Lexington- Fayette Urban County Government Council Meeting Lexington, Kentucky April 24, 2025

The Council of the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government, Kentucky convened in regular session on April 24, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. Present were Mayor Gorton in the chair presiding, and the following members of the Council: Reynolds, Sevigny, Sheehan, Wu, Beasley, Boone, Brown, Curtis, Ellinger, Elliott Baxter, Gray, LeGris, Lynch, and Morton. Absent was Council Member Hale.

The reading of the Minutes of the previous meeting was waived.

Ordinances No. 021-2025, inclusive, and Resolutions No. 142-2025 through 149-2025, inclusive, were reported as having been signed and published and ordered to record.

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The Invocation was given by Father Brandon Bigam of the Cathedral of Christ the King.

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Upon motion by Mr. Ellinger, seconded by Ms. Curtis, and approved by unanimous vote, the Minutes of the April 15, 2025 Mayor's Budget Address and April 17, 2025 Council Meeting were approved.

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Mayor Gorton asked Frederick Douglass High School Head Cheerleading Coach John Murphy to join her at the podium, along with the members of the cheerleading squad and Council Member Gray, and read a Proclamation declaring April 24, 2025 as Frederick Douglass Cheerleading Day in Lexington.

Mayor Gorton commended the team on their recent achievement, placing 2nd in the 2025 Universal Cheerleading Association National High School Cheerleading Championship, Large Varsity Performance.

Coach Murphy thanked the Mayor and the Council for their recognition and praised the squad for their hard work.

Ms. Gray spoke of how strenuous the sport of cheerleading is and how often she attended their performances and competitions. She offered her congratulations on their recent achievement and noted she was looking forward to their upcoming seasons.

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Mayor Gorton asked Arts Initiative Corp., Artistic Hands Shaping A New Society (AHSANS) President Dr. Deborah Hodge to join her at the podium, along with members of the AHSANS Board and Council Member Morton, and read a Proclamation declaring April 24, 2025 as Bring Back the Melody Showcase Day in Lexington.

The Mayor spoke of the contributions to the community the organization was making and praised their efforts.

President Hodge thanked the Mayor and Council for the recognition and award. She spoke of AHSANS' mission to combat gun violence through arts enrichment activities and noted the upcoming Bring Back the Melody Showcase competition would be held at the Lexington Public Library on Nov. 15, 2025.

Mr. Morton praised AHSANS for their commitment to providing arts outreach programming to the youth throughout the community. He thanked the organization for shaping a better tomorrow.

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The following ordinances received second reading. Upon motion by Ms. Elliott Baxter, and seconded by Ms. Gray, the ordinances were approved by the following vote:

Aye: Reynolds, Sevigny, Sheehan, Wu, -----14 Beasley, Boone, Brown, Curtis, Ellinger, Elliott Baxter, Gray, LeGris, Lynch, Morton

Nay: ------(

An Ordinance changing the zone from an Interchange Service Business (B-5P) zone to a Light Industrial (I-1) zone, for 0.99 net (1.31 gross) acres for property located at 125 Canebrake Dr. (D&J Realty, Inc.; Council District 12).

An Ordinance amending the authorized strength by abolishing one (1) unclassified position of Grants Manager, Grade 524E, and creating one (1) classified position of Parks and Recreation Superintendent, Grade 526E, all in the Div. of Parks and Recreation, effective upon passage of Council.

An Ordinance amending the authorized strength by abolishing one (1) unclassified position of Emergency Planning Coordinator, Grade 516E, and creating one (1) classified position of Emergency Planning Coordinator, Grade 516E, all in the Div. of Emergency Management, effective upon passage of Council.

An Ordinance creating Section 12-55 (1) of the Code of Ordinances related to the Landlord-Tenant Act to prohibit landlord retaliation for tenant complaints to a governmental agency; an Ordinance creating Section 12-55 (2) of the Code of Ordinances related to the Landlord-Tenant Act to allow tenant remedies for retaliation; an Ordinance creating Section 12-55 (3) of the Code of Ordinances related to the Landlord-Tenant Act for exclusions for retaliation; an Ordinance creating Section 12-55 (4) of the Code of Ordinances related to the Landlord-Tenant Act to state landlord liability pursuant to KRS 383.625(2); and an Ordinance creating Section 12-55 (5) of the Code of Ordinances related to the Landlord-Tenant Act to specify tenant remedies for retaliation.

An Ordinance amending certain of the Budgets of the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government to reflect current requirements for municipal expenditures, and appropriating and re-appropriating funds, FY 2025 Schedule No. 21.

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The following ordinances received first reading and were ordered to be placed on file for public inspection until May 8, 2025:

An Ordinance amending certain of the Budgets of the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government to reflect current requirements for municipal expenditures, and appropriating and re-appropriating funds, FY 2025 Schedule No. 22.

An Ordinance amending Section 5-76(1) of the Code of Ordinances related to required fees for electrical wiring work not exceeding thirty thousand (\$30,000) dollars to increase the rates as follows: rough wire inspections for the first 10 (ten) circuits from \$55 to \$65, rewire inspections from \$55 to \$65, re-inspection from \$35 to \$45, final inspection from \$55 to \$65 for up to 10 (ten) circuits, temporary on permanent inspections from \$55 to \$65, manufactured or mobile home service from \$55 to \$65, apartments-rough wire and temporary inspection from \$35 to \$55 and apartments-final inspections from \$35 to \$55; amending Section 5-76(2) of the Code of Ordinances related

to required fees to change fees on Contracts for \$40,000 and above to Contracts for \$30,000 and above to 1(one) percent of the total cost.

An Ordinance amending Section 22-53.1 of the Code of Ordinances, relating to the Police Academy examination for appointment, to authorize the making of conditional offers earlier in the hiring process and to simplify the hiring process by eliminating the phased approach to the examination.

An Ordinance re-establishing and continuing, pursuant to KRS 91.750, et seq., the "Downtown Lexington Management District", previously created and established pursuant to Ordinance No. 52-2015 and previously re-established pursuant to Ordinance No. 32-2020, and providing for its boundaries; a fifteen member board, the requirements and appointing process for board members, and their term limits; the powers of the board; a fiscal year commencing on July 1st, the undertaking of economic improvements by the board; a Budget and audit process; an affirmative action plan; public information; an assessment not to exceed \$.10 of \$100 of the assessed property value for each assessed property within the district; a contesting and appeal process; liens; an annual report to property owners; ethical requirements on board members; termination of the District on July 1, 2035 unless re-established by the Urban County Council in accordance with state statute; board guidelines; Contracting requirements; management, marketing, and administration; reporting requirements; an advisory Council to the Board; severability; all effective upon date of passage.

An Ordinance amending the authorized strength by abolishing one (1) unclassified position of Behavioral Health and Wellness Coordinator, Grade 523E, in the Div. of Police, effective upon passage of Council.

An Ordinance amending the authorized strength by creating two (2) classified positions of Overdose Prevention Project Coordinator, Grade 519N, in the Div. of Fire and Emergency Services, effective upon passage of Council.

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The following resolution received second reading. Upon motion by Ms. Elliott Baxter, and seconded by Ms. Curtis, the resolution was approved by the following vote:

Aye: Reynolds, Sheehan, Wu, Boone, Brown, -----10 Curtis, Ellinger, Elliott Baxter, LeGris, Lynch

Nay: Sevigny, Beasley, Gray, Morton -----4

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor, on behalf of the Urban County Government, to execute an Agreement awarding a Class B (Infrastructure) Incentive Grant to Fayette County Public Schools, for a Stormwater Quality Project, at a cost not to exceed \$310,081.50.

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The following resolutions received second reading. Upon motion by Ms. Elliott Baxter, and seconded by Ms. Curtis, the resolutions were approved by the following vote:

Aye: Reynolds, Sevigny, Sheehan, Wu, -----14 Beasley, Boone, Brown, Curtis, Ellinger, Elliott Baxter, Gray, LeGris, Lynch, Morton

Nay: -----0

A Resolution accepting the bid of Lagco, Inc., in the amount of \$1,634,958 for the Plainview Trunk Sewer Project, for the Div. of Water Quality, and authorizing the Mayor, on behalf of the Urban County Government, to execute an Agreement with Lagco, Inc., related to the bid.

A Resolution accepting the bid of W. Principles, LLC d/b/a The Walker Co. of Ky., in the amount of \$844,000 for the Town Branch WWTP Primary Digester Roof Leak Repairs, for the Div. of Water Quality, and authorizing the Mayor, on behalf of the Urban County Government, to execute an Agreement with W. Principles, LLC d/b/a The Walker Co. of Ky., related to the bid.

A Resolution accepting the bid of All Safe Industries in the amount of \$138,511.37 for the Redwave Monitor Rebid, for the Div. of Fire and Emergency Services.

A Resolution ratifying the Permanent Classified Civil Service Appointments of: Alejandro Rostro-Medina, Accounts Payable Assistant, Grade 510N, \$17.193 hourly in the Div. of Accounting, effective April 7, 2025, Justin Talbert, Administrative Specialist, Grade 516N, \$23.730 hourly in the Div. of Revenue, effective March 14, 2025, Joe Black, Program Manager Sr., Grade 523E, \$2,717.68 biweekly in the Dept. of Planning and

Preservation, effective April 7, 2025, Ryan Hughes, Municipal Engineer Sr., Grade 528E, \$3,576.96 biweekly in the Div. of Engineering, effective March 9, 2025, Carl Flynn, Engineering Technician, Grade 515N, \$23.393 hourly in the Div. of Engineering, effective April 7, 2025, Jonathan Miller, Public Service Supervisor, Grade 517N, \$29.449 hourly in the Div. of Streets and Roads, effective March 9, 2025, Megan Jarrett, Administrative Specialist, Grade 516N, \$23.500 hourly in the Div. of Human Resources, effective April 1, 2025, Yesenia Lombera-Villanueva, Staff Assistant Sr., Grade 511N, \$17.215 hourly in the Div. of Police, effective March 23, 2025, Kelsea Hergert, Staff Assistant Sr., Grade 511N, \$17.294 hourly in the Div. of Police, effective March 23, 2025, Daliness Webb, Utilities Data Analyst, Grade 518N, \$25.592 hourly in the Div. of Environmental Services, effective March 16, 2025, Nicholas Clouse, Vehicle & Equipment Technician Principal, Grade 521N, \$31.112 hourly in the Div. of Facilities and Fleet Management, effective April 7, 2025, Robert Morgan, Vehicle & Equipment Technician Sr., Grade 519N, \$31.514 hourly in the Div. of Facilities and Fleet Management, effective April 7, 2025, Bernadette Lachance-Fish, Staff Assistant Sr., Grade 511N, \$19.145 hourly in the Div. of Parks and Recreation, effective March 9, 2025, Adrian Black, Public Service Worker, Grade 508N, \$16.764 hourly in the Div. of Parks and Recreation, effective March 9, 2025, Krista Peyton, Accountant, Grade 518N, \$25.581 hourly in the Div. of Grants and Special Programs, effective March 9, 2025, and ratifying the Permanent Sworn Appointments of Nicholas Whitcomb, Lieutenant, Grade 317E, \$4,363.66 biweekly in the Div. of Police, effective March 9, 2025, Nathan Williams, Lieutenant, Grade 317E, \$4,363.66 biweekly in the Div. of Police, effective March 9, 2025.

A Resolution authorizing the Div. of Fire to purchase a Telma braking system install from Atlantic Emergency Solutions, a sole source provider, and authorizing the Mayor, on behalf of the Urban County Government, to execute any necessary agreement with Atlantic Emergency Solutions, related to the procurement at a cost not to exceed \$59,613.65.

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor, on behalf of the Urban County Government, to execute Change Order No. 5 to the Agreement with Marrillia Design and Construction Inc., for the Town Branch Park Access Improvements Project, increasing the Contract price by the sum of \$129,913, from \$5,353,009 to \$5,483,002.

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor, on behalf of the Urban County Government, to execute Change Order No. 1 to the Agreement with Atlantic Emergency Solutions for refurbishment of a ladder Fire apparatus, increasing the Contract price by the sum of \$269,331.11, from \$1,151,769.00 to \$1,421,099.11.

A Resolution authorizing and directing the Mayor, on behalf of the Urban County Government, to execute an Agreement with Children's Advocacy Center of the Bluegrass, for forensic interviews, at a cost not to exceed \$50,000.

A Resolution authorizing and directing the Mayor, on behalf of the Urban County Government, to execute an Agreement with ESO, for incident reporting software, at a cost not to exceed \$22,570.43.

A Resolution authorizing and directing the Mayor, on behalf of the Urban County Government, to execute a quote with ARI Phoenix, Inc., for four mobile vehicle lifts at a cost not to exceed \$62,766.69.

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor, on behalf of the Urban County Government, to execute an Agreement awarding a Class B (Infrastructure) Incentive Grant to CBZ Enterprise, LLC, for a stormwater quality project, at a cost not to exceed \$331,500.

A Resolution authorizing and directing the Mayor, on behalf of the Urban County Government, to execute an Agreement with Cummins Sales and Service, for generators at a cost not to exceed \$3,429.31.

A Resolution authorizing and directing the Mayor, to appoint Theresa Reynolds as the Applicant Agent for purposes of obtaining certain federal financial assistance under the Disaster Relief Act.

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor, on behalf of the Urban County Government, to execute a Lease Agreement with Metro Employees Credit Union (MECU), for approximately 604 square feet of space located at the Phoenix Building, for an initial term of one year, with the option for two additional renewals.

A Resolution authorizing and directing the Mayor, on behalf of the Urban County Government, to execute an Agreement with Commonwealth of Ky. Transportation Cabinet to accept \$100,000 in Federal Funding for the Citation Boulevard Phase III-B Project to provide a new route from the proposed intersection of Citation Boulevard and Winburn Drive to Russell Cave Rd., by receiving these funds, the Urban County

Government acknowledges and agrees to ratify and adopt all statements, representation, warranties, covenants and Agreements contained in this Agreement, no matching funds are required.

A Resolution authorizing and directing the Mayor, on behalf of the Urban County Government, to accept an award from the Ky. Justice and Public Safety Cabinet 2024 Project Safe Neighborhood Eastern Grant in the amount of \$79,206 for FY2025 to purchase an IBIS program subscription, no local match is required and authorizing the Mayor to transfer unencumbered funds within the Grant Budget.

A Resolution authorizing and directing the Mayor, on behalf of the Urban County Government, to execute an Agreement with Saint Joseph Health Systems, Inc., for use of the emergency room at a cost not to exceed \$3,000.

A Resolution establishing BL Anderson as a sole source provider of replacement parts for the Headworks bar screen compactor located at the West Hickman Wastewater Treatment Plant, for the Div. of Water Quality, and authorizing the Mayor, or her designee, on behalf of the Urban County Government, to execute any necessary Agreements with BL Anderson related to the procurement of these goods, at a cost not to exceed \$55,481 plus freight.

A Resolution authorizing and directing the Mayor, on behalf of the Urban County Government, to execute the Waste Supply and Disposal Agreement (awarded pursuant to RFP No. 45-2024) with Republic Services of Ky., LLC, establishing a price contract for waste management disposal and transfer station operations, for the Div. of Waste Management; and authorizing and directing the Mayor, on behalf of the Urban County Government and the Urban County Government Public Facilities Corporation, to execute a lease and any other necessary document relating to the services provided in the Waste Supply and Disposal Agreement.

A Resolution authorizing and directing the Mayor, on behalf of the Urban County Government, to execute an Agreement with Ky. Blood Center Inc., to supply blood, components and related services, at a cost not to exceed \$10,000.

A Resolution authorizing the Div. of Police to purchase eSOPH Background Software System, from MillerMendel, Inc., a sole source provider, and authorizing the

Mayor, on behalf of the Urban County Government, to execute any necessary Agreement with MillerMendel, Inc., related to the procurement at a cost not to exceed \$6,468.75.

A Resolution authorizing and directing the Mayor, on behalf of the Urban County Government, to execute the First Amendment to the Subrecipient Agreement with Community Action Council for Lexington-Fayette, Bourbon, Harrison, and Nicholas Counties, Inc. ("CAC"), allocating an additional \$54,981, in order to provide temporary emergency shelter and supportive services to homeless families caring for minor children, and authorizing the Mayor to execute any other needed agreements or amendments with CAC related to these funds.

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor, on behalf of the Urban County Government, to execute Purchase of Service Agreements with Arbor Youth Services, Inc. (\$100,000) and Community Action Council for Lexington-Fayette, Bourbon, Harrison, and Nicholas Counties, Inc. (\$200,000), pursuant to RFP 5-2025, for the administration of the Lex End Homelessness Housing Flex Fund, at a cost not to exceed \$300,000 for FY2025.

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor, on behalf of the Urban County Government, to execute Purchase of Service Agreements with the following four (4) organizations, pursuant to RFP No. 6-2025: Arbor Youth Services, Inc. (\$39,999), Community Action Council for Lexington-Fayette, Bourbon, Harrison, And Nicholas Counties, Inc. (\$39,999), Greenhouse17, Inc. (\$38,700), and the Lighthouse Ministries, Inc. (\$39,950); to provide one-time funding to address identified system gaps and barriers to reducing homelessness, at a cost not to exceed \$158,648.

A Resolution authorizing and directing the Mayor, on behalf of the Urban County Government, to execute Engineering Services Agreements (awarded pursuant to RFP No. 41-2024), with Strand Associates, Inc., Palmer Engineering, Stantec Consulting Services, Inc., GRW Engineers, Prime AE Group, Inc., and Banks Engineering, to provide design services for the Div. of Engineering under an Indefinite Services Contract, with future work awarded and funds Budgeted on a project basis.

A Resolution authorizing and directing the Mayor, on behalf of the Urban County Government, to execute Engineering Services Agreements (awarded pursuant to RFP No. 41-2024), with Lochner; Johnson, Mirmiran & Thompson, Inc.; and Prime AE Group, Inc. to provide construction inspection services for the Div. of Engineering under an

Indefinite Services Contract, with future work awarded and funds Budgeted on a project basis.

A Resolution authorizing and directing the Mayor, on behalf of the Urban County Government, to execute Engineering Services Agreements (awarded pursuant to RFP No. 41-2024), with Palmer Engineering, Lochner, and Strand Associates, Inc. to provide right-of-way services for the Div. of Engineering under an Indefinite Services Contract, with future work awarded and funds Budgeted on a project basis.

A Resolution authorizing the Dept. of Law, on behalf of the Urban County Government, to execute a Professional Services Agreement with the law firm of Frost Brown Todd, LLC, for negotiating and other legal services related to the Government Center Project.

A Resolution authorizing and directing the Mayor, on behalf of the Urban County Government, to execute an Agreement with INdigital Inc., for MEVO system at a cost not to exceed \$20,250.

A Resolution authorizing and directing the Mayor, on behalf of the Urban County Government, to accept an award from Marathon Community Investment Programs - First Responder Grant in the amount of \$3,405; no matching funds are required, and authorizing the Mayor to transfer unencumbered funds within the Grant Budget.

A Resolution authorizing and directing the Mayor, on behalf of the Urban County Government, to execute Agreements related to Council Capital Project Expenditure Funds with Key Assets Ky., Inc. (\$25,000), and LFUCG Div. of Parks and Recreation (\$2,400) for the Office of the Urban County Council, at a cost not to exceed the sum stated.

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A Resolution authorizing and directing the Mayor, on behalf of the Urban County Government, to execute the Professional Services Agreement (awarded pursuant to RFP No. 3-2025) with TSW, Inc. for Access and Sport Court redevelopment schematic design and cost estimates at Castlewood Park, at a cost not to exceed \$36,900 received first reading.

Upon motion by Mr. Morton, seconded by Ms. Reynolds, and approved by unanimous vote, the rules were suspended and the resolution received second reading.

Upon motion by Mr. Ellinger, and seconded by Mr. Sevigny, the resolution was approved by the following vote:

Aye: Reynolds, Sevigny, Sheehan, Wu, -----14 Beasley, Boone, Brown, Curtis, Ellinger, Elliott Baxter, Gray, LeGris, Lynch, Morton

Nay: -----0

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A Resolution authorizing and directing the Mayor, on behalf of the Urban County Government, to execute the First Amendment to the Loan Agreement, and any related documents, with Space Tango, LLC, to reduce the loan amount from \$250,000 to \$187,000 was on the docket for first reading.

Mr. Brown moved to amend the resolution to correct the loan amount from \$187,000 to \$187,500. The motion was seconded by Mr. Morton.

A Resolution authorizing and directing the Mayor, on behalf of the Urban County Government, to execute the First Amendment to the Loan Agreement, and any related documents, with Space Tango, LLC, to reduce the loan amount from \$250,000 to \$187,500, as amended, received first reading and was ordered to be placed on file for public inspection until May 8, 2025.

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The following resolutions received first reading and were ordered to be placed on file for public inspection until May 8, 2025:

A Resolution accepting the bid of Midwest Rescue Products, Inc. in the amount of \$41,272.25 for the FL 360 cameras and listening device, for the Div. of Fire and Emergency Services.

A Resolution accepting the bid of Aequitas Power Co., in the amount of \$456,800 for the Town Branch Primary Effluent Pump Station MCC Replacement, for the Div. of Water Quality, and authorizing the Mayor, on behalf of the Urban County Government, to execute an Agreement with Aequitas Power Co., related to the bid.

A Resolution ratifying the Permanent Classified Civil Service Appointment of: Waylon Reboin, Public Service Worker Sr., Grade 510N, \$16.945 hourly in the Div. of Streets and Roads, effective April 7, 2025.

A Resolution authorizing and directing the Mayor, on behalf of the Urban County Government, to accept an award of funds, in the amount of \$30,000, from the Fayette Education Foundation via the Bluegrass Community Foundation, related to the administration of One Lexington, It Takes A Village Summer Program (ITAV), the acceptance of which does not obligate a local match expenditure from the Urban County Government.

A Resolution authorizing and directing the Mayor, on behalf of the Urban County Government, to execute an MOA with Fayette County Public Schools, to establish guidelines for the EMT Program.

A Resolution authorizing the Div. of Police to purchase transport harnesses from Safe Restraints Inc., a sole source provider, and authorizing the Mayor, on behalf of the Urban County Government, to execute any necessary Agreement with Safe Restraints Inc., related to the procurement at a cost not to exceed \$43,527.24.

A Resolution authorizing and directing the Mayor, on behalf of the Urban County Government, to execute and submit the 2025 Consolidated Plan/Grant Application to the United States Dept. of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), to provide any additional information requested in connection with this Grant Application, and to accept the Grant if the application is approved, which Grant funds for the FY 2026 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program (\$2,320,758.00), HOME Program (\$1,206,372.03), and Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) program (\$205,743.00), the acceptance of which obligates the Urban County Government to the expenditure of \$361,000.00 from various funding sources as a local match; and authorizing the Mayor to execute Agreements for the approved plan; and authorizing the Mayor to transfer unencumbered funds within the Grant Budget.

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor, on behalf of the Urban County Government, to execute Agreements and related order forms with Granicus, LLC, for Legislative Management Software and other related subscriptions, for the Office of the Council Clerk, at a cost estimated not to exceed \$110,531.31 in FY2026, with annual increases estimated not to exceed 10%, subject to sufficient funds being appropriated in future fiscal years.

A Resolution approving the FY 2026 Budget of the Lexington and Fayette County Parking Authority (LexPark), as well as proposed fee or rate increases (effective September 1, 2025), pursuant to KRS 67A.921.

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Upon motion by Vice Mayor Wu, and seconded by Mr. Morton, the Communications from the Mayor (Appointments) were approved by unanimous vote and were as follows: (1) Recommending the reappointment of Camden Skidmore, Banking Representative, to the Courthouse Area Design Review Board, with a term expiring June 30, 2029; (2) Recommending the reappointments of Blake Davidson, UK Full-time ER Physician, and Mark Spanier, Baptist Health Full-time Physician, to the Emergency Medical Advisory Board, both with terms expiring July 1, 2029; (3) Recommending the reappointment of Phil Maxson to the Lexington Center Corporation Board of Directors, with a term expiring July 1, 2029; (4) Recommending the reappointments of Rania Belmadani and Stephanie Nallia to the Library Board of Trustees, both with terms expiring July 20, 2029; (5) Recommending the reappointment of Mary Quinn Ramer, Greater Lexington Convention and Visitors Bureau Representative, to the Rural Land Management Board, with a term expiring July 1, 2029; and, (6) Recommending the reappointments of Leidy Borges-Gonzalez and Paul Schoninger, to the Transit Authority Board, both with terms expiring June 30, 2029.

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Upon motion by Ms. Elliott Baxter, and seconded by Ms. Gray, the Communications from the Mayor (Procurements) were approved by unanimous vote and were as follows: (1) Accepting and approving the following bids and establishing price contracts for the following depts. or divs. as to the specifications and amount set forth in the terms of the respective bids: (a) Div. of Water Quality - Low Voltage Electrical Maintenance and Emergency Repairs - 35-2025 - Davis H Elliot Construction Company, Faust Electric, AE Electrical Solutions and P & C Prime; and, (b) Div. of Water Quality - Activated Carbon Replacement in OC Units - 29-2025 - Carbon Activated Corporation, PureAir Filtration LLC and ECS Environmental Solutions dba Jones-Bell LLC.

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The following Communications from the Mayor were received for information only: (1) Probationary Classified Civil Service Appointment of Tara Chenault, Revenue Compliance Auditor, Grade 521N, \$29.286 hourly in the Div. of Revenue, effective April 21, 2025; (2) Probationary Classified Civil Service Appointment of Essence Collins, Resource Recovery Operator, Grade 518N, \$24.907 hourly in the Div. of Waste Management, effective May 5, 2025; (3) Probationary Classified Civil Service Appointment of William Wells, Associate Traffic Engineer, Grade 522E, \$2,382.32 biweekly in the Div. of Traffic Engineering, effective April 21, 2025; (4) Probationary Classified Civil Service Appointment of Dawn Morris, Accreditation Manager, Grade 526E, \$3,186.56 biweekly in the Div. of Fire, effective April 21, 2025; (5) Probationary Classified Civil Service Appointment of Brandon Eads, Vehicle & Equipment Technician, Grade 517N, \$24.948 hourly in the Div. of Facilities and Fleet Management, effective May 5, 2025; (6) Probationary Classified Civil Service Appointment of Grover Kearns, Planner Principal, Grade 524E, \$3,229.44 biweekly in the Div. of Planning, effective April 21, 2025; (7) Probationary Sworn Appointment of Matthew Patrick, Corrections Officer, Grade 110N, \$25.430 hourly in the Div. of Community Corrections, effective March 24, 2025; and, (8) Probationary Sworn Appointment of Shyanne Hyatte, Corrections Officer, Grade 110N, \$25.430 hourly in the Div. of Community Corrections, effective April 7, 2025.

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Vice Mayor Wu offered well wishes to Council Chief Information Officer Jillian Riseman, Office of the Council Administrator, whose last day was April 25, 2025.

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Ms. Elliott Baxter shared video footage of the new multi-terrain vehicle that is debuting at Raven Run Nature Sanctuary that will allow those residents facing mobility challenges to enjoy more of the park's offerings.

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Mr. Brown thanked the Mayor and staff members for celebrating his 10-year anniversary with the City. He also offered well wishes to Ms. Riseman and to Chief Opportunity Officer Tiffany Brown, Office of the Mayor, as her last day was Friday April 25, 2025.

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Ms. Lynch gave a reminder that Masterson Station Neighborhood Cleanup would take place on Saturday, April 26, 2025, at 10:00 a.m. at Masterson Station Park, followed by Kite Fest at 12:00 p.m. She also announced that on Monday, April 28, 2025, Sandersville Elementary would host a district wide meeting at 6:30 p.m. She closed by offering well wishes to Ms. Riseman and Ms. Brown.

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Ms. Beasley thanked Fr. Bigam for providing the invocation this evening and offered Ms. Riseman and Ms. Brown well wishes on their upcoming departure from the City. She also announced that the Legends Baseball opening day would be Friday, April 25, 2025, and that on Sunday, April 27, 2025, the Divs. of Police and Fire and Emergency Services would hold their second annual Battle of the Badges Softball Tournament. Ms. Beasley offered praise to the students and programs at Tates Creek Middle and High Schools, where she recently participated in a school ID program. She announced that the Div. of Streets and Roads would be visiting Tates Creek Elementary on April 25, 2025, and that the week of April 21, 2025, is National Work Zone Awareness week. She reminded everyone that the first 8th District Youth Council would meet April 30, 2025, at the Tates Creek Community Center and the 8th District-wide Meeting would be May 7, 2025, from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. at Tates Creek Branch Library. She closed by sharing information about the upcoming paving of Greentree Rd. and the new Safe Haven Baby Box.

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Ms. Gray thanked Dir. Charlie Martin, Div. of Water Quality, Dir. Jennifer Carey, Div. of Environmental Services, Dir. Rob Larkin, Div. of Emergency Management, and members of the Lexington Div. of Police for attending the recently held 6th District-wide meeting. She also reported that an upcoming construction project that will impact the neighbors of the Rockwood neighborhood would begin soon, and that on May 14, 2025, in the Frederick Douglass High School cafeteria, a meeting for forthcoming developments would be held.

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Mr. Morton wished Ms. Riseman and Ms. Brown well on their next endeavors. He offered details about a recent event hosted by the Bluegrass Alliance, "Empowering

Brown & Black Students: Tools for Inclusive Education," at which he spoke. He announced upcoming events in his district: the approaching Reforest the Bluegrass event, which will be held Saturday, April 26, 2025, from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at Charles Young Park; a Trees Lexington tree planting event at African American Cemetery #2 also on Saturday, April 26, 2025; and, the next installment of his podcast, which will cover the topic of community safety in its next episode.

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Ms. LeGris thanked Ms. Riseman for her creativity and wished her good luck, lauding the framework she built while in the position. She also expressed her appreciation to Ms. Brown for her hard work and perseverance.

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Ms. Sheehan also voiced her appreciation to Ms. Riseman and Ms. Brown and announced that there would be a meeting held Tuesday, April 29, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. at the Lexington Senior Center to discuss projects in the area by the Kentucky American Water Co. and for proposed pedestrian safety.

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Mr. Sevigny announced that the 2025 Tahlsound Music Festival opens Sunday, April 27, 2025, gates open at 5:00 p.m., and the event starts at 6:00 p.m.

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Ms. Curtis spoke about her professional relationship and friendship with Ms. Riseman and wished her well on her next endeavor. She complimented her artistic talents and expressed gratitude for her friendship.

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Phoenix Berry, Dist. 6, shared a poem and spoke about humanist philosophy.

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Greg O'Neal, Dist. 3, shared concerns regarding distracted drivers and traffic lights.

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Upon motion by Ms. Elliott Baxter, seconded by Ms. Curtis, and approved by unanimous vote, the meeting adjourned at 7:09 p.m.

Clerk of the Urban County Council