

LEXINGTON-FAYETTE URBAN COUNTY GOVERNMENT Division of Planning

Department of Planning, Preservation & Development

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TO:

Mayor Jim Gray

Urban County Council

FROM:

Jim Duncan, Director_

Division of Planning

DATE:

January 27, 2016

SUBJECT:

Memorandum of Agreement with the Board of Education of Fayette County

Request: Approve an MOA between LFUCG and the Board of Education of Fayette County/Fayette County Public Schools (FCPS) that would enable FCPS to extend sanitary sewer service from Edythe J. Hayes Middle School to their adjacent 39-acre property on Athens-Boonesboro Road that is outside the Urban Service Area.

Why are you requesting? This MOA will enable FCPS to develop their 39-acre property that is adjacent to but outside the Urban Service Area for a new elementary school and a middle school athletic complex. The MOA explains the circumstances that mitigate the extraordinary nature of extending sanitary sewer outside the USA, including the new property being consolidated with existing Hayes Middle School property; the status of the Board of Education as an instrumentality of the state and exempt from zoning; the use of the new property for FCPS facilities; and the use of a sanitary sewer line sized only to serve the new property. The Division of Planning is making this request on behalf of FCPS.

Sanitary sewer improvements will include the construction of a lift station at FCPS expense. The Division of Water Quality has stated there is sewer capacity under the terms and conditions of the CAP to serve the new property. Approval of the MOA will not alter the boundary of the Urban Service Area at this time. Access to the site will be from Athens-Boonesboro Road.

The new school is projected to open in August 2018. No design or construction plans for the athletic complex, which would serve several middle schools, have been determined. There are existing soccer fields on the site that could be used by FCPS at this time.

What is the cost in this budget year and future budget years? There are no budgetary implications.

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