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2018 Lexington-Fayette County Mayoral Forum Welcomes Public Input

LEXINGTON, KY (August 20, 2018)- AARP Kentucky, Fayette Alliance, Fayette County Farm Bureau, Fayette County Neighborhood Council, and Kentucky Thoroughbred Association will host a 2018 Lexington-Fayette County Mayoral Forum, moderated by WKYT's Bill Bryant, on October 2, 2018 at the Farish Theater within the Central Branch of the Lexington Public Library. Topics of focus for the event are land use, neighborhoods, senior issues, and quality of life. In addition, residents of Fayette County are encouraged to submit questions for consideration at any local Lexington Public Library location or at the following link: bit.ly/lexingtonmayor.

Questions will be gathered by Library staff and through the online form until September 23, 2018. Select questions will be posed during the forum to the candidates during the hour-long event.

"One of the central functions of local government is regulation of land uses through planning and zoning laws," said Susan Speckert, J.D., Executive Director at Fayette Alliance. "These laws provide the means for a community to express a vision of what it wants to be. This forum allows the mayoral candidates a chance to share their vision for Lexington-Fayette County and allow voters the opportunity to become more engaged and informed in the local process."

In addition to the live forum at Farish Theater, AARP Kentucky will host a live watch party at the Lexington Public Library Northside Branch. The children's area of the Central Branch will have a screen for additional viewing and a livestream of the event will be available online at WKYT.com. At the conclusion of the forum, the candidates will convene for a public meet-and-greet in the Central Library Gallery. Light refreshments will be served.

The Farish Theater doors will open at 5:30 PM and the Forum will begin sharply at 6 PM on October 2, 2018. No registration is required to attend the forum or the Northside Branch watch party. Free parking will be available downtown in the Central Branch parking garage, the Helix on Main parking garage, and at any metered spot after 5 PM.

Due to time constraints, there is a limit to the number of submitted questions that will be asked during the forum, however, organizers will provide a copy of all questions received to the candidates following the event.