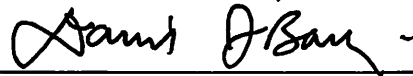




Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government  
DEPARTMENT OF LAW

Jim Gray  
Mayor

Janet M. Graham  
Commissioner

TO: Jim Gray, Mayor  
Members, Urban County Council  
  
FROM: David Barberie, Managing Attorney  
Department of Law

DATE: February 18, 2016

RE: The Historic Fayette County Courthouse Rehabilitation Project – Lease, Legal Entities,  
and Financial Contributions

**Request:**

Approval of this resolution will endorse both the formation of the legal entities required to utilize state and federal historic tax credits for the Historic Fayette County Courthouse Rehabilitation Project and a future economic development grant of \$22 million. It will also authorize the long-term ground lease of the property and a short-term loan for the project in an amount not to exceed \$12 million.

**Why are you requesting?**

This action is requested in order to qualify for the state and federal historic tax credits programs. The Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government will provide economic development assistance through newly created legal entities which will leverage private money in the form of historic tax credits to complete the project and ensure the future financial sustainability of the project.

Copies of the proposed resolution and lease are attached.

**What is the cost in this budget year and future budget years?**

Council approved the issuance of a \$22 million bond related to this project as part of the FY2016 budget.

**Are the funds budgeted?**

Yes. The funds are budgeted in account 2606-133002-0001-90511 OLD\_COURT\_2016.

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**Director/Commissioner:** Janet M. Graham, Commissioner of Law

A presentation related to this legislation and the project is scheduled for the March 1, 2016 Work Session and outside legal counsel will be available to answer questions. Please contact me or Jenifer Wuorenmaa should you have any questions prior to the Work Session.