remove this from committee**

Electronic Billboards

- Referred by: CM Stinnett on February 28, 2017
- Last Heard: April 24, 2018
- Item Details: **This item was moved to Planning and Public Safety and we need a motion to remove this from committee**

Proposed Public Works Skills Academy

- Referred by: CM Farmer on March 6, 2018
- Last Heard: April 24, 2018
- Item Details: **This item was approved by committee and we need a motion to remove this from committee**

Pavement Plan

- Referred by: CM F. Brown on January 16, 2018
- Last Heard: May 15, 2018
- Item Details: **This item was approved; however we need a motion to remove this from committee or it could remain in committee as an annual update**

Update by the Administration and Lex-Tran re: CNG conversion and use

- Referred by: CM Farmer on October 25, 2016
- Last Heard: January 24, 2017
- Item Details: Last update was that we have a CMAQ grant for the CNG Station to purchase the existing station and do an upgrade. We have completed the purchase of the existing station in October 2017. Completion of the expansion should be done as well. **We can look at possibly removing? Next steps?**