

***KNOX COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
LEGISLATIVE SESSION***

The Knox County Board of Commissioners met in Regular Session to consider the Legislative Agenda on Monday, November 18, 2024 at 5:00 p.m. in the Main Assembly Room of the City-County Building, Main Street. Those members present were Commissioners Damon Rawls, Courtney Durrett, Gina Oster, Shane Jackson, Angela Russell, Terry Hill, Rhonda Lee, Adam Thompson, Andy Fox, Larsen Jay and Kim Frazier. Also present were Mr. Mike Moyers, Knox County Senior Deputy Law Director, Mr. Tom Spangler, Knox County Sheriff, Mr. David Buuck, Knox County Law Director, Mr. Chris Caldwell, Knox County Finance Director, Mr. Jim Snowden, Director for Knox County Engineering and Public Works, Mr. Jon Rysewyk, Superintendent for Knox County Schools, and members of the news media.

Commissioner Oster, Madam Chair, presided.

The following proceedings were had and entered of record to-wit:

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**IN RE:      ROLL CALL:**

Mrs. Haley Wilson, Clerk Recorder, called the roll.

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**IN RE:      DEVOTIONAL:**

Mr. Pramanand Mauni, Priest at the Hindu Community Center, gave the devotional.

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**IN RE:      PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG:**

Commissioner Durrett led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

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**IN RE:      AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA:**

1. Commissioner Jay moved to amend the agenda to defer the following items to the December 2024 meeting: Item #25 - Resolution R-24-11-404 - Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving a Memorandum of Understanding with D.R. Horton, Inc. for road improvements at two intersections, Tipton Station Road at Martin Mill Pike (West) and Maryville Pike at Tipton Station Road; and Item #29 - Resolution R-24-11-802 - Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, establishing the 2814 Tipton Station Road Residential Infrastructure Development District. Commissioner Durrett seconded the motion and upon roll

call vote Commissioners Rawls, Durrett, Oster, Jackson, Russell, Hill, Lee, Thompson, Fox, Jay and Frazier voted aye. The motion carried 11-0-0-0.

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**IN RE: EDUCATION CONSENT CALENDAR:**

**IN RE: CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMISSION OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, APPROVING A LICENSE AGREEMENT WITH KNOXVILLE EXPO CENTER, LLC FOR USE OF EXHIBIT HALL SPACE FOR THE 2025 KNOX COUNTY SCHOOLS NUTRITION FOOD SHOW AT A COST OF \$8,684.50 - R-24-11-201:**

Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving a License Agreement with Knoxville Expo Center, LLC for use of exhibit hall space for the 2025 Knox County Schools Nutrition Food Show at a cost of \$8,684.50 was before the Board of Commissioners.

Commissioner Jay moved to approve Resolution R-24-11-201 - Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving a License Agreement with Knoxville Expo Center, LLC for use of exhibit hall space for the 2025 Knox County Schools Nutrition Food Show at a cost of \$8,684.50. Commissioner Durrett seconded the motion and upon roll call vote Commissioners Rawls, Durrett, Oster, Jackson, Russell, Hill, Lee, Thompson, Fox, Jay and Frazier voted aye. The motion carried 11-0-0-0.

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**IN RE: CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMISSION OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, APPROVING A SUBSCRIPTION AGREEMENT WITH LINKEDIN RELATED TO TARGETED RECRUITMENT EFFORTS AT A COST OF \$11,347.50 - R-24-11-202:**

Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving a Subscription Agreement with LinkedIn related to targeted recruitment efforts at a cost of \$11,347.50 was before the Board of Commissioners.

Commissioner Jay moved to approve Resolution R-24-11-202 - Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving a Subscription Agreement with LinkedIn related to targeted recruitment efforts at a cost of \$11,347.50. Commissioner Durrett seconded the motion and upon roll call vote Commissioners Rawls, Durrett, Oster, Jackson, Russell, Hill, Lee, Thompson, Fox, Jay and Frazier voted aye. The motion carried 11-0-0-0.

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**IN RE: CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMISSION OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, APPROVING TERMS AND CONDITIONS WITH AVID CENTER FOR AVID PROGRAMMING AT KCS MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOLS AT AN ESTIMATED ANNUAL COST UP TO**

**\$50,000.00 FOR THE 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR, WHICH MAY BE EXTENDED FOR FOUR (4) ADDITIONAL YEARS - R-24-11-203:**

Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving Terms and Conditions with AVID Center for AVID programming at KCS Middle and High Schools at an estimated annual cost up to \$50,000.00 for the 2024-2025 school year, which may be extended for four (4) additional years was before the Board of Commissioners.

Commissioner Jay moved to approve Resolution R-24-11-203 - Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving Terms and Conditions with AVID Center for AVID programming at KCS Middle and High Schools at an estimated annual cost up to \$50,000.00 for the 2024-2025 school year, which may be extended for four (4) additional years. Commissioner Durrett seconded the motion and upon roll call vote Commissioners Rawls, Durrett, Oster, Jackson, Russell, Hill, Lee, Thompson, Fox, Jay and Frazier voted aye. The motion carried 11-0-0-0.

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**IN RE: CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMISSION OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, APPROVING CONTRACTS WITH GIBSON CONSULTING GROUP, INC. AND WESTED FOR THE PROVISION OF GENERAL EXTERNAL EVALUATOR SERVICES FOR FUTURE GRANT-FUNDED PROJECTS FOR A TERM OF DECEMBER 1, 2024 THROUGH NOVEMBER 30, 2025, WHICH MAY BE EXTENDED FOR SIX (6) ADDITIONAL YEARS - R-24-11-204:**

Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving contracts with Gibson Consulting Group, Inc. and WestEd for the provision of General External Evaluator Services for future grant-funded projects for a term of December 1, 2024 through November 30, 2025, which may be extended for six (6) additional years was before the Board of Commissioners.

Commissioner Jay moved to approve Resolution R-24-11-204 - Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving contracts with Gibson Consulting Group, Inc. and WestEd for the provision of General External Evaluator Services for future grant-funded projects for a term of December 1, 2024 through November 30, 2025, which may be extended for six (6) additional years. Commissioner Durrett seconded the motion and upon roll call vote Commissioners Rawls, Durrett, Oster, Jackson, Russell, Hill, Lee, Thompson, Fox, Jay and Frazier voted aye. The motion carried 11-0-0-0.

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**IN RE: CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMISSION OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, APPROVING FISCAL YEAR 2025 CENTRAL CAFETERIA FUND BALANCE DESIGNATIONS IN THE**

**AMOUNT OF \$250,000.00 FOR SMALL EQUIPMENT PURCHASES AND IN THE AMOUNT OF \$300,000.00 FOR LARGE EQUIPMENT PURCHASES - R-24-11-205:**

Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving Fiscal Year 2025 Central Cafeteria Fund Balance Designations in the amount of \$250,000.00 for small equipment purchases and in the amount of \$300,000.00 for large equipment purchases was before the Board of Commissioners.

Commissioner Jay moved to approve Resolution R-24-11-205 - Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving Fiscal Year 2025 Central Cafeteria Fund Balance Designations in the amount of \$250,000.00 for small equipment purchases and in the amount of \$300,000.00 for large equipment purchases. Commissioner Durrett seconded the motion and upon roll call vote Commissioners Rawls, Durrett, Oster, Jackson, Russell, Hill, Lee, Thompson, Fox, Jay and Frazier voted aye. The motion carried 11-0-0-0.

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**IN RE: CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMISSION OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION STATE SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,026,435.86 - R-24-11-206:**

Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, authorizing the acceptance of a Tennessee Department of Education State School Improvement Grant in the amount of \$2,026,435.86 was before the Board of Commissioners.

Commissioner Jay moved to approve Resolution R-24-11-206 - Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, authorizing the acceptance of a Tennessee Department of Education State School Improvement Grant in the amount of \$2,026,435.86. Commissioner Durrett seconded the motion and upon roll call vote Commissioners Rawls, Durrett, Oster, Jackson, Russell, Hill, Lee, Thompson, Fox, Jay and Frazier voted aye. The motion carried 11-0-0-0.

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**IN RE: CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMISSION OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT FUNDS AND DONATIONS FOR THE KNOX COUNTY SCHOOLS AS SHOWN ON THE ATTACHED LIST AND IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$11,000.00 - R-24-11-207:**

Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, authorizing the acceptance of grant funds and donations for the Knox

County Schools as shown on the attached list and in the total amount of \$11,000.00 was before the Board of Commissioners.

Commissioner Jay moved to approve Resolution R-24-11-207 - Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, authorizing the acceptance of grant funds and donations for the Knox County Schools as shown on the attached list and in the total amount of \$11,000.00. Commissioner Durrett seconded the motion and upon roll call vote Commissioners Rawls, Durrett, Oster, Jackson, Russell, Hill, Lee, Thompson, Fox, Jay and Frazier voted aye. The motion carried 11-0-0-0.

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**IN RE: GENERAL GOVERNMENT CONSENT CALENDAR:**

**IN RE: CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMISSION OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, ACCEPTING THE RESIGNATION OF RILEY LOVINGOOD (DISTRICT 4) FROM THE KNOX COUNTY BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS AND APPOINTING ASHLEY WILLIAMS TO COMPLETE THE UNFULFILLED TERM OF RILEY LOVINGOOD ON THE BOARD, WHICH TERM EXPIRES SEPTEMBER 30, 2025 - R-24-11-110:**

Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, accepting the resignation of Riley Lovingood (District 4) from the Knox County Board of Zoning Appeals and appointing Ashley Williams to complete the unfulfilled term of Riley Lovingood on the Board, which term expires September 30, 2025 was before the Board of Commissioners.

Commissioner Jay moved to approve Resolution R-24-11-110 - Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, accepting the resignation of Riley Lovingood (District 4) from the Knox County Board of Zoning Appeals and appointing Ashley Williams to complete the unfulfilled term of Riley Lovingood on the Board, which term expires September 30, 2025. Commissioner Durrett seconded the motion and upon roll call vote Commissioners Rawls, Durrett, Oster, Jackson, Russell, Hill, Lee, Thompson, Fox, Jay and Frazier voted aye. The motion carried 11-0-0-0.

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**IN RE: CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMISSION OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, ACCEPTING THE RESIGNATION OF SUSAN ALEXANDER (DISTRICT 7 SEAT) FROM THE KNOX COUNTY LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD AND APPOINTING DEBI STAFFORD TO COMPLETE THE UNFULFILLED TERM OF MS. ALEXANDER ON THE BOARD, WHICH TERM EXPIRES JULY 1, 2025 - R-24-11-111:**

Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, accepting the resignation of Susan Alexander (District 7 Seat) from the

Knox County Library Advisory Board and appointing Debi Stafford to complete the unfulfilled term of Ms. Alexander on the Board, which term expires July 1, 2025 was before the Board of Commissioners.

Commissioner Jay moved to approve Resolution R-24-11-111 - Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, accepting the resignation of Susan Alexander (District 7 Seat) from the Knox County Library Advisory Board and appointing Debi Stafford to complete the unfulfilled term of Ms. Alexander on the Board, which term expires July 1, 2025. Commissioner Durrett seconded the motion and upon roll call vote Commissioners Rawls, Durrett, Oster, Jackson, Russell, Hill, Lee, Thompson, Fox, Jay and Frazier voted aye. The motion carried 11-0-0-0.

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**IN RE: CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMISSION OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, APPROVING A LETTER OF AGREEMENT – DIRECT APPROPRIATION GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$548,028.75 WITH THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION, OFFICE OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE PROGRAMS FOR THE PROVISION OF MENTAL HEALTH TRANSPORTATION (NO LOCAL MATCH REQUIRED) - R-24-11-301:**

Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving a Letter of Agreement – Direct Appropriation Grant in the amount of \$548,028.75 with the State of Tennessee, Department of Finance and Administration, Office of Criminal Justice Programs for the provision of mental health transportation (no local match required) was before the Board of Commissioners.

Commissioner Jay moved to approve Resolution R-24-11-301 - Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving a Letter of Agreement – Direct Appropriation Grant in the amount of \$548,028.75 with the State of Tennessee, Department of Finance and Administration, Office of Criminal Justice Programs for the provision of mental health transportation (no local match required). Commissioner Durrett seconded the motion and upon roll call vote Commissioners Rawls, Durrett, Oster, Jackson, Russell, Hill, Lee, Thompson, Fox, Jay and Frazier voted aye. The motion carried 11-0-0-0.

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**IN RE: CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMISSION OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, APPROVING A LETTER OF AGREEMENT - DIRECT APPROPRIATION GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$50,143.72 WITH THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION, OFFICE OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE**

**PROGRAMS FOR THE PROVISION OF THE ELECTRONIC MONITORING INDIGENCY FUND (NO LOCAL MATCH REQUIRED) - R-24-11-302:**

Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving a Letter of Agreement - Direct Appropriation Grant in the amount of \$50,143.72 with the State of Tennessee, Department of Finance and Administration, Office of Criminal Justice Programs for the provision of the electronic monitoring indigency fund (no local match required) was before the Board of Commissioners.

Commissioner Jay moved to approve Resolution R-24-11-302 - Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving a Letter of Agreement - Direct Appropriation Grant in the amount of \$50,143.72 with the State of Tennessee, Department of Finance and Administration, Office of Criminal Justice Programs for the provision of the electronic monitoring indigency fund (no local match required). Commissioner Durrett seconded the motion and upon roll call vote Commissioners Rawls, Durrett, Oster, Jackson, Russell, Hill, Lee, Thompson, Fox, Jay and Frazier voted aye. The motion carried 11-0-0-0.

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**IN RE: CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMISSION OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, APPROVING A CHANGE ORDER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$536,789.00 FOR REIMBURSABLE EXPENSES TO COMPLETE THE CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERING AND INSPECTION FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A BRIDGE ON BALL CAMP PIKE OVER THE CSX RAILROAD (INCREASES THE TOTAL CONTRACT FOR THESE SERVICES WITH CSX TO \$1,783,638.00) - R-24-11-401:**

Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving a Change Order in the amount of \$536,789.00 for reimbursable expenses to complete the construction engineering and inspection for the construction of a bridge on Ball Camp Pike over the CSX railroad (increases the total contract for these services with CSX to \$1,783,638.00) was before the Board of Commissioners.

Commissioner Jay moved to approve Resolution R-24-11-401 - Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving a Change Order in the amount of \$536,789.00 for reimbursable expenses to complete the construction engineering and inspection for the construction of a bridge on Ball Camp Pike over the CSX railroad (increases the total contract for these services with CSX to \$1,783,638.00). Commissioner Durrett seconded the motion and upon roll call vote Commissioners Rawls, Durrett, Oster, Jackson, Russell, Hill, Lee, Thompson, Fox, Jay and Frazier voted aye. The motion carried 11-0-0-0.

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**IN RE: CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMISSION OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, APPROVING CONTRACTS WITH BDG TREES, LLC AND UTILITY ARBORIST OF TENNESSEE, LLC FOR THE PROVISION OF TREE TRIMMING AND REMOVAL SERVICES – R-24-11-402:**

Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving contracts with BDG Trees, LLC and Utility Arborist of Tennessee, LLC for the provision of tree trimming and removal services was before the Board of Commissioners.

Commissioner Jay moved to approve Resolution R-24-11-402 - Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving contracts with BDG Trees, LLC and Utility Arborist of Tennessee, LLC for the provision of tree trimming and removal services. Commissioner Durrett seconded the motion and upon roll call vote Commissioners Rawls, Durrett, Oster, Jackson, Russell, Hill, Lee, Thompson, Fox, Jay and Frazier voted aye. The motion carried 11-0-0-0.

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**IN RE: CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMISSION OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, APPROVING A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH CALLOWAY OIL COMPANY FOR ROAD IMPROVEMENTS TO SCHAAD ROAD AND JOHNSON ROAD, INCLUDING INSTALLATION OF TURN LANES AND A TRAFFIC SIGNAL - R-24-11-403:**

Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving a Memorandum of Understanding with Calloway Oil Company for road improvements to Schaad Road and Johnson Road, including installation of turn lanes and a traffic signal was before the Board of Commissioners.

Commissioner Jay moved to approve Resolution R-24-11-403 - Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving a Memorandum of Understanding with Calloway Oil Company for road improvements to Schaad Road and Johnson Road, including installation of turn lanes and a traffic signal. Commissioner Durrett seconded the motion and upon roll call vote Commissioners Rawls, Durrett, Oster, Jackson, Russell, Hill, Lee, Thompson, Fox, Jay and Frazier voted aye. The motion carried 11-0-0-0.

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**IN RE: CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMISSION OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, APPROVING A PROJECT-BASED MASTER SUBSCRIPTION SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH ELATION SYSTEMS, INC. FOR SOFTWARE THAT WILL FACILITATE DAVIS BACON**



**COMPLIANCE ON FEDERALLY FUNDED CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS  
ADMINISTERED BY KNOX COUNTY GRANTS AND COMMUNITY  
DEVELOPMENT - R-24-11-502:**

Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving a project-based Master Subscription Service Agreement with Elation Systems, Inc. for software that will facilitate Davis Bacon compliance on federally funded construction projects administered by Knox County Grants and Community Development was before the Board of Commissioners.

Commissioner Jay moved to approve Resolution R-24-11-502 - Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving a project-based Master Subscription Service Agreement with Elation Systems, Inc. for software that will facilitate Davis Bacon compliance on federally funded construction projects administered by Knox County Grants and Community Development. Commissioner Durrett seconded the motion and upon roll call vote Commissioners Rawls, Durrett, Oster, Jackson, Russell, Hill, Lee, Thompson, Fox, Jay and Frazier voted aye. The motion carried 11-0-0-0.

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**IN RE: CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMISSION  
OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, APPROVING AMENDMENT TWO TO A  
GRANT CONTRACT WITH THE TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH  
FOR THE PROVISION OF PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY  
PREPAREDNESS (PHEP) PROGRAM SERVICES, WHICH AMENDMENT  
INCREASES THE MAXIMUM LIABILITY OF THE STATE UNDER THE  
GRANT CONTRACT BY \$96,306.00 FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT OF  
\$3,105,625.00 (NO LOCAL MATCH REQUIRED) - R-24-11-601:**

Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving Amendment Two to a Grant Contract with the Tennessee Department of Health for the provision of Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP) program services, which amendment increases the maximum liability of the State under the Grant Contract by \$96,306.00 for a total amount of \$3,105,625.00 (no local match required) was before the Board of Commissioners.

Commissioner Jay moved to approve Resolution R-24-11-601 - Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving Amendment Two to a Grant Contract with the Tennessee Department of Health for the provision of Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP) program services, which amendment increases the maximum liability of the State under the Grant Contract by \$96,306.00 for a total amount of \$3,105,625.00 (no local match required). Commissioner Durrett seconded the motion and upon roll call vote Commissioners Rawls, Durrett, Oster, Jackson, Russell, Hill, Lee, Thompson, Fox, Jay and Frazier voted aye. The motion carried 11-0-0-0.

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**IN RE: CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMISSION OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, APPROVING A CHANGE ORDER TO THE AGREEMENT WITH TRANE U.S. INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$276,484.00 FOR ADDITIONAL WORK ON TRANE ENERGY SERVICES PROJECT PHASE 3B - R-24-11-801:**

Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving a Change Order to the agreement with Trane U.S. Inc. in the amount of \$276,484.00 for additional work on Trane Energy Services Project Phase 3B was before the Board of Commissioners.

Commissioner Jay moved to approve Resolution R-24-11-801 - Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving a Change Order to the agreement with Trane U.S. Inc. in the amount of \$276,484.00 for additional work on Trane Energy Services Project Phase 3B. Commissioner Durrett seconded the motion and upon roll call vote Commissioners Rawls, Durrett, Oster, Jackson, Russell, Hill, Lee, Thompson, Fox, Jay and Frazier voted aye. The motion carried 11-0-0-0.

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**IN RE: CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMISSION OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, APPROVING A FISCAL YEAR 2025 BUDGET AMENDMENT TO INCREASE THE TOTAL BUDGET IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,506,250.00 FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING AN ADDITIONAL 2% RAISE FOR COUNTY EMPLOYEES, MAKING THE TOTAL RAISE APPROXIMATELY 4% FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025 (2 STEPS + 2%), BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2025 - R-24-11-901:**

Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving a Fiscal Year 2025 Budget Amendment to increase the total budget in the amount of \$1,506,250.00 for the purpose of providing an additional 2% raise for county employees, making the total raise approximately 4% for Fiscal Year 2025 (2 Steps + 2%), beginning January 1, 2025 was before the Board of Commissioners.

Commissioner Jay moved to approve Resolution R-24-11-901 - Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving a Fiscal Year 2025 Budget Amendment to increase the total budget in the amount of \$1,506,250.00 for the purpose of providing an additional 2% raise for county employees, making the total raise approximately 4% for Fiscal Year 2025 (2 Steps + 2%), beginning January 1, 2025. Commissioner Durrett seconded the motion and upon roll call vote Commissioners Rawls, Durrett, Oster, Jackson, Russell, Hill, Lee, Thompson, Fox, Jay and Frazier voted aye. The motion carried 11-0-0-0.

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**IN RE: CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMISSION OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, DELETING USE RESTRICTIONS FROM THE FORKS OF THE RIVER INDUSTRIAL PARK OPERATING DOCUMENTS - R-24-11-902:**

Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, deleting use restrictions from the Forks of the River Industrial Park operating documents was before the Board of Commissioners.

Commissioner Jay moved to approve Resolution R-24-11-902 - Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, deleting use restrictions from the Forks of the River Industrial Park operating documents. Commissioner Durrett seconded the motion and upon roll call vote Commissioners Rawls, Durrett, Oster, Jackson, Russell, Hill, Lee, Thompson, Fox, Jay and Frazier voted aye. The motion carried 11-0-0-0.

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**IN RE: HONORARY RESOLUTION:**

**IN RE: CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMISSION OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, HONORING OFFICER TUCKER BLAKELY FOR HIS SERVICE AND ULTIMATE SACRIFICE TO THE CITIZENS OF KNOX COUNTY WITH THE PLACEMENT OF A PERMANENT MEMORIAL AT THE INTERSECTION OF EMORY ROAD AND BRICKYARD ROAD, AS WELL AS NAMING THE BRIDGE OVER BEAVER CREEK ON BRICKYARD ROAD IN HIS MEMORY - R-24-11-101:**

Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, honoring Officer Tucker Blakely for his service and ultimate sacrifice to the citizens of Knox County with the placement of a permanent memorial at the intersection of Emory Road and Brickyard Road, as well as naming the bridge over Beaver Creek on Brickyard Road in his memory was before the Board of Commissioners.

Commissioner Lee moved to approve Resolution R-24-11-101 - Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, honoring Officer Tucker Blakely for his service and ultimate sacrifice to the citizens of Knox County with the placement of a permanent memorial at the intersection of Emory Road and Brickyard Road, as well as naming the bridge over Beaver Creek on Brickyard Road in his memory. Commissioner Frazier seconded the motion and upon roll call vote Commissioners Rawls, Durrett, Oster, Jackson, Russell, Hill, Lee, Thompson, Fox, Jay and Frazier voted aye. The motion carried 11-0-0-0.

Commissioner Lee read the resolution into the record.

Mr. Tom Spangler, Knox County Sheriff, was present and spoke on the matter.

Mrs. Katarina Blakely, spouse, and Hendrik, son, along with family members, were present to accept the resolution and expressed appreciation.

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**IN RE: PRESENTATIONS:**

No presentations were given.

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**IN RE: PUBLIC FORUM – AGENDA ITEMS ONLY:**

1. Commissioner Andy Fox, spoke concerning Resolution R-24-11-501; Resolution R-24-11-503; and Resolution R-24-11-504.

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2. Ms. Katherine Bike, concerned citizen, was present and spoke concerning Resolution R-24-11-903.

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3. Mr. Lawrence Segrest, concerned citizen, was present and spoke in support of Resolution R-24-11-903.

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4. Ms. Kristy Starks Winn, concerned citizen, was present and spoke in opposition to Resolution R-24-11-903.

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5. Mr. Adam Velk, concerned citizen, was present and spoke in opposition to Resolution R-24-11-903.

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6. Ms. Ginna Mashburn, concerned citizen, was present and spoke in opposition to Resolution R-24-11-903.

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7. Ms. Tifany Griffith, concerned citizen, was present and spoke in support of Resolution R-24-11-903.

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8. Ms. Lisa Carroll, concerned citizen, was present and spoke in opposition to Resolution R-24-11-903.

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9. Ms. Zoe Brookshire, concerned citizen, was present and spoke in opposition to Resolution R-24-11-903.

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10. Mr. Sam Brown, concerned citizen, was present and spoke in support of Resolution R-24-11-501; Resolution R-24-11-503; and Resolution R-24-11-504.

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11. Ms. Monica Irvine, concerned citizen, was present and spoke in support to Resolution R-24-11-903.

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12. Mr. Mark McLean, concerned citizen, was present and spoke concerning Resolution R-24-11-903.

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13. Mr. Robert Lee, concerned citizen, was present and requested a moment of silence at this time for the memory of Officer Tucker Blakely. He also spoke in support of Resolution R-24-11-903.

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**IN RE: CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON OCTOBER 28, 2024:**

Consideration of approval of minutes from the previous meeting held on October 28, 2024 was before the Board of Commissioners.

Commissioner Durrett moved to approve the minutes from the previous meeting held on October 28, 2024. Commissioner Jay seconded the motion and upon roll call vote Commissioners Rawls, Durrett, Oster, Jackson, Russell, Hill, Lee, Thompson, Fox, Jay and Frazier voted aye. The motion carried 11-0-0-0.

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**IN RE: DRIVES AND ROADS:**

Consideration of the acceptance of the following new county roads was before the Board of Commissioners:

- A. Graybrook Lane, Graybrook Park, Units 1 and 2, District 9.
- B. Greenscape Drive, Grove Pointe, Unit 2, District 7.
- C. Stonebreeze Drive, Windstone Subdivision, Unit 3, District 7.
- D. Willow Stone Lane, Windstone Subdivision, Unit 3, District 7.
- E. Gate Stone Lane, Windstone Subdivision Unit 3, District 7.
- F. Cedar Stone Lane, Windstone Subdivision Unit 3, District 7.
- G. Carter View Lane, Carter Mill, District 8.
- H. Threadstone Lane, Lovell Springs Business Park Unit 2, District 6.
- I. Liberty Station Lane, Governors Mill, District 9.
- J. Kings Mountain Lane, Governors Mill, District 9.
- K. Settlers Path Lane, Governors Mill, District 9.
- L. Harmon Creek Lane, The Village of John Sevier, District 9.
- M. Contentment Lane, The Village of John Sevier, District 9.
- N. River Cane Road, River Pointe, District 8.
- O. Narrow Leaf Drive, Hayden Farms, Phase 1A, District 6.
- P. Pepper Bush Lane, Hayden Farms, Phase 1A, District 6.
- Q. Crown Ridge Lane, Castlewood Subdivision, District 7.

- R. Enchanted Grove Lane, Castlewood Subdivision, District 7.
- S. Gate Manor Lane, Castlewood Subdivision, District 7.
- T. Hawfinch Lane, West Arden, Phase I, District 5.
- U. Huntcliff Lane, West Arden, Phase I, District 5.
- V. Heathgate Road, West Arden, Phases I and II, District 5.
- W. Haversack Drive, West Arden, Phases I and II, District 5.
- X. Hammerstone Lane, West Arden, Phase II, District 5.

Commissioner Jay moved to approve the above new county roads.

Commissioner Hill seconded the motion and upon roll call vote Commissioners Rawls, Durrett, Oster, Jackson, Russell, Hill, Lee, Thompson, Fox, Jay and Frazier voted aye. The motion carried 11-0-0-0.

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**IN RE: LINE ITEM TRANSFERS:**

Consideration of the Line Item Transfers - Total amount of \$3,085,535.62 was before the Board of Commissioners.

Commissioner Jay moved to approve the Line Item Transfers - Total amount of \$3,085,535.62. Commissioner Hill seconded the motion and upon roll call vote Commissioners Rawls, Durrett, Oster, Jackson, Russell, Hill, Lee, Thompson, Fox, Jay and Frazier voted aye. The motion carried 11-0-0-0.

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**IN RE: BUDGET AMENDMENTS:**

Consideration of the Budget Amendments Fiscal Year 2024 total amount of \$119,800.00 and Fiscal Year 2025 - Total amount of \$25,364,269.44 was before the Board of Commissioners.

Commissioner Jay moved to approve the Budget Amendments Fiscal Year 2024 total amount of \$119,800.00 and Fiscal Year 2025 - Total amount of \$25,364,269.44. Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion and upon roll call vote Commissioners Rawls, Durrett, Oster, Jackson, Russell, Hill, Lee, Thompson, Fox, Jay and Frazier voted aye. The motion carried 11-0-0-0.

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**IN RE: NOTARY APPLICATIONS:**

119 Notary Applications received.

Commissioner Durrett moved to approve the 119 Notary Applications. Commissioner Hill seconded the motion and upon roll call vote Commissioners Rawls, Durrett, Oster, Jackson, Russell, Hill, Lee, Thompson, Fox, Jay and Frazier voted aye. The motion carried 11-0-0-0.

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**IN RE: SPREAD OF RECORD:**

**IN RE: SPREAD OF RECORD THE KNOX COUNTY MAYOR'S ORDER APPOINTING MARK DIXON TO THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE KNOX CHAPMAN UTILITY DISTRICT:**

Spread of Record the Knox County Mayor's Order appointing Mark Dixon to the Board of Commissioners of the Knox Chapman Utility District was before the Board of Commissioners.

No action was taken.

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**IN RE: AMENDMENT TO THE AGENDA - (CONTINUED):**

2. Commissioner Oster amended the agenda to hear a Public Forum – Agenda Item Only speaker at this time.

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**IN RE: PUBLIC FORUM - AGENDA ITEM ONLY - (CONTINUED):**

14. Ms. Sherri Garrett, concerned citizen, was present and spoke in support of Resolution R-24-11-903.

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**IN RE: GENERAL GOVERNMENT RESOLUTIONS (NON-CONSENT)**

**IN RE: CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMISSION OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, APPROVING A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH D.R. HORTON, INC. FOR ROAD IMPROVEMENTS AT TWO INTERSECTIONS, TIPTON STATION ROAD AT MARTIN MILL PIKE (WEST) AND MARYVILLE PIKE AT TIPTON STATION ROAD - R-24-11-404:**

This item was deferred to the December 2024 meeting. (See Amendments to the Agenda, Page \_\_\_\_\_)

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**IN RE: CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMISSION OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, APPROVING AMENDMENT NUMBER ONE TO CONTRACT NUMBER 24-580 WITH THE KNOXVILLE-KNOX COUNTY COMMUNITY ACTION COMMITTEE TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PROGRAM FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$6,181.20 FOR A TOTAL OF \$131,507.75 FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE HOMEWARD BOUND PROGRAM SERVING HOMELESS INDIVIDUALS IN KNOX COUNTY (FEDERALLY FUNDED THROUGH HUD CDBG PROGRAM FUNDS) – R-24-11-501:**

Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving Amendment Number One to Contract Number 24-580 with

the Knoxville-Knox County Community Action Committee to provide additional Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program funds in the amount of \$6,181.20 for a total of \$131,507.75 for the administration of the Homeward Bound Program serving homeless individuals in Knox County (federally funded through HUD CDBG Program Funds) was before the Board of Commissioners.

Commissioner Rawls moved to approve Resolution R-24-11-501 - Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving Amendment Number One to Contract Number 24-580 with the Knoxville-Knox County Community Action Committee to provide additional Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program funds in the amount of \$6,181.20 for a total of \$131,507.75 for the administration of the Homeward Bound Program serving homeless individuals in Knox County (federally funded through HUD CDBG Program Funds). Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion and upon roll call vote Commissioners Rawls, Durrett, Oster, Jackson, Hill, Thompson, Jay and Frazier voted aye. Commissioner Fox voted no. Commissioners Russell and Lee abstained from voting. The motion carried 8-1-2-0.

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**IN RE: CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMISSION OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, APPROVING THE ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND CONSERVATION BLOCK GRANT (EECBG) AWARD IN THE AMOUNT OF \$279,650.00 FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY TO FUND ENERGY EFFICIENT HOME MODIFICATIONS FOR LOW-INCOME HOUSEHOLDS IN KNOX COUNTY THROUGH THE KNOX COUNTY HOME REHABILITATION PROGRAM (NO LOCAL MATCH REQUIRED) - R-24-11-503:**

Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (EECBG) award in the amount of \$279,650.00 from the U.S. Department of Energy to fund energy efficient home modifications for low-income households in Knox County through the Knox County Home Rehabilitation Program (no local match required) was before the Board of Commissioners.

Commissioner Thompson moved to approve Resolution R-24-11-503 - Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (EECBG) award in the amount of \$279,650.00 from the U.S. Department of Energy to fund energy efficient home modifications for low-income households in Knox County through the Knox County Home Rehabilitation Program (no local match required). Commissioner Rawls seconded the motion and upon roll call vote Commissioners Rawls, Durrett, Oster, Jackson, Hill, Lee, Thompson, Jay and Frazier voted aye. Commissioner



Fox voted no. Commissioner Russell abstained from voting. The motion carried 9-1-1-0.

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**IN RE: CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMISSION OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, APPROVING WRITTEN STANDARDS THAT GOVERN THE RAPID RE-HOUSING PROGRAM SERVING HOMELESS INDIVIDUALS IN KNOX COUNTY THAT IS FUNDED WITH PASS-THROUGH TENNESSEE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (THDA) EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANT (ESG) FUNDS - R-24-11-504:**

Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving Written Standards that govern the rapid re-housing program serving homeless individuals in Knox County that is funded with pass-through Tennessee Housing Development Authority (THDA) Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) funds was before the Board of Commissioners.

Commissioner Rawls moved to approve Resolution R-24-11-504 - Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving Written Standards that govern the rapid re-housing program serving homeless individuals in Knox County that is funded with pass-through Tennessee Housing Development Authority (THDA) Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) funds. Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion.

Commissioner Fox moved as a substitute motion to defer to the December 2024 meeting Resolution R-24-11-504 - Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving Written Standards that govern the rapid re-housing program serving homeless individuals in Knox County that is funded with pass-through Tennessee Housing Development Authority (THDA) Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) funds. Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion and upon roll call vote Commissioners Lee and Fox voted aye. Commissioners Rawls, Durrett, Oster, Jackson, Russell, Hill, Thompson, Jay and Frazier voted no. The substitute motion failed 2-9-0-0.

Upon roll call vote of the original motion to approve Resolution R-24-11-504 - Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving Written Standards that govern the rapid re-housing program serving homeless individuals in Knox County that is funded with pass-through Tennessee Housing Development Authority (THDA) Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) funds, Commissioners Rawls, Durrett, Oster, Jackson, Hill, Thompson, Jay and Frazier voted aye. Commissioners Lee and Fox voted no. Commissioner Russell abstained from voting. The motion carried 8-2-1-0.

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**IN RE: CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMISSION OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, ESTABLISHING THE 2814 TIPTON**

**STATION ROAD RESIDENTIAL INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT  
DISTRICT - R-24-11-802:**

This item was deferred to the December 2024 meeting. (See Amendments to the Agenda, Page \_\_\_\_\_)

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**IN RE: CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMISSION  
OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, EXPRESSING THE COMMISSION'S  
COMMITMENT TO PROTECTING THE INNOCENCE OF CHILDREN –  
R-24-11-903:**

Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, expressing the Commission's commitment to Protecting the Innocence of Children was before the Board of Commissioners.

Mr. Mike Moyers, Knox County Senior Deputy Law Director, and Mr. Chris Caldwell, Knox County Finance Director, were present and spoke on the matter.

Commissioner Lee moved to approve Resolution R-24-11-903 - Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, expressing the Commission's commitment to Protecting the Innocence of Children.

Commissioner Fox seconded the motion and upon roll call vote Commissioners Russell, Lee and Fox voted aye. Commissioners Rawls, Durrett, Oster, Jackson, Hill, Thompson, Jay and Frazier voted no. The motion failed 3-8-0-0.

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**IN RE: CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMISSION  
OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, TO OBSERVE OPERATION GREEN  
LIGHT FOR VETERANS IN KNOX COUNTY - R-24-11-904:**

Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, to observe Operation Green Light for Veterans in Knox County was before the Board of Commissioners.

Commissioner Lee moved to approve Resolution R-24-11-904 - Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, to observe Operation Green Light for Veterans in Knox County. Commissioner Rawls seconded the motion and upon roll call vote Commissioners Rawls, Durrett, Oster, Jackson, Russell, Hill, Lee, Thompson, Fox, Jay and Frazier voted aye. The motion carried 11-0-0-0.

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**IN RE: CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMISSION  
OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE, APPROVING AMENDMENT ONE TO A  
GRANT CONTRACT WITH THE TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL  
HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES FOR THE KNOX COUNTY  
JUVENILE COURT TO CONTINUE TO PROVIDE AN EVIDENCE-BASED**

**SAFE BABY COURT IN KNOX COUNTY, WHICH GRANT CONTRACT EXTENDS THE TERM TO END JUNE 30, 2025 AND INCREASES THE MAXIMUM LIABILITY OF THE STATE UNDER THE GRANT CONTRACT BY \$100,000.00 FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$600,000.00 (NO LOCAL MATCH REQUIRED) - R-24-11-905:**

Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving Amendment One to a Grant Contract with the Tennessee Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services for the Knox County Juvenile Court to continue to provide an evidence-based Safe Baby Court in Knox County, which Grant Contract extends the term to end June 30, 2025 and increases the maximum liability of the State under the Grant Contract by \$100,000.00 for a total amount of \$600,000.00 (no local match required) was before the Board of Commissioners.

Commissioner Jay moved to approve Resolution R-24-11-905 - Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving Amendment One to a Grant Contract with the Tennessee Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services for the Knox County Juvenile Court to continue to provide an evidence-based Safe Baby Court in Knox County, which Grant Contract extends the term to end June 30, 2025 and increases the maximum liability of the State under the Grant Contract by \$100,000.00 for a total amount of \$600,000.00 (no local match required). Commissioner Fox seconded the motion and upon roll call vote Commissioners Rawls, Durrett, Oster, Jackson, Russell, Hill, Lee, Thompson, Fox, Jay and Frazier voted aye. The motion carried 11-0-0-0.

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**IN RE: ORDINANCES ON FIRST READING:**  
No Ordinances on First Reading received.

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**IN RE: ORDINANCES ON SECOND READING:**  
No Ordinances on Second Reading received.

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**IN RE: PUBLIC FORUM – OPEN TOPICS**  
No one requested to speak.

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**IN RE: OTHER BUSINESS:**  
No Other Business received.

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**IN RE: ADJOURNMENT:**  
There being no further business to come before the Knox County Board of Commissioners, Commissioner Oster declared the meeting adjourned.

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***KNOX COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS***

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***GINA OSTER, MADAM CHAIR***