

## Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

Jim Gray Mayor Ronnie Bastin Commissioner

TO:

Mayor Jim Gray

Urban County Council

FROM:

Chief Mark Barnard

Lexington Police Department

CC:

Commissioner Ronnie Bastin

Department of Public Safety

DATE:

March 6, 2017

SUBJECT:

Donation - Police Horse Paco

## Request

Authorization to donate Police Horse Paco to Mr. and Mrs. John Conatser.

## Why are you requesting?

The Department is requesting to donate Police Horse Paco to the Conatser's due to Paco suffering from soft tissue damage in his stifle (human knee equivalent) in his left hind leg. We have managed this issue for the past two years, with therapy, injections and pain management. In the past seven months, Paco has progressed to the point that he was lame and unable to serve as a police mount. This has caused riding Paco to be unsafe to continue in police service. Mr. and Mrs. John Conatser own and operate Carriage Lane Farm, LLC, located in Nicholasville, KY (Jessamine County), and they have offered to provide Paco with a retirement home.

What is the cost in this budget year and future budget years? N/A

Are the funds budgeted? NA

File Number: - 0279-17

**Director/Commissioner:** 

Mark Barnard, Chief

**Lexington Police Department** 

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