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BALLARD, CARLISLE,
MARSHALL, AND MCCrackEN
COUNTIES

March 5, 2026

The Honorable James Comer
United States House of Representatives
2410 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congressman Comer:

As the state senator representing the 2nd Senate District, I write to express my full support for the federal funding request submitted on behalf of the City of Kevil. If awarded, these funds will be used for vital repairs and upgrades to the city's waste water treatment facility.

The City of Kevil is currently under a "no-tap" ban, which was issued by the Kentucky Division of Water due to the ongoing issues with the plant's aging infrastructure. This project would allow the city to bring the facility back into compliance, further solidifying the region's economic development efforts while also providing support for existing customers.

I greatly appreciate your consideration of this request and welcome you to contact my office if I can provide any additional information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Danny Carroll".

Danny Carroll
State Senator

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Commonwealth of Kentucky

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

STATE REPRESENTATIVE
1ST LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT
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STEVEN J. RUDY
Majority Floor Leader

March 2, 2026

The Honorable James Comer
United States House of Representatives
2410 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congressman Comer:

As the state representative for the 1st House District, I write to express my full support for the City of Kevil's request for \$5.4 million in Community Project Funding for repairs and upgrades to the local wastewater treatment facility. This includes improvements to the aging infrastructure, the removal of lagoon sludge buildup that reduces storage capacity, and the installation of new mechanisms to improve efficiency.

The project will help the city's current and future growth, including the development of the West Kentucky Technology Park, the expansion of available land in the city for increased business capacity, and the potential addition of at least 60 new homes to meet workforce housing needs. In addition, obtaining funding for this project would enhance the quality of service for the city's current sewer customers while ensuring that their monthly bill remains affordable.

Thank you for this opportunity to apply for such an important project. Please do not hesitate to contact my office if I can provide any additional information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Steven J. Rudy". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Steven J. Rudy
Kentucky House of Representatives
House District 1

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RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY OF BALLARD

2027 Community Economic Development Initiative Community Project Funding

2026-03-03-001

CITY OF KEVIL WASTE WATER TREATMENT PLANT PROJECT

The COUNTY OF BALLARD does hereby resolve as follows:

WHEREAS, the City of Kevil is charged with providing clean-safe water and waste water services to the residents and businesses in Kevil and Bandana, KY; the Kentucky Division of Water has placed a “no tap ban” on any new waste water additions, keeping the city from new growth; the city has hired Klingner and Associates to study the city waste water facility and upgrade needs, including cost estimates for repairs and upgrades to the facility; the city has actively sought funding through federal and state sources to help with the repair costs, without success; the Purchase Area Development District water management council has ranked the project number one in the eight county region of 40 water districts, to the KIA and submitted the Project to KIA; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by and through the City of Kevil, is asking for Congressional Funding to help offset the project costs and that:

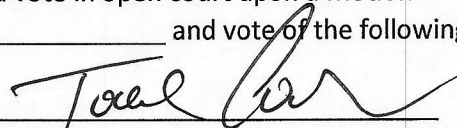
WHEREAS, the city of Kevil wishes to be included in the 2027 Community Economic Development Initiative Community Project Funding in the U.S. House of Representatives; the city of Kevil wishes to utilize the U.S. Interior-Environment STAG and/or THUD Economic Development funds; and

WHEREAS, The City of Kevil wishes to utilize Federal Legislative funds to provide for the project; the city of Kevil is aware local match is required and has been and is actively seeking state funding and other sources of local match funds for the project; the COUNTY agrees to support the Federal application and assist the city with finding local matching funds and or state matching funds; and

NOW THEREFORE, The County of Ballard wishes to support the city of Kevil 2027 Community Economic Development Initiative Community Project Funding in the U.S. House of Representatives on behalf of Kevil-Ballard County and enters said resolution.

The Foregoing Resolution having been presented to the Ballard Fiscal Court during its regular session this the **3rd day of March, 2026** and has been brought to a vote in open court upon a Motion by Jody, second by Ryan and vote of the following:

Aye: 5 Nay: 0


Todd Cooper, Ballard County Judge Executive

ATTEST: Katie Mercer CBCC MW pc
Katie Mercer, Ballard County Clerk



February 27, 2026

Congressman James Comer
2410 Rayburn HOB
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congressman Comer:

Ballard EDC is writing to express our full support for the City of Kevil's request for federal appropriations to fund critical repairs and upgrades to its wastewater treatment facility.

Currently, the City of Kevil is under a "no-tap" ban from the Kentucky Division of Water due to ongoing issues with the wastewater treatment plant. The system is in urgent need of repair and modernization. If awarded, this funding will play a vital role in supporting both the City's immediate infrastructure needs and its long-term growth and development, including expansion of the West Kentucky Technology Park in Kevil.

The 30-acre technology park is currently home to five businesses employing approximately 20 individuals. With recent announcements at the Paducah DOE site, the park has the potential to expand business capacity and generate 50 or more additional jobs. Furthermore, at least 25 additional acres within or serviced by the City could be developed to support future business growth. County and City leaders are also working with a private landowner to develop at least 60 new homes in the Kevil area, helping to meet workforce housing needs associated with the DOE-Paducah site.

The City has already demonstrated its commitment to infrastructure improvements by partnering with Paducah Water to ensure freshwater redundancy and accommodate future growth. That system is now online and was funded locally. However, the City does not have the financial capacity to address the necessary wastewater plant upgrades without federal assistance.

We are very enthusiastic about this project. Securing this funding will sustain the strong momentum currently building in Kevil and McCracken County, while ensuring that essential infrastructure keeps pace with economic development. Continued investment is critical to improving our community and supporting responsible growth.

Sincerely,

Jerry Pace, Executive Director
Ballard EDC

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Travis Holder and Terry Simmons

Congressman James Comer
2410 Rayburn HOB
Washington, D.C. 20515

February 26, 2026

Subject: Letter of Support for the City of Kevil Appropriation for Wastewater Treatment Plant repairs and upgrades

Dear Congressman Comer:

I am writing to offer my full support of the City of Kevil Federal Appropriation for the Wastewater treatment facility repairs and upgrades. Currently, the city of Kevil is under a "no-tap" ban from the Ky Division of Water due to the Wastewater treatment plant issues. The system is in dire need of repairs and upgrades. The funding, if awarded, will help the City current and future growth and development of the West Ky Technology Park in Kevil. The thirty (30) acre park is home to five businesses currently with around 20 (+/-) employees. The park could increase business capacity and job growth by fifty or more due to recent announcements at the Paducah DOE site. At least 25 more acres in the city and/or serviced by the city could be developed for future business growth as well. County and City leaders have been collaborating with a private landowner to develop at least sixty new homes in the Kevil area, which could provide workforce housing needs at the DOE-Paducah site.

The city has partnered with Paducah Water for freshwater redundancy and future growth needs; this system is now online. The city was able to fund the project in house, however, the city needs funding assistance to tackle the wastewater plant issues.

The IDA is currently trying to develop a new forty-acre, sixty-one lot subdivision in the Kevil area and will be utilizing the Kevil City water and wastewater system. The project cannot proceed until the wastewater issues are resolved.

We are extremely excited about the project and if the city is awarded the funding it will keep the enthusiasm and momentum going for the city and the County as well as meet the city infrastructure needs going forward.

Sincerely,

Kreg Denton,
Ballard IDA Chair



BALLARD COUNTY FISCAL COURT

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To: Congressman James Comer
2410 Rayburn HOB
Washington, D.C. 20515

February 18, 2026

Subject: Letter of Support for the City of Kevil Appropriation for Waste Water Treatment Plant repairs and upgrades

Dear Congressman Comer:

I am writing to offer my full support of the City of Kevil Federal Appropriation for the Waste Water treatment facility repairs and upgrades. Currently, the city of Kevil is under a "no-tap" ban from the Ky Division of Water due to the Waste Water treatment plant issues. The system is in dire need of repairs and upgrades. The funding, if awarded, will help the City current and future growth and development of the West Ky Technology Park in Kevil. The thirty (30) acre park is home to five businesses currently with around 20 (+/-) employees. The park could increase business capacity and job growth by 50 or more due to recent announcements at the Paducah DOE site. At least 25 more acres in the city and/or serviced by the city could be developed for future business growth as well. County and City leaders have been working with a private land owner to develop at least 60 new homes in the Kevil area, which could provide workforce housing needs at the DOE-Paducah site.

The city has partnered with Paducah Water for fresh water redundancy and future growth needs. The system is on line. The city was able to fund the project in house. However, the city needs funding assistance to tackle the waste water plant issues.

We are very excited about the project and if the city is awarded the funding it will keep the enthusiasm and momentum going for the city and the County as well as meet the city infrastructure needs going forward. We need to continue improving the city and county at large and this funding will help keep the momentum.

Sincerely,

Todd Cooper, Ballard County Judge Executive

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF KEVIL

2026- 03-06-01

WASTE WATER TREATMENT FACILITIES PROJECT

WHEREAS, the City of Kevil is charged with providing clean and safe water and waste water services to the residents and businesses in Kevil and Bandana, KY; the city’s wastewater facility is operating under an Agreed Order (Case No. DOW-20-3-0027) and a sewer “tap-on ban”; the city has hired Klingner and Associates to study the city’s waste water facilities and upgrade needs; the city has actively sought funding through federal and state sources, without success; and

Whereas, the City of Kevil’s waste water project is shown as SX21007021 on the Kentucky Infrastructure Authority’s (KIA) Project Profile database and the Purchase Area Development District water management council has ranked the Kevil project number one in the eight-county region; and

WHEREAS, the project cost is estimated at 5.4 million dollars, which will place an undue hardship on the citizens of Kevil if funding assistance is not obtained; and

WHEREAS, the City of Kevil is seeking Congressional Funding for the waste water system improvements and wishes to receive Fiscal Year 2027 Community Project Funding; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. House of Representatives Appropriations Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies has under its jurisdiction accounts from the Environmental Protection Agency (US EPA), State and Tribal Assistance Grant (STAG) – Clean Water State Revolving Fund; and

WHEREAS, the City of Kevil wishes to utilize funds from US EPA’s STAG Clean Water State Revolving Fund.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the City of Kevil expresses its full support of the request for Congressional Funding of the waste water system improvements from US EPA STAG funds in the amount of \$ 4,320,000 and provide a local match of 20% in the amount of \$ 1,080,000 to be obtained from other funding sources and agrees to comply with all requirements of the funding agency when award is provided.

The Foregoing Resolution having been presented to the Kevil City Council during its regular open session this the 6th day of **March, 2026** and has been brought to a vote in an open meeting upon a Motion

by Commissioner ^{Walt} Burnley, second by Commissioner ^{Debbie} Bridges and vote of the following:

Aye: 4 Nay: 0

Charles Burnley
Charles Burnley, Kevil Mayor

ATTEST: Christy Bishop
Christy Bishop, Kevil City Clerk