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Resolution

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RESOLUTION NO. 588 - 2011

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CHARLES YOUNG CENTER TASK FORCE REPORT AND DIRECTING THAT THE RECOMMENDATIONS BE IMPLEMENTED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

WHEREAS, on February 9, 2011, Vice-Mayor Linda Gorton appointed a task force to examine the future of the Charles Young Community Center; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the Task Force was to assist the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government (on behalf of the Urban County Council) in developing a comprehensive, community-oriented study to initiate the redevelopment of the Charles Young Center/Park area (East Third Street, Shropshire Extension, and Midland Avenue); and

WHEREAS, the Task Force convened for a total of 14 meetings, the agenda for every meeting called for public comment, and approximately 485 people signed attendance rosters at Task Force meetings; and

WHEREAS, the Task Force solicited written comments from the public, including distributing surveys throughout the East End neighborhoods, and received two petitions; and

WHEREAS, the Task Force issued a report that included the following five recommendations: (1) Establish a Charles Young Center Advisory Board (CYCAB) to prioritize and govern community-based programs and services at Charles Young Center (CYC); (2) Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government (LFUCG) to retain ownership of Charles Young Center and to partner with the community to house preferred activities and/or programming; (3) LFUCG and the CYCAB to initiate a formal process by soliciting Request for Qualifications (RFQ) from any and all interested parties for programmatic and service programs to be facilitated at CYC; (4) LFUCG to appropriate \$173,000 for preliminary short-term facility capital needs at CYC, including handicapped accessibility/ADA compliance measures, and that the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) is the recommended funding source; and (5) To incorporate the "Ann Street Greenspace Footprint" (0.896 acres) into official Charles Young Park land plat, for the purpose of developing street parking and other recreational uses; and

WHEREAS, the Council desires to approve and implement the recommendations of the Charles Young Center Task Force Report, with the clarification as to the first recommendation listed above that the term "govern" means "evaluate and recommend".

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE LEXINGTON-FAYETTE URBAN COUNTY GOVERNMENT:

Section 1 – That the recommendations of the Charles Young Center Task Force Report be and hereby are approved and that the Urban County Council hereby directs that the recommendations be implemented as soon as possible.

Section 2 – That this Resolution shall be effective upon date of passage.

PASSED URBAN COUNTY COUNCIL: December 6, 2011


MAYOR

ATTEST:


CLERK OF URBAN COUNTY COUNCIL