

Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government
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**TO: JIM GRAY, MAYOR
URBAN COUNTY COUNCIL**

**FROM: IRENE GOODING, DIRECTOR
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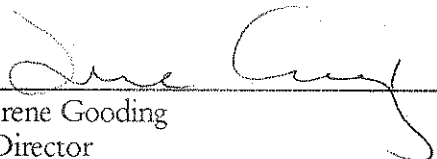
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**SUBJECT: REQUEST COUNCIL AUTHORIZATION TO SUBMIT APPLICATION TO
THE KENTUCKY TRANSPORTATION CABINET REQUESTING
FEDERAL FUNDS FROM THE TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES
PROGRAM (TAP) FOR OLD FRANKFORT PIKE**

The Lexington-Frankfort Scenic Corridor, Inc. has prepared an application requesting funding under the 2014 Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) for enhancements to Old Frankfort Pike Authorized under the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP-21), TAP provides funding for programs and projects defined as transportation alternatives, including on- and off-road pedestrian and bicycle facilities, infrastructure projects for improving non-driver access to public transportation and enhanced mobility, community improvement activities, and environmental mitigation; recreational trail program projects; safe routes to school projects; and projects for planning, designing, or constructing boulevards and other roadways largely in the right of way of former Interstate System routes or other divided highways. Only local and state government agencies can serve as sponsors for these projects.

The application requests \$940,000 in federal funds for the design and construction of a visitor turnout and viewing facility at the east entry to Old Frankfort Pike, design, manufacture and installation of interpretative panels and protective kiosks, development of an interactive website, repair of historic dry-laid limestone fences adjacent to Old Frankfort Pike, and rehabilitation of tree canopies and improvement of vegetation in critical scenic view shed areas. In-kind Match in the amount of \$165,000 will come from value of land donated by the organization for permanent visitor viewing area and value of donated bronze thoroughbred horse statue. The organization will also donate \$70,000 cash match from private funds. Total project cost is \$1,175,000.

Council authorization to submit the application is hereby requested.


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Director

Xc: Derek Paulsen, Commissioner of the Department of Planning, Preservation, and Development