

Lexington- Fayette Urban County Government Council Meeting

Lexington, Kentucky June 9, 2026

The Council of the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government, Kentucky convened in regular session on June 9, 2026 at 3:00 p.m. Present were Mayor Gorton in the chair presiding, and the following members of the Council: Reynolds, Sevigny, Sheehan, Wu, Beasley, Boone, Brown, Curtis, Eblen, Ellinger, Elliott Baxter, Hale, Higgins-Hord, Lynch, and Morton.

The reading of the Minutes of the previous meeting was waived.

Ordinances No. 040-2026 through 045-2026, inclusive, and Resolutions No. 212-2026 through 234-2026, inclusive, were reported as having been signed and published and ordered to record.

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The following Ordinances received second reading. Upon motion by Vice Mayor Wu, and seconded by Ms. Reynolds, the Ordinances were approved by the following vote:

Aye: Reynolds, Sevigny, Sheehan, Wu, -----15
Beasley, Boone, Brown, Curtis, Eblen,
Ellinger, Elliott Baxter, Hale, Higgins-Hord,
Lynch, Morton

Nay: -----0

An Ordinance appropriating the revenues, expenditures/expenses and interfund transfers for the General Services District Fund, the Full Urban Services Districts Fund, the Police Confiscated Federal Fund, the Police Confiscated State Fund, the Public Safety Fund, the Municipal Aid Program Fund, the County Road Aid Program Fund, the Mineral Severance Fund, the Miscellaneous Special Revenue Fund, the Police

Confiscated Treasury Fund, the Lexington Economic Development Fund, the Affordable Housing and Homelessness Fund, the Parks Fund-Ballot Initiative, the FY 2027 Bond Projects Funds, the Sanitary Sewer Revenue and Operating Fund, the Sanitary Sewer Construction Fund, the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government Public Facilities Corporation General Fund, the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government Public Facilities Corporation Parks Projects Fund, the Water Quality Management Fund, the Water Quality Management Construction Fund, the Landfill Fund, the Right of Way Program Fund, the Extended School Program Fund, the Enhanced 911 Fund, the Central Ky. 911 Fund, the City Employees' Pension Fund, the Police and Fire Retirement Fund of the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government, the Medical Insurance Fund, the Property and Casualty Claims Fund, and any other funds as provided in Exhibit "A", on a Divisional level by four (4) control levels, for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2027, for the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government and its agencies and instrumentalities; approving and adopting the Capital Improvement Program for Fiscal Years (FY) 2027 through (FY) 2032, as a portion of the Fiscal Year (FY) 2027 Annual Capital Improvements Budget; suspending or modifying in full or in part the application and operation of any Resolution or Ordinance in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance for Fiscal Year 2027, including, without limitation, Resolution No. 326-2023 related to paving funding; approving funding for the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Tourist and Convention Commission from the Transient Room Tax, said funding to equal 99 1/2% of the revenue from the tax; and approving the Budget of the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Industrial Authority for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2027.

An Ordinance amending certain of the Budgets of the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government to pre-fund various components of the Fiscal Year 2027 Budget, as approved at Work Session May 26, 2026, and appropriating and re-appropriating funds, Schedule No. 33.

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Upon motion by Ms. Sheehan, seconded by Ms. Curtis, and approved by unanimous vote, a Resolution declaring a moratorium: 1) on the acceptance and processing of applications for zone map amendments seeking to change the zone of any property in Lexington-Fayette County, if the application includes a preliminary development plan reflecting a data center as the proposed use; and, 2) on the acceptance and review of development plans for data centers, in any zone; and, 3) on the Urban County Government's issuance of any permits, approvals, and authorizations necessary to the operation of data centers, in any zone, in order to provide the Urban County Government time to examine and review the regulation, processing, and impact of data centers in Lexington-Fayette County, and to provide time to review, consider, and amend, if necessary, any Ordinances related to data centers in Lexington-Fayette County so that it may ensure the proper integration of these uses into the adopted land use and zoning scheme; said moratorium being in place from the effective date of this Resolution until October 31, 2026 was placed on the docket and received first reading.

Upon motion by Mr. Morton, seconded by Ms. Reynolds, and approved by unanimous vote, the rules were suspended and the Resolution received second reading.

Upon motion by Ms. Sheehan, and seconded by Mr. Eblen, the Resolution was approved by the following vote:

Aye: Reynolds, Sevigny, Sheehan, Wu, -----15
Beasley, Boone, Brown, Curtis, Eblen,
Ellinger, Elliott Baxter, Hale, Higgins-Hord,
Lynch, Morton

Nay: -----0

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Upon motion by Ms. Sheehan, seconded by Ms. Higgins-Hord, and approved by unanimous vote, a Resolution initiating Zoning Ordinance Text Amendments to regulate data centers in Lexington-Fayette County, including but not limited to Sections 8 and 21, in order to provide new definitions, change allowable or permitted uses in various zones, and provide clarity on development plan considerations, to ensure proper integration of this land use into the urban county planning and zoning scheme was placed on the docket and received first reading.

Upon motion by Mr. Morton, seconded by Ms. Reynolds, and approved by unanimous vote, the rules were suspended and the Resolution received second reading.

Upon motion by Ms. Sheehan, and seconded by Mr. Eblen, the Resolution was approved by the following vote:

Aye: Reynolds, Sevigny, Sheehan, Wu, -----15
Beasley, Boone, Brown, Curtis, Eblen,
Ellinger, Elliott Baxter, Hale, Higgins-Hord,
Lynch, Morton

Nay: -----0

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Upon motion by Ms. Sheehan, seconded by Mr. Hale, and approved by unanimous vote, the meeting adjourned at 3:13 p.m.

Clerk of the Urban County Council