



Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government  
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

Jim Gray  
Mayor

TO: Mayor Gray, Councilmembers  
FROM: Jamie Emmons, Chief of Staff  
DATE: June 2, 2014  
SUBJECT: LFUCG Federal Lobbyist Contract – RFP 7-2104

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For three budget cycles we have discussed the need for additional support for a government agent, or firm, to state, federal and private philanthropy institutions. Beginning last fall we took the steps needed to explore engaging this service and advocate for Council to approve the appropriation. Our Council LINK recently recommended approving the service.

Approving the contract now allows LFUCG to begin the process of engaging the selected firm, Keller McIntyre & Associates, which was vetted through a competitive RFP process. We are requesting approval prior to an approved FY 15 budget, however the contract is contingent on that funding. If Council chooses not to approve the contract or the funding, LFUCG will not be responsible for any expense. Alternatively with Council approval, LFUCG will be prepared to begin implementation after second reading of the FY 15 budget.

The funds have been included in the FY 15 Mayor's Office professional services-other budget (account string: 1101-133001 0001-71299). The amount reserved for this expense is \$75,600 (\$72,000 for services, \$3,600 for travel and expenses).

We ask for your approval and are happy to relay any other helpful information.

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