



Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government  
DIVISION OF GRANTS AND SPECIAL PROGRAMS

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**TO: JIM GRAY, MAYOR  
URBAN COUNTY COUNCIL**

**FROM: IRENE GOODING, DIRECTOR  
DIVISION OF GRANTS AND SPECIAL PROGRAMS**

**DATE: SEPTEMBER 30, 2013**

**SUBJECT: REQUEST COUNCIL AUTHORIZATION TO SUBMIT VARIOUS  
APPLICATIONS TO THE KENTUCKY TRANSPORTATION CABINET  
REQUESTING FEDERAL FUNDS FROM THE TRANSPORTATION  
ALTERNATIVES PROGRAM (TAP)**

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The Department of Planning, Preservation, and Development has prepared four (4) applications requesting funding under the 2014 Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP). Authorized under the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21<sup>st</sup> 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. After Lexington Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) has reviewed and ranked these requests, the applications will be forwarded to the KYTC and the Federal Highway Administration for consideration. The projects list includes total cost and anticipated source of local match. All TAP applications are 80% federal funds and 20% local match.


**Brighton Rail Trail Bridge. Total Cost: \$2,124,440. Federal Funds: \$1,699,552. Local match of \$424,888 will be requested in the FY 2015 General Fund budget.** This project will link the Brighton rail trails on the east and west sides of Man-O-War Boulevard with a 160 foot span, providing for increased safety for cyclists and pedestrians who are using the trail. The Brighton Rail Trail is a portion of the Big Sandy Primary Trail, as identified in the LFUCG Greenway Master Plan.

**West Loudon Ave Sidewalk. Total Cost: \$623,000. Federal Funds: \$498,400. Local match of \$124,600 will be requested in the FY 2015 General Fund budget.** Construct sidewalks/bike lanes on West Loudon Avenue between North Broadway and North Limestone streets. The project will add curb to delineate the pedestrian area and definite parking spaces within the street.

**Town Branch Trail Phase 4.** Total Cost: \$1,008,320. Federal Funds: \$806,656. Local match of \$201,664 will be requested in the FY 2015 General Fund budget. The Town Branch Trail Phase 4 is a proposed shared use trail that extends the existing/funded trail another 2800 foot. The 12 foot wide trail will begin at Bizzell Drive, where the funded 1.2 mile Town Branch Trail Phase 3 will end. Plans by the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet for road improvements to New Circle Road will provide the needed underpass for the proposed Phase 4 section.

**West Hickman Trail South.** Total Cost: \$886,145. Federal Funds: \$708,916. Local match of \$177,229 will be requested in the FY 2015 General Fund budget. The West Hickman Trail South is a proposed 4,000 foot shared use trail within Veterans Park in southern Fayette County. The proposed 12 foot wide trail is an extension of an existing shared use trail within the Park that connects to an elementary school. The new trail will connect neighborhoods to the school, and replace an older section of Park trail popular with neighbors. The project includes a crossing over a tributary stream to the West Hickman Creek.

Council authorization to submit the applications is hereby requested.

  
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Director

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