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GENERAL SERVICES

TO: Mayor Linda Gorton

Honorable Members, Urban County Council

FROM:

Chris Ford, Commissioner of General Services

DATE: June 13, 2023

SUBJECT: Consolidation Plat for the Shropshire Avenue Right of Way Project

Acceptance of Dedication and Execution of Deeds

Request:

Request Council authorization to accept the dedication of a portion of Shropshire Avenue located between East Third Street and Grinstead Street as a public way; and further authorizing the Mayor, on behalf of Urban County Council, to execute deeds and all other necessary documents for the transfer of properties pursuant to the Consolidation Plat of LFUCG and Lexington Housing Authority for the Shropshire Avenue Right of Way Project.

Purpose:

In 2010, LFUCG, Lexington-Fayette Urban County Housing Authority, and Lexington Home Ownership Commission II, Inc., executed the Consolidation Plat of LFUCG & Housing Authority Property [Shropshire Avenue Right-of-Way] of record in Plat Cabinet N, Slide 624, in the Fayette County Clerk's Office. It appears that the intent of the Consolidation Plat was to consolidate 13 parcels owned by LFUCG (Parcels 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 11, and 13), Lexington-Fayette Urban County Housing Authority (Parcels 4 and 10), and Lexington Home Ownership Commission II, Inc. (Parcels 9 and 12), into three (3) parcels to provide access to *Equestrian View*, the single-family housing development in the Historic East End.

For reasons unknown, the deeds conveying real estate interests and dedicating certain property for the use and benefit of the public as a right-of-way in accordance with the Consolidation Plat were prepared, but were not executed and recorded. The Shropshire Avenue Right-of-Way project has since then been completed.



In March 2023, legal counsel for the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Housing Authority and the Lexington Home Ownership Commission II, Inc. contacted the Department of General Services with a request to execute two (2) deeds to finalize this transaction:

- 1) Consolidation Deed to Lexington Home Ownership Commission II, Inc., and
- 2) Consolidation Deed and Dedication to LFUCG.

This request is a clean-up measure to complete the consolidation, dedication, and transfer of property as evidenced by the Consolidation Plat.

After reviewing the real property records of the Fayette County Clerk's Office and the records of the Council Clerk's Office to see if there were any transactions that would prevent LFUCG from proceeding, the Department of Law determined that there were no barriers to moving forward.

Budgetary Implication:

The recording fee for the Deed of Consolidation and Dedication to LFUCG will be \$50.00.

Are the funds budgeted?

Yes

File Number: 0649-23

Director/Commissioner: Chris Ford

