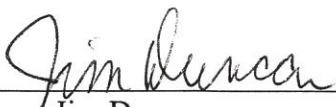# RECOMMENDATION OF THE

URBAN COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION

OF LEXINGTON AND FAYETTE COUNTY, KENTUCKY

IN RE: **ZOTA 2017-1: MARKET GARDENS** – petition for a Zoning Ordinance text amendment to define and regulate Market Gardens throughout Lexington-Fayette County.

Having considered the above matter on **January 26, 2017,** at a Public Hearing and having voted **9-0** that this Recommendation be submitted to the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Council, the Urban County Planning Commission does hereby recommend **APPROVAL** of this matter for the following reasons:

1. The 2013 Comprehensive Plan, *Chapter 8: Implementation* recommends updating the community's regulations to permit community gardens in support of Theme A: Growing Successful Neighborhoods. To further implement the Comprehensive Plan, community, and by association market gardens, will help to build stronger neighborhoods by encouraging positive social interactions, reducing food dessert impacts, and promoting sustainable and affordable local food production.
2. The proposed Zoning Ordinance text amendment will help to encourage urban agricultural in Fayette County and also provide appropriate regulations by which agricultural products might be sold on-site, if deemed appropriate by the Board of Adjustment.

ATTEST: This 10th day of February, 2017.

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Secretary, Jim Duncan

WILLIAM WILSON
CHAIR

At the Public Hearing before the Urban County Planning Commission, this petition was represented by **Traci Wade, Senior Planner, Division of Planning, Planning Services Section.**

OBJECTIONS

OBJECTORS

- None

- None

VOTES WERE AS FOLLOWS:

AYES: (9) Berkley, Cravens, Drake, Mundy, Owens, Plumlee, Richardson, Smith and Wilson

NAYS: (0)

ABSENT: (2) Brewer and Penn

ABSTAINED: (0)

DISQUALIFIED: (0)

Motion for **Approval** of **ZOTA 2017-1** carried.

Enclosures: Minutes for the initiation of this text amendment.
     Staff Report
     Staff Alternative Text
     Applicable excerpts of minutes of above meeting.