



BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, July 15, 2025 at 7:00 PM

City Hall, 415 Broad Street, Montgomery-Watterson Boardroom

Board of Mayor and Aldermen

Mayor Paul W. Montgomery, Presiding

Vice Mayor Darrell Duncan

Alderman Morris Baker

Alderman Betsy Cooper

Alderman Colette George

Alderman Gary Mayes

Alderman James Phillips

City Administration

Chris McCartt, City Manager

Bart Rowlett, City Attorney

Travis Bishop, City Recorder

Angie Marshall, City Clerk/Deputy City Recorder

- I. CALL TO ORDER** 7:00 pm by Mayor Montgomery.
- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG** led by Fire Chief DeBerry.
- III. INVOCATION** led by Alderman Betsy Cooper
- IV. ROLL CALL** by City Recorder Travis Bishop.
- V. RECOGNITIONS AND PRESENTATIONS**
 - 1. Keep Kingsport Beautiful Beautification Awards** - Sharon Hayes
- VI. COMMENT** Mayor Montgomery invited citizens in attendance to speak. The following individuals came forward and then the mayor closed the public comment section.

Brad Shaffer and Ron Atkinson commented on the rezoning of Tyson Lane and the resulting traffic issues if passed.

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VII. APPOINTMENTS

- 1. Consideration of Appointment to the Regional Planning Commission (AF-188-2025)**
(Mayor Montgomery)

Motion made by Alderman Phillips, Seconded by Alderman Cooper.

APPOINT BJ WALSH TO THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION FOR A FOUR YEAR TERM EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY AND EXPIRING APRIL 30, 2029

Passed: All present voting "aye" except Alderman George who abstained.

- 2. Consideration of Appointment to the Regional Planning Commission (AF-204-2025)**
(Mayor Montgomery)

Motion made by Alderman George, Seconded by Alderman Phillips.

APPOINT SHARON DUNCAN TO THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION FOR A THIRD FOUR YEAR TERM EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY AND EXPIRING APRIL 30, 2029

Passed: All present voting "aye" except Vice Mayor Duncan who abstained.

- 3. Consideration of Appointment to Regional Planning Commission (AF-205-2025)** (Mayor Montgomery)

Motion made by Alderman Baker, Seconded by Alderman George.

APPOINT TIM LORIMER TO THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION TO FULFILL AN UNEXPIRED TERM EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY AND EXPIRING APRIL 30, 2029

Passed: All present voting "aye."

- 4. Consideration of Appointment to the Regional Planning Commission (AF-203-2025)**
(Mayor Montgomery)

Motion made by Alderman George, Seconded by Alderman Phillips.

APPOINT CURTIS MONTGOMERY TO THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION FOR A FOUR YEAR TERM EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY AND EXPIRING APRIL 30, 2029

Passed: All present voting "aye" except Mayor Montgomery who abstained.

VIII. APPROVAL OF MINUTES *(These items are considered under one motion.)*

Motion made by Vice Mayor Duncan, Seconded by Alderman Baker.

Passed: All present voting "aye."

- 1. June 16, 2025 - Work Session**
- 2. June 17, 2025 - Business Meeting**

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IX. BUSINESS MATTERS REQUIRING FIRST READING AND/ OR PUBLIC HEARINGS

- 1. Conduct a Public Hearing and Consideration of an Ordinance to Amend Zoning of Tax Map 046B, Parcel 013.00 and a Portion of Parcel 012.00 Located along Tyson Lane from the R-1B, Residential District to P1, Professional Offices District (AF-177-2025) (Jessica McMurray)**

PUBLIC HEARING: Brad Shaffer asked who would be doing the study and when. Deputy City Manager McReynolds provided further details. There was considerable discussion.

Motion made by Alderman Phillips, Seconded by Alderman George.

AN ORDINANCE TO FURTHER AMEND THE ZONING CODE, TEXT AND MAP, TO REZONE PROPERTY LOCATED ALONG TYSON LANE FROM THE R-1B, RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT TO P-1, PROFESSIONAL OFFICES DISTRICT IN THE 11TH CIVIL DISTRICT OF SULLIVAN COUNTY; TO FIX A PENALTY FOR THE VIOLATION OF THIS ORDINANCE; AND TO FIX THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS ORDINANCE

Passed: All present voting "aye."

- 2. Conduct a Public Hearing and Consideration of an Ordinance to Amend Zoning Text as it Pertains to the Amount of Members and the Span of Membership Terms of the Board of Zoning Appeals (AF-180-2025) (Ken Weems)**

Motion made by Vice Mayor Duncan, Seconded by Alderman Phillips.

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 114-65 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, CITY OF KINGSFORT, TENNESSEE, PERTAINING TO THE COMPOSITION AND THE DURATION OF TERMS FOR MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS; AND TO FIX THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS ORDINANCE

Passed: All present voting "aye."

- 3. Consideration of a Budget Adjustment Ordinance for Various Funds in FY25 (AF-176-2025) (Chris McCartt)**

Motion made by Alderman George, Seconded by Alderman Phillips.

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND VARIOUS FUND BUDGETS FOR THE YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2025; AND, TO FIX THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS ORDINANCE

Passed: All present voting "aye."

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X. BUSINESS MATTERS REQUIRING FINAL ADOPTION

1. **Consideration of an Ordinance to Set the Property Tax Rates for FY 2025-2026 (AF-168-2025) (Chris McCartt)**

Motion made by Vice Mayor Duncan, Seconded by Alderman Cooper.

ORDINANCE NO. 7215 AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR AND FIXING THE TAX RATE ON ALL REAL, PERSONAL, AND MIXED PROPERTY WITHIN THE CITY OF KINGSFORT, SULLIVAN COUNTY AND THE CITY OF KINGSFORT, HAWKINS COUNTY WHICH IS TAXABLE ON THE BASIS OF ASSESSMENTS MADE BY THE COUNTY PROPERTY ASSESSORS AND THE DIVISION OF PROPERTY ASSESSMENTS OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE FOR THE YEAR 2025; AND TO FIX THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS ORDINANCE

Passed on second reading with a roll call vote: Alderman Cooper, Vice Mayor Duncan, Alderman George, Alderman Mayes, Alderman Phillips, Mayor Montgomery

Voting Nay: Alderman Baker

2. **Consideration of a Budget Adjustment Ordinance for Various Funds in FY25 (AF-169-2025) (Chris McCartt)**

Motion made by Alderman George, Seconded by Alderman Cooper.

ORDINANCE NO. 7216 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND VARIOUS FUND BUDGETS FOR THE YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2025; AND, TO FIX THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS ORDINANCE

Passed on second reading with a roll call vote: Alderman Baker, Alderman Cooper, Vice Mayor Duncan, Alderman George, Alderman Mayes, Alderman Phillips, Mayor Montgomery

XI. OTHER BUSINESS

1. **Consideration of a Resolution Approving Change Order One to the DBHS Band Room HVAC Replacement Project and Ratifying the Mayor's Execution of the Same (AF-184-2025) (David Frye)**

Motion made by Vice Mayor Duncan, Seconded by Alderman Baker.

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-001 A RESOLUTION APPROVING CHANGE ORDER ONE TO THE DOBYNS-BENNETT HIGH SCHOOL BAND ROOM HVAC REPLACEMENT PROJECT AND RATIFYING THE MAYOR'S EXECUTION OF THE SAME

Passed: All present voting "aye."

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Motion made by Vice Mayor Duncan, Seconded by Alderman Cooper.

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-002 A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A DONATION OF FUNDS TO PURCHASE FOUR BICYCLES FOR THE KINGSFORT FIRE DEPARTMENT'S BIKE MEDIC TEAM

Passed: All present voting "aye."

- 3. Consideration of a Resolution to Award Bid to Summers-Taylor, Inc. for 2025 Contracted Paving Airport Parkway Authorizing the Mayor to Sign All Applicable Documents (AF-197-2025) (Ryan McReynolds)**

Motion made by Alderman Phillips, Seconded by Alderman Baker.

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-003 A RESOLUTION AWARDING THE BID FOR RESURFACING OF AIRPORT PARKWAY PROJECT TO SUMMERS-TAYLOR, INC. AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN AN AGREEMENT FOR THE SAME AND ALL DOCUMENTS NECESSARY AND PROPER TO EFFECTUATE THE PURPOSE OF THE AGREEMENT

Passed: All present voting "aye."

- 4. Consideration of a Resolution to Amend Agreement with CDM Smith for Professional Consulting Services to Perform a Stormwater Utility Cost of Service Analysis (AF-183-2025) (Ryan McReynolds)**

Motion made by Alderman Mayes, Seconded by Vice Mayor Duncan.

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-004 A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT WITH CDM SMITH FOR THE STORMWATER MASTER PLAN; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE AMENDMENT; AND ALL OTHER DOCUMENTS NECESSARY AND PROPER TO EFFECTUATE THE PURPOSE OF THE AMENDMENT

Passed: All present voting "aye."

- 5. Consideration of a Resolution to Award the Bid to GRC Civil Services for the Waterline Extension on Lynn Road (AF-202-2025) (Ryan McReynolds)**

Motion made by Alderman Phillips, Seconded by Alderman George.

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-005 A RESOLUTION AWARDING THE BID FOR LYNN ROAD WATERLINE EXTENSION PROJECT TO GRC CIVIL SERVICES, INC., AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN AN AGREEMENT FOR THE SAME AND ALL DOCUMENTS NECESSARY AND PROPER TO EFFECTUATE THE PURPOSE OF THE AGREEMENT

Passed: All present voting "aye."

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- 6. Consideration of a Resolution to Purchase One (1) Vogele Super 2003-3i Utilizing Sourcewell Cooperative Purchasing Agreement (AF-198-2025) (Ryan McReynolds)**

Motion made by Vice Mayor Duncan, Seconded by Alderman George.

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-006 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A PURCHASE ORDER TO POWER EQUIPMENT, INC. UTILIZING SOURCEWELL COOPERATIVE PURCHASING AGREEMENT NO. 060122-WAI FOR ONE VOGELE SUPER 2003- 3I PAVER FOR USE BY PUBLIC WORKS

Passed: All present voting "aye."

- 7. Consideration of a Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute Agreements with Various Agencies and Organizations for Services in Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Benefiting the General Welfare of Kingsport Residents (AF-200-2025) (Chris McCartt)**

Motion made by Alderman Mayes, Seconded by Vice Mayor Duncan.

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-007 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AGREEMENTS WITH VARIOUS AGENCIES AND ORGANIZATIONS FOR SERVICES IN FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026 BENEFITING THE GENERAL WELFARE OF KINGSFORT RESIDENTS

Passed: All present voting "aye" except Alderman George who voted "nay."

- 8. Consideration of a Resolution to Award the Bid to East Tennessee Turf and Landscape for the Gravity Sanitary Sewer Extension and Authorize the Mayor to Sign All Applicable Documents (AF-175-2025) (Ryan McReynolds)**

Motion made by Alderman George, Seconded by Alderman Baker.

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-008 A RESOLUTION AWARDING THE BID FOR THE FIELDCREST ANNEXATION SANITARY SEWER EXTENSION PROJECT TO EAST TENNESSEE TURF AND LANDSCAPE AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN AN AGREEMENT FOR THE SAME AND ALL DOCUMENTS NECESSARY AND PROPER TO EFFECTUATE THE PURPOSE OF THE AGREEMENT

Passed: All present voting "aye."

- 9. Consideration of a Resolution Authorizing Change Orders to the Contract with Summers-Taylor, Inc. for the Kingsport Resurfacing Project (PIN: 129800.00) and Authorize the Mayor to Sign All Applicable Documents (AF-181-2025) (Ryan McReynolds)**

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Motion made by Vice Mayor Duncan, Seconded by Alderman Phillips.

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-009 A RESOLUTION APPROVING CHANGE ORDER NUMBERS 3 AND 4 TO THE CONTRACT WITH SUMMERS-TAYLOR, INC FOR THE KINGSPORT RESURFACING PROJECT CONTRACT AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE ALL DOCUMENTS NECESSARY AND PROPER TO EFFECTUATE THE CHANGE ORDERS

Passed: All present voting "aye."

- 10. Consideration of a Resolution Approving an Amendment to the Current Contract with Doxim, LLC to Expand the Current Scope of Services to Include Billing for the Construction and Demolition Landfill (AF-190-2025) (Floyd Bailey)**

Motion made by Alderman Mayes, Seconded by Alderman Cooper.

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-010 A RESOLUTION APPROVING A CHANGE REQUEST FORM WITH DOXIM LLC TO EXPAND THE SCOPE OF UTILITY BILLING SERVICES AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE CHANGE REQUEST FORM AND ALL OTHER DOCUMENTS NECESSARY AND PROPER TO EFFECTUATE THE PURPOSE OF THIS RESOLUTION

Passed: All present voting "aye."

- 11. Consideration of a Resolution Approving the Renewal of the Naviline Financial Software Subscription from CentralSquare and Authorizing the Issuance of a Purchase Order and Execution of All Necessary and Proper Documents (AF-191-2025) (Floyd Bailey)**

Motion made by Alderman George, Seconded by Alderman Baker.

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-011 A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE RENEWAL OF THE NAVILINE FINANCIAL SOFTWARE FROM CENTRALSQUARE; AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF A PURCHASE ORDER; AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE ANY OTHER DOCUMENTS NECESSARY AND PROPER TO EFFECTUATE THE PURPOSE OF THIS RESOLUTION

Passed: All present voting "aye."

- 12. Consideration of a Resolution to Authorize the Mayor to Execute a Submitter Merchant Agreement with J.P. Morgan Chase Bank (AF-193-2025) (Floyd Bailey)**

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Motion made by Vice Mayor Duncan, Seconded by Alderman Mayes.

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-012 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A SUBMITTER MERCHANT AGREEMENT WITH J. P. MORGAN CHASE BANK FOR THE PAYMENTUS PAYMENT PROCESSING SERVICE AND ALL OTHER DOCUMENTS NECESSARY AND PROPER TO EFFECTUATE THE PURPOSE OF THIS RESOLUTION

Passed: All present voting "aye."

13. Consideration of a Resolution to Authorize the City Recorder to Reconcile and Adjust Uncollectible Property Tax for Tax Year 2014 (AF-150-2025) (Travis Bishop)

Motion made by Alderman George, Seconded by Alderman Phillips.

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-013 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY RECORDER TO RECONCILE AND ADJUST DELINQUENT PROPERTY TAX RECEIVABLES IN FISCAL YEAR 2025 FOR THE TAX YEAR 2014 AND AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR AND THE CITY RECORDER TO EXECUTE ANY PLEADINGS NECESSARY AND PROPER FOR THE DELINQUENT TAX COLLECTION LAWSUIT

Passed: All present voting "aye."

XII. CONSENT AGENDA. *(These items are considered under one motion.)*

Motion made by Vice Mayor Duncan, Seconded by Alderman George.

Passed as presented with a roll call vote: Alderman Baker, Alderman Cooper, Vice Mayor Duncan, Alderman George, Alderman Mayes, Alderman Phillips, Mayor Montgomery

1. Consideration of a Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute All Documents Necessary and Proper to Apply for and Receive a Grant from the State of Tennessee School Resource Officer (SRO) Grant Program for FY 2026 (AF-185-2025) (Chief Bellamy)

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-014 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE ALL DOCUMENTS NECESSARY AND PROPER TO APPLY FOR AND RECEIVE A SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER GRANT FROM THE STATE OF TENNESSEE SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER GRANT PROGRAM

2. Consideration of a Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute a Signature Authority Form Allowing the Chief of Police or His Designee to Complete Grant Reports as Required by the State of Tennessee School Resource Officer (SRO) Grant Program for FY 2026 (AF-186-2025) (Chief Bellamy)

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RESOLUTION NO. 2026-015 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A SIGNATURE AUTHORITY CONSENT FORM AND OTHER DOCUMENTS NECESSARY AND PROPER DESIGNATING THE CHIEF OF POLICE AS THE MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE GRANT REPORTS AND OTHER DOCUMENTS REQUIRED BY GRANTS FROM THE STATE OF TENNESSEE SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER PROGRAM

- 3. Consideration of a Resolution Approving a Memorandum of Understanding with Kingsport City Schools as Required by the State of Tennessee School Resource Officer (SRO) Program Grant (AF-187-2025) (Chief Bellamy)**

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-016 A RESOLUTION APPROVING A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH KINGSFORT CITY SCHOOLS AS REQUIRED BY THE STATE OF TENNESSEE SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER (SRO) PROGRAM GRANT

- 4. Consideration of a Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute a Memorandum of Understanding to Receive a Sotoxa Oral Fluid Mobile Test Kit for use in DUI investigations. (AF-201-2025) (Chief Bellamy)**

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-017 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING AND OTHER DOCUMENTS REQUIRED FROM THE TENNESSEE BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION AND THE TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY AND HOMELAND SECURITY'S TENNESSEE HIGHWAY SAFETY OFFICE

- 5. Consideration of a Resolution to Extend the CDBG Contract for Holston Habitat for Humanity (AF-194-2025) (Michael Price)**

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-018 A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE FY 2024/2025 CDBG SUBRECIPIENT AGREEMENT WITH HOLSTON HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

- 6. Consideration of a Resolution for the FTAAAD Annual Senior Center Grant (AF-196-20925) (Michael Borders)**

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-019 A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO THE FIRST TENNESSEE DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT'S AREA AGENCY ON AGING AND DISABILITY GRANT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 FOR THE KINGSFORT SENIOR CENTER; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE AMENDMENT AND ALL OTHER DOCUMENTS NECESSARY AND PROPER TO EFFECTUATE THE PURPOSE OF THE AMENDMENT

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- 7. Consideration of a Resolution Approving the Renewal of the Service Agreement with Cannon Cochran Management Services, Inc. for Workers Compensation Third Party Administration Services for the City and Ratifying the Mayor's Execution of the Agreement (AF-178-2025) (Bart Rowlett)**

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-020 A RESOLUTION APPROVING A SERVICE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY AND CANNON COCHRAN MANAGEMENT SERVICES, INC. FOR WORKERS' COMPENSATION THIRD PARTY ADMINISTRATION SERVICES FOR ALL CITY DEPARTMENTS; RATIFYING THE MAYOR'S EXECUTION OF THE SAME AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN ANY OTHER DOCUMENTS NECESSARY AND PROPER TO EFFECTUATE THE PURPOSE OF THE AGREEMENT

- 8. Consideration of a Resolution to renew the General Liability, Personal Injury Liability, Errors or Omissions Liability, Automobile Liability and Automobile Physical Damage Policy, with Public Entity Partners (AF-179-2025) (Bart Rowlett)**

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-021 A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE RENEWAL OF THE GENERAL LIABILITY, PERSONAL INJURY LIABILITY, ERRORS OR OMISSIONS LIABILITY, AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY AND AUTOMOBILE PHYSICAL DAMAGE POLICY WITH PUBLIC ENTITY PARTNERS AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT AND ALL OTHER DOCUMENTS NECESSARY AND PROPER TO EFFECTUATE THE PURPOSE OF THE POLICIES

- 9. Consideration of a Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute a Renewal Agreement with Frontier Health for Counseling Services at Kingsport City Schools (AF-172-2025) (David Frye)**

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-022 A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN AGREEMENT WITH FRONTIER HEALTH TO CONTINUE COUSELING SERVICES AT KINGSPORT CITY SCHOOLS AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT AND ANY AND ALL OTHER DOCUMENTS NECESSARY AND PROPER TO EFFECTUATE THE PURPOSE OF THIS RESOLUTION

- 10. Consideration of a Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute Renewal of the MOU with Clarvida for Counseling Services for Kingsport City Schools (AF-173-2025) (David Frye)**

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RESOLUTION NO. 2026-023 A RESOLUTION APPROVING A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH CLARVIDA FOR BEHAVIORAL HEALTH AND COUSELING SERVICES AT KINGSPORT CITY SCHOOLS AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING AND ALL OTHER DOCUMENTS NECESSARY AND PROPER TO EFFECTUATE THE PURPOSE OF THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING AND THIS RESOLUTION

- 11. Consideration of a Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute Addendum 12 of the Substitute Staffing Services Agreement with ESS South Central LLC for Kingsport City Schools (AF-174-2025) (David Frye)**

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-024 A RESOLUTION APPROVING ADDENDUM 12 TO THE ESS SOUTH CENTRAL LLC AGREEMENT TO EXTEND THE AGREEMENT THROUGH JUNE 30, 2026 AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE ADDENDUM AND ALL OTHER DOCUMENTS NECESSARY AND PROPER TO EFFECTUATE THE PURPOSE OF THE ADDENDUM

- 12. Consideration of a Resolution to Move the Monday, August 4, 2025 Work Session to Tuesday, August 5, 2025 at 4:00 PM (AF-199-2025) (Bart Rowlett)**

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-025 A RESOLUTION CHANGING THE AUGUST 4, 2025 WORK SESSION OF THE BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN IN IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE III, SECTION 7 OF THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF KINGSPORT, TENNESSEE

XIII. COMMUNICATIONS

1. City Manager

Mr. McCartt thanked the city employees that have already been working on and will be working on Funfest for events which usually extends beyond their regular workday.

2. Mayor and Board Members

Alderman Mayes mentioned Healthy Kingsport launched a new website last week and encouraged citizens to view the activities and resources there. He also stated the Friday night concerts were a success with great attendance. He thanked city employees for funfest efforts, noting its shaping up to be the biggest since the pandemic. Alderman Cooper commented on the presentation yesterday by Robin Cleary and the grants that were awarded downtown. She also stated DKA has partnered with MeadowView and Christmas trees have already gone on sale with half already sold. Lastly she mentioned that school will be in session by the next BMA

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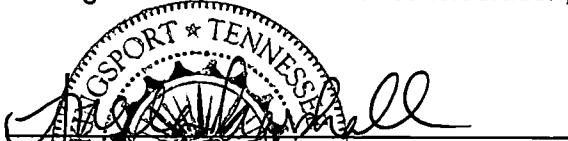
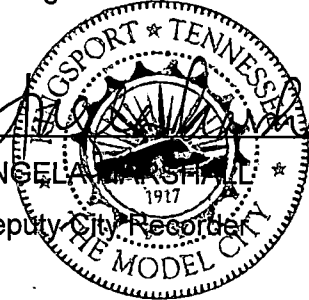
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meeting, remarking summer is almost over and encouraged citizens to go out and enjoy Funfest. Alderman George said she was excited to talk about Christman again. She also mentioned the celebration for the carousel, noting it's hard to believe it has been around for ten years and pointing out the number of volunteers that made it happen. She commented on the great Funfest presentation at the work session yesterday, noting the new events and 20 balloonists that will be coming in. Alderman Baker thanked the City Manager for adding the strategic focus area to the action form. He also commented that funfest has been around 45 years, and he remembers the first one. He recognized city staff's involvement and thanked the city manager. Alderman Phillips also commented on the carousel with a birthday party and free rides on Saturday. They will also be unveiling a new animal. He also talked about funfest. Vice Mayor Duncan recognized Mayor Montgomery for being accepted to Leadership Tennessee. He also mentioned Funfest, noting 35 states are represented and the economic impact it provides. He stated the Carousel is a legacy project and a crown jewel of Kingsport. Mayor Montgomery reminded everyone of the international pageant this weekend. He also stated he attended the graduation at the Northeast Tennessee recovery center and the community support represented. Lastly the mayor recognized newly appointed Police Chief Bellamy.

XIV.ADJOURN

Seeing no other business for consideration, Mayor Montgomery adjourned the meeting at 8:16 p.m.


ANGELA MARSHALL
Deputy City Recorder



PAUL W. MONTGOMERY
Mayor