

CHARLIE LANTER DIRECTOR GRANTS & SPECIAL PROGRAMS

TO: LINDA GORTON, MAYOR URBAN COUNTY COUNCIL

FROM: CHARLIE LANTER, DIRECTOR DIVISION OF GRANTS AND SPECIAL PROGRAMS

DATE: December 16, 2020

SUBJECT: Acceptance of additional CARES Act Funds for the Office of the Fayette County Clerk for 2020 general election expenses

Request: Council authorization to accept \$35,122 of federal CARES Act funds from the Commonwealth of Kentucky State Board of Elections to reimburse general election expenses in the Office of the Fayette County Clerk.

Purpose of the Request: On August 27, 2020 (Resolution 379-2020), Council accepted \$30,720 of federal funds from the Kentucky Board of Elections to support the hiring of additional staff for the 2020 primary election in Fayette County. On December 3, 2020 (Resolution 608-2020), Council accepted an additional \$61,440 of federal funds to support expenses associated with the 2020 general election in Fayette County.

The Kentucky State Board of Elections has now provided the Fayette County Clerk with an additional \$35,122 of federal CARES Act funds to offset expenses incurred the 2020 general election. These funds are provided from the state's allocation of Coronavirus Relief Funds and reimburse expenses already incurred by the Clerk's office. Funds were provided to clerk's offices throughout Kentucky to help with the additional expenses of the election as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.

The cost in this budget year and future budget years: Available funding is \$35,122. This is one-time assistance.

Are the funds budgeted? Budget Amendment 10921 is in process.

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Director/Commissioner: Hamilton

