



**LEXINGTON AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION**  
*Transportation Planning for Fayette and Jessamine Counties*

March 21, 2024

Ms. Jada Griggs  
Sustainability Program Manager  
Division of Environmental Services  
Lexington Fayette Urban County Government  
200 East Main Street  
Lexington, KY 40507

RE: City of Lexington's Climate Pollution Reduction Grants (CPRG) Program: Implementation Grant

Dear Ms. Griggs,

Please accept this letter on behalf of the Transportation Policy Committee (TPC) of the Lexington Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) in support of the City of Lexington's CPRG Implementation Grant. Sustainability is a key regional goal of our 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan to ensure "our transportation system is sustainable and does not significantly contribute to climate change." Lexington's CPRG implementation project would address several objectives related to this goal including to:

- Achieve net zero carbon emissions from the transportation sector by 2050
- Reduce transportation sector air quality pollutants
- Increase electric vehicle charging and alternative fuels infrastructure

The Lextran Electric Vehicle Shelter & Charging Infrastructure project is critical to achieving the transition of Lexington's transit fleet to more sustainable fuel sources. The lack of charging infrastructure is a significant impediment to the fleet's transition. Securing federal funding to construct the canopy will enable Lextran and the MPO to continue to focus our financial resources on the purchase of electric buses.

The MPO also supports and is prepared to lead the Electric Vehicle Charging Need Study with our regional partners. We are eager to identify a recommended course of action to increase EV and alternative fuel infrastructure through both public and private resources, through policy, and by supporting related projects.

We look forward to advancing these projects through our continued partnerships with the City of Lexington, Kentucky Transportation Cabinet, Lextran and the Federal Highway Administration. If the MPO staff can be of further assistance in advancing this project, please contact me at your convenience.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Christopher Evilia", is written over a blue circular line.

Christopher Evilia, AICP  
Transportation Planning Manager  
Lexington Area Metropolitan Planning Organization