### **AUGUST 15, 2024**

#### BE IT REMEMBERED THAT:

COUNTY COMMISSION MET & PURSUANT TO ADJOURNMENT SESSION OF THE \* SULLIVAN COUNTY REGULAR BOARD COMMISSIONERS THIS THURSDAY EVENING, AUGUST 15, 2024, AT 6:00 P.M. BLOUNTVILLE. TENNESSEE. PRESENT AND PRESIDING WAS HONORABLE RICHARD VENABLE, COUNTY CHAIRMAN AND TERESA JACOBS, COUNTY CLERK OF SAID BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS,

#### TO WIT:

The Commission was called to order by County Chairman Richard Venable, Corporal Dustin Joyner opened the commission and Commissioner Larry Crawford gave the invocation. The pledge to the flag was led by Corporal Dustin Joyner.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT AND ANSWERING ROLL WERE AS FOLLOWS:

| DAVID AKARD           | MARK IRESON          |
|-----------------------|----------------------|
| DARLENE CALTON        | SAMUEL "SAM" JONES   |
|                       | TONY LEONARD         |
| LARRY CRAWFORD        | MICHAEL HUNTER LOCKE |
| ANDREW CROSS          | JOE MCMURRAY         |
| JOYCE NEAL CROSSWHITE | JESSICA MEANS        |
| JOHN GARDNER          | ARCHIE PIERCE        |
| HERSHEL GLOVER        |                      |
| CHERYL HARVEY         | GARY STIDHAM         |
|                       | ZANE VANOVER         |
| DANIEL HORNE          | TRAVIS WARD          |

19 PRESENT, 5 ABSENT

ABSENT AT ROLL CALL: CARR, COLE, HAYES, KING, SLAGLE NOTE: CARR IN AT 6:05 PM AND KING IN AT 6:20 PM

The following pages indicate the action taken by the Commission on approval of notary applications and personal surety bonds, motions, resolutions, and other matters subject to the approval of the Board of Commissioners.

Motion was made by Comm. Crawford, and seconded by Comm. Gardner to approve the minutes of the Work Session of the County Commission held on July 11, 2024 and the minutes of the Regular Session held on July 18, 2024, and the minutes of the Called Session on July 30, 2024. Approved 20 Yes, 4 Absent.

Meeting name

### **Sullivan County Commission August 15 2024**

2 Roll Call by Teresa Jacobs, County Clerk Roll Call

Description

Roll Call

Chairman

Venable, Richard

Total vote result

Voting start time6:01:23 PMVoting stop time6:01:55 PMVoting configurationVote

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Voting mode

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Vote result

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### **Group voting result**

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### Individual voting result

| Name: 1              | Yes | Abstain | No | Absent |
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| Akard, David ()      | Х   |         |    |        |
| Calton, Darlene ()   | Х   |         |    |        |
| Carr, Joe ()         |     |         |    | - X    |
| Cole, Michael ()     |     |         |    | X      |
| Crawford, Larry ()   | Х   |         |    |        |
| Cross, Andrew ()     | Х   |         |    |        |
| Crosswhite, Joyce () | Х   |         |    |        |
| Gardner, John ()     | Х   |         |    |        |
| Glover, Hershel ()   | X   |         |    | Ì      |
| Harvey, Cheryl ()    | Х   |         |    |        |
| Hayes, David ()      |     |         |    | l X    |
| Horne, Daniel ()     | Х   |         |    |        |
| Ireson, Mark ()      | Х   |         |    |        |
| Jones, Sam ()        | Χ   |         |    |        |
| King, Dwight ()      |     |         |    | X      |
| Leonard, Tony ()     | Χ   |         |    |        |
| Locke, Hunter ()     | X   |         |    |        |
| McMurray, Joe ()     | Х   |         |    |        |
| Means, Jessica ()    | X   |         |    |        |
| Pierce, Archie ()    | Х   |         |    |        |
| Slagle, Matt ()      |     |         |    | X      |
| Stidham, Gary ()     | Х   |         |    |        |
| Vanover, Zane ()     | Х   |         |    |        |
| Ward, Travis ()      | Х   |         |    |        |

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# SULLIVAN COUNTY Board of County Commissioners August 15, 2024 6:00 p.m.

### **MEETING AGENDA**

- ❖ Call to Order by Sheriff Jeff Cassidy
- Mayor/Chairman Richard Venable presiding.
- ❖ Invocation
- Pledge to the American Flag
- ❖ Roll Call by Teresa Jacobs, Sullivan County Clerk
- **❖** Appointments:
  - 1) Daniel Pickel and Robert Bebber to the South Fork Utility District Board.
  - Lynn Tully to fill vacancy of Calvin Clifton, term expiring Sept. 30, 2024 and appointment to four-year term beginning Oct. 1, 2024 through Sept. 30, 2028.
  - 3) Magistrates
- ❖ Approval of Commission Minutes of July 11, 2024, Rezoning Hearing/Work Session Meeting; July 18, 2024 Regular Meeting; and July 30 Called Meeting. (Minutes are provided to commission members electronically and are available to the public at www.sullivancountyclerktn.com/commission-minutes)
- Approval of Notaries Public
- ❖ Public Comment
- **❖** Consent Agenda (1,2, 3, 9)
- Resolutions
- ❖ Announcements and Adjournment



### Before the Mayor of Sullivan County, Tennessee

IN RE: South Fork Utility District Sullivan County, Tennessee

**WHEREAS**, the South Fork Utility District Board of Commissioners does hereby certify to the Sullivan County Mayor, pursuant to T.C.A. §7-82-307, that two vacancies have occurred upon said utility board; and

WHEREAS, the South Fork District Board of Commissioners further certifies that the nominees, Daniel Pickel and Robert Bebber are qualified and have agreed to serve on the Board. NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED by Sullivan County Mayor, Richard S. Venable, pursuant to T.C.A. §7-82-307 that nominee, Daniel Pickel and Robert Bebber shall be reappointed to the South Fork Utility District Board of Commissioners. Term to expire as per the by-laws of the utility district.

Nichard S. Venable, Sullivan County Mayor

Said order entered into the record of the Sullivan County Board of Commissioners this 15th day of August 2024.

Teresa Jacobs, Sullivan County Clerk

Nominees Daniel Pickel and Robert Bebber were appointed to the South Fork Utility District by Sullivan County Mayor Richard S. Venable. Said appointment was read into the record by Mayor Richard S. Venable.



IN RE: Sullivan County Emergency Communications District Board Bountville, Tennessee

### **Order Appointing Board Members**

WHEREAS, in accordance with T.C.A. §7-86-105(b)(1), Sullivan County Mayor, Richard S. Venable and upon recommendation of the Sullivan County Emergency Communications Board hereby makes the following appointment to the Sullivan County Emergency Communications District Board.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT CONFIRMED by the Sullivan County Board of Commissioners the following person appointed to the Sullivan County Emergency Communications Board, Ms. Lynn Tully to fill Mr. Calvin Clifton's seat. Ms. Lynn Tully's appointment will include the remaining month of Mr. Clifton's term, September 2024, as well as the 4-year term beginning October 1, 2024, through September 30, 2028.

### **APPOINTMENT:**

Lynn Tully
(Filling vacancy of and succeeding Calvin Clifton)
Term to expire: September 30, 2028

Said order confirmed and entered into the record of the Sullivan County Board of Commissioners this 15th day of August 2024.

Kichard S. Venable, Sullivan County Mayor

Teresa Jacobs, Sullivan County Clerk

Upon motion made by Commissioner Calton and seconded by Commissioner Gardner, Ms. Lynn Tully was appointed to the Sullivan County Emergency Communications Board by Voice Vote of the Sullivan County Commission.



### IN RE: Appointment of Judicial Commissioners for Sullivan County

WHEREAS, the office of Judicial Commissioner was created for Sullivan County pursuant to T.C.A. § 40-1-111; and

WHEREAS, in consideration of Resolution No. 2015-06-39 approved June 15, 2015, the County Legislative Body shall take into consideration the views, comments and suggestions of the General Sessions Judges of Sullivan County in making decisions relative to these appointments; and

WHEREAS, the Sullivan County Mayor received recommendations that the following individuals retain their appointments as Judicial Commissioners serving the General Sessions Courts of Sullivan County.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that the Sullivan County Board of Commissioners appoint the following individuals to serve in the Office of Judicial Commissioner (Magistrate) for Sullivan County:

### **BRISTOL COURTS:**

Eric Senter of Bristol, Tennessee Bruce Bullis of Blountville, Tennessee

### KINGSPORT COURTS:

Lowell "Butch" Adkins of Kingsport, Tennessee John Blessing of Kingsport, Tennessee

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that the above name individuals will hold a two-year term as Judicial Commissioner.

Appointments to expire August 31, 2026 or until a new appointment is confirmed by the Sullivan County Board of Commissioners.

chard S. Venable, Sullivan County Mayor

Said order confirmed and entered into the record of the Sullivan County Board of Commissioners this

15th day of August 2024.

Teresa Jacobs, Sullivan County Clerk

Motion made by Commissioner Gardner and seconded by Commissioners Crawford and Stidham to appoint the above-named individuals to the Office of Judicial Commissioner (Magistrate) for Sullivan County. Roll Call Vote taken and approved. 20 Yes, 4 Absent



Appointment of Eric Senter, Bruce Bullis, Lowell "Butch" Atkins and John Blessing to the office of Judicial Commissioner for Sullivan County, Tennessee Motion by Commissioner Gardner 2nd by Commissioners Crawford and Stidham

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|  | JONES      | 1        | JONES      |                    | JONES      |   |
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|  | LEONARD    | 1        | LEONARD    |                    | LEONARD    |   |
|  | LOCKE      | 1        | LOCKE      |                    | LOCKE      |   |
| "  | MCMURRAY   | 1        | MCMURRAY   | ) <u></u>          | MCMURRAY   |   |
|  | MEANS      | 1        | MEANS      |                    | MEANS      | 7.5E                                    |
|  | PIERCE     | 1        | PIERCE     |                    | PIERCE     | 852                                     |
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### Agenda subject voting report

Meeting name

### **Sullivan County Commission August 15 2024**

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Approval of Commission Minutes of July 11, 2024, Work Session; and Rezoning Hearing and July 18, 2024, Regular Session, July 30 called meeting Motion to approve by Comm. Crawford

2<sup>nd</sup> by Comm. Gardner

Description

Chairman

Venable, Richard

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Voting start time6:08:50 PMVoting stop time6:09:13 PMVoting configurationVoteVoting modeOpen

Vote result

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### Group voting result

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### Individual voting result

| Name                 | Yes | Abstain | No | Absent |
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| Akard, David ()      | X   |         |    |        |
| Calton, Darlene ()   | X   |         |    |        |
| Carr, Joe ()         | X   |         |    |        |
| Cole, Michael ()     |     |         |    | X      |
| Crawford, Larry ()   | Х   |         |    |        |
| Cross, Andrew ()     | X   |         |    |        |
| Crosswhite, Joyce () | X   |         |    |        |
| Gardner, John ()     | X   |         |    |        |
| Glover, Hershel ()   | X   |         |    |        |
| Harvey, Cheryl ()    | Х   |         |    |        |
| Hayes, David ()      |     |         |    | X      |
| Horne, Daniel ()     | Х   |         |    |        |
| Ireson, Mark ()      | X   |         |    | _      |
| Jones, Sam ()        | X   |         |    |        |
| King, Dwight ()      |     |         |    | X      |
| Leonard, Tony ()     | X   | ]       |    |        |
| Locke, Hunter ()     | Х   |         |    |        |
| McMurray, Joe ()     | X   |         |    |        |
| Means, Jessica ()    | X   |         |    |        |
| Pierce, Archie ()    | X   |         |    |        |
| Slagle, Matt ()      |     |         |    | X      |
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| Vanover, Zane ()     | Х   |         |    |        |
| Ward, Travis ()      | Х   |         |    |        |

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### Notaries to be elected August 15,2024

CANDICE BIGGERSTAFF **ELIZABETH ANNE BLEDSOE** BRENDA BOWERS CARRIE ANN BOWMAN TARAKANE BOOKSHIRE KIMBERLY RANEA CALDWELL MRS. MATTHEW CAPONERO RICKY A.W. CURTIS JACKIE SUE DAVENPORT ANGIE FLEENOR N. MARLENE FOGLEMAN MARK DILLON HALVORSEN PERRI E HAMMOCK MICHAEL HOLSTON TARA CHASE KIRK BRIAN KISER SHASTA B LIGHT

MELANIE LISENBY KRISTAL MACMORRAN DENECE K. MEADE SCOTT MORTON SHELIA D. MULLINS **BRIAN A MULLINS** AMANDA ANN MURRAY HAILEY K PARTON KEILA RAGAN-WISE LINDA IRENE SHORT TEENA M SMITH BRITTANY GAIL THOMPSON DEBORAH KAY THOMPSON ETHON CHACE TOLLEY LAURA TYREE GEORGE M. WILLIAMS

PERSONAL SURETY KENNY MORRELL GEORGE T. BARNETT

UPON MOTION MADE BY COMM. GARDNER AND SECONDED BY COMM. CROSS TO APPROVE THE NOTARY APPLICATIONS HEREON, SAID MOTION WAS APPROVED BY ROLL CALL VOTE OF THE COMMISSION.

20 YES, 4 ABSENT

### STATE OF TENNESSEE COUNTY OF SULLIVAN

APPROVAL OF NOTARY

SURETY BONDS

August 15, 2024

| Name of Notary           | Personal Surety | Personal Surety    |  |
|--------------------------|-----------------|--------------------|--|
| Micki G. Foster          | Kenneth Russell | Joshua J. Foster   |  |
| Shelia Jeanette Thompson | Logan Rasnake   | Geraldine Thompson |  |

UPON MOTION MADE BY COMM. GARDNER AND SECONDED BY COMM. CROSS TO APPROVE THE NOTARY BONDS OF THE ABOVE-NAMED INDIVIDUALS, SAID MOTION WAS APPROVED BY ROLL CALL VOTE OF THE COMMISSION.

**20 YES, 4 ABSENT** 

### **Sullivan County Commission August 15 2024**

71 Approval of Notaries Public Vote

Description

Approval of Notaries Public

Chairman Venable, Richard

Total vote result

Voting start time 6:11:02 PM
Voting stop time 6:11:19 PM

Voting configurationVoteVoting modeOpen

Vote result

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### Group voting result

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### Individual voting result

| Name                 |              | Yes | Abstain | No | Absent |
|----------------------|--------------|-----|---------|----|--------|
| Akard, David ()      |              | X   |         |    |        |
| Calton, Darlene ()   |              | Х   | 1       | -  |        |
| Carr, Joe ()         | <del>-</del> | X   |         |    |        |
| Cole, Michael ()     |              |     |         |    | X      |
| Crawford, Larry ()   |              | Х   |         |    |        |
| Cross, Andrew ()     |              | Х   |         |    |        |
| Crosswhite, Joyce () |              | X   | 1       |    |        |
| Gardner, John ()     |              | X   |         |    |        |
| Glover, Hershel ()   |              | Х   |         |    |        |
| Harvey, Cheryl ()    |              | Х   |         | -  |        |
| Hayes, David ()      |              |     |         |    | X      |
| Horne, Daniel ()     |              | X   |         |    |        |
| Ireson, Mark ()      |              | X   |         |    |        |
| Jones, Sam ()        |              | X   |         |    |        |
| King, Dwight ()      |              |     |         |    | X      |
| Leonard, Tony ()     | <u> </u>     | X   |         |    |        |
| Locke, Hunter ()     |              | X   |         |    |        |
| McMurray, Joe ()     |              | X   |         |    |        |
| Means, Jessica ()    |              | X   |         |    |        |
| Pierce, Archie ()    |              | X   |         |    |        |
| Slagle, Matt ()      |              |     |         |    | X      |
| Stidham, Gary ()     |              | X   |         |    |        |
| Vanover, Zane ()     |              | Х   |         |    |        |
| Ward, Travis ()      |              | X   |         |    |        |

### **Sullivan County**

### **Board of Commissioners**

August 15, 2024

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

| Name   | Street Address | City   |
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### **CONSENT AGENDA**

August 15, 2024

Item 1 Resolution No. 2024-08-03

Sponsors: Vanover/Means

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE VACATING AND QUITCLAIMING BYRD STREET TO BLOOMINGDALE UTILITY DISTRICT.

Item 2 Resolution No. 2024-08-04

Sponsors: Vanover/Means

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE VACATING AND QUITCLAIMING EXCESS RIGHT-OF-WAY TO Frank and Tammy Cannon, homeowners of 397 Olinger Drive.

Item 3 Resolution No. 2024-08-05

Sponsors: Locke/Gardner

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE A POLICY FOR THE ACCEPTANCE OF PARTIAL PAYMENTS OF PROERPTY TAXES IN THE OFFICE OF THE SULLIVAN COUNTY TRUSTEE.

Item 9 Resolution No. 2024-08-11

Sponsors: Cross/Cole

RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT AND APPROPRIATE FUNDS FROM THE TENNESSEE STATE LIBRARY AND ARCHIVES TOP GRANT BEGINNING July 1, 2024.



### Agenda subject voting report

Meeting name

### **Sullivan County Commission August 15 2024**

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Description

Consent Agenda

Motion to approve by Comm. Akard

Chairman

Venable, Richard

2<sup>nd</sup> by Comm. Ward, Vanover

Total vote result -

Voting start time Voting stop time 6:13:25 PM 6:13:45 PM

Voting configuration Voting mode

Vote Open

Vote result

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**Group voting result** 

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### Individual voting result

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| Calton, Darlene ()   | X  | ١ .                                     |              |                                       |
| Carr, Joe ()         | <del>                                     </del> | +                                       |              |                                       |
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| Crawford, Larry ()   | Х  | <del> </del>                            |              |                                       |
| Cross, Andrew ()     | X  |   |              |                                       |
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| Gardner, John ()     | Х  |   | ,            | _                                     |
| Glover, Hershel ()   | Х  |   | -            |                                       |
| Harvey, Cheryl ()    | Х  | 1                                       |              |                                       |
| Hayes, David ()      |  |   |              | X                                     |
| Horne, Daniel ()     | X  |   |              | <u></u>                               |
| Ireson, Mark ()      | X  |   |              |                                       |
| Jones, Sam ()        | Х  |   |              | _                                     |
| King, Dwight ()      |  |   |              | X                                     |
| Leonard, Tony ()     | X  | 3.                                      |              |                                       |
| Locke, Hunter ()     | Х  |   |              | -                                     |
| McMurray, Joe ()     | Х  |   |              |                                       |
| Means, Jessica ()    | X  |   |              |                                       |
| Pierce, Archie ()    | X  |   |              |                                       |
| Slagle, Matt ()      |  |   |              | χ                                     |
| Stidham, Gary ()     | Х  |   |              |                                       |
| Vanover, Zane ()     | Х  |   |              | ٠,                                    |
| Ward, Travis ()      | Х  |   |              |                                       |

### RESOLUTIONS

August 15, 2024

### **OLD BUSINESS**

**NONE** 

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Item 1 Resolution No. 2024-08-03 (CONSENT)

APPROVED

Sponsors: Vanover/Means

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE VACATING AND QUITCLAIMING BYRD STREET TO BLOOMINGDALE UTILITY DISTRICT.

Item 2 Resolution No. 2024-08-04 (CONSENT)

APPROVED

Sponsors: Vanover/Means

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE VACATING AND QUITCLAIMING EXCESS RIGHT-OF-WAY TO FRANK AND TAMMY CANNON, HOMEOWNERS OF 397 OLINGER DRIVE.

Item 3 Resolution No. 2024-08-05 (CONSENT)

APPROVED

Sponsors: Locke/Gardner

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE A POLICY FOR THE ACCEPTANCE OF PARTIAL PAYMENTS OF PROERPTY TAXES IN THE OFFICE OF THE SULLIVAN COUNTY TRUSTEE.

Item 4 Resolution No. 2024-08-06 (WAIVER OF RULES)

APPROVED

Sponsors: Stidham/Locke

RESOLUTION ENDORSING THE USE OF VISUAL SURVEILLANCE DEVICES TO ENHANCE LAW ENFORCEMENT IN SULLIVAN COUNTY AND FUNDING OF THESE VISUAL SURVEILLANCE DEVICES.

Item 5 Resolution No. 2024-08-07 (WAIVER OF RULES)

1ST READING

Sponsors: Stidham/Ward

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE SULLIVAN COUNTY PURCHASING AGENT TO ENTER INTO A TASER 7 BASIC BUNDLE PLAN AGREEMENT WITH AXON ENTERPRISE, INC. IN SCOTTSDALE, AZ TO FURNISH THE SULLIVAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE WITH TASERS, HOLSTERS, AND CARTRIDGES.

Item 6 Resolution No. 2024-08-08

APPROVED

Sponsors: King/Glover

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE UP TO \$400,000 FUNDING FOR COUNTY TAX RELIEF PROGRAM.



Item 7 Resolution No. 2024-08-09

APPROVED

Sponsors: Locke/Gardner

RESOLUTION OF THE SULLIVAN COUNTY COMMISSION FOR ADOPTION OF A REDEVELOPMENT PLAN AND TAX INCREMENT FINANCING AMENDMENT FOR THE RIVERBEND REDEVELOPMENT DISTRICT THE ARBOR PROJECT AREA.

Item 8 Resolution No. 2024-08-10

APPROVED

Sponsors: Akard/Harvey

A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO THE REDEVELOPMENT PLAN AUTHORIZING ADDITIONAL TIF FINANCING FOR HUDSON TERRACE PROJECT AND EXTENDING THE TERM OF THE VOLUNTEER PARKWAY SOUTH REDEVELOPMENT DISTRICT.

Item 9 Resolution No. 2024-08-11 (CONSENT)

APPROVED

Sponsors: Cross/Cole

RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT AND APPROPRIATE FUNDS FROM THE TENNESSEE STATE LIBRARY AND ARCHIVES TOP GRANT BEGINNING July 1, 2024.

Item 10 Resolution No. 2024-08-12

APPROVED

Sponsors: Glover/Vanover

RESOLUTION TO APPLY FOR AN ENERGY AND EFFICIENCY CONSERVATION GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$78,530 AND TO APPROPRIATE THE FUNDS TO IMPROVE THE ENERGY CONSERVATION FOR THE FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION BUILDING (F&A BUILDING), FORMERLY KNOWN AS BLOUNTVILLE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AND LOCATED AT 155 SCHOOL AVENUE, BLOUNTVILLE.

Item 11 Resolution No. 2024-08-13

APPROVED

Sponsors: Crosswhite/Leonard/Cole

RESOLUTION TO APPLY FOR THE TENNESSEE HISTORICAL COMMISSION PRESERVATION GRANT FOR THE ANDERSON TOWNHOUSE RESTORATION PROJECT – PHASE III, WHICH IS LOCATED WITHIN THE BLOUNTVILLE HISTORIC DISTRICT OF SULLIVAN COUNTY.

Item 12 Resolution No. 2024-08-14

1<sup>ST</sup> READING

Sponsors: Ward/Locke, Vanover, Carr, Stidham, Means, Glover

A RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT AN UP TO \$20,000 DONATION FROM THE NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION SAFE HAVEN BABY BOXES FOR INSTALLATION AND INITIAL MAINTENANCE AND MONITORING OF THE BOX AND AUTHORIZE A CONTRACT FOR FUTURE MAINTENANCE AND MONITORING AT A COST OF \$1,001.40 PER YEAR.

Item 13 Resolution No. 2024-08-15

APPROVED

Sponsors: Calton/Carr

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE ALLOCATION OF UP TO \$95,526.01 IN STATE OPIOID ABATEMENT FUND RECEIPTS TO THE SULLIVAN COUNTY ANTI-DRUG COALTION.



Item 1 Resolution No. 2024-08-03

To the Honorable Richard S. Venable, Sullivan County Mayor, and the Board of Sullivan County Commissioners meeting in Regular Session this 15th day of August 2024.

### RESOLUTION TO APPROVE VACATING AND QUITCLAIMING BYRD STREET TO BLOOMINGDALE UTILITY DISTRICT.

WHEREAS, the Sullivan County Regional Planning Commission, during their regular meeting held on July 16, 2024, reviewed, and recommended for the closure of Byrd Street as requested by the Bloomingdale Utility District, and

WHEREAS, Byrd Street is a one-block length county road between Bloomingdale Road and Van Horn Street in which the Bloomingdale Utility District owns both sides of the road right-of-way; and

WHEREAS, the proposed right-of-way closure of being 0.146 of an acre as illustrated on a survey dated May 23, 2024 as prepared by Matthew Strickler, a registered land surveyor; and

WHEREAS, this property is located within the 10th Civil District and the 6th Commission District; and

WHEREAS, this request has been reviewed by the Sullivan County Highway Commissioner's office, Planning Director, 911-Addressing Department, the Bloomingdale Utility District Manager's office to ensure compliance with the Sullivan County Subdivision Regulations as well as utility easements properly identified on the final plat.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners of Sullivan County, Tennessee, assembled in Regular Session, hereby abandons 0.146 of an acre of Byrd Street right-of-way and authorizes the County Attorney to draft the appropriate quitclaim deed to the applicant, Bloomingdale Utility District.

This resolution shall take effect from and after its passage. All resolutions in conflict herewith be and the same rescinded insofar as such conflict exists.

### Waiver of Rules Requested

Duly passed and approved this 15th day of August, 202

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Richard S. Venable, County Mayor

Sponsored by: Zane Vanover

Co-Sponsors: Jessica Means, Daniel Horne, Darlene Calton

2024-08-03 ACTIONS: Introduced at Work Session on August 8, 2024, and without objection placed on consent calendar for August 15. 08/15/24 Approved on Consent 20 Yes, 4 Absent



Item 2 Resolution No. 2024-08-04

To the Honorable Richard S. Venable, Sullivan County Mayor, and the Board of Sullivan County Commissioners meeting in Regular Session this 15<sup>th</sup> day of August 2024.

### RESOLUTION TO APPROVE VACATING AND QUITCLAIMING EXCESS RIGHT-OF-WAY TO FRANK AND TAMMY CANNON, HOMEOWNERS OF 397 OLINGER DRIVE.

WHEREAS, the Sullivan County Regional Planning Commission reviewed and recommended for the request to close this particular portion of excess right-of-way directly in front of 397 Olinger Drive, during their regular meeting held on July 16, 2024 and

WHEREAS, the original subdivision plat, found in Plat Book 2, Page 2A, dedicated the right-of-way as being straight across the Cannon's property rather than curved and therefore the plat of record does not match the actual built roadway being maintained by the Sullivan County Highway Department; and

WHEREAS, the tax map follows the original deed and plat of record; however, the road maintenance and utilities follow the existing paved curved roadway (see aerial image); and

WHEREAS, the proposed right-of-way closure of being only 0.170 of an acre in area, is illustrated on the most recent survey dated May 3, 2024, as prepared by Charles J. Wells, a registered land surveyor; and

WHEREAS, this property is located within the 10th Civil District and the 6th Commission District; and

WHEREAS, this request has been reviewed by the Sullivan County Highway Commissioner's office, Planning Director, 911-Addressing Department, the Bloomingdale Utility District Manager's office to ensure compliance with the Sullivan County Subdivision Regulations as well as utility easements properly identified on the final plat.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners of Sullivan County, Tennessee, assembled in Regular Session, hereby abandons 0.170 of an acre of Excess Right-of-Way located directly in front of 397 Olinger Drive, and authorizes the County Attorney to draft the appropriate quitclaim deed to the applicants, Frank and Tammy Cannon.

This resolution shall take effect from and after its passage. All resolutions in conflict herewith be and the same rescinded insofar as such conflict exists.

Waiver of Rules Requested

Duly passed and approved this 15th day of August 2024

Attest:

Richard S. Venable, County Mayor

Sponsored by: Commissioners: Vanover Prime Co-Sponsor(s): Means, Horne, Calton



2024-08-04 ACTIONS: Introduced at Work Session on August 8, 2024, and without objection placed on consent calendar for August 15. 08/15/24 Approved on Consent 20 Yes, 4 Absent



Item 3 Resolution No. 2024-08-05

To the Honorable Richard S. Venable, Sullivan County Mayor, and the Board of Sullivan County Commissioners meeting in Regular Session this 15th day of August 2024.

# RESOLUTION TO APPROVE A POLICY FOR THE ACCEPTANCE OF PARTIAL PAYMENTS OF PROERPTY TAXES IN THE OFFICE OF THE SULLIVAN COUNTY TRUSTEE.

WHEREAS, the Sullivan County Trustee's Office has accepted partial payments of property taxes since 2018; however, Sullivan County has not previously established a written partial payment policy; and,

WHEREAS, Angela Taylor, Sullivan County Trustee, wishes to establish a partial payment policy for the benefit and to serve the best interests of the taxpayers of Sullivan County.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners of Sullivan County, Tennessee, assembled in Regular Session hereby approves that the Sullivan County Trustee may accept partial payments on current and prior year taxes.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Sullivan County Trustee will apply payment initially against the prior year (delinquent) property taxes when the current year property taxes have been billed, but prior year taxes remain unpaid.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that said partial payment of taxes will not affect the turnover of prior year taxes to the Clerk & Master annually.

This resolution shall take effect from and after its passage. All resolutions in conflict herewith be and the same rescinded insofar as such conflict exists.

Duly passed and approved this 15th day of August 2024

Teresa Jacobs, County Clerk

Richard S. Venable, County Mayor

Sponsored By: Commissioner Hunter Locke Co-Sponsor: Commissioners John Gardner

2024-08-05 ACTIONS: Introduced at Work Session on August 8, 2024, and without objection placed on consent calendar for August 15. 08/15/24 Approved on Consent 20 Yes, 4 Absent



Item 4 Resolution No. 2024-08-06

To the Honorable Richard S. Venable, Sullivan County Mayor, and the Board of Sullivan County Commissioners meeting in Regular Session this 15th day of August 2024.

RESOLUTION ENDORSING THE USE OF VISUAL SURVEILLANCE DEVICES TO ENHANCE LAW ENFORCEMENT IN SULLIVAN COUNTY AND FUNDING OF THESE VISUAL SURVEILLANCE DEVICES.

WHEREAS, the use of visual monitoring devices has provided a tool for law enforcement to apprehend suspects and criminals and the monitoring of neighborhoods and thorough fares has resulted in the capture and prosecution of individuals for crimes in Sullivan County; and

WHEREAS, this allows law enforcement to utilize their resources and time more effectively to provide protection of Sullivan County residents; and

WHEREAS, the State of Tennessee has a program to install visual surveillance devices and needs a document of support; and Sullivan County will install visual surveillance devices from a company named Flock Safety Security Cameras which will be beneficial to the security of all residents; and

WHEREAS, the cost to install and utilize these visual surveillance devices for the protection of our citizens will cost \$34,000 in year one with an annual maintenance fee of \$30,000 starting year two; and

WHEREAS, the Sullivan County Sheriff's office will use Drug Funds to pay for the first year of cost and requests the Sullivan County Commission approve funding to start year two (FY-25-26) to cover annual maintenance cost going forward in the amount of \$30,000.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners of Sullivan County, Tennessee, endorses the use of visual surveillance devices, particularly those produced by Flock Safety Security, on state and county roads and in the neighborhoods of Sullivan County to enhance the security and protection of all the citizens. Also, the Board of County Commissioners approve the funding of \$30,000 annually from the County Undesignated Fund Balance to cover the cost of maintenance fees on these camera's starting FY 25-26 and going forward.

### Waiver of Rules Requested

This resolution shall take effect from and after its passage. All resolutions in conflict herewith be and the same rescinded insofar as such conflict exists.

Duly passed and approved this 15th day of August 2024

Teresa Jacobs, County Clerk

Richard Venable, County Mayor



Sponsor: Gary Stidham Co-Sponsor: Hunter Locke ACTIONS: 08/08/24 Introduced at Work Session with a request to be placed on Waiver of Rules. 08/15/24 Approved on Waiver of Rules 19 Yes, 1 No, 4 Absent



### Agenda subject voting report

Meeting name

**Sullivan County Commission August 15 2024** 

8/15/2024

35 Item 4 Resolution No. 2024-08-06 Sponsors: Stidham/Locke

Vote

Description RESOLUTION ENDORSING THE USE OF VISUAL SURVEILLANCE

DEVICES TO ENHANCE LAW ENFORCEMENT IN SULLIVAN COUNTY AND FUNDING OF THESE VISUAL SURVEILLANCE DEVICES.

Chairman Venable, Richard

Total vote result

Voting start time6:24:34 PMVoting stop time6:24:55 PMVoting configurationVote

Voting mode Vote result

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### Individual voting result

| Name                 | Yes | Abstain | No | Absent |
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| Akard, David ()      | X   |         |    |        |
| Calton, Darlene ()   | X   |         |    |        |
| Carr, Joe ()         | X   |         |    |        |
| Cole, Michael ()     |     |         |    | X      |
| Crawford, Larry ()   | X   |         |    |        |
| Cross, Andrew ()     | X   |         |    |        |
| Crosswhite, Joyce () | X   |         |    |        |
| Gardner, John ()     | X   |         |    | Ĭ      |
| Glover, Hershel ()   |     |         | X  |        |
| Harvey, Cheryl ()    | X   |         |    |        |
| Hayes, David ()      |     |         |    | X      |
| Horne, Daniel ()     | X   |         |    |        |
| Ireson, Mark ()      | X   |         |    |        |
| Jones, Sam ()        | X   |         | _  |        |
| King, Dwight ()      | X   |         |    |        |
| Leonard, Tony ()     | X   |         |    | _      |
| Locke, Hunter ()     | X   |         |    |        |
| McMurray, Joe ()     |     |         |    | X      |
| Means, Jessica ()    | X   |         |    |        |
| Pierce, Archie ()    | X   |         |    |        |
| Slagle, Matt ()      |     |         |    | LX     |
| Stidham, Gary ()     | X   |         |    |        |
| Vanover, Zane ()     | X   |         |    |        |
| Ward, Travis ()      | X   |         |    |        |

Item 5 Resolution No. 2024-08-07

To the Honorable Richard S. Venable, Sullivan County Mayor, and the Board of Sullivan County Commissioners meeting in Regular Session this 15th day of August 2024.

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE SULLIVAN COUNTY PURCHASING AGENT TO ENTER INTO A TASER 7 BASIC BUNDLE PLAN AGREEMENT WITH AXON ENTERPRISE, INC. IN SCOTTSDALE, AZ TO FURNISH THE SULLIVAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE WITH TASERS, HOLSTERS, AND CARTRIDGES.

WHEREAS, the Sullivan County Sheriff's Offices contract with Axon Enterprise, Inc to supply the County with Tasers and Cartridges ended in June of 2023; and

WHEREAS, the Sullivan County Sheriff's Office desires to equip, issue, and certify Officers with Tasers and Cartridges; and

WHEREAS, the Sullivan County Sheriff's Office contacted Axon Enterprise, Inc and discussed their exclusive product and the best Package Plan offered to suit Sullivan County Law Enforcement needs; and

WHEREAS, the Sullivan County Sheriff's Office has determined the Taser 7 Basic Bundle Package Plan, which provides Tasers with a 5-year warranty, a quick replacement program for damaged Tasers at no additional cost, an equipment trade-in program at the end of 5 years, Holsters, and Cartridges to be paid in Installments over 5 years to be the best option; and

WHEREAS, the Sullivan County Sheriff's Office desires to lease 80 Taser 7's with Holster and Cartridges from Axon Enterprise, Inc. under the Taser 7 Basic Bundle Package Plan.

WHEREAS, the Sullivan County Sheriff's Office currently budgets \$23,280 for Tasers; therefore, we are requesting that the Sullivan County Commission help find funding for the remaining increase in cost over the next 5 years.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners of Sullivan County, Tennessee, assembled in Regular Session, hereby authorize the Sullivan County Purchasing Agent to execute an agreement to lease eighty (80) Tasers with accessories @ \$47,383.94 the first year and \$65,313.36 for the four remaining fiscal years totaling \$308,637.38 with Axon Enterprise, Inc. as recommended by the Sullivan County Sheriff's Office, expiring 2028.

The Sullivan County Sheriff's Office will be requesting additional funding in FY 24-25 of \$24,103.94 from County Undesignated Fund Balance and additional funding each of the following 4 fiscal years of \$42,033.36 per year until 2028 from County Undesignated Fund Balance.

### WAIVER OF RULES REQUESTED

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| Attested: |                             | Approved:                        |
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|           | Teresa Jacobs, County Clerk | Richard S. Venable, County Mayor |

Sponsored by: Commissioner Gary Stidham Prime Co-Sponsor: Commissioner Travis Ward

2024-08-07 ACTIONS: Introduced at Work Session on August 8, 2024, waiver of rules requested.  $08/15/24\ 1^{st}$  Reading



Item 6

Resolution No. 2024-08-08

To the Honorable Richard S. Venable, Sullivan County Mayor and the Board of Sullivan County Commissioners meeting in Regular Session this 15th day of August 2024.

### RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE UP TO \$400,000 FUNDING FOR COUNTY TAX RELIEF PROGRAM.

WHEREAS, in FY 2023-24 Sullivan County had 4,010 people apply for State Tax Relief and to date 3,960 have qualified under the program; and,

WHEREAS, in FY 2023-24 the State significantly reduced the State Tax Relief program funding, which critically affected Sullivan County's elderly and disabled (27% funding decrease) and Sullivan County's 100% disabled veterans and their widow/widowers (36% funding decrease) who are dependent on the program to help meet their financial needs; and,

WHEREAS, funding for the State Tax Relief program will continue to be funded at the FY 2023-24 level or less; and it is the desire of Sullivan County to assist their taxpayers in bridging the gap created by the decrease in State funding; and,

WHEREAS, time is of the essence in order to supply the State the appropriate County information prior to the creation of Sullivan County's Tax Roll to ensure the roll is accurately loaded into the Trustee's software prior to receiving property tax payments.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners of Sullivan County, Tennessee, assembled in Regular Session hereby approves the Sullivan County Trustee to issue County Tax Relief benefits to qualifying State Relief recipients in a total amount not to exceed \$400,000.00 for FY 2024-2025.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Trustee shall pay County Tax Relief benefits directly to qualifying taxpayers and will assess the benefit amount prior to allocations being made to funds.

This resolution shall take effect from and after its passage. All resolutions in conflict herewith be and the same rescinded insofar as such conflict exists.



### WAIVER OF RULES REQUESTED

Approved this 15th day of August, 2024.

Teresa Jacobs, County Clerk

Richard S. Venable, County Mayor

Sponsor: Dwight King

Co-Sponsor Hershel Glover, everyone voting in the affirmative

2024-08-08 ACTIONS: Introduced at Work Session on August 8, 2024 with request for waiver of rules. 08/15/24 Approved on Waiver of Rules 20 Yes, 1 Abstain, 3 Absent



### **Sullivan County Commission August 15 2024**

46 Item 6 Resolution No. 2024-08-08 Sponsors: King/Glover Vote

Description

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE UP TO \$400,000 FUNDING FOR

COUNTY TAX RELIEF PROGRAM.

Chairman

Venable, Richard

Total vote result.

Voting start time6:32:36 PMVoting stop time6:32:49 PMVoting configurationVoteVoting modeOpen

Vote result

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### Group voting result

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### Individual voting result

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| Akard, David ()      | X   |         |     |        |
| Calton, Dariene ()   | X   |         |     |        |
| Carr, Joe ()         | X   |         |     |        |
| Cole, Michael ()     |     | 1       |     | X      |
| Crawford, Larry ()   | X   |         |     |        |
| Cross, Andrew ()     | Х   |         | -   | İ      |
| Crosswhite, Joyce () |     | X       |     |        |
| Gardner, John ()     | X   |         |     |        |
| Glover, Hershel ()   | X   |         | -   |        |
| Harvey, Cheryl ()    | Х   |         |     |        |
| Hayes, David ()      |     |         |     | X      |
| Horne, Daniel ()     | X   |         |     | 1      |
| Ireson, Mark ()      | X   |         |     |        |
| Jones, Sam ()        | X   |         |     |        |
| King, Dwight ()      | X   |         |     |        |
| Leonard, Tony ()     | X   |         |     |        |
| Locke, Hunter ()     | X   |         |     |        |
| McMurray, Joe ()     | X   |         |     |        |
| Means, Jessica ()    | X   |         |     |        |
| Pierce, Archie ()    | X   |         |     | _      |
| Slagle, Matt ()      |     |         |     | X      |
| Stidham, Gary ()     | Х   |         |     | ***    |
| Vanover, Zane ()     | X   |         |     |        |
| Ward, Travis ()      | X   |         |     |        |

Item 7

Resolution No. 2024-08-09

To the Honorable Richard S. Venable, Sullivan County Mayor, and the Board of Sullivan County Commissioners meeting in Regular Session this 15th day of August 2024.

# RESOLUTION OF THE SULLIVAN COUNTY COMMISSION FOR ADOPTION OF A REDEVELOPMENT PLAN AND TAX INCREMENT FINANCING AMENDMENT FOR THE RIVERBEND REDEVELOPMENT DISTRICT THE ARBOR PROJECT AREA

WHEREAS, Kingsport Housing & Redevelopment Authority ("KHRA") pursuant to the provisions of Title 13, Chapter 20, <u>Tennessee Code Annotated</u>, as supplemented and amended, has the power and authority to administer redevelopment programs located within its statutory boundaries; and

WHEREAS, KHRA has prepared a document entitled "Redevelopment Plan for Identified Districts & Study Areas" in conformance with Title 13, Chapter 20, Part 2, <u>Tennessee Code Annotated</u>, as supplemented and amended which has been adopted by the City of Kingsport ("Redevelopment Plan"); and

WHEREAS, as previously authorized by the Sullivan County Commission, KHRA conducted a public hearing on July 15, 2024, to determine the necessity for the expansion of the existing Riverbend Redevelopment District on behalf of Sullivan County and the adoption of a tax increment financing amendment which authorizes the use of tax increment financing within the expansion area; and

WHEREAS, the comments and findings of said public hearing, along with the Project proposal for the Riverbend Redevelopment District have been presented to the Sullivan County Commission; and

WHEREAS, KHRA and the City of Kingsport, Tennessee have recommended the expansion of the existing Riverbend Redevelopment District and the proposed tax increment financing amendment and have also recommended approval of the use of tax increment financing for a Project known as The Arbor to be located within the Riverbend Redevelopment District expansion area.

### NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Sullivan County Commission as follows:

- That the expanded Riverbend Redevelopment District is a blighted area as defined by Tennessee Code Annotated section 13-20-201 in need of redevelopment
- That the Amendment to the Riverbend Redevelopment Plan which includes an amendment expanding the district boundary and authorizing tax increment financing, as presented, and recommended by KHRA, a copy of the Amendment being attached hereto as Exhibit A, is hereby approved, and the factual findings contained therein are affirmed and adopted by the Sullivan County Commission.
- That use of tax increment financing as described in the Riverbend Redevelopment Plan Amendment for use in support of the project known as The Arbor is hereby approved.
- That the Sullivan County Mayor and Sullivan County Assessor are hereby authorized and empowered to negotiate and execute all such documents as may be reasonably required to implement the Redevelopment Plan and tax increment financing amendment.



- That KHRA is hereby authorized and empowered to implement the Redevelopment Plan and amendment on behalf of Sullivan County through the execution of a Redevelopment Agreement.
- This resolution is restricted solely to the Riverbend Redevelopment District and The Arbor Project Area as described in the attached amendment and is not an approval or denial of any other Redevelopment Plan or District.

This resolution shall take effect from and after its passage. All resolutions in conflict herewith be and the same rescinded insofar as such conflict exists.

### WAIVER OF RULES REQUESTED

Approved this 15th day of August, 2024.

Teresa Jacobs, County Clerk

Richard S. Venable, County Mayor

Sponsor: Hunter Locke Co-Sponsor: John Gardner

2024-08-09 ACTIONS: 08/15/24 Approved on Waiver of Rules 20 Yes, 1 No, 3 Absent



Meeting name

**Sullivan County Commission August 15 2024** 

8/15/2024

47 Item 7 Resolution No. 2024-08-09 Sponsors: Locke/Gardner Vote

Description

RESOLUTION OF THE SULLIVAN COUNTY COMMISSION FOR ADOPTION OF A REDEVELOPMENT PLAN AND TAX INCREMENT FINANCING AMENDMENT FOR THE RIVERBEND REDEVELOPMENT DISTRICT THE ARBOR PROJECT AREA.

Chairman

Venable, Richard

Total vote result6:57:55 PMVoting start time6:58:11 PMVoting configurationVote

Voting mode

Open

Vote result

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### Group voting result

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### Individual voting result

| Name                 | The second second | Yes | Abstain | - No | Absent         |
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| Calton, Darlene ()   | · ·-              | Х   |         |      |                |
| Carr, Joe ()         |                   | X   |         |      |                |
| Cole, Michael ()     |                   |     | _       |      | X              |
| Crawford, Larry ()   | -                 | Х   |         | _    |                |
| Cross, Andrew ()     |                   | Х   | _       |      |                |
| Crosswhite, Joyce () |                   | X   |         |      |                |
| Gardner, John ()     |                   | X   | -       |      |                |
| Glover, Hershel ()   |                   | X   |         |      |                |
| Harvey, Cheryl ()    |                   | Х   |         |      |                |
| Hayes, David ()      |                   |     |         |      | $\overline{X}$ |
| Horne, Daniel ()     |                   | Х   |         |      |                |
| Ireson, Mark ()      |                   | X   |         |      |                |
| Jones, Sam ()        |                   | Х   |         |      |                |
| King, Dwight ()      |                   |     |         | Х    |                |
| Leonard, Tony ()     |                   | X   |         |      |                |
| Locke, Hunter ()     |                   | X   |         | •    |                |
| McMurray, Joe ()     |                   | X   |         |      |                |
| Means, Jessica ()    |                   | X   |         |      |                |
| Pierce, Archie ()    | -                 | X   |         |      | -              |
| Slagle, Matt ()      |                   |     |         |      | X              |
| Stidham, Gary ()     |                   | X   |         |      |                |
| Vanover, Zane ()     |                   | X   |         |      |                |
| Ward, Travis ()      |                   | Х   |         |      |                |

### RIVERBEND REDEVELOPMENT DISTRICT TAX INCREMENT FINANCING AMENDMENT THE ARBOR PROJECT AREA

Tax-increment financing ("TIF") is a redevelopment tool to be administered by housing and redevelopment authorities codified at <u>Tenn. Code Ann.</u> §§13-20-204 and 205, et. seq. The purpose of TIF is to provide an economic stimulus for blighted property in need of redevelopment. Upon adoption of this Amendment, TIF may be utilized to finance eligible redevelopment costs for a redevelopment project known as The Arbor ("The Arbor") to be located within the expanded Riverbend Redevelopment District subject to the provisions of this Amendment. The TIF shall be administered as follows:

#### A. District History.

The property on which The Arbor will be located is property near Wal-Mart on Fort Henry Drive which has remained undeveloped in spite of commercial activity around it. The current Riverbend Redevelopment District is shown on the map attached as <a href="Exhibit One">Exhibit One</a>. This Amendment would expand the Riverbend Redevelopment District to incorporate approximately 9.25 additional acres which consists of Sullivan County Tax Map 077H Parcels 002.00 and 001.10 as shown on <a href="Exhibit Two">Exhibit Two</a> ("Expansion Area"). The Arbor will occupy a total of approximately 16.20 acres within the Expansion Area as shown on <a href="Exhibit Three">Exhibit Three</a> ("Project Area"). Much of the property within the Expansion Area was graded with little to no control of erosion from the site. The property was cited for violations on several occasions. No progress has been made on the abandoned development for several years. This Project Area also requires significant stormwater improvements to be constructed. This condition has negatively affected development in the nearby areas. In order to combat these issues for the site it is proposed that the Expansion Area (which includes the Project Area) be designated as part of the Riverbend Redevelopment District and be afforded all tax incentives as appropriate to encourage new land uses in the area.

The Expansion Area and Project Area is recognized as having a potential economic return to the City and County primarily due to its desirable location near Fort Henry Drive. Delay of the redevelopment of this site will continue to have a negative impact on the adjacent commercial areas. The use of TIF will allow the redevelopment of a well-located site which has previously been underutilized. The existing blight and negative impact on surrounding areas would all be remediated or eliminated by implementation of the proposed Redevelopment Project. The presence of approximately 92 new townhomes will increase economic activity in and around the Redevelopment District. Redevelopment of this area via the proposed Project would also help alleviate the shortage of market rate family homes in the Kingsport and Sullivan County markets which is critical to assist area businesses in recruiting new employees to the area who will both work and live in Kingsport and Sullivan County.

Based on the foregoing circumstances and conditions, the Board of Commissioners of KHRA has determined that the Expansion Area of the District which includes the Project Area is blighted as defined by TCA 13-20-201 et seq. The District experiences the following conditions:

- 1. Long-term vacant and underutilized property.
- 2. The continued deterioration of the property due to unfinished grading and erosion control and negative impact to the surrounding properties.

It is recommended that the project be redeveloped, rehabilitated and/or renovated in order to correct such blighted, deteriorated and dilapidated conditions.



### B. District Zoning and Land Use.

The redevelopment of the Riverbend Redevelopment District shall comply with the Zoning Ordinances and building codes as well as other applicable rules, laws, ordinances, codes and regulations of the City. KHRA shall also review the Plan and any redevelopment projects within the District with appropriate City agencies and officials to ensure that the Plan and the proposed redevelopment activities conform with local objectives relating to appropriate land uses, improved traffic flow, public transportation, public utilities, recreation and community facilities and other public improvements and needs. For a more complete description of the requirements and restrictions of the Zoning Ordinances of the City, reference should be made to the Ordinances themselves. This property should continue to be zoned Planned Development (PD) by the City of Kingsport.

The City and KHRA will cooperate in the planning and construction of improvements to the streets, roadways, sidewalks, curbs and gutters, parking systems, lighting, landscaping and traffic signalization and control.

### C. <u>Estimated Cost of the Project.</u>

The total estimated costs of all the proposed improvements to be made by Land Star Development, LLC (the "Developer") for The Arbor, is \$4,197,832.00. The proposed improvements by the Developer include removal of the existing improvements, grading, installations of storm water and utilities, construction of roads, installation of landscaping, lighting and other related amenities. The Developer will also be required to grade and construct an approximately 27 space automobile asphalt parking area on adjoining City property to service Riverbend Park (collectively these improvements are referred to as the "Redevelopment Project"). Developer will then sell the residential lots to a home builder who will construct approximately 92 townhomes. The townhomes will be approximately 1600 square feet. The total project investment by the developer and home builder is estimated to be approximately \$25,000,000.00. In order to give KHRA and the Developer flexibility in the event of future unforeseen market or site conditions, KHRA may deem Developer to be in compliance with the above units count requirements provided the final unit count is at least ninety percent (90%) of the units counts listed above.

KHRA will be paid an annual administration fee equal to five percent of the total and annual tax increment revenue received by KHRA. The Project will be located in the Project Area on current Sullivan County Tax Map 077H, Group C, Parcels 002.30, 002.00 and 001.10 which are the sole three tax parcels within the Project Area. The TIF shall be limited to eligible expenditures for the Redevelopment Project within the Project Area.

### D. Sources of Revenue to Finance the Cost of the Project.

The primary sources of revenue to pay for the Redevelopment Project are proceeds in the amount of \$3,097,832.00 from a permanent loan to the Developer and tax-increment based debt (to be issued by the KHRA in the form of bonds, notes, or other indebtedness) in an amount not to exceed \$1,100,000.00, but in no event in an amount to exceed the estimated amount of debt that can be amortized over a 15 year increment period which are hereby authorized by City of Kingsport (the "City") and Sullivan County, Tennessee (the "County"). Current projections suggest that the tax increment from the proposed improvements within the Project Area will be sufficient to retire this amount of indebtedness within a fifteen (15) year amortization period for both the City and the County.

The total current property tax assessment for the Project Area is \$ 336,665. This results in annual property tax payments to the City in the amount of \$ 6,727.58 and annual property tax payments to the County in the amount of \$ 8,100.83. The Redevelopment Project would result in a total estimated assessed



value for property within the Project Area of \$6,009,628. Based on current tax rates, this would result in total estimated annual city taxes of \$ 120,090.40 and total estimated annual county taxes of \$ 144,603.67. Because Sullivan County has as of tax year 2023 dedicated \$0.3369 of its \$ 2.4062 tax rate for repayment of indebtedness and the City of Kingsport as of tax year 2023 has dedicated \$0.2789 of its \$1.99 tax rate for repayment of indebtedness, that portion of the increment, pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. §§13-20-205 and 9-23-103, shall not be allocated as provided in Paragraph G below but shall be collected and paid to the respective taxing agency as all other property taxes are collected and paid. Thus, the estimated total available increment from Sullivan County taxes after the statutory debt service set aside but prior to any county holdback is \$ 117,390.62. The estimated total available increment from City of Kingsport taxes after statutory debt service set aside but prior to any holdback is \$97,540.93. However, this amendment provides in Paragraph G that forty percent (40%) of the tax increment shall be retained by the City and County resulting in an estimated total annual available tax increment after holdbacks and KHRA administrative fees of \$ 122,510.98. The combined new tax revenue above the current base as a result of this Project would be \$66,068.46 to the County and \$54,838.26 for the City. A detailed calculation of these estimated projections is attached hereto as Exhibit Four. The redevelopment of the Project Area will not occur to the degree proposed without the use of tax-increment financing.

### E. Amount and the Final Maturity of Bonded or other Indebtedness to be Incurred.

The amortization period for any indebtedness backed by the tax-increment revenue generated within the Project Area shall be no more than 15 years. In any event, the final maturity date of all indebtedness issued pursuant to this Amendment shall be on or before May 15, 2043. Upon retirement of all bonds, loans, or other indebtedness incurred and payable from tax-increment funds, or at such time as monies on deposit in the tax-increment fund or funds are sufficient for such purpose, all property taxes resulting from the incremental development of the project shall be retained by the appropriate taxing agency for disbursement according to law.

### F. Impact of the Tax-Increment Financing Provisions Upon Taxing Agencies.

The total assessment of the City of Kingsport's real property tax base for the 2019 tax year is approximately \$1,878,156,279. The total assessment of Sullivan County's property tax base for the 2023 tax year is approximately \$4,331,190,786. The current assessment of the Project Area represents 0.01% of the City of Kingsport's property tax base and 0.007% of the Sullivan County property tax base. The estimated assessment of the Proposed Improvements would represent 0.3% of the current City of Kingsport tax base and 0.1% of the current Sullivan County tax base. Based on these small percentages, the City and the County (the two taxing agencies affected by this Redevelopment Project) will not be substantially impacted financially by this tax-increment financing provision.

The development of the Redevelopment Project will result in approximately 200 additional residents and increased economic activity and tax revenue within the Redevelopment District and the region as whole.

### G. <u>Division of Property Taxes</u>.

Upon approval of this Amendment, the taxes levied and collected over the Project Area shall be collected by the appropriate taxing authorities in the same manner as provided by law, except that said taxes shall be divided as follows:

1. The portion of the taxes which would be produced by the rate at which the tax is levied each year by each taxing agency, upon the assessed value of such property within the Project Area as of the 2024 tax year (which is the year of approval of this TIF amendment) ("Base Assessment"), shall



be allocated to, and when collected, shall be paid to, the respective taxing agencies as taxes levied by such taxing agencies on all other property are paid; provided, that in any year in which taxes of the Project Area are less than the Base Assessment and the Dedicated Taxes, there shall be allocated and paid to those respective taxing agencies only those taxes actually imposed and collected; and provided further, that, in any year or years in which the Base Assessment would be diminished solely due to a rate reduction under Title 67, Chapter 5, Part 17, of the Tennessee Code, the Base Assessment shall nevertheless be established at the amount originally determined.

- 2. Subject to the restraints herein and applicable law, sixty percent (60%) of the City of Kingsport taxes levied in each year in excess of the Base Assessment and Dedicated Taxes shall be allocated to and, when collected, shall be paid into a special fund or funds of KHRA to pay the administration fee and to pay the principal of and interest on any bonds, loans or other indebtedness incurred or to be incurred by KHRA to finance or refinance, in whole or in part, eligible redevelopment expenses of the Redevelopment Project contemplated by the Redevelopment Plan, and such other expenses as may be allowed by law. The remaining forty percent (40%) of the City of Kingsport taxes levied in each year in excess of the Base Assessment and Dedicated Taxes shall be allocated to and, when collected, shall be paid to the City in the same manner as taxes on all other property are paid.
- 3. Subject to the restraints herein and applicable law, sixty percent (60%) of the Sullivan County taxes levied in each year in excess of the Base Assessment and Dedicated Taxes shall be allocated to and, when collected, shall be paid into a special fund or funds of KHRA to pay the administration fee and to pay the principal of and interest on any bonds, loans or other indebtedness incurred or to be incurred by KHRA to finance or refinance, in whole or in part, eligible redevelopment expenses of the Redevelopment Project contemplated by the Redevelopment Plan, and such other expenses as may be allowed by law. The remaining forty percent (40%) of the Sullivan County taxes levied in each year in excess of the Base Assessment and Dedicated Taxes shall be allocated to and, when collected, shall be paid to Sullivan County in the same manner as taxes on all other property are paid.
- 4. Upon retirement of all bonds, loans or other indebtedness incurred by KHRA and payable from such special fund or funds, or at such time as monies on deposit in such special fund or funds are sufficient for such purpose, all taxes levied each year in excess of the Base Assessment and Dedicated Taxes shall, when collected, be paid to the respective taxing agency as taxes levied by such taxing agencies on all other property are paid, and KHRA shall give notice to all affected taxing agencies of such retirement. Excess taxes beyond amounts necessary to fund or reserve for eligible expenditures may be applied to principal and interest of debt incurred to finance such eligible expenditures or shall revert to the taxing agency general fund. In any event, the division of property taxes required by this document shall not continue for any tax year beyond 2042.

### H. Property Tax Assessments and Collection.

- 1. The appropriate assessor shall, in each year during the period in which taxes are to be allocated to KHRA pursuant to Paragraph G, compute and certify the net amount, if any, by which the current assessed value of all taxable property located within the Project Area which is subject to taxation by the particular taxing agency exceeds the base assessment. The net amount of any such increase is referred to in this subdivision as the incremental value for that particular year.
- 2. In any year in which there exists a tax increment to be allocated to KHRA, the appropriate assessor shall exclude it from the assessed value upon which the appropriate assessor computes the tax rates for taxes levied that year by the taxing agency. However, the assessor shall extend the



aggregate tax rate of such taxes against the Base Assessment and the incremental value and shall apply the taxes collected there from as provided herein.

3. If in any year property comprising a portion of the Project Area shall be removed from the tax rolls of a taxing agency, the Base Assessment for the Project Area shall be reduced by the amount of the Base Assessment allocable to the property so removed for each subsequent year in which taxes are to be allocated to a particular authority pursuant to the above provisions.

### I. Documentation for Assessor's Office.

Upon approval of this Amendment, KHRA shall transmit to the assessor of property and the chief financial officer for each taxing agency affected, a copy of the description of all land within the Project Area (including tax parcel numbers), the date or dates of the approval of the redevelopment plan or amendment thereto, a copy of the resolution approving the redevelopment plan or approving an Amendment thereto, a map or plat indicating the boundaries of such property and the Base Assessment with respect to the Project Area, and taxes shall thereafter, when collected, be allocated and paid in the manner provided herein.

### J. Excluded Taxes.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this section, taxes levied upon property subject to taxincrement financing provisions by any taxing agency for the payment of principal of and interest on all bonds, loans or other indebtedness of such taxing agency, and taxes levied by or for the benefit of the State of Tennessee (herein "Dedicated Taxes"), shall not be subject to allocation as provided in Paragraph G but shall be levied against the property and, when collected, paid to such taxing agency as taxes levied by such taxing agency on all other property are paid and collected.

### K. Interpretation.

This tax-increment financing amendment is being proposed pursuant to *Tenn. Code Ann. § 13-20-201*, et. seq. and *Tenn. Code Ann. § 9-23-101*, et. seq. and all relevant provisions are hereby incorporated herein by reference. All provisions of this Amendment shall be construed in a manner consistent with said Code sections.

### L. Conditions of Tax-Increment.

KHRA shall enter into a redevelopment agreement with Developer which requires Developer to pursue and complete the Redevelopment Project in a diligent manner, and in accordance with plans and specifications approved by KHRA. The redevelopment agreement to be entered into between KHRA and Developer shall contain such terms as KHRA believes reasonably necessary to accomplish this purpose.

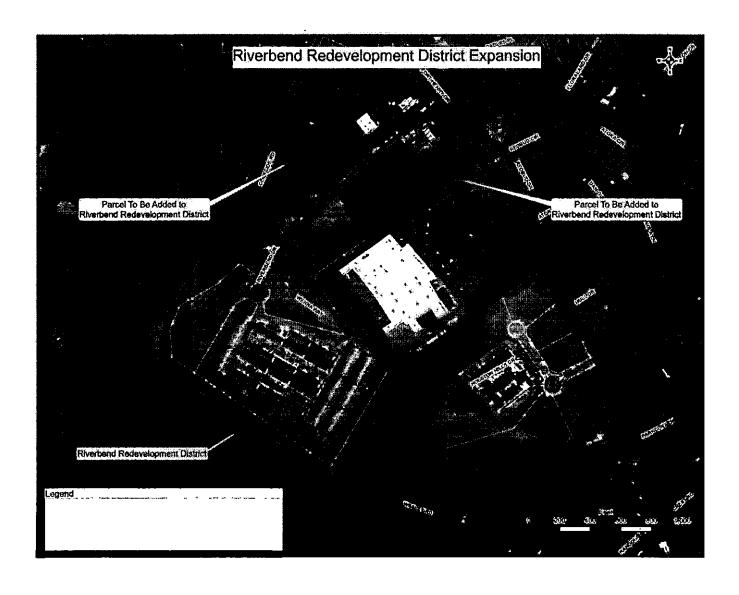
### M. <u>Limitation of Approval</u>.

The approval of this TIF Amendment by Sullivan County, Tennessee is limited solely to Redevelopment Project and the Project Area described herein and shall not be interpreted as an approval of any other tax increment financing project, or Redevelopment District.



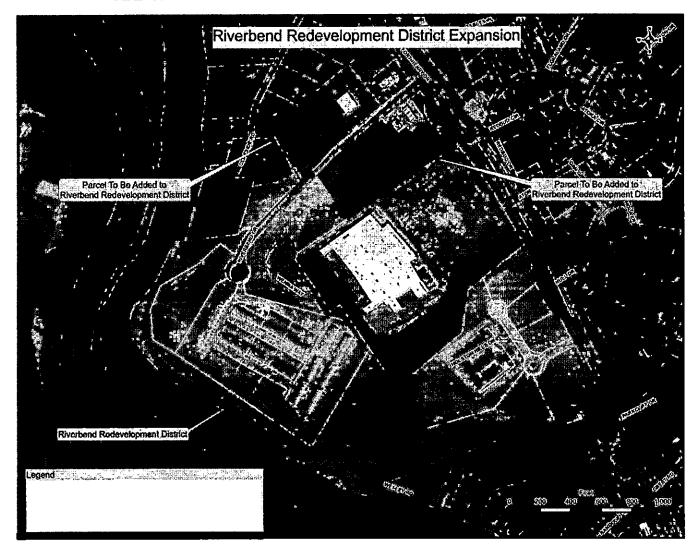
#### **EXHIBIT ONE**

#### MAP OF CURRENT RIVERBEND REDEVELOPMENT DISTRICT





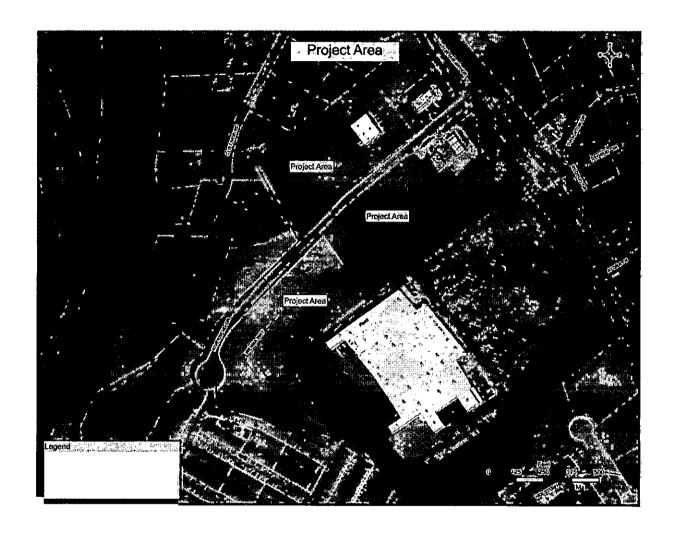
#### MAP OF EXPANDED RIVERBEND REDEVELOPMENT DISTRICT





#### **EXHIBIT THREE**

#### MAP OF THE ARBOR PROJECT AREA



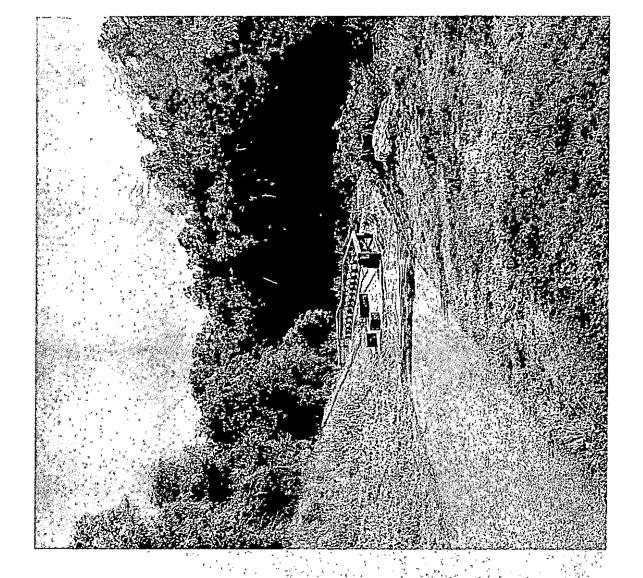


#### **EXHIBIT FOUR**

# TIF ESTIMATE RIVERBEND REDEVELOPMENT DISTRICT THE ARBOR PROJECT AREA

| Total Original Base Value   | \$336,665.00   |
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| County Tax Rate   | 2.4062         |
| City Tax Rate   | 1.9983         |
| Total New Assessed Value  | \$6,009,628.00 |
| County Debt Service Rate  | .3369          |
| City Debt Service Rate  | 0.2789         |
| Total County Taxes  | \$144,603.67   |
| Base County Taxes   | \$8,100.83     |
| County Increment  | \$136,502.84   |
| County Debt Service Set Aside                                     | \$19,112.21    |
| Available County Increment after Debt Service                     | \$117,390.62   |
| County Increment after 40% Holdback                               | \$70,434.37    |
| County Increment after 40% Holdback and Admin Fee                 | \$66,912.66    |
| Total City Taxes  | \$120,090.40   |
| Base City Taxes   | \$6,727.58     |
| Proposed City Increment   | \$113,362.82   |
| City Debt Service Set Aside                                       | \$15,821.89    |
| Available City Increment after Debt Service                       | \$97,540.93    |
| City Increment after 40% holdback                                 | \$58,524.56    |
| City Increment after 40% holdback and admin fee                   | \$55,598.33    |
| Total City and County Increment available for debt service        | \$122,510.98   |
| Annual New Benefits to City ( debt service)                       | \$54,838.26    |
| Annual New Benefits to County (retained increment & debt service) | \$66,068.46    |





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#### Riverbend History

- Original District Created
- TIF approval for Villas @ Riverbend (rental)
  - \*These two items happened concurrently

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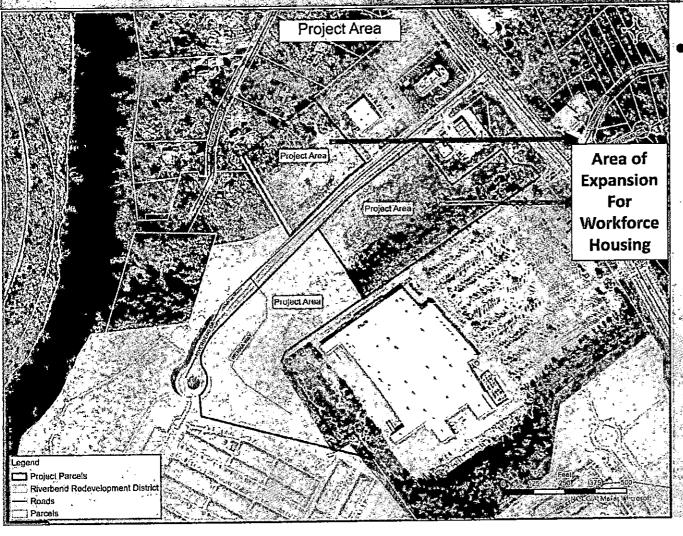
- Expansion of District
- TIF approval for The Blake

\*These two items happened concurrently

 Final Expansion plan considered for TIF approval of The Arbor

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## Riverbendi project



## Project Area

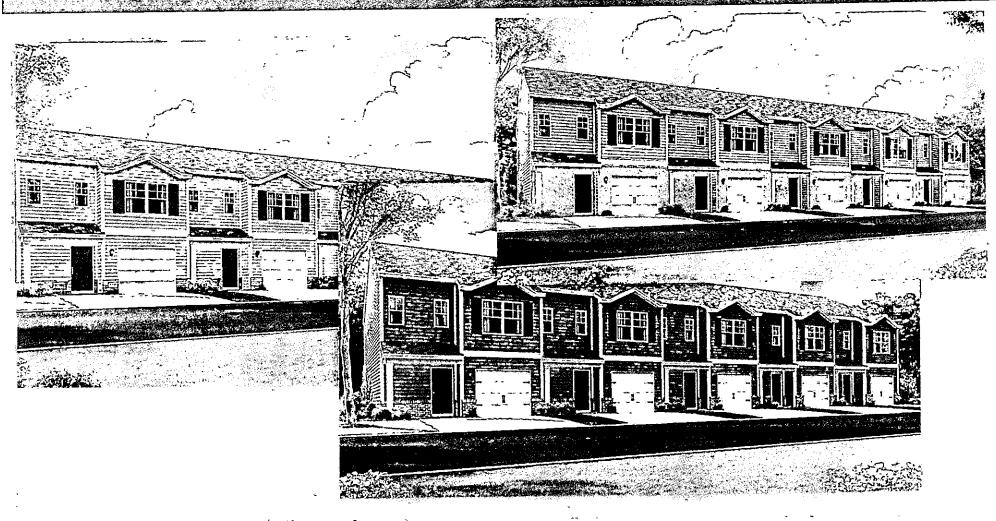
- One parcel inside the existing boundary and two immediately adjacent.
- KHRA has recommended the expansion of the district.
- Project site is constrained with a large private storm line that runs through it, a development free restriction placed on the property in the deed, and a sinkhole

# Riverbend: Project: **Private Storm Pipe Location** Area Sterilized from Residential Development THE ARBOR 92 TOWNHOMES TOTAL SITE . 16.19 acres (1)

## Project Description

- "The Arbor"
- 92 townhomes
- 3 new public streets
- Development Costs:
  - \$4,197,832 for infrastructure, stormwater issues, unsuitable soils import/export, sidewalks, lighting and other development related costs.
- Original Assessed Value of vacant land:
  - \$336,935
- New Assessed Value:
  - \$6,009,628

# Riverbend | Project



## Riverbend Project :

## TIF numbers

- 40% holdback
- Original Assessed Value \$336,935
- New Assessed Value \$6,009,628
- Current City Taxes \$6,732.97
- Annual New Revenue to City \$54,835.65
- Total TIF value \$1,100,000 15 years
  - ~50% of TIF value is going towards public improvements

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| Total Original Assessed Base Value   | \$336,935.00   |
| County Tax Rate  | 2.4062   |
| City Tax Rate  | 1.9983   |
| Total New Assessed Value   | \$6,009,628.00   |
| County Debt Service Rate   | .3369  |
| City Debt Service Rate   | .2789  |
| City Debt Service Rate Total County Taxes  | \$144,603.67   |
| Base County Taxes  | \$8,107.33   |
| County Increment   | \$136,496.34   |
| County Debt Service Set Aside  | \$19,111.30  |
| Available County Increment after Debt Service  | \$117,385.04   |
| County Increment after Holdback of 40%   | \$70,431.02.   |
| County Increment after Admin Fee   | \$66,909,47  |
| Total City Taxes   | \$120,090.40   |
| Base City Taxes  | \$6,732.97   |
| Proposed City Increment  | \$113,357.42   |
| City Debt Service Set Aside  | \$15,821,14  |
| Available City Increment after Debt Service  | \$97,536.28  |
| City Increment after Holdback of 40%   | \$58,521.77  |
| City increment after Admin Fee   | \$55,595.68  |
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| Total City and County increment available for Debt Service   | \$122,505.15   |
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| Annual New Benefits to City (retained increment & debt service)  | \$54,835.65  |
| Annual New Benefits to County (retained increment & debt service)  | \$66,065.32  |
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| Total Admin Fee to KHRA  | \$6,447.64   |

TIF CALCULATION

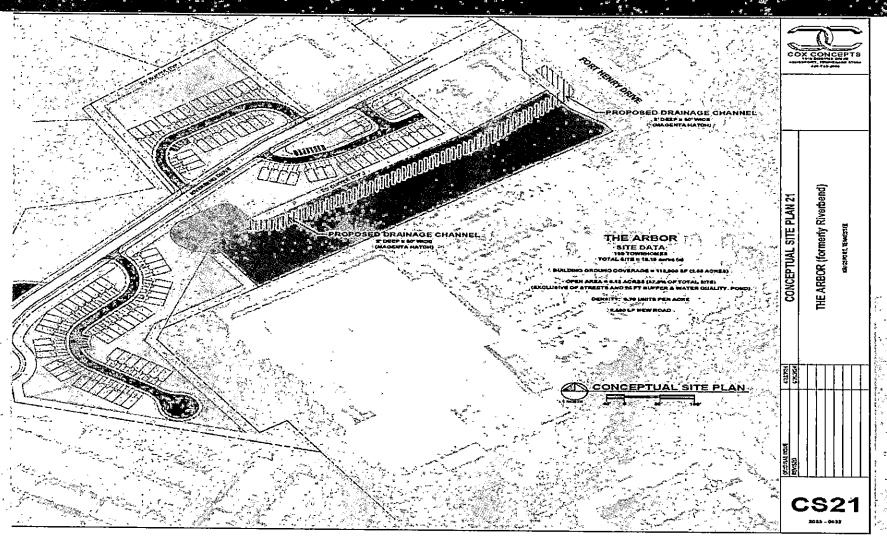
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#### Riverbend Project

# Project Description

- Public Improvements:
- Completion of a channel along the private stormwater line to help alleviate any flooding that my occur should the pipe fail in any area.
- 1967 日本 Est. \$200,000 -
- This will protect the integrity of Fort Henry Drive as well as adjacent residential properties in the event of flooding or pipe failure.
  - Completion of a new public parking lot to access the Riverbend Park.
    - Est. \$375,000
      - 27 total spaces

# Riverbend Public Improvements: Drainage Improvements

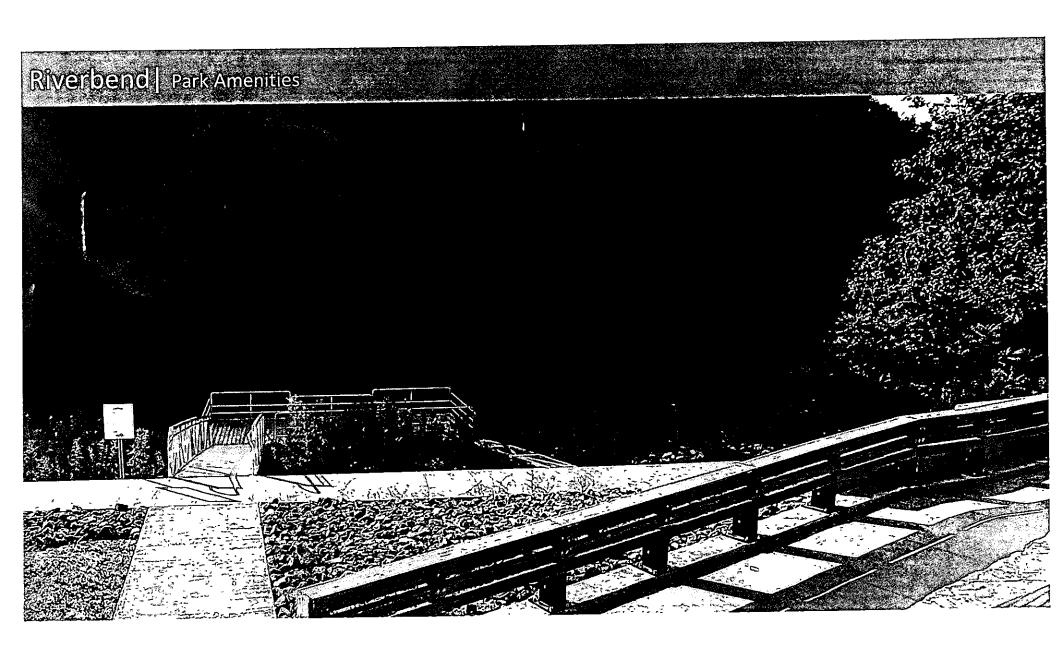


# Riverbend | Public Improvements: Drainage Improvements



### LOCATE AND IDENTIFY EXISTING STORY PIPE, CONNECT AND EXTEND TO DAYLIGHT WITH SAME SIZE HOPE PIPING AT ACCEPTABLE SLOPE AND DEFLECTION. INSTALL CATCH BASIN AND 18" HDPE STORM PIPING TO DAYLIGHT es pares rea CURB CUT FOR TRAIL ACCESS 5' WIDE PAVED CONNECTION TO EX. TRAIL CONCRETE CURB AND CUTTER. TRANSITION TO EXISTING, CURB AND COUTER. BIKE RACK ET SOLWAY EX. SKEWALK EX DAS AVO DUTER EX. CI. EX CURS AND GUITTEN -ISLAND LANDSCAPING TRANSITION DETACHED, CURB TO CURB AND, GUTTER, CONSTRUCT DETACHED CURB AROUND PERIMETER OF PANEWENT. RIVERBEND DRIVE

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#### Sullivan County Board of County Commissioners 244th Annual Session

Item 8 Resolution No. 2024-08-10

# A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO THE REDEVELOPMENT PLAN AUTHORIZING ADDITIONAL TIF FINANCING FOR HUDSON TERRACE PROJECT AND EXTENDING THE TERM OF THE VOLUNTEER PARKWAY SOUTH REDEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

WHEREAS, in 2021 the Bristol Housing Board of Commissioners approved the <u>Redevelopment Plan for Identified Districts and Study Areas for the City of Bristol, Tennessee</u> (the "Redevelopment Plan") as part of the redevelopment process in support of the Volunteer Parkway South Redevelopment District which was subsequently approved by the City of Bristol, Tennessee (the "City") and Sullivan County, Tennessee (the "County"); and

WHEREAS, a Tax Increment Financing Amendment to the Volunteer Parkway South Redevelopment Plan was subsequently approved by the City by Resolution No 21-102 and the County by Resolution No. 2021-10-91 approving Tax Increment Financing for an amount up to \$1,700,000 and for up to a 15 year increment period in order to incentivize Landstar Partners, LLC ("Developer") to perform the utility/site work and cause the construction of approximately 158 new single-family homes and townhomes to be known as Hudson Terrace (formerly known as The Overlook) (the "Redevelopment Project"); and

WHEREAS, as a result of unanticipated costs and material shortages including higher than anticipated utility and material costs, the Developer requested an increase in the amount of the TIF Financing from up to \$1,700,000 to up to \$2,100,000 and an extension of the term of the TIF Financing from 15 to 20 years and to allow for one additional year of construction due to the construction delay caused by increased material costs and shortages ("First Amendment') which was approved by BH, the City and County in 2022; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held by Bristol Housing on June 26, 2024, as required under T.C.A. § 13-20-201, et. seq. seeking public input on a proposed additional amendment to the TIF Amendment for the Volunteer Parkway South Redevelopment Plan to extend the construction period for the project and the term of the Tax Increment Financing period by an additional two years thereby extending the last year of available TIF Financing to 2045 (the "Second Amendment"); and

WHEREAS, Bristol Housing and the City Council of the City of Bristol, Tennessee have recommended the adoption of the proposed Second Amendment; and

WHEREAS, the Sullivan County Commission believes it is in the best interests of all parties including the City and County to amend the Redevelopment Plan to allow the Tax Increment revenues to continue to be allocated to BH through tax year 2045 to allow the Developer additional time to complete the construction of the Project.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Board of County Commissioners of Sullivan County, Tennessee, as follows:

• The Second Amendment to the existing Tax Increment Financing Amendment to the Redevelopment Plan for the Volunteer Parkway South Redevelopment District, a copy of which is



attached as <u>Exhibit A</u> hereto and the findings contained therein are hereby approved and adopted by the Sullivan County Commission.

- That use of tax increment financing as described in the Volunteer Parkway South Redevelopment Plan as amended for use in support of the project known as Hudson Terrace project is hereby approved.
- That the Sullivan County Mayor and Sullivan County Assessor are hereby authorized and empowered to negotiate and execute all such documents as may be reasonably required to implement this Plan.
- That Bristol Housing is hereby authorized and empowered to implement the Redevelopment Plan as amended, including the use of tax increment financing, on behalf of Sullivan County through the execution of a Redevelopment Agreement and other agreements deemed appropriate by Bristol Housing.
- This resolution is restricted solely to the Volunteer Parkway South Redevelopment District and Hudson Terrace Project is not an approval or denial of any other Redevelopment Plan, Project or District.

This resolution shall take effect from and after its passage. All resolutions in conflict herewith be and the same rescinded insofar as such conflict exists.

WAIVER OF RULES REQUESTED

Approved this 15th day of August, 2024.

Teresa Jacobs, County Clerk

Richard S. Venable, County Mayor

Sponsor: David Akard Cosponsor: Cheryl Harvey

2024-08-10 ACTIONS: 08/15/24 Approved on Waiver of Rules 20 Yes, 1 No, 3 Absent



#### Agenda subject voting report

Meeting name

Sullivan County Commission August 15 2024

8/15/2024

48 Item 8 Resolution No. 2024-08-10 Sponsors: Akard/Harvey Vote

Description

A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO THE REDEVELOPMENT PLAN AUTHORIZING ADDITIONAL TIF FINANCING FOR HUDSON TERRACE PROJECT AND EXTENDING THE TERM OF THE VOLUNTEER PARKWAY SOUTH REDEVELOPMENT DISTRICT.

Chairman

Venable, Richard

| Total vote result    | 7 W<br>W. W. W |
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| Voting start time    | 7:00:31 PM                                      |
| Voting stop time     | 7:00:48 PM                                      |
| Voting configuration | Vote  |
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Vote result

| Yes  | 20 |
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| Abstain  | 0  |
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#### Group voting result

| Group    | <br> | A H |              | Yes | No | Absent |
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#### Individual voting result

| Name                 | Yes | Abstain | No | Absent   |
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| Akard, David ()      | X   |         |    |          |
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| Carr, Joe ()         | X   |         |    |          |
| Cole, Michael ()     |     | 1       |    | X        |
| Crawford, Larry ()   | X   |         |    | -        |
| Cross, Andrew ()     | X   |         |    |          |
| Crosswhite, Joyce () | X   | -       |    |          |
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| Glover, Hershel ()   | X   | 1       |    |          |
| Harvey, Cheryl ()    | X   | 1       |    |          |
| Hayes, David ()      |     | 1       |    | X        |
| Horne, Daniel ()     | X   |         |    |          |
| Ireson, Mark ()      | X   |         | -  |          |
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| Leonard, Tony ()     | X   |         |    |          |
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| McMurray, Joe ()     | X   |         |    | 1        |
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#### Exhibit A

# VOLUNTEER PARKWAY SOUTH REDEVELOPMENT DISTRICT HUDSON TERRACE PROJECT TAX INCREMENT FINANCING AMENDMENT AS AMENDED JUNE 2024

Tax-increment financing ("TIF") is a redevelopment tool to be administered by housing and redevelopment authorities codified at <u>Tenn. Code Ann.</u> §§13-20-204 and 205. The purpose of TIF is to provide an economic stimulus for blighted property in need of redevelopment. Upon adoption of this Amendment, TIF may be utilized to finance eligible redevelopment costs for a single-family residential redevelopment project known as Hudson Terrace (formerly known as The Overlook) ("Hudson Terrace") to be located within the existing Volunteer Parkway South Redevelopment District subject to the provisions of this Amendment. The TIF shall be administered as follows:

#### A. District History.

The Volunteer Parkway South Redevelopment District was designated as a Redevelopment District by Bristol Housing ("BH") in 2020. The Redevelopment District contains many dilapidated and underutilized parcels of property and was determined to be blighted in 2020 for the reasons set forth in the original redevelopment plan which still exist and which are incorporated in this amendment by reference. The Volunteer Parkway South Redevelopment District includes approximately 35 tax parcels which are mostly dilapidated and underutilized. Redevelopment of the Project Area is critical to complete the transformation of the entire Redevelopment District. The Volunteer Parkway South Redevelopment District is shown on the map attached as Exhibit One ("Redevelopment District"). Hudson Terrace Project Area of the Volunteer Parkway South Redevelopment District is shown on the map attached as Exhibit Two ("Project Area"). Delay of the redevelopment of the Project Area will continue to have a blighting influence on the adjacent areas. The use of TIF will allow the redevelopment of the Project Area which has seen a dramatic decline in usage over the past decade. The existing blight within the Project Area would be eliminated by implementation of the proposed Redevelopment Project. The presence of approximately 158 new single-family homes and townhomes would boost the area schools and increase economic activity in and around the Redevelopment District. Redevelopment of this area via the proposed Project would also help alleviate the shortage of market rate entry-level single-family homes in the Bristol and Sullivan County markets. Available residential ownership options are critical to assist area businesses in recruiting new employees to the area who will both work and live in Bristol and Sullivan County. Based on the foregoing circumstances and conditions, the Board of Commissioners of BH has determined that the District is blighted as defined by TCA 13-20-201 et seq. The District experiences the following conditions:

- 1. Long-term vacant and underutilized property.
- 2. Deleterious land use.
- 3. Blighting effect of the continued vacancy and deterioration of the property and impact to the surrounding properties including increased crime in the Redevelopment District

It is recommended that the project be redeveloped, rehabilitated and/or renovated in order to correct such blighted and deteriorated conditions.

B. <u>District Zoning and Land Use</u>.



The redevelopment of the District shall comply with the Zoning Ordinances and building codes as well as other applicable rules, laws, ordinances, codes and regulations of the City. BH shall also review the Plan and any redevelopment projects within the District with appropriate City agencies and officials to ensure that the Plan and the proposed redevelopment activities conform with local objectives relating to appropriate land uses, improved traffic flow, public transportation, public utilities, recreation and community facilities and other public improvements and needs. For a more complete description of the requirements and restrictions of the Zoning Ordinances of the City, reference should be made to the Ordinances themselves. This property is currently zoned B-3 by the City of Bristol.

The City and BH will cooperate in the planning and construction of improvements to the streets, roadways, sidewalks, curbs and gutters, parking systems, lighting, landscaping and traffic signalization and control.

#### C. Estimated Cost of the Project.

The total estimated costs of all the proposed improvements to be made by Landstar Partners, LLC (the "Developer") for Hudson Terrace is \$7,368,000.00. The proposed improvements by the Developer include removal of the existing asphalt, gravel and other existing improvements, grading, installations of storm water and utilities, construction of roads, installation of landscaping, lighting and other related amenities (the "Redevelopment Project"). Developer will then sell the residential lots to a home builder who will construct approximately 94 single family homes and approximately 64 townhomes. The single-family residences will be between 1183 and 2164 square feet and contain at least 3 bedrooms and 2 baths. The townhomes will be approximately 1418 square feet and have similar amenities. The purchase price for the residences and townhomes is currently estimated based on current construction costs to be approximately \$235,000 for the townhomes and between \$265,000 and \$340,000 for the residences. The total project investment by the developer and home builder is estimated to be approximately \$43,522,357. In order to give BH and the Developer flexibility in the event of future unforeseen market or site conditions, BH may deem Developer to be in compliance with the above units count requirements provided the final unit count in any given category and the total unit count is at least ninety percent (90%) of the units counts listed above.

In addition, BH will be paid an annual administration fee equal to five percent of the total annual tax increment revenue received by BH. The Project will be located upon the following current tax parcels: Sullivan County Tax Map 067, Control Map 067, Parcels 056.00, 056.50, 056.40, 056.35 and 056.30 which are the only five tax parcels within the Project Area. The TIF shall be limited to eligible expenditures for the Redevelopment Project within the Project Area.

#### D. Sources of Revenue to Finance the Cost of the Project.

The estimated primary sources of revenue to pay for the Redevelopment Project are proceeds in the amount of \$4,600,000.00 from a permanent loan to the Developer and tax increment based debt (to be issued by the BH in the form of bonds, notes, or other indebtedness) in an amount not to exceed \$2,100,000.00 but in no event in an amount to exceed the estimated amount of debt that can be amortized over the twenty (20) year increment periods which are hereby authorized by City of Bristol (the "City") and Sullivan County, Tennessee (the "County"). Current projections suggest that the tax increment from the proposed improvements within the Project Area will be sufficient to retire this amount of indebtedness within a twenty-year amortization period for both the City and the County.



The total current property tax assessment for the Project Area is \$ 735,955. This results in annual property tax payments to the City in the amount of \$ 14,975.81 and annual property tax payments to the County in the amount of \$18,141.67. The Redevelopment Project would result in a total estimated assessed value for property within the Project Area of \$ 7,681,345.00 (based on a \$ 30,725,380.00 tax appraised value). Based on current tax rates, this would result in total estimated annual city taxes of \$ 152,574 and total estimated annual county taxes of \$ 184,828. Because Sullivan County has dedicated \$0.3369 of its \$ 2.4062 tax rate for repayment of indebtedness and the City of Bristol has dedicated \$0.05 of its \$ 1.9863 tax rate for repayment of indebtedness, that portion of the increment, pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. §§13-20-205 and 9-23-103, shall not be allocated as provided in Paragraph G below but shall be collected and paid to the respective taxing agency as all other property taxes are collected and paid. Thus, the estimated total available increment from Sullivan County taxes after the statutory debt service set aside but prior to any county holdback is \$ 143,348. The estimated total available increment from City of Bristol taxes after statutory debt service set aside but prior to any holdback is \$ 134,135. However, this amendment provides in Paragraph G that 35% of the tax increment shall be retained by the City and County resulting in an estimated total annual available tax increment after holdbacks and BH administrative fees of \$ 171,346. The combined new tax revenue above the current base as a result of this Project would be \$73,150 to the County and \$50,410 for the City. A detailed calculation of these estimated projections is attached hereto as Exhibit Three. The redevelopment of the Project Area will not occur to the degree proposed without the use of tax-increment financing.

#### E. Amount and the Final Maturity of Bonded or other Indebtedness to be Incurred.

The amortization period for any indebtedness backed by the tax-increment revenue generated within the Project Area shall be no more than twenty (20) years from the date of issuance of the debt. In any event, the final maturity date of all indebtedness issued pursuant to this Amendment shall be on or before May 15, 2046. Upon retirement of all bonds, loans, or other indebtedness incurred and payable from tax-increment funds, or at such time as monies on deposit in the tax-increment fund or funds are sufficient for such purpose, all property taxes resulting from the incremental development of the project shall be retained by the appropriate taxing agency for disbursement according to law.

#### F. Impact of the Tax-Increment Financing Provisions Upon Taxing Agencies.

The total assessment of the City of Bristol's real property tax base for the 2020 tax year is approximately \$ 717,005,000. The total assessment of Sullivan County's real property tax base for the 2019 tax year is approximately \$3,847,748,820. The current assessment of the Project Area represents 0.001 of the City of Bristol's property tax base and 0.0002 of the Sullivan County property tax base. The estimated assessment of the Proposed Improvements would represent 0.0098 of the current City of Bristol tax base and 0.0018 of the current Sullivan County tax base. Based on these small percentages, the City and the County (the two taxing agencies affected by this Redevelopment Project) will not be substantially impacted financially by this tax-increment financing provision.

The development of the Redevelopment Project will result in additional residents and economic activity within the Redevelopment District. It is estimated approximately 266 total jobs could be created during the construction phase of the Redevelopment Project with at total economic impact of \$21,118,500 which results in significant local taxes and other revenue for local governments. In addition, the long-term impact includes the addition of residents to our communities which results in significant additional local taxes and other revenue for local governments. While all these numbers rely on certain assumptions and projections, the end result of the Redevelopment Project is that a need for entry level home ownership has been met and the City and County will receive a substantial economic boost.



#### G. Division of Property Taxes.

Upon approval of this Amendment, the taxes levied and collected over the Project Area shall be collected by the appropriate taxing authorities in the same manner as provided by law, except that said taxes shall be divided as follows:

- 1. The portion of the taxes which would be produced by the rate at which the tax is levied each year by each taxing agency, upon the assessed value of such property within the Project Area as of the 2021 tax year (which is the year of approval of this TIF amendment) ("Base Assessment"), shall be allocated to, and when collected, shall be paid to, the respective taxing agencies as taxes levied by such taxing agencies on all other property are paid; provided, that in any year in which taxes of the Project Area are less than the Base Assessment and the Dedicated Taxes, there shall be allocated and paid to those respective taxing agencies only those taxes actually imposed and collected; and provided further, that, in any year or years in which the Base Assessment would be diminished solely due to a rate reduction under Title 67, Chapter 5, Part 17, of the Tennessee Code, the Base Assessment shall nevertheless be established at the amount originally determined.
- 2. Subject to the restraints herein and applicable law, sixty five percent (65%) of all the taxes levied in each year in excess of the Base Assessment and Dedicated Taxes shall be allocated to and, when collected, shall be paid into a special fund or funds of BH to pay the administration fee and to pay the principal of and interest on any bonds, loans or other indebtedness incurred or to be incurred by BH to finance or refinance, in whole or in part, eligible redevelopment expenses of the Redevelopment Project contemplated by the Redevelopment Plan, and such other expenses as may be allowed by law. The remaining thirty five percent (35%) of all the taxes levied in each year in excess of the Base Assessment and Dedicated Taxes shall be allocated to and, when collected, shall be paid to the respective taxing agencies in the same manner as taxes on all other property are paid.
- 3. Upon retirement of all bonds, loans or other indebtedness incurred by BH and payable from such special fund or funds, or at such time as monies on deposit in such special fund or funds are sufficient for such purpose, all taxes levied each year in excess of the Base Assessment and Dedicated Taxes shall, when collected, be paid to the respective taxing agency as taxes levied by such taxing agencies on all other property are paid, and BH shall give notice to all affected taxing agencies of such retirement. Excess taxes beyond amounts necessary to fund or reserve for eligible expenditures may be applied to principal and interest of debt incurred to finance such eligible expenditures or shall revert to the taxing agency general fund. In any event, the division of property taxes required by this document shall not continue for any tax year beyond 2045.

#### H. Property Tax Assessments and Collection.

- 1. The appropriate assessor shall, in each year during the period in which taxes are to be allocated to BH pursuant to Paragraph G, compute and certify the net amount, if any, by which the current assessed value of all taxable property located within the Project Area which is subject to taxation by the particular taxing agency exceeds the base assessment. The net amount of any such increase is referred to in this subdivision as the incremental value for that particular year.
- 2. In any year in which there exists a tax increment to be allocated to BH, the appropriate assessor shall exclude it from the assessed value upon which the appropriate assessor computes the tax rates for taxes levied that year by the taxing agency. However, the assessor shall extend the



aggregate tax rate of such taxes against the Base Assessment and the incremental value and shall apply the taxes collected there from as provided herein.

3. If in any year property comprising a portion of the Project Area shall be removed from the tax rolls of a taxing agency, the Base Assessment for the Project Area shall be reduced by the amount of the Base Assessment allocable to the property so removed for each subsequent year in which taxes are to be allocated to a particular authority pursuant to the above provisions.

#### I. <u>Documentation for Assessor's Office</u>.

Upon approval of this Amendment, BH shall transmit to the assessor of property and the chief financial officer for each taxing agency affected, a copy of the description of all land within the Project Area (including tax parcel numbers), the date or dates of the approval of the redevelopment plan or amendment thereto, a copy of the resolution approving the redevelopment plan or approving an Amendment thereto, a map or plat indicating the boundaries of such property and the Base Assessment with respect to the Project Area, and taxes shall thereafter, when collected, be allocated and paid in the manner provided herein.

#### J. Excluded Taxes.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this section, taxes levied upon property subject to taxincrement financing provisions by any taxing agency for the payment of principal of and interest on all bonds, loans or other indebtedness of such taxing agency, and taxes levied by or for the benefit of the State of Tennessee (herein "Dedicated Taxes"), shall not be subject to allocation as provided in Paragraph G but shall be levied against the property and, when collected, paid to such taxing agency as taxes levied by such taxing agency on all other property are paid and collected.

#### K. Interpretation.

This tax-increment financing amendment is being proposed pursuant to *Tenn. Code Ann. § 13-20-201*, et. seq. and *Tenn. Code Ann. § 9-23-101*, et. seq. and all relevant provisions are hereby incorporated herein by reference. All provisions of this Amendment shall be construed in a manner consistent with said Code sections.

#### L. Conditions of Tax Increment.

BH shall enter into a redevelopment agreement with Developer which requires Developer to pursue and complete the Redevelopment Project in a diligent manner, and in accordance with plans and specifications approved by BH including provisions that obligate the Developer to construct or cause the construction of the residences and townhomes as set forth in this plan. The redevelopment agreement to be entered into between BH and Developer shall contain such terms as BH believes reasonably necessary to accomplish this purpose.



EXHIBIT ONE
MAP OF VOLUNTEER PARKWAY SOUTH REDVELOPMENT DISTRICT

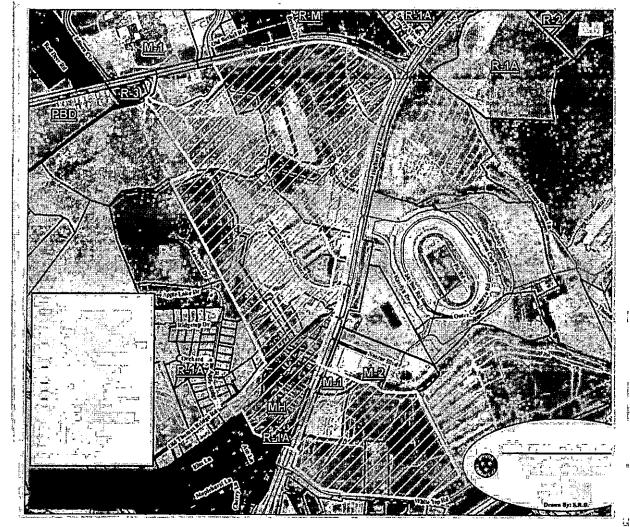
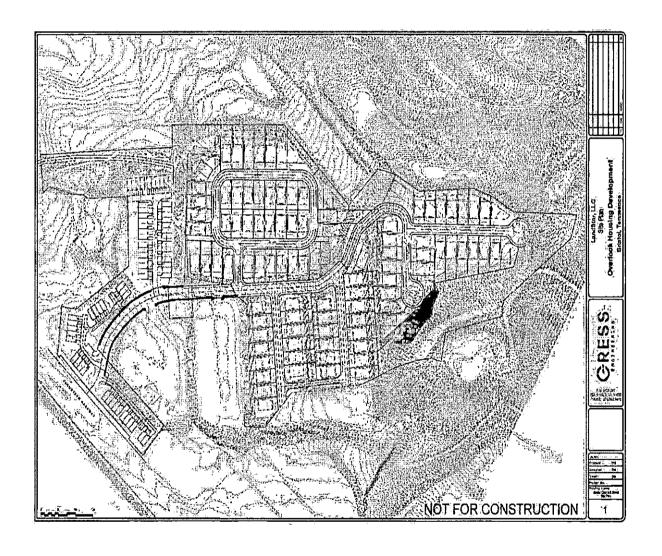




EXHIBIT TWO

MAP OF VOLUNTEER PARKWAY SOUTH REDVELOPMENT DISTRICT
HUDSON TERRACE PROJECT AREA





#### EXHIBIT THREE

# TIF ESTIMATE HUDSON TERRACE PROJECT AREA VOLUNTEER PARKWAY SOUTH REDEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

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| Total Original Assessed Base Value  | \$753,955.00  |
| County Tax Rate   | 2.4062  |
| City Tax Rate   | 1.9863  |
| Total New Assessed Value  | \$7,681,345.00  |
| County Debt Service Rate  | .3369   |
| City Debt Service Rate  | .05   |
| Total County Taxes  | \$184,828.52  |
| Base County Taxes   | \$18,141.67   |
| County Increment  | \$166,686.86  |
| County Debt Service Set Aside   | \$23,338.38   |
| Available County Increment after Debt Service   | \$143,348.48  |
| County increment after 35% Holdback   | \$93,176.51   |
| County Increment after Admin Fee  | \$88,517.69   |
| Total City Taxes  | \$152,574.56  |
| Base City Taxes   | \$14,975.81   |
| Proposed City Increment   | \$137,598.75  |
| City Debt Service Set Aside   | \$3,463.70  |
| Available City Increment after Debt Service   | \$134,135.05  |
| City Increment after 35% Holdback   | \$87,187.78   |
| City Increment after Admin Fee  | \$82,828.39   |
| Total City and County Increment available for Debt Service  | \$171,346.08  |
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| Annual New Benefits to City (retained increment & debt service)   | \$50,410.96   |
| Annual New Benefits to County (retained increment & debt service)   | \$73,510.35   |
| Total Admin Fee to BH   | \$9,018.21  |



#### Sullivan County Board of County Commissioners 244th Annual Session

Item 9 Resolution No. 2024-08-11

To the Honorable Richard S. Venable, Sullivan County Mayor and the Board of Sullivan County Commissioners meeting in Regular Session this 15<sup>th</sup> day of August 2024.

RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT AND APPROPRIATE FUNDS FROM THE TENNESSEE STATE LIBRARY AND ARCHIVES TOP GRANT BEGINNING July 1, 2024.

WHEREAS, Sullivan County will receive grant funds in the amount of \$15,534.00 available through the Tennessee State Library and Archives for the purchase of Wi-Fi hotspot equipment and service, internal connection upgrades, and technology instruction; and

WHEREAS, said grant contract will be effective on July 1, 2024, and extend for a period of 12 months after the effective date. Said grant ending June 30, 2025; and

WHEREAS, said grantee will agree to participate in the grant project and provide a portion of funding for the project from the library's current operating budget; however, the grantee's participation will not impact the maximum amount reimbursable to the grantee and said amount is intended as a goal for the total project.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners of Sullivan County, Tennessee, assembled in Regular Session hereby approves accepting and appropriating funds for a grant in the amount of \$15,5314.00 available through the Tennessee State Library and Archives used for internal connection upgrades, Wi-Fi hotspot equipment and service to be used by library patrons at no cost to the patron.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Sullivan County Public Library Director is authorized to execute the grant contract and all other documents that are required to receive, implement, and request funds or reimbursements in relation to this grant project. Account Codes to be assigned by the Director of Accounts and Budgets.

This resolution shall take effect from and after its passage. All resolutions in conflict herewith be and the same rescinded insofar as such conflict exists.

Waiver of Rules Requested

Approved this 15th day of August 2024.

Attest. Source Color

Sponsor: Andrew Cross Cosponsor: Michael Cole



2024-08-11 ACTIONS: Introduced at Work Session Meeting on August 8, 2024 with waiver of rules requested. 08/15/24 Approved on Consent 20 Yes, 4 Absent





Item 10 No. 2024-08-12

To the Honorable Richard S. Venable, Sullivan County Mayor, and the Board of Sullivan County Commissioners meeting in Regular Session this 15<sup>th</sup> day of August 2024.

RESOLUTION to apply for an Energy and Efficiency Conservation Grant in the amount of \$78,530 and to appropriate the funds to improve the energy conservation for the Finance and Administration Building (F&A Building), formerly known as Blountville Elementary School and located at 155 School Avenue, Blountville.

WHEREAS THE Grant Coordinator has reviewed this Energy Grant with the Financial Management Committee along with the Purchasing Agent and the Finance Director to have both their input and evaluation of the grant; and

WHEREAS the F&A Building has the need to improve energy conservation for the building as well as to improve the working environment in the building.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners of Sullivan County, Tennessee, assembled in Regular Session, approves the application for the Energy Grant to provide more efficiency and improve the work environment by appropriating the \$78,530 to make improvements to the Finance and Administration building in order to become more efficient. (Account codes to be assigned by the Finance Department).

This resolution shall take effect from and after its passage. All resolutions in conflict herewith be and the same rescinded as far as such conflict exists.

Duly passed and approved this 15th day of August 2024.

Attested: Tarasa Jacobs, County Clark

Richard S. Venable, County Mayor

Sponsored by: Commissioner Hershal Glover

Prime Co-Sponsor(s): Commissioner Zane Vanover, everyone voting in the affirmative.

Approv

2024-08-12 ACTION: Introduced at Regular Session on August 15, 2024 with Waiver of Rules requested. 08/15/24 Approved on Waiver of Rules 21 Yes, 3 Absent



**Sullivan County Commission August 15 2024** 

50 Item 10 Resolution No. 2024-08-12 Sponsors: Glover/Vanover Vote

Description

RESOLUTION TO APPLY FOR AN ENERGY AND EFFICIENCY CONSERVATION GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$78,530 AND TO

APPROPRIATE THE FUNDS TO IMPROVE THE ENERGY

CONSERVATION FOR THE FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION BUILDING (F&A BUILDING), FORMERLY KNOWN AS BLOUNTVILLE

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AND LOCATED AT 155 SCHOOL AVENUE,

BLOUNTVILLE.

Chairman

Venable, Richard

| Total vote result    |         |    |
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| Voting start time    | 7:10:09 | PM |
| Voting stop time     | 7:10:21 | PM |
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#### Group voting result

| Group    | -            | Yes | Absent |
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| No group |              | 21  | 0      |
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#### Individual voting result

| Name - 1             |   | Yes      | Abstain | No. | Absent |
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| Akard, David ()      |   | Х        |         |     |        |
| Calton, Darlene ()   |   | Х        |         |     |        |
| Carr, Joe ()         |   | X        |         |     |        |
| Cole, Michael ()     |   |          |         |     | X      |
| Crawford, Larry ()   |   | Х        |         |     |        |
| Cross, Andrew ()     |   | Χ        |         |     |        |
| Crosswhite, Joyce () |   | Х        |         |     |        |
| Gardner, John ()     |   | Х        |         | ·   |        |
| Glover, Hershel ()   |   | Х        |         |     |        |
| Harvey, Cheryl ()    |   | Х        |         |     |        |
| Hayes, David ()      |   |          |         |     | X      |
| Horne, Daniel ()     |   | X        |         |     | Ì      |
| Ireson, Mark ()      |   | <u> </u> |         |     |        |
| Jones, Sam ()        |   | X        |         |     |        |
| King, Dwight ()      |   | X        |         |     |        |
| Leonard, Tony ()     |   | X        |         |     |        |
| Locke, Hunter ()     |   | X        | _       |     |        |
| McMurray, Joe ()     |   | Х        |         |     |        |
| Means, Jessica ()    |   | Χ        | -       |     |        |
| Pierce, Archie ()    |   | Х        |         |     |        |
| Slagle, Matt ()      | - |          |         |     | l X    |
| Stidham, Gary ()     |   | X        |         |     |        |
| Vanover, Zane ()     |   | Х        |         |     |        |
| Ward, Travis ()      |   | X        |         |     |        |

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#### Sullivan County Board of County Commissioners 244th Annual Session

Item 11 No. 2024-08-13

To the Honorable Richard S. Venable, Sullivan County Mayor and the Board of Sullivan County Commissioners meeting in Regular Session this 15<sup>th</sup> day of August 2024.

RESOLUTION TO APPLY FOR THE TENNESSEE HISTORICAL COMMISSION PRESERVATION GRANT FOR THE ANDERSON TOWNHOUSE RESTORATION PROJECT – PHASE III, WHICH IS LOCATED WITHIN THE BLOUNTVILLE HISTORIC DISTRICT OF SULLIVAN COUNTY.

WHEREAS, the Tennessee Historical Commission offered a new Preservation Grant Funding Opportunity with only a 10% Local Match for properties located on the National Registry Of Historic Properties (Landmark or/and District) for purposes of restoration and preservation; and

WHEREAS, the project shall include replacing the 50+ year old existing cedar shake roof with a new cedar shake roof and any necessary roofing repairs, and

WHEREAS, the county match portion of the project shall come from the existing appropriated annual historic preservation maintenance budget; and

WHEREAS, the estimated project cost shall include the roof replacement, any necessary replacement of wood (estimated at \$51,750) and the required architectural fee, for a total cost estimate between \$75,000 to \$100,000; and

WHEREAS, the original log front section of Anderson Townhouse was constructed in 1795 whereas the addition was constructed in 1840; and is currently the home of the Ralph Blizard Music Memorial Museum which houses all of his fiddles, awards, workshop and Veteran Service memorabilia; and

WHEREAS, the Anderson Townhouse & Museum is open to the public during all Blountville events, programs, scheduled group guided tours, and the weekly TAMHA music sessions with the goal of being open to the general public on a more regular basis; and

WHEREAS, the existing cedar roof was installed around 1973 in preparation for the Bicentennial Celebration, but has recently been crumbling and falling on the sidewalks; and

WHEREAS, the project has been recommended by the Sullivan County Finance Committee, Sullivan County Regional Historic Zoning Commission and the Tennessee Historical Commission; and

WHEREAS, this historical structure is part of the Blountville Historic District, the National Register of Historic Places and a key structure that pre-dates the Battle of Blountville Civil War, which is part of the State and National Archeological Site; and

WHEREAS, no new allocation of funding is requested to meet the scope and purposes of the grant.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners of Sullivan County, Tennessee, assembled in Regular Session, hereby approves the Planning Director to apply



for the Preservation Grant with the State, for purpose of replacing the roof at the historic Anderson Townhouse, located within the Blountville Historic District.

This resolution shall take effect from and after its passage. All resolutions in conflict herewith be and the same rescinded insofar as such conflict exists.

Duly passed and approved this 15th day of August 2023.

Approve:

Richard S. Venable, County Mayor

Sponsored by: Joyce Crosswhite,

Prime Co-Sponsor(s): Tony Leonard, Michael Cole

#### WAIVER OF RULES REQUESTED

2024-08-13 ACTION: Introduced with a request for waiver of the rules and immediate vote at Regular Session on August 15, 2024. 08/15/24 Approved on Waiver of Rules 19 Yes, 2 No. 3 Absent



#### Agenda subject voting report

Meeting name

#### **Sullivan County Commission August 15 2024**



51 Item 11 Resolution No. 2024-08-13 Sponsors: Crosswhite/Leonard/Cole Vote

Description

RESOLUTION TO APPLY FORTHE TENNESSEE HISTORICAL COMMISSION PRESERVATION GRANT FOR THE ANDERSON TOWNHOUSE RESTORATION PROJECT – PHASE III, WHICH IS LOCATED WITHIN THE BLOUNTVILLE HISTORIC DISTRICT OF SULLIVAN COUNTY.

Chairman

Venable, Richard

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Vote result

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#### Individual voting result

| Name                 | Yes | Abstain | No | Absent   |
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| Akard, David ()      | X   |         |    |          |
| Calton, Darlene ()   | X   |         |    |          |
| Carr, Joe ()         | X   |         |    | <u> </u> |
| Cole, Michael ()     | - 1 |         |    | X        |
| Crawford, Larry ()   | Х   |         |    |          |
| Cross, Andrew ()     | Х   |         | -  |          |
| Crosswhite, Joyce () | X   |         |    |          |
| Gardner, John ()     | X   |         |    |          |
| Glover, Hershel ()   |     |         | Х  |          |
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| King, Dwight ()      |     |         | X  |          |
| Leonard, Tony ()     | X   |         |    |          |
| Locke, Hunter ()     | X   |         |    |          |
| McMurray, Joe ()     | x   |         |    |          |
| Means, Jessica ()    | ×   |         |    |          |
| Pierce, Archie ()    | X   |         |    |          |
| Slagle, Matt ()      |     |         |    | X        |
| Stidham, Gary ()     | X   |         |    |          |
| Vanover, Zane ()     | X   |         |    |          |
| Ward, Travis ()      | X   |         |    |          |

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#### **ESTIMATE**

August 8th, 2024

Attention: Sullivan County - Lynn - 423.557.3027 - michelle.ramey@sullivancountytn.gov Re: Anderson Town Home, 3400 TN-126, Blountville, TN 37617

TO FURNISH LABOR, MATERIALS, & ANY INSURANCE TO DO THE FOLLOWING:

#### **General: Steep Roof**

- ❖ Remove Old Roofing and Dispose Of.
- ❖ Install Titanium 30 Felt.
- **❖** Install New Drip Edge.
- ❖ Install Starter Strip.
- **❖** Install New Cedar Shakes.
- ❖ Install New Ridge Vent.
- **❖** Install New Pipe Boots.
- **❖** Install New Chimney Flashing.
- \*\*\*Furnish a 2 Year Labor Warranty\*\*\*
- \*\*\*Any bad wood will be an additional charge of \$80.00 per sheet.\*\*\*
- \*\*\*Any Bad wood 1x6 will be an additional charge of \$7.00 per linear foot.\*\*\*

#### Total \$51,750.00

\*\*Note: Due to increasing material costs, this contract is subject to change to reflect any increases.

CUSTOMER WILL BE NOTIFIED OF ANY INCREASES BEFORE THE WORK IS DONE.\*\*

Todd Harkleroad Roofing, Inc 3463 Hwy. 390 Bluff City, TN 37618 Office 423-538-5022 Cell 423.676.4869

PLEASE SIGN AND DATE BELOW FOR ACCEPTANCE OF ESTIMATE. KEEP ONE COPY FOR YOUR RECORDS.

| CUSTOMER SIGNATURE: |               |      |  |
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| DATE:               |               |      |  |

#### Sullivan County Board of County Commissioners 244th Annual Session

Item 12 No. 2024-08-14

To the Honorable Richard S. Venable, Sullivan County Mayor and the Board of Sullivan County Commissioners meeting in Regular Session this 15<sup>th</sup> day of August 2024.

A RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT AN UP TO \$20,000 DONATION FROM THE NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION SAFE HAVEN BABY BOXES FOR INSTALLATION AND INITIAL MAINTENANCE AND MONITORING OF THE BOX AND AUTHORIZE A CONTRACT FOR FUTURE MAINTENANCE AND MONITORING AT A COST OF \$1,001,40 PER YEAR.

WHEREAS, each year across our nation mothers in crisis abandon their infant in ways that endanger or kill the infant; and

WHEREAS, the mother's fear of being identified has been noted as a prime motive for abandonment of an infant rather than face-to-face surrender of the infant to a medical or emergency response location; and

WHERAS, Safe Have Baby Boxes (SHBB) was founded in 2015 with a mission of preventing illegal abandonment of newborns, raising awareness, offering 24/7 hotline assistance to mothers in crisis, and promoting the installation of "Baby Box Drop Off" locations as a last resort for women who want to maintain complete anonymity; and

WHEREAS, SHBB has agreed to donate up to \$20,000 for installation of a Baby Box in Sullivan County; and

WHEREAS, installation of the Baby Box will be of no cost to Sullivan County as it is an in-kind donation to SHBB from Knoxville-based Sylvan Inc.; and

WHEREAS, The SHBB donation to Sullivan County's Baby Box will include: \$1,510 to cover a 36-month security monitoring fee; and a \$500 yearly maintenance fee; and

WHEREAS, after the 36-month contract for the security monitoring Sullivan County will incur the cost at \$41.95 per month (\$501.40 per year); and after the first year Sullivan County will incur an annual maintenance fee of \$500.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Sullivan County Commission approves acceptance of the initial donation of up to \$20,000 to cover initial costs of installation of a Safe Haven Baby Box in the county.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Sullivan County Commission authorizes a five-year Baby Box contract in which a clause allows either party to exit the agreement with 60 days' notice, with an estimated ongoing cost to Sullivan County of up to \$1,001.40 per year.

This resolution shall take effect from and after its passage. All resolutions in conflict herewith be and the same rescinded insofar as such conflict exists.

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| Duly passed and | i addroved unis | day of | 2023 |



| Attest: |                             | Approve: |            |          |        |  |
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|         | Teresa Jacobs, County Clerk | ••       | Richard S. | Venable, | County |  |

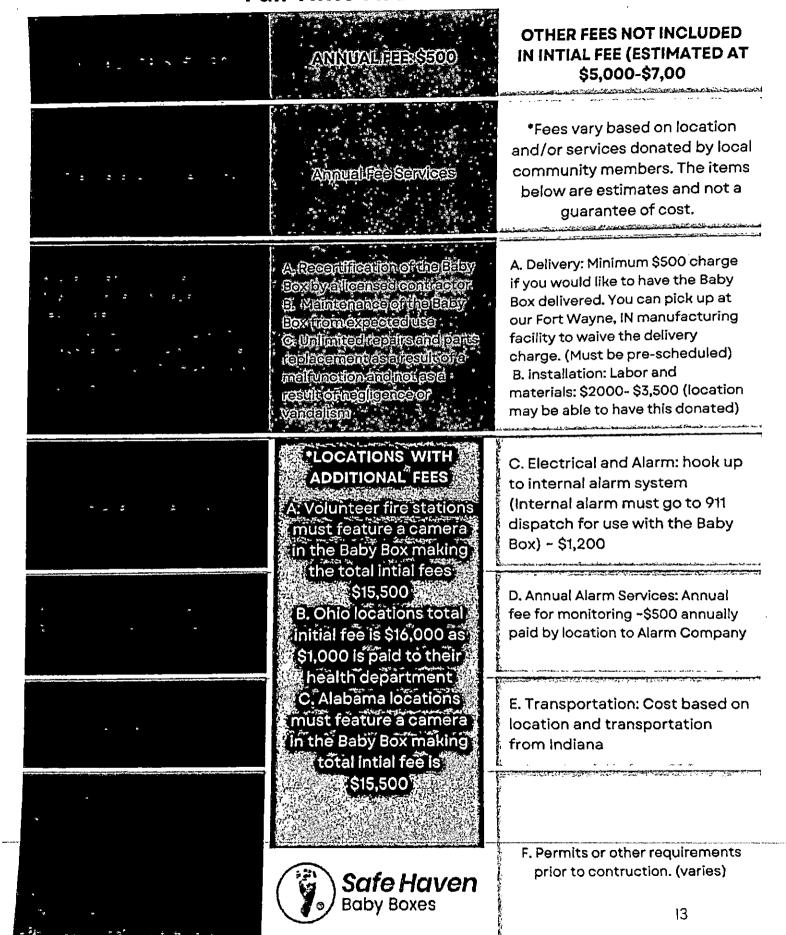
SPONSOR: Travis Ward

COSPONSORS: Hunter Locke, Zane Vanover, Joe Carr, Gary Stidham, Jessica Means, Hershal Glover

2024-08-14 ACTIONS: Introduced with request for waiver of the rules and immediate vote at Regular Session on August 15, 2024. 08/15/24 1st Reading



# Services, Fees and Expense Schedule Full Time Fire Stations



## SAFE HAVEN BABY BOXES

# SAFE HAVEN BABY BOXES 2024 INFORMATIONAL PACKET

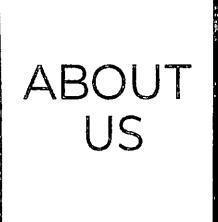
Thank you so much for your interest in Safe Haven Baby Boxes! We are so grateful for your dedication to changing the outcome for mothers in crisis and infants. We dream of Safe Haven Baby Boxes in all 50 states, which is possible with help from incredible supporters like you! The complete process of obtaining a Baby Box for your community is detailed in this packet.

## CHECK OUT OUR PSA (click below): Safe Haven Baby Boxes PSA



ESTABLISHED IN 2015

FOUNDED BY MONICA KELSEY





Monica Kelsey founded Safe Haven Baby Boxes in 2015 after an inspiring trip to South Africa. During this trip, Monica saw a Baby Box in action and saw how it provided a safety net for parents in crisis. Monica made it her mission to help parents in crisis as her own birth mother was when she abandoned Monica as an infant. The first step is raising awareness and educating the public about the Safe Haven laws.

Safe Haven Baby Boxes is the only organization providing an anonymous option for parents to safely surrender their infant. Illegal abandonments show us that mothers are seeking to keep their identity secret. We seek to rewrite the story by giving mothers and innocent infants a better chance. The infant will go through a closed adoption and the parents free from prosecution.

Our organization staffs a 24 Hour National Crisis Hotline, 1-866-99BABYI. The hotline has provided counseling for over 7000 callers from all over the United States. This service has led to over 130 babies surrendered at Safe Haven locations and 39 babies thus far surrendered in a Baby Box.

# HOW DO THE BABY BOXES WORK?

The Safe Haven Baby Box is a state of the art device. It legally permits a mother in crisis to safely, securely, and anonymously surrender her unwanted newborn. The Baby Box is



a climate controlled safety device provided for under a state's Safe Haven Law. The installation of the box occurs on the exterior wall of a firehouse or hospital.

Prior to the box being active, tests occur at every stage of design, development, and deployment. It features multiple alarms in the device which alert first responders there has been a baby surrendered. The boxes alarms are tested weekly to ensure there will be no failures. None of these alarm systems have ever failed. The staff responsible for the box is trained on how the device operates.

The parent opens the door to the Baby Box, which triggers a silent alarm and a call goes to 911 dispatch. The infant is placed in a medical bassinet. A sensor located on the inside of the box triggers a second 911 dispatch call. The exterior door automatically locks upon placement of a newborn. Within five minutes the infant will be rescued by first responders. An interior door allows a medical staff member to secure the surrendered newborn from inside the designated building. The infant will be quickly taken to the hospital for medical evaluation.



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It provides the community the opportunity to proactively save the lives of children since many are not aware of the Safe Haven Law.

Lack of knowledge about the law and prohibiting anonymity has historically produced catastrophic and devastating results of babies being abandoned.



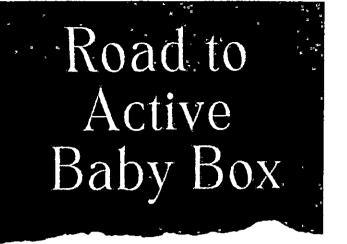
Many women in crisis
want and need
anonymity when
surrendering an
infant, either
because of fear of
being recognized, the
stigma associated
with the surrender, or
fear of prosecution
due to the lack of
knowledge and
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the Safe Haven law.

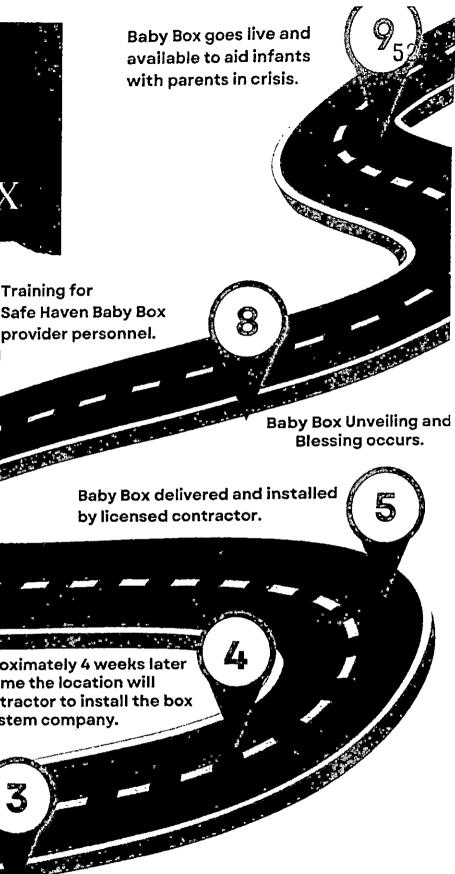
WHY DO
COMMUNITIES
NEED A BABY
BOX?

The Baby Box is tangible, and the Safe Haven law is not. By having a Baby Box in the community, you are providing an opportunity to further educate about the law.

We hope and pray for a face-to-face surrender as it benefits both the mother and infant. The Safe Haven Baby Box hotline provides counseling to women in crisis and only suggests the Baby Box when it is the last option.







Alarm is set up and ested. It must reach 7 successful days of consecutive testing.

Baby Box order is placed and approximately 4 weeks later the box is produced. During this time the location will search for a licensed contractor to install the box and an alarm system company.

Training for

Contract for SHBB is reviewed by attorney and fundraising begins.

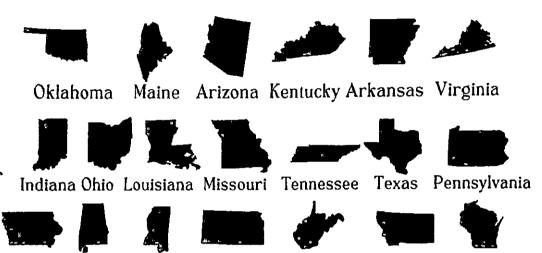
> Contract (Lease and Service Agreement) is signed with location and initial fee is sent to SHBB.

Meet with your community leaders, fire station, or hospital administration to review the Safe Haven Baby Box Program.

# CAN I PLACE A BABY BOX IN MY COMMUNITY?

Yes, however, some states have made it easier than others.

States with exisiting legislation permitting placement of Baby Boxes



Iowa Alabama Mississippi Kansas West Virginia Montana Wisconsin

If your state is not above, do not be discouraged. Ideally all states would allow for anonymous surrender and we have a team in place to work on passing legislation at the state level. Please reach out to your state representative and senator to express the importance of updating your state's Safe Haven Law to allow for the placement of Baby Boxes.

The fees for Safe Haven Baby Boxes start around \$15,000 depending on installation and location.

\*These prices are good for 90 days after the receipt of this informational packet \*

# Safe Haven Baby Boxes Policies and Procedures for Association with Foster Care and/or Adoption Agencies

Purpose of Policy

Safe Haven Baby Boxes (SHBB) is a registered 501(c) 3 charitable organization whose express mission is to save babies from illegal abandonment and provide a truly anonymous option for surrendering parents in accordance with each individual state's statutes.

Safe Haven Baby Boxes is not a governmental agency and is not involved in the infant's care and placement process following the legal surrender of an infant as defined by the State Statute. Safe Haven Baby Boxes expressly prohibits any affiliation, endorsement, or official connection with any placing agency, foster care agency, or adoption agency, private or public.

SHBB and its board, staff, contractors, or volunteers are not affiliated, associated, authorized, endorsed by, or in any way officially connected with any child-placing agency or adoption attorney.

This strict policy is in place in order to prevent even the "appearance" of SHBB profiting in any way from the surrender of an infant in one of the baby boxes, or directly to personnel at a fire station, hospital, or EMS provider with a baby box installed.

This policy includes, but is not limited to the following:

- No child-placing agency, or private adoption attorney will pay fees to SHBB for the installation and ongoing operation of a Safe Haven Baby Box.
- No child-placing agency, or private adoption attorney will donate money, goods, or services to SHBB directly.
- No child-placing agency or private adoption attorney will be given
  preferential treatment by their state's Department of Children Services or
  its equivalent by paying a fee or claiming affiliation with Safe Haven Baby
  Boxes
- No child placing agency, or private adoption attorney will raise funds using Safe Haven Baby Boxes name, or by alleging association with Safe Haven Baby Boxes.

# Safe Haven Baby Boxes Ethical Code of Conduct

Safe Haven Baby Boxes is committed to the highest possible ethical standards and we encourage everyone associated with our Organization to commit to acting in the best interest of the organization and its mission. Our mission demands that we, Board and Committee Members, staff, and volunteers, as stewards of our mission, uphold the public trust and act in an ethical manner in all that we do in the name of our Organization.5 These ethical values include integrity, openness, honesty, accountability, fairness, respect, and responsibility. These values are the basis of our Code of Conduct and commitment to act in a manner befitting the Organization and mission.

As a public charity, we rely on the public for funding and volunteer support, which is critical to the success of our mission. The public trusts us to carry out our stated mission and to act in the best interest of the Organization. If we abuse the public trust, our ability to fulfill our mission is severely weakened. Therefore, it is critical that we operate in a manner that is above reproach in all aspects, including governance, fundraising, mission operations, legal matters, and human resources. As a public charity, we are committed to:

- Acting responsibly and with integrity;
- Following not just the letter of the law, but the spirit of the law as well;
- Promoting financial accountability, transparency, and best governance practices;
- Respecting the wide variety of people who support our mission through donations of their time, talent and money;
- Being responsible stewards of our Organization, its mission, reputation, and resources
- Being open and honest in all of our dealings with both internal and external audiences.

This Code of Conduct applies to all staff members, the Board of Directors and Committee Members, and volunteers of Safe Haven Baby Boxes.

# Goals of Safe Haven Baby Boxes

- Raise awareness of the Safe Haven law through the installation of Baby Boxes.
- Provide counseling to any parent in crisis.
- Use of billboards, social media, speaking engagements, and fundraisers to bring awareness to Safe Haven Laws.
- Provide a safe and anonymous option for surrendering an infant.
- Work with legislators in every state to pass a law allowing the installation of Baby Boxes.
- Install Baby Boxes in every state in the United States.

# Help Us Reach Our Goals

- Assist or host a Safe Haven Baby Boxes fundraiser
- Invite Monica to speak at your church, or community event
- Attend a Baby Box Blessing
- Follow and share our social media platforms

Please contact us if you have any questions or need more information.

Email: shbb@safehavenbabyboxes.com

Phone: (888)742-2133

Website: www.shbb.org



#### **PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 1008**

#### **SENATE BILL NO. 1148**

#### By Briggs, Halle

Substituted for: House Bill No. 1301

By Zachary, Bricken, Littleton, Todd, Crawford, Powers, Cepicky, Jernigan, Gilleeple, Hawk, White

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 33; Title 34; Title 36; Title 37; Title 41; Title 49; Title 68 and Title 71, relative to children.

#### BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-11-255, is amended by deleting the section and substituting instead the following:

- (a) As used in this section and in § 36-1-142, unless the context otherwise requires:
- (1) "Facility" means a hospital as defined by § 68-11-201, birthing center as defined by § 68-11-201, community health clinic, out-patient "walk-in" clinic, fire department that is staffed twenty-four (24) hours a day, law enforcement facility that is staffed twenty-four (24) hours a day, not including dispatch centers, or emergency medical services facility;
- (2) "Member of the professional medical community" has the meaning provided in § 68-140-102; provided, that the member of the professional medical community is on the premises at the time of a voluntary delivery;
  - (3) "Newborn safety device" means a device:
  - (A) Designed to permit a mother to anonymously place a newborn infant aged fourteen (14) days or younger in the device with the intent to leave the newborn infant for an emergency medical services provider to remove the newborn infant from the device and take custody of the newborn infant;
  - (B) Installed with an adequate dual alarm system connected to the physical location where the device is installed. The dual alarm system must be:
    - (i) Tested at least once per month to ensure the clarm system is in working order, and
    - (ii) Visually checked at least twice per day to ensure the elarm system is in working order;
  - (C) Approved by and located inside a participating police station, fire station, or hospital that is:
    - (i) Licensed or otherwise legally operating in this state; and
    - . (II) Staffed continuously on a twenty-four (24) hour basis every day by a licensed emergency medical services provider; and
  - (D) Located in an area that is conspicuous and visible to a police station, fire station, or hospital staff; and

- (4) "Voluntary delivery" means the action of a mother in leaving an unharmed newborn infant aged fourteen (14) days or younger on the premises of a facility, with a facility employee or member of the professional medical community at the facility, of in a newborn safety device, without expressing an intention to return for the newborn infant, and falling to visit or seek contact with the newborn infant for a period of thirty (30) days thereafter.
- (b) A facility shall receive possession of a newborn infant left on facility premises with a facility employee or member of the professional medical community, or in a newborn safety device, if the newborn infant:
  - (1) Was born within the preceding fourteen-day period, as determined within a reasonable degree of medical certainty;
    - (2) is left in an unharmed condition; and
  - (3) Is voluntarily left by a person who purports to be the newborn infant's mother and who does not express an intention of returning for the newborn infant.
- (c) The facility, a facility employee, and a member of the professional medical community at such facility shall inquire, whenever possible, about the medical history of the mother and newborn infant. The facility shall also inform the mother that the mother is not required to respond. Information obtained concerning the identity of the mother, newborn infant, or other parent must be kept confidential and may be disclosed only to the department of children's services for use consistent with the purposes of this section and §§ 38-1-142 and 38-2-318. If practicable, the facility shall also provide the mother with both orally delivered and written information concerning the requirements of this section and §§ 36-1-142 and 38-2-318 relating to recovery of the newborn infant and abandonment of the newborn infant.
  - (d)(1) A mother has the right to remain anonymous, shall not be pursued, and shall not be considered to have endangered a newborn infant under title 39, chapter 15, part 4 if the mother places the newborn infant:
    - (A)(I) With an emergency medical services provider:
      - (ii) At a facility; or
      - (iii) Inside a newborn safety device; and
    - (B) Expresses no intent to return to the newborn infant.
  - (2) This subsection (d) does not apply when indicators of child abuse or child neglect are present.
- (e) The facility, a facility employee, and a member of the professional medical community at the facility shall perform any act necessary to protect the physical health and safety of the newborn infant.
- (f) The facility employee or member of the professional medical community at the facility who accepts physical custody of a newborn infant, or who physically retrieves a newborn infant from a newborn safety device that meets the requirements of this section, shall immediately arrange for the newborn infant to be taken to the nearest hospital emergency room and shall have implied consent to any and all appropriate medical treatment. The hospital shall immediately notify the department of children's services that the surrendered newborn infant is at the hospital. Upon notification, the department shall immediately assume care, custody, and control of the newborn infant.
- (g) Notwithstanding a law to the contrary, an infant delivered to a facility authorized to accept an infant under this section or § 36-1-142, shall be leaved by the office of vital records, a birth certificate in accordance with § 68-3-307, which supersedes and invalidates any previously issued birth certificate.
- (h) Notwithstanding a law to the contrary, a facility, facility employee, and member of the professional medical community is immune from criminal or civil liability for damages as a result of actions taken pursuant to this section and § 38-1-142, and a lawsuit shall not be predicated on those actions. This section and § 38-1-142 do not abrogate an existing standard of care for medical treatment or preclude a cause of action based upon violation of such existing standard of care for medical treatment.

- SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 38-1-142, is amended by deleting subsections (a)-(c), substituting instead the following, and redesignating the subsequent subsections:
  - (a) Notwithstanding a law to the contrary and without complying with the surrender provision of this part, a facility or newborn safety device, as defined in § 68-11-255, shall receive possession of an infant aged fourteen (14) days or younger upon the voluntary delivery of the infant by the infant's mother, pursuant to § 68-11-255.
  - (b) The facility, a facility employee, or a member of the professional medical community at such facility, shall notify the department of children's services immediately after taking possession of an infant under this section. Upon notification, the department or the department's authorized designee shall immediately assume the care, custody, and control of such infant and shall petition the appropriate court for legal custody of such infant.
  - (c) The facility, a facility employee, or a member of the professional medical community at such facility shall notify the office of vital records of the voluntary delivery of the infant in accordance with this section and § 68-11-255. The office of vital records shall issue a birth certificate for the child in accordance with § 68-3-307, which will supersede and invalidate any previously issued birth certificate.
  - (d) Voluntary delivery of an infant pursuant to § 88-11-255 and failure of the mother voluntarily delivering such child to visit or seek contact with such infant for a period of thirty (30) days after the date of delivery, and failure to seek contact with the infant through the department or to revoke the voluntary delivery within thirty (30) days after notice was completed pursuant to this section, which shall cumulatively be no less than ninety (90) days from the date such child was voluntarily delivered to such facility or newborn safety device, shall be a basis for termination of parental rights pursuant to this part.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 36-1-102(1)(A)(v), is amended by deleting the subdivision and substituting:

(v) The child, as a newborn infant aged fourteen (14) days or younger was voluntarily left at a facility or in a newborn safety device by the child's mother pursuant to § 68-11-255; and, for a period of thirty (30) days after the date of voluntary delivery, the mother failed to visit or seek contact with the infant; and, for a period of thirty (30) days after notice was given under § 38-1-142(f), and no less than ninety (90) days cumulatively, the mother failed to seek contact with the infant through the department or to revoke her voluntary delivery of the infant;

SECTION 4. This act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

#### SENATE BILL NO. 1146

| PASSED:       | April 20, 2022 |  |
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|               | R-2yr          | RANDY ICNALLY<br>SPEAKER OF THE SENATE       |
|               |                | JERON SEXTON, SPEAKER ISE OF REPRESENTATIVES |
| APPROVED this |                | 2022   |
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## (SB 1146) by \*Briggs

Children's Services, Dept. of - As introduced, changes from March 1 to April 1 the date by which the department must appear before the appropriate committees in the senate and the house of representatives for a review of the department's policies that affect the children it serves. - Amends TCA Title 33; Title 34; Title 36; Title 37; Title 41; Title 49; Title 68 and Title 71.

# Bill History

| HB1301 ACTIONS   | DATE       | SB1146 ACTIONS  |
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| Sponsor(s) Added.  | 04/14/2022 | Transmitted to Governor for   |
| Comp. SB subst.  | 04/14/2022 | action.   |
| H. Placed on Regular Calendar for 4/14/2022                  | 04/07/2022 | Signed by H. Speaker Signed by Senate Speaker                               |
| Placed on cal. Calendar & Rules<br>Committee for 4/7/2022    | 04/06/2022 | Enrolled and ready for signatures   |
| Rec. for pass. if am., ref. to Calendar & Rules Committee    | 04/06/2022 | Concurred, Ayes 28, Nays 0 (Amendment 2 - HA0914)  Placed on Senate Message |
| Placed on cal. Civil Justice<br>Committee for 4/6/2022       | 03/30/2022 | Calendar for 4/20/2022  |
| Action def. in Civil Justice Committee to 4/6/2022           | 03/30/2022 | Passed H., as am., Ayes 90, Nays<br>0, PNV 0                                |
| Placed on cal. Civil Justice<br>Committee for 3/30/2022      | 03/23/2022 | Am. withdrawn. (Amendment 1 - HA0884)                                       |
| Rec for pass if am by s/c ref. to<br>Civil Justice Committee | 03/23/2022 | -H. adopted am. (Amendment-2  |

| Placed on s/c cal Children & Family Affairs Subcommittee for           | 03/16/2022                            | Rcvd. from S., held on H. desk.   | 04/04/2022 | 53(                               |
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| 3/23/2022  |                                       | Sponsor(s) Added.   | 04/01/2022 |                                   |
| Action Def. in s/c Children & Family Affairs Subcommittee to           | 03/16/2022                            | Engrossed; ready for transmission to House  | 03/31/2022 |                                   |
| 3/23/2022 Placed on s/c cal Children &                                 | 03/09/2022                            | Passed Senate as amended, Ayes 29, Nays 3   | 03/31/2022 |                                   |
| Family Affairs Subcommittee for 3/16/2022                              |                                       | Senate adopted Amendment<br>(Amendment 1 - SA0717)  | 03/31/2022 |                                   |
| Action Def. in s/c Children & Family Affairs Subcommittee to 3/16/2022 | 03/09/2022                            | Placed on Senate Regular<br>Calendar for 3/31/2022  | 03/29/2022 |                                   |
| Placed on s/c cal Children & Family Affairs Subcommittee for 3/9/2022  | 03/07/2022                            | Recommended for passage with amendment/s, refer to Senate Calendar Committee Ayes 7, Nays 1 PNV 1 | 03/22/2022 |                                   |
| Sponsor change.  | 03/02/2022                            | Placed on Senate Judiciary  | 03/16/2022 |                                   |
| Assigned to s/c Children & Family<br>Affairs Subcommittee              | 03/02/2022                            | Committee calendar for 3/22/2022  |            |                                   |
| Ref. to Civil Justice Committee  | 03/02/2022                            | Action deferred in Senate Judiciary Committee to  | 03/16/2022 |                                   |
| Sponsor(s) Added.  | 03/01/2022                            | 3/22/2022   |            |                                   |
| P2C, caption bill, held on desk -<br>pending amdt.                     | 02/24/2021                            | Placed on Senate Judiciary Committee calendar for   | 03/15/2022 |                                   |
| Intro., P1C.   | 02/22/2021                            | 3/16/2022   |            |                                   |
| Filed for introduction   | 02/11/2021                            | Action deferred in Senate Judiciary Committee to 3/16/2022  | 03/15/2022 |                                   |
|  |                                       | Placed on Senate Judiciary<br>Committee calendar for<br>3/15/2022                                 | 03/09/2022 |                                   |
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#### Sullivan County Board of County Commissioners 244th Annual Session

Item 13 No. 2024-08-15

To the Honorable Richard S. Venable, Sullivan County Mayor and the Board of Sullivan County Commissioners meeting in Regular Session this 15<sup>th</sup> day of August 2024.

## A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE ALLOCATION OF UP TO \$95,526.01 IN STATE OPIOID ABATEMENT FUND RECEIPTS TO THE SULLIVAN COUNTY ANTI-DRUG COALTION.

WHEREAS, Sullivan County received a total of \$95,526.01 (\$46,576.44 on September 15, 2022 and \$48,949.57 on October 3, 2022) from the Opioid Abatement Fund; and

WHEREAS, the county shall obligate all funds for specific purpose within a two-year timeframe from date of receipt of such funds; and

WHEREAS, Sullivan County's Opioid Advisory Committee recommends allocating these funds to the Sullivan County Anti-Drug Coalition, a nonprofit organization which works to prevent substance misuse among county youth and provide intervention and recovery support for residents with a substance use disorder through collaborations with community organizations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Sullivan County Commission meeting in Regular Session this 15<sup>th</sup> day of August 2024 approves allocation of up to \$95,526.01 in State Opioid Abatement Fund receipts to the Sullivan County Anti-Drug Coalition, accounts and codes to be assigned by the Finance Department.

This resolution shall take effect from and after its passage. All resolutions in conflict herewith be and the same rescinded insofar as such conflict exists.

Duly passed and approved this 15th day of August 2023.

Teresa Jacobs, County Clerk

Richard S. Venable, County Mayor

Sponsored by: Darlene Calton

Cosponsors: Joe Carr, Archie Pierce

#### WAIVER OF RULES REQUESTED

2024-08-15 ACTION: Introduced with request for waiver of the rules and immediate vote at Regular Session on August 15, 2024. 08/15/24 Approved on Waiver of Rules 21 Yes, 3 Absent



#### Agenda subject voting report

Meeting name

#### **Sullivan County Commission August 15 2024**

8/15/2024

53 Item 13 Resolution No. 2024-08-15 Sponsors: Calton/Carr/Pierce

Vote

Description

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE ALLOCATION OF UP TO \$95,526.01 IN

STATE OPIOID ABATEMENT FUND RECEIPTS TO THE SULLIVAN

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Total vote result

Voting start time 7:33:50 PM
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| Calton, Darlene ()   | X  |           |    |        |
| Carr, Joe ()         | X  |           |    |        |
| Cole, Michael ()     |    |           |    | χ      |
| Crawford, Larry ()   | X  |           |    |        |
| Cross, Andrew ()     | X  |           |    |        |
| Crosswhite, Joyce () | X  |           |    |        |
| Gardner, John ()     | X  |           |    |        |
| Glover, Hershel ()   | X  |           |    |        |
| Harvey, Cheryl ()    | X  |           |    |        |
| Hayes, David ()      |    |           |    | X      |
| Horne, Daniel ()     | X  |           |    |        |
| Ireson, Mark ()      | X  |           |    |        |
| Jones, Sam ()        | X  |           |    |        |
| King, Dwight ()      | X  |           |    |        |
| Leonard, Tony ()     | X  |           |    |        |
| Locke, Hunter ()     | X  |           |    |        |
| McMurray, Joe ()     | X  |           |    |        |
| Means, Jessica ()    | X  | _         |    |        |
| Pierce, Archie ()    | X  |           |    |        |
| Slagle, Matt ()      |    |           |    | Х      |
| Stidham, Gary ()     | X  |           |    |        |
| Vanover, Zane ()     | X  |           |    |        |
| Ward, Travis ()      | X  |           |    |        |

# TENNESSEANS PELIFE

# 2024 Annual Fundraising Dinner

Filet Mignon prepared by the Sullivan County Cattlemen's Association

Saturday, September 28, 2024 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm

Ron Ramsey Regional Agricultural Center 140 Spurgeon Lane, Blountville, Tennessee

Table Sponsor: \$500 • Individual ticket: \$50

100% of the net proceeds from this event will go to area Pregnancy Support Centers

Keynote:
John-Henry Westen
CEO and Editor-In-Chief of LifeSiteNews.com

**Event Sponsorship Levels:** 

Recognition includes program mention and eight tickets to the event. Platinum: \$4,500 • Gold \$3,500 • Silver: \$2,500 • Table Sponsor: \$500

Make checks payable to Tennesseans For Life and mail to: P.O. Box 3622, Kingsport, TN 37664 In the memo please specify: Sept2024 Fundraising Banquet

For Credit Card/Paypal payments please visit Tennesseans4Life.org and click on the "Donate" tab. In the "Write a Note" section specify: Sept2024 Fundraising Banquet

### September 28, 2024 Tennesseans4Life Banquet Fundraiser

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Silent Auction is back again with even more items!!!





join us for the Ribbon Cutting of the

# HOLSTON HERITAGE MUSEUM

Tuesday, September 10<sup>th</sup> at 10 AM At 337 Carter Street, Bluff City

Tour & refreshments following

Please RSVP by September 1 to ticrosswhite@btes.tv

## Sullivan County



AND THEREUPON COUNTY COMMISSION ADJOURNED AT 7:45 P.M. UPON MOTION MADE BY COMMISSIONER AKARD TO MEET AGAIN IN WORK SESSION ON SEPTEMBER 12, 2024.

Richard VENABLE

**COMMISSION CHAIRMAN**