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NOTICE

TO: MEMBERS OF THE KNOX COUNTY COMMISSION
ALL DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES
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FROM: COMMISSIONER TERRY HILL, MADAM CHAIR

THE CHAIRMAN OF THE KNOX COUNTY COMMISSION SHALL CONFIRM RECEIPT OF ITEMS AND SET THE FINAL SEPTEMBER AGENDA OF THE KNOX COUNTY COMMISSION AT 1:30 P.M. ON WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2026 VIA EMAIL AND TELEPHONE CONFERENCE WITH THE COMMISSION OFFICE.

PLEASE SUBMIT ANY REQUESTED AGENDA CHANGES, ADDITIONS, QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS TO THE COMMISSION OFFICE.

AGENDA

A. Education Resolutions

1. Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving a License Agreement with Knoxville Expo Center, LLC for use of exhibit hall space for the 2027 Knox County Schools Nutrition Food Show on February 11, 2027 at an estimated cost of \$9,402.00.
(Schools)
2. Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving a Letter of Engagement with Pugh & Company, P.C. to examine Tennessee Consolidated Retirement System (TCRS) Fiscal Year 2025 census data at a cost not to exceed \$7,500.00.
(Schools)

3. Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving a Guided Inquiry Design® District Partnership Agreement with BLV Consulting, LLC to establish the partnership structure and terms of the Knox County Schools' partnership license at a cost of \$3,000.00 through August 14, 2027, which may be extended for four (4) additional years.
(Schools)
4. 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 3 of the Ford Next Generation Learning Roadmap to assist high schools with developing pathways to industry certifications and degree credentials at a cost of \$52,660.00.
(Schools)
5. Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving a Contract with Alcoholism Services of Knoxville, Inc. Midway Rehabilitation Center for the provision of Drug and Alcohol Testing Services at an annual cost up to \$17,000.00 for the term of September 1, 2026 through August 31, 2027, which may be extended for four (4) additional years.
(Schools)
6. Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving Contracts with Gallaher and Associates, Inc., Massey Construction, Inc., and SafeT Systems, Inc. for the provision of Fire Alarm Monitoring and Related Services at an annual cost up to \$100,000.00 for the term of September 1, 2026 through August 31, 2029, which may be extended for six (6) additional years.
(Schools)
7. Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving a Contract with American Fidelity Assurance Company for provision of Section 125 Administration for the term of January 1, 2027 through December 31, 2029, which may be extended for an additional two years.
(Schools)
8. Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving an Increase to the Design Contract with Thomas Caldwell, Architect in the amount of \$63,940.00 for costs related to additional work on the Gibbs High School Partial Roof Replacement.
(Schools)
9. Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving a Fund Balance Designation in the amount of \$480,000.00 for the Purchase of Maintenance and Operations Department Vehicles.
(Schools)

10. Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving a Tennessee Department of Education Fiscal Year 2027 Voluntary Pre-K (VPK) Grant in the amount of \$2,216,087.92 with required in-kind matching funds of \$1,932,000.00.
(Schools)
11. Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving a Tennessee Department of Education U.S. Department of Agriculture Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program (FFVP) Grant in the total amount of \$383,050.00 for multiple Knox County Schools.
(Schools)
12. 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, 2026 through June 30, 2027 and an Elgin Children's foundation Grant up to \$8,000.00 for student transportations costs associated with the program.
(Schools)
13. Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving a Change Order to the Design Contract with Design Innovation Architects, Inc. for the Innovative School Model Project at Fulton High School at a cost of \$19,993.05.
(Schools)
14. 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 \$5,289.70.
(Schools)

B. General Government Resolutions

15. Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, accepting the resignation of Krystal Gibson from the Knox County Ethics Committee and approving the appointment of _____ to complete the unfulfilled term of Ms. Gibson on the Ethics Committee, which term expires on October 31, 2027. *(Candidate interviews will be conducted at the Optional Agenda Review meeting on Monday, September 21, 2026 at 3:00 p.m. in the Main Assembly room)*
(Commissioner Hill)

16. Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, appointing/reappointing _____ (District 1 seat) to the Knox County Board of Zoning Appeals. (Term expires September 30, 2028) *(Candidate interviews will be conducted at the Optional Agenda Review meeting on Monday, September 21, 2026 at 3:00 p.m. in the Main Assembly room)*
(Commissioner Rawls)
17. Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, appointing/reappointing _____ (District 3 seat) to the Knox County Board of Zoning Appeals. (Term expires September 30, 2028) *(Candidate interviews will be conducted at the Optional Agenda Review meeting on Monday, September 21, 2026 at 3:00 p.m. in the Main Assembly room)*
(Commissioner Huckaby)
18. Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, appointing _____ (District 5 seat) to the Knox County Board of Zoning Appeals. (Term expires September 30, 2028) *(Candidate interviews will be conducted at the Optional Agenda Review meeting on Monday, September 21, 2026 at 3:00 p.m. in the Main Assembly room)*
(Commissioner Russell)
19. Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, appointing/reappointing _____ (District 7 seat) to the Knox County Board of Zoning Appeals. (Term expires September 30, 2028) *(Candidate interviews will be conducted at the Optional Agenda Review meeting on Monday, September 21, 2026 at 3:00 p.m. in the Main Assembly room)*
(Commissioner Beeler)
20. Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, appointing/reappointing _____ (District 9 seat) to the Knox County Board of Zoning Appeals. (Term expires September 30, 2028) *(Candidate interviews will be conducted at the Optional Agenda Review meeting on Monday, September 21, 2026 at 3:00 p.m. in the Main Assembly room)*
(Commissioner Fox)
21. Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, appointing/reappointing _____ to the Knox County Sheriff's Office Employees' Merit System Board of Directors. (Term expires September 30, 2029) *(Candidate interviews will be conducted at the Optional Agenda Review meeting on Monday, September 21, 2026 at 3:00 p.m. in the Main Assembly room)*
(Commissioner Hill)

22. Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving a Memorandum of Understanding with the Hardin Valley Business and Community Alliance for the landscape maintenance of the following three constructed or plans to construct traffic roundabouts at the following intersections: 1) Marietta Church Road and Hardin Valley Road; 2) Hardin Valley Road and Hickory Creek Road; and 3) Steele Road and Sam Lee Road.
(Engineering and Public Works)
23. Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving an engineering design contract with Ensaf in the amount of \$225,125.00 for the design of the proposed roundabout and realignment of the Everett Rd and Yarnell Rd intersection.
(Engineering and Public Works)
24. Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving a contract with SA Metals LLC. for the provision of scrap metal services.
(Engineering and Public Works)
25. Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving a contract with Volunteer Erosion Control LLC, for the provision of Surface Stabilization and Sediment Control Services.
(Engineering and Public Works)
26. Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving a supplement in the amount of \$38,245.00 to the existing professional services contract with Gresham Smith for additional work to extend the scope of improvements on the Hardin Valley Phase 1 project.
(Engineering and Public Works)
27. Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving a supplement in the amount of \$12,000.00 to the existing professional services contract with Gresham Smith for additional work to extend the scope of improvements on the Gibbs Pedestrian Bridge project.
(Engineering and Public Works)
28. Consideration of a resolution of the commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving contracts with Waste Management to provide Municipal Solid Waste Disposal Services at a rate of \$31.00 per ton at the Chestnut Ridge Landfill; Republic Services at a rate of \$32.87 per ton at the Loudon County Matlock Bend Landfill; and Waste Connections at a rate of \$35.00 per ton at the Prosser Road Transfer Station.
(Engineering and Public Works)

29. Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving a contract with Knoxville Knox County Planning for the provision of transportation planning and coordination activities related to the Knox-Blount Greenway Connector Study.
(Engineering and Public Works)
30. Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving budget amendments to two (2) Memorandums of Understanding with Knox County Parks and Recreation in the amount of \$865,218.41 and the Public Building Authority (PBA) in the amount of \$17,603,474.89, funded through the U.S. Department of the Treasury's American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA). (No Local Match Required)
(DEFERRED FROM AUGUST AT REQUEST OF SPONSOR)
(Community Development)
31. Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving a Memorandum of Understanding with the Knox County Emergency Communications District in the amount of \$119,050.00 for emergency call processing and dispatch services for fire and rescue emergency response within Knox County.
(Community Development)
32. Consideration of a Resolution of the Knox County Commission to accept \$273,554.00 in grant funds from the United States Department of Labor (DOL) through the Homeless Veterans Reintegration Program (HVRP). (No local match required)
(Community Development)
33. Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee approving a Grant Contract between the State of Tennessee, Department of Health, and the Government of Knox County dba Knox County Health Department for the provision of Electronic Lab Order and Lab Results Interface. This Grant Contract shall be effective for the period beginning July 1, 2026, and ending on November 30, 2027. In no event shall the maximum liability of the State under the Grant Contract exceed \$80,000.00. (No application or local match required.)
(Health Department)
34. Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee authorizing approval of a Notice of Award acceptance between the Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and The Government of Knox County dba Knox County Health Department for the OD2A Local Program. Award #5 NH28CE003566-04-00 is effective for the period beginning September 1, 2026, and ending on August 31, 2027, and increases the original award amount by \$224,361.00 for a total amount of \$1,544,866.00. (No application or local match required.)
(Health Department)

35. Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee approving a Grant Contract Amendment Four between the State of Tennessee, Department of Health, and The Government of Knox County dba Knox County Health Department for the provision of increasing funds to support STI Program Services. This Amendment increases the maximum liability of the State under the Grant Contract by \$175,765.16 for a total amount of \$904,864.62. (No application or local match required)
(Health Department)
36. Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving a contract with Bass, Berry, Sims, PLC for the provision of Bond Counsel Services.
(Finance)
37. Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, requesting the Knoxville-Knox County Planning Commission to recommend amendments to the Knox County Zoning Ordinance to remove any provision that requires the Knox County Commission to consider a use on review.
(Commissioner Durrett)
38. Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, to rescind the FY 27 pay increase for Knox County Commissioners. *(County Mayor)*
39. Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, approving a contract with Pinnacle Bank for Flexible Spending Account (FSA), Health Savings Account (HSA), and Health Reimbursement Arrangement (HRA) administration.
(Benefits)
40. Motion and vote of the Knox County Commission to override the Knox County Mayor's veto of R-26-8-905 pursuant to the Knox County Charter, Section 2.10.
(Commissioner Hill)

C. Honorary Resolutions

41. Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, honoring Commissioner Gina Oster for her service on the Knox County Commission.
(Full Commission)
42. Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, honoring Commissioner Rhonda Lee for her service on the Knox County Commission.
(Full Commission)

43. Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, honoring Commissioner Larsen Jay for his service on the Knox County Commission.
(Full Commission)
44. Consideration of a Resolution of the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, honoring Commissioner Kim Frazier for her service on the Knox County Commission.
(Full Commission)

D. Presentations

45. Presentation from Second Harvest Food Bank. **(DEFERRED FROM AUGUST AT REQUEST OF SPONSOR)** *(Previously Deferred from July to August at Request of Sponsor)*
(Commissioner Thompson)

E. Drives and Roads

46. Consideration of the closure of a portion of the Wye Way Lane terminus located north of River Oak Drive, Commission District 9. **(DEFERRED FROM JUNE AT REQUEST OF SPONSOR)** *(Previously Deferred from January to April by Majority Vote of Commission, April to May and May to June at Request of Engineering and Public Works)*
(Commissioner Fox)
47. Consideration of the acceptance of Bull Elk Lane and Tom Higdon Lane, located north of Coward Mill Road, Commission District 6.
(Engineering and Public Works)
48. Consideration of the acceptance of an additional 420' of Tipton Lane, located off E Beaver Creek Drive, Commission District 7.
(Engineering and Public Works)

F. Line Item Transfers

G. Budget Amendments

H. Spread of Record

49. Spread of Record the Knox County Mayor's appointment of _____ to serve on the Knox County Sheriff's Office Employees' Merit System Board of Directors.
(Term expires September 30, 2029)
(County Mayor)

50. Spread of Record the grant application to the Department of the Tennessee Emergency Management Authority (TEMA) for funding submitted by Knox County Grants and Community Development.
(Community Development)
51. Spread of Record for the Grant Application to the USDOT Safe Streets and Roads for All Grant submitted by Knox County Engineering and Public Works Department.
(Engineering and Public Works)
52. Spread of Record Karns Senior Center \$30,000.00 grant application with TN Department of Aging and Disability.
(Senior and Veterans Services)
53. Spread of Record Corryton Senior Center grant application to TN Department of Aging and Disability for \$50,000.00 for capital improvements.
(Senior and Veterans Services)
54. Spread of Record Senior Services grant application with TN Department of Aging and Disability for \$26,000.00 for capital improvements.
(Senior and Veterans Services)
55. Spread of Record Halls Senior Center grant application with TN Department of Aging and Disability for \$13,000.00 building improvements and equipment.
(Senior and Veterans Services)
56. Spread of Record the grant application to the State of Tennessee Department of Disability and Aging for funding submitted by Knox County Senior Services.
(Senior and Veterans Services)

I. General Government Resolutions (non-consent)

J. Ordinances on First Reading

K. Ordinances on Second Reading

L. Other Business