



TO: Mayor Linda Gorton
Urban County Council

FROM: Jennifer Carey, P.E. Director
Division of Environmental Services

DATE: June 24, 2024

SUBJECT: Newtown Pike Landscape Ordinance Waiver to KYTC

Request authorization to grant a waiver to the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet (KYTC) to the requirements of Ordinance No. 85-2008, otherwise described as the Newtown Pike Landscape Ordinance, granting an exemption from the 20-foot buffer area, allowing walkway/bike path connections to the Legacy Trail, maintaining current three-plank fence and construction of three-plank fence on undeveloped properties and replacing trees and other plantings currently located in the 75-foot landscaping buffer with and in-kind replacement.

The properties subject to the waiver are located at 1445, 1433, 1425 and 1419 Newtown Center Way and 789 Newtown Springs Dr.

Code of Ordinance 2-472 allows the Corridors Commission to recommend granting a waiver to the landscaping requirements of 85-2008, subject to Council approval. The Corridors Commission held a special meeting on June 24, 2024, to review the waiver request and voted unanimously to support the request, recommending to Council that the waiver be granted.

This action is needed to support the KYTC widening project of Newtown Pike (KY 922) from New Circle Road (KY 4) to Interstate 75/64 as KYTC needs property for the project.

No budgetary impact.

File Number: 700-24

Director/Commissioner: Carey/Albright

