



## General Government & Planning (GGP) Committee

### 2026 Annual Status Review of Committee Referrals

#### A Sense of Place

File ID:	Current Sponsor:	Referral Date:	Last Presented:	Status:
<a href="#">0902-24</a>	J. Brown	April 26, 2022	<a href="#">February 4, 2025</a>	Anticipated Summer 2026.

[A Sense of Place](#) has grown tremendously. The Mayor's Administration presents its growth, goals, and more.

#### Examine Opportunities to Relocate Programming & Initiatives from the Mayor's Office to Other Relevant Divisions within LFUCG

File ID:	Current Sponsor:	Referral Date:	Last Presented:	Status:
N/A	L. Sheehan	May 31, 2022	N/A	Not scheduled.

Determining if programs could move out of the mayor's office because they are now beyond a start-up phase and have demonstrated efficacy, so they could get permanent placement within government, but would require a shift in structure and budgeting to move them.

#### Charter Review

File ID:	Current Sponsor:	Referral Date:	Last Presented:	Status:
<a href="#">0675-25</a>	D. Wu	November 1, 2022	<a href="#">July 3, 2025</a>	Anticipated Spring 2026.

The [2021 Redistricting Work Group](#) recommended this item to the committee for a comprehensive review of the [LFUCG Charter](#). Work on this item started in 2023. [CivicLex](#) last presented its plan for a [civic assembly](#).

#### Boards and Commissions Comprehensive Review

File ID:	Current Sponsor:	Referral Date:	Last Presented:	Status:
<a href="#">0234-25</a>	S. Lynch	August 15, 2023	<a href="#">March 4, 2025</a>	<b>This item is now a subcommittee.</b>

Following the August 2023 [Tenants on Boards and Commissions presentation](#), CivicLex conducted a comprehensive review of our boards and commissions, focusing on Council involvement, the appointment process, and equality and representation.

#### Planning & Development Study: #8 Tighten Certification to Lock in Requirements

File ID:	Current Sponsor:	Referral Date:	Last Presented:	Status:
N/A	J. Reynolds	June 27, 2023	N/A	Not scheduled.

This item was referred after the [Work Session](#) presentation of the [Planning & Development Approval Process Study](#).

#### Planning & Development Study: #10 Establish a Development Liaison Position

File ID:	Current Sponsor:	Referral Date:	Last Presented:	Status:
N/A	J. Reynolds	June 27, 2023	N/A	Not scheduled.

This item was referred after the [Work Session](#) presentation of the [Planning & Development Approval Process Study](#).

#### Regulation of Digital Billboards (ZOTA-24-00008)

File ID:	Current Sponsor:	Referral Date:	Last Presented:	Status:
<a href="#">0030-25</a>	W. Baxter	January 14, 2025	<a href="#">March 4, 2025</a>	Not scheduled

The full council voted on January 14, 2025, to remove this item from the docket and place it in committee.

## Homelessness Need Assessment RFP

File ID:	Current Sponsor:	Referral Date:	Last Presented:	Status:
<a href="#">0168-24</a>	C. Ellinger	October 31, 2023	<a href="#">June 3, 2025</a>	Can be removed from committee.

Following a discussion of fund balance in the fall of 2023, funds were allocated for an RFP to analyze Lexington's homelessness needs. The results were presented to the full council, and a [Task Force on Homelessness](#) was formed.

## Continuing Education on Theme A, Pillar III Equity, Policy 1 & 2 of the 2023 Comprehensive Plan

File ID:	Current Sponsor:	Referral Date:	Last Presented:	Status:
N/A	D. Wu	January 16, 2024	N/A	Anticipated 2027.

Surrounding the momentum of the [Undesign the Redline](#) campaign, this item will review Lexington's planning history.

## Bring Back the Bluegrass

File ID:	Current Sponsor:	Referral Date:	Last Presented:	Status:
<a href="#">0903-24</a>	T. Morton	January 16, 2024	<a href="#">September 10, 2024</a>	Anticipated Fall 2026.

Parks & Recreation reviews [program's](#) outcomes, improvements, and plans.

## Absentee Landlords

File ID:	Current Sponsor:	Referral Date:	Last Presented:	Status:
N/A	E. Curtis	August 20, 2024	N/A	Anticipated Fall 2026.

## Solar Energy Systems (ZOTA-24-00003)

File ID:	Current Sponsor:	Referral Date:	Last Presented:	Status:
<a href="#">1048-24</a>	L. Sheehan/D. Seigny	October 24, 2024	<a href="#">July 1, 2025</a>	Anticipated Spring 2026.

The ZOTA language approved by the committee was presented to the full council on August 19, 2025. Upon [passage of the amended language](#) on September 11, 2025, CM Sheehan and Seigny noted that a working group would be formed to further review solar in agricultural zones. Seeing as work continues, this item remains in committee.

## Rural Settlement Study

File ID:	Current Sponsor:	Referral Date:	Last Presented:	Status:
N/A	S. Lynch	October 29, 2024	N/A	January 2026.

This item will further review the 2007 Rural Settlement Study.

## Efficiencies in our Development Processes and Compliance with HB 443

File ID:	Current Sponsor:	Referral Date:	Last Presented:	Status:
<a href="#">0047-25</a>	J. Brown	December 3, 2024	<a href="#">May 6, 2025</a>	Anticipated early 2026.

Initiated by Planning to comply with House Bill 443, [PLN-ZOTA-25-00001: Development Plan Compliance Updates](#) amended Articles 1, 6, 9, 11, 12, 15, 16, 18, 21, 23, and 28 to update the Development Plan review process and create objective standards for plan review.

## Revitalizing LFUCG Youth Programming

File ID:	Current Sponsor:	Referral Date:	Last Presented:	Status:
N/A	T. Morton	January 28, 2025	N/A	Not scheduled.

This item will enable more discussion of Parks' youth programming.

## Blue Sky Small Area Plan

File ID:	Current Sponsor:	Referral Date:	Last Presented:	Status:
<a href="#">0128-25</a>	H. Boone/J. Hale	February 11, 2025	<a href="#">February 4, 2025</a>	February 2026

Updates on the [Blue Sky Small Area Plan](#) will be presented to the committee.

## Neighborhood Voices Project (Anti-Displacement & Vulnerable Neighborhood Preservation)

File ID:	Current Sponsor:	Referral Date:	Last Presented:	Status:
N/A	T. Morton	February 4, 2025	N/A	Anticipated Spring 2026.

Establishes a process to identify and preserve the history and culture of communities, aiming to combat gentrification and displacement by ensuring these communities and their heritage are recognized, respected, and protected.

## Downtown Area Master Plan

File ID:	Current Sponsor:	Referral Date:	Last Presented:	Status:
<a href="#">0228-25</a>	J. Brown	February 11, 2025	<a href="#">March 4, 2025</a>	January 2026

Updates on the [Downtown Master Plan](#) will be presented to the committee.

## Review and Analysis of all LFUCG-Operated Community Centers

File ID:	Current Sponsor:	Referral Date:	Last Presented:	Status:
N/A	A.Beasley/T. Morton	February 25, 2025	N/A	February 2026

Review and analysis of all LFUCG-operated community centers to identify improvements across areas, including, but not limited to, accessibility, operations, facilities, programming, staffing, and special events.

## Review of the Zone Change Public Engagement Process

File ID:	Current Sponsor:	Referral Date:	Last Presented:	Status:
N/A	W. Baxter	March 4, 2025	N/A	Not scheduled.

## Planning Education Academy

File ID:	Current Sponsor:	Referral Date:	Last Presented:	Status:
N/A	D. Wu	March 4, 2025	N/A	Anticipated Fall 2026.

## Drive-Through Facilities & Drive-Up Windows (ZOTA-25-00001 Sec. 16-9)

File ID:	Current Sponsor:	Referral Date:	Last Presented:	Status:
N/A	W. Baxter	May 13, 2025	N/A	Not scheduled.

## Review of the Artificial Intelligence Policy

File ID:	Current Sponsor:	Referral Date:	Last Presented:	Status:
N/A	E. Curtis	May 27, 2025	N/A	Anticipated Summer 2026.

## Data Centers

File ID:	Current Sponsor:	Referral Date:	Last Presented:	Status:
N/A	L. Sheehan	November 18, 2025	N/A	Not scheduled.

This item will work to establish zoning guidelines for data centers.

## Affordable Housing Solutions

File ID:	Current Sponsor:	Referral Date:	Last Presented:	Status:
N/A	J. Reynolds/S. Lynch	November 18, 2025	N/A	Anticipated Fall 2026.

This item will explore different ways to expand affordable housing.

## **Annual/Periodic Items**

### **Purchase of Development Rights (PDR) Review**

File ID:	Current Sponsor:	Referral Date:	Last Presented:	Status:
<a href="#">0402-24</a>	L. Sheehan	October 24, 2024	<a href="#">December 2, 2025</a>	Anticipated November 2026.

An annual report is required to council by ordinance ([26-6.12](#)). The report includes listings and maps of parcels of land with conservation easements purchased or donated, and a detailed list of all unsuccessful applications to purchase or donate a conservation easement during the preceding calendar year, along with the reasons they were not accepted. The most recent update in December of 2025 included a report on the new [Small Farm Conservation Easement Program](#).

### **Lexington History Museum**

File ID:	Current Sponsor:	Referral Date:	Last Presented:	Status:
<a href="#">1043-24</a>	E. Curtis	March 21, 2017	<a href="#">October 15, 2024</a>	Not scheduled.

This item has allowed for periodic updates on the museum's use of LFUCG-allocated funds. In October 2024, they outlined their new corporate sponsorship and donor recognition programs, detailed a new museum location at the Thomas Hunt Morgan House, and explained plans to consolidate their collections in storage. The launching of the Lexington History Collective, an initiative to connect diverse, inclusive groups that collect, preserve, and exhibit unique aspects of Lexington's history, was also discussed.

### **Landlord and Tenant Advisory Groups**

File ID:	Current Sponsor:	Referral Date:	Last Presented:	Status:
<a href="#">1044-24</a>	S. Lynch	June 11, 2024	<a href="#">October 15, 2024</a>	Anticipated Spring 2026.

Following requests from KY Tenants for more tenant representation on boards and commissions, Commissioner Lanter's office began providing opportunities for both groups to share information and have input on the work of Housing Advocacy & Community Development. This item provides an update on both of those advisory groups.

### **Short-Term Rentals**

File ID:	Current Sponsor:	Referral Date:	Last Presented:	Status:
<a href="#">0864-24</a>	J. Brown	June 11, 2019	<a href="#">March 4, 2025</a>	Anticipated Summer 2026.

Updates on STRs could include, but are not limited to, revenue reports, hotline usage, and software updates.

## **Subcommittees, Work Groups, & Task Forces**

### **Boards & Commissions (B&C) Subcommittee**

File ID:	Co-chairs:	Referral Date:	Last Presented:	Status:
<a href="#">0234-25</a>	S. Lynch/D. Wu	October 24, 2024	<a href="#">July 1, 2025</a>	Anticipated Fall 2026.

This item is a result of the comprehensive review of all boards and commissions, which included an external assessment by CivicLex. CivicLex presented [its results](#) to the council on [March 4, 2025](#), outlining several recommendations for the council's consideration. This [subcommittee](#), led by VM Wu and CM Lynch, will prioritize, evaluate, and implement those recommendations.