

# Knox County Commission

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THE KNOX COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS SHALL MEET IN REGULAR SESSION TO CONSIDER THE LEGISLATIVE AGENDA ON MONDAY, JULY 28, 2025 AT 5:00 P.M. IN THE MAIN ASSEMBLY ROOM OF THE CITY-COUNTY BUILDING, 400 WEST MAIN STREET. ALL AGENDA ITEMS ARE SUBJECT TO VOTE.

## **I. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL (5:00 P.M.):**

### **A. Devotional**

*Commissioner Terry Hill*

### **B. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag**

*Commissioner Rhonda Lee*

### **C. Amendments to the Agenda**

### **D. Education Consent Calendar**

1. R-25-7-201      Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving a Subscription Agreement Renewal with Vertical Alliance Group, Inc. for company-licensed access to the Infinit-I Workforce System bus transportation safety online training module for the term of July 29, 2025 through July 28, 2026 at a cost of \$8,962.50.  
*(Schools)*

2. R-25-7-202 Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving an Education of Professional Services Agreement with Teach for America for the Ignite Tutoring Program at Bonny Kate, Dogwood, Mooreland Heights, Mount Olive, New Hopewell, and South Knox Elementary Schools for the 2025-2026 school year at a cost of \$12,000.00.  
*(Schools)*
3. R-25-7-203 Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving ACT Test Terms and Conditions with ACT Education Corporation for administration of the PreACT for 8th, 9th, and 10th grade students during the 2025-2026 school year at a cost of \$17.50 per student.  
*(Schools)*
4. R-25-7-204 Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving the use of State of Tennessee NASPO Cloud Solutions Contract 67955 with Carahsoft Technology Corporation for purchase of user licenses for Salesforce Education Cloud Unlimited Education, professional services for training, and support for partner management for the 865 Academies at a cost of \$62,803.55.  
*(Schools)*
5. R-25-7-205 Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving a Memorandum of Understanding with Ford Next Generation Learning for Phase 5, Year 2 of the Ford Next Generation Learning Roadmap to assist high schools with developing pathways to industry certifications and degree credentials at a cost of \$66,420.00.  
*(Schools)*
6. R-25-7-206 Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving agreements with Biltmore for Gibbs Middle School's 6th grade field trip to Biltmore Estate on October 16, 2025 at a cost of \$8,645.19.  
*(Schools)*
7. R-25-7-207 Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving an agreement with Best Choice Roofing for replacement of the roof on the baseball/softball hitting facility at Hardin Valley Academy at a cost of \$9,504.25.  
*(Schools)*

8. R-25-7-208 Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving a Program Agreement with Array Education, Inc. and its Teach Like a Champion program for a two-day in-person professional development workshop for Maynard Elementary School at a cost of \$32,500.00.  
*(Schools)*
9. R-25-7-209 Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving a Product Terms of Service and End User License Agreement with Liminex, Inc. dba GoGuardian and Pear Deck Learning for West High School's license to student instruction products during the 2025-2026 school year at a cost of \$9,264.00.  
*(Schools)*
10. R-25-7-210 Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving a Master Registration Agreement, Data Processing Agreement, and Service Terms with Turnitin, LLC for West High School's license to a suite of proprietary solutions to run plagiarism checks during the 2025-2026 school year at a cost of \$6,327.86.  
*(Schools)*
11. R-25-7-211 Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving a Memorandum of Understanding with the Morgan Wallen Foundation for receipt of grant funding in the amount of \$1,200,000.00 for Gibbs High School. **(WITHDRAW AT REQUEST OF SPONSOR)** *(previously Deferred from May to June and June to July at Request of Sponsor)*  
**Withdraw**  
*(Schools)*
12. R-25-7-212 Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving a Construction Contract with Merit Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$8,587,000.00 for additions and renovations to Sterchi Elementary School.  
*(Schools)*
13. R-25-7-213 Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving contracts with ECS Southeast, LLC and UES Professional Solutions 19, LLC for the provision of construction testing services for the term of July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026, which may be extended for four (4) additional years.  
*(Schools)*

14. R-25-7-214 Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving contracts with City Shuttle LLC, Collaborative Student Transportation LLC, First Student, McConkey Transportation, Inc., RPM Transit, Inc., and SCU Bus Lines, LLC for the provision of Student Transportation Services for the term of August 1, 2025 through July 31, 2026, which may be extended for four (4) additional years.  
*(Schools)*
15. R-25-7-215 Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving a contract with School and Office Supply for the provision of stage curtains and rigging services up to \$125,000.00 annually for the term of November 1, 2025 through October 31, 2026, which may be extended for four (4) additional years.  
*(Schools)*
16. R-25-7-216 Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving a Fund Balance Designation (General Purpose School Fund) in the amount of \$8,535,114.00 for Capital Plan Supplemental Funding, a QSCB Bond Payoff, and Time and Attendance Software.  
*(Schools)*
17. R-25-7-217 Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving an Elementary School Dental Program Agreement with Elgin Children's Foundation for the term of July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026 and an Elgin Children's Foundation Grant up to \$8,000.00 for student transportation costs associated with the program.  
*(Schools)*
18. R-25-7-218 Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving a Donation Agreement with Big History Project, LLC for the term of August 1, 2025 through July 31, 2026 for the receipt of funds in the amount of \$5,000.00 and curricular resources and professional learning support to include five (5) virtual learning events and two (2) cohort-specific meetings.  
*(Schools)*
19. R-25-7-219 Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, authorizing the acceptance of grant funds and donations for the Knox County Schools as shown on the attached list and in the total amount of \$59,352.55.  
*(Schools)*

## E. General Government Consent Calendar

20. R-25-7-110      Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, appointing Laura Johns (nominee of the Knoxville Chamber of Commerce of a representative of the industrial interests of Knox County) to serve on the Knox County Air Pollution Control Board. (Term expires June 30, 2029)  
*(Health Department)*
21. R-25-7-220      Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving a grant contract in the amount not to exceed \$430,500.00 with the Tennessee State Library and Archives for general library services and library materials. (No local match required)  
*(Library)*
22. R-25-7-301      Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving a contract with Pinnacle Sales Co d/b/a Jiffy Lube Knoxville for the provision of vehicle oil change services.  
*(Sheriff)*
23. R-25-7-401      Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving an Amendment to the Litter Outreach, Education, and Coordination Services Contract with Keep Knoxville Beautiful, Inc. for the addition of the Adopt-A-Stream Program in the amount of \$23,293.00 per year.  
*(Engineering and Public Works)*
24. R-25-7-403      Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving a construction engineering inspection contract with CDM Smith, Inc. in the amount of \$237,900.00 for construction oversight of the ATMS Phase II Traffic Signal Improvements.  
*(Engineering and Public Works)*
25. R-25-7-404      Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving the necessary right-of-way, slope, and construction easement acquisitions on two (2) tracts of land for the widening of Bakertown Road between Schaad Road and Ball Road.  
*(Engineering and Public Works)*

26. R-25-7-405      Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving an engineering design contract in the amount of \$95,000.00 with LDA Engineering for the Johnson Road Widening and Realignment Project.  
*(Engineering and Public Works)*
27. R-25-7-406      Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving the necessary right-of-way acquisitions on two (2) tracts of land for the construction of two (2) turnarounds on Lobetti Road.  
*(Engineering and Public Works)*
28. R-25-7-407      Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving an engineering design contract in the amount of \$231,000.00 with Cannon & Cannon, Inc. for the Powell High School Greenway Project.  
*(Engineering and Public Works)*
29. R-25-7-408      Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving the necessary right-of-way acquisition on one (1) tract of land for the realignment of E. Copeland Drive at Greenwell Drive.  
*(Engineering and Public Works)*
30. R-25-7-409      Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving a construction contract with Progression Electric, LLC in the amount of \$1,979,885.39 for the ATMS Phase II traffic signal improvements at 15 intersections in Knox County.  
*(Engineering and Public Works)*
31. R-25-7-601      Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving a grant contract in the amount not to exceed \$93,720.00 with the Tennessee Department of Health for the provision of Viral Hepatitis Program Services for the period beginning July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2026. (No local match required)  
*(Health Department)*
32. R-25-7-602      Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving a Cooperative Agreement for the acceptance of funding in the amount of \$65,000.00 from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency for Knox County Air Quality Management's PM 2.5 Air Monitoring Program.  
*(Health Department)*

33. R-25-7-603      Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving a Cooperative Agreement for the acceptance of funding from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency in the amount of \$100,000.00 with a required local contribution for Knox County Air Quality Management's ongoing Air Pollution Control Program.  
*(Health Department)*
34. R-25-7-604      Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving a grant contract in the amount not to exceed \$10,000.00 with the Tennessee Department of Health for the provision of the Implementation of Dementia: Community, Assistance, Resources and Empowerment (CARE) Services for the period beginning June 1, 2025 and ending September 29, 2025. (No local match required)  
*(Health Department)*
35. R-25-7-605      Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving a contract with Shield & Buckler Security, Inc. for armed security guard services for the Knox County Health Department.  
*(Health Department)*
36. R-25-7-702      Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, authorizing the acceptance of a donation for Knox County Parks and Recreation of property located at 0 Kodak Road, Parcel ID 098 12601, to be used for Knox County Park Land.  
*(Parks and Recreation)*
37. R-25-7-703      Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving the necessary right-of-way and construction easement acquisition for five (5) tracts of land, a license agreement with the State of Tennessee for excess land usage, and use of portions of two (2) existing Knox County parcels for the construction of the Halls Greenway Connector and associated sidewalks as shown in the attached right-of-way plans for this project.  
*(Parks and Recreation)*
38. R-25-7-704      Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving an Amendment to the Community Parks and Knox County Youth Sports Facility Use Permit to update the sports season date table on page 4.  
*(Parks and Recreation)*

39. R-25-7-801 Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving Change Order #2 to the agreement with Trane U.S. Inc. in the amount of \$385,711.00 for additional work on Trane Energy Services Project Phase 3B.  
*(Procurement)*
40. R-25-7-802 Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving an Amendment to the Contract with Lasting Impressions Lawn Care for the addition to the contract of the new Schaad Road medians at a cost of \$875.00 per cut during mowing season.  
*(Procurement)*
41. R-25-7-803 Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving an Extension of Defined Services Contract among Knox County, the City of Knoxville, and Young-Williams Animal Center of East Tennessee to promote the responsible care and welfare of animals to extend the contract to June 30, 2026 and increase the amount the City and County each compensate Young-Williams to \$1,101,822.00 per year.  
*(Finance)*
42. R-25-7-804 Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving a Personal Property Sales Agreement among Knox County, the Knox County Sheriff's Office, and Young-Williams Animal Center of East Tennessee for the sale of surplus vehicles and equipment to Young-Williams.  
*(Finance)*
43. R-25-7-901 Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving an agreement with Richard Mayberry for serving as a law clerk to the Chancellors of Chancery Court for Knox County, Tennessee from July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026, in an amount not to exceed \$115,500.00.  
*(Clerk and Master)*

#### **F. Honorary Resolutions**

44. R-25-7-101 Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, honoring the Gibbs High School Softball Team for winning the 2025 State Championship.  
*(Commissioner Thompson)*



45. R-25-7-102                      Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, honoring the West High School football team for winning back-to-back state titles by winning the TSSAA Class 5A Football State Championships in both 2022 and 2023.  
*(Full Commission)*

## **G. Presentations**

46.                                      Presentation from Orion.  
*(County Mayor)*
47.                                      Presentation: Knoxville Association of Realtors, Maria McHale.  
*(Commissioner Oster)*
48.                                      Presentation: on efforts to remove broken, abandoned or duplicate utility poles in Knox County.  
*(Commissioner Jay)*
49.                                      Presentation: Metro Drug Coalition.  
*(Commissioner Lee)*
50.                                      Presentation: Homebuilders Association of Greater Knoxville.  
**(DEFER TO SEPTEMBER AT REQUEST OF SPONSOR)**  
**Defer to September** *(Commissioner Frazier)*

## **H. Public Forum - Agenda Items Only**

## **I. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting**

## **J. Drives and Roads**

51.                                      Consideration of the Acceptance of New County Roads:  
A) Inspiration Road located in Amber Vista Subdivision, District 6.  
B) Magnificent Lane located in Amber Vista Subdivision, District 6.  
C) Night Time Drive located in Dorchester Subdivision, District 6.  
D) Grey Flannel Lane located in Dorchester Subdivision, District 6.  
E) Sunscape Lane located in Hunters Glen, District 4.  
F) Bronze Lane located in Hunters Glen, District 4.  
*(Engineering and Public Works)*

## **K. Line Item Transfers**

52. Line Item Transfers - Total amount of \$8,017,023.58.  
(Finance)

#### **L. Budget Amendments**

53. Budget Amendments - Total amount of \$10,452,335.92.  
(Finance)

#### **M. Notary Public Applications**

#### **N. Spread of Record**

54. Spread of Record the Knox County Mayor's Order appointing LeeAnn Foster to the Lenoir City Utilities Board of Directors.  
(County Mayor)
55. Spread of Record Juvenile Court Judge Tim Irwin's appointment of Rhonda Lee to the Juvenile Service Center Board of Directors for a term expiring August 31, 2026.  
(Juvenile Court)

#### **O. General Government Resolutions (non-consent)**

56. R-25-7-111 Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, accepting the resignation of Christopher Manning on the Knox County Sheriff's Office Employees' Merit System Board of Directors and appointing \_\_\_\_\_ to serve the unfulfilled term of Mr. Manning on the Board. (Term expires September 30, 2025)  
(Commissioner Oster)
57. R-25-7-402 Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving a construction contract with \_\_\_\_\_ in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for the installation of a pump station and associated work to proactively manage the elevation of Bluegrass Lake to prevent future flooding events. **(DEFER TO AUGUST AT REQUEST OF SPONSOR)**  
**Defer to August**  
(Engineering and Public Works)

58. R-25-7-501 Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving the Substantial Amendments to Knox County's 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan and the Annual Action Plans of Program Years (PY) 2020, (PY) 2021, and (PY) 2024 for various project and program related activities and allocations benefiting low-to-moderate income persons of Knox County. (Federally funded through U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's (HUD) Community Development Block Grant CARES Act (CDBG-CV), HOME American Rescue Plan (HOME-ARP), and Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds). (No Local Match Required)  
*(Community Development)*
59. R-25-7-502 Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving Amendment No. Two to the Agreement with Sacred Ground Hospice House for end-of-life hospice care to under/uninsured persons of Knox County, subject to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's (HUD) approval, which amendment extends the term of the agreement to June 30, 2026 and provides additional CDBG-CV funds in the amount of \$64,804.57 for a total of \$114,562.57. (Federally funded through HUD's Community Development Block Grant CARES Act (CDBG-CV) funds). (No Local Match Required)  
*(Community Development)*
60. R-25-7-606 Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving Amendment Eight to the Knox County Indigent Care Program Agreement, which amendment provides for revisions to the Reimbursement for Services section of the agreement for Fiscal Year 2026.  
*(Health Department)*
61. R-25-7-701 Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving the Bylaws governing the Knox County  
**Defer to September** Parks and Recreation Advisory Board. **(DEFER TO SEPTEMBER AT REQUEST OF SPONSOR)** *(Previously Deferred from April to July at Request of Sponsor)*  
*(Parks and Recreation)*
62. R-25-7-902 Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, to levy an increase in Mineral Severance Tax from fifteen cents (\$0.15) to twenty cents (\$0.20) per ton for Knox County. *(Requires 2/3 Vote)*  
**Requires 2/3 Vote**  
*(Commissioners Durrett and Thompson)*

**P. Ordinances on First Reading**

**Q. Ordinances on Second Reading**

**R. Public Forum - Open Topics**

**S. Other Business**

**T. Adjournment**