

## Public Notice of Intent to Apply Section 4(f) *De Minimis* Rule KYTC Item No. 3-80052

## KY 234/Hampton Drive/Kereiakes Park Intersection Improvements

Please provide comments by February 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

In compliance with Section 4(f) of the U.S. Department of Transportation Act of 1966 (49 USC 303), hereinafter referred to as "Section 4(f)," and its implementing regulations codified at 23 CFR Part 774, the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) in cooperation with the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet (KYTC) provides notice to the public of its intent to make a *de minimis* impact or "no adverse effect" determination under Section 4(f) regarding the impacts of the proposed intersection improvement project to Kereiakes Park—a Section 4(f) protected property.

There are currently no left turn lanes onto St Joseph Lane, Kereiakes Park, Hampton Drive or Hayes Lane. Along with congestion issues caused by heavy traffic volumes, the lack of left turn lanes at these intersections has motorists stopping in the through lanes to make left turns which leads to rear-end collisions.

Following an August 2023 Public Meeting and comment period, the project team recommended Alternative 1, a standard left turn lane intersection, as the Preferred Alternative. It was the least impactful to the park and nearby properties, it was favored by the public 80%, it effectively addressed the purpose of the project, and was the most economical alternative.

Kereiakes Park comprises nearly 50 acres. The Alternative would have minor property impacts, requiring 0.2-acre of permanent right-of-way from the park and 0.5-acre of temporary construction easement along park frontage. None of the park facilities would be impacted by the project. These minor property impacts would not affect the activities, features, or attributes that make the park a Section 4(f) protected property.

Pursuant to 23 CFR 774.5(b)(2), notice is hereby provided of the proposed *de minimis* determination. Comments regarding the proposed projects impacts to Section 4(f) protected Kereiakes Park and intended *de minimis* impact finding may be submitted to KYTC during the 15-day comment period to:

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