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Meeting Minutes - Draft

Commission Workshop

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Tuesday, December 10, 2024

6:30 PM

Blount County Courthouse, Room 430

Live stream via <https://zoom.us/join>

Zoom Meeting ID: 834 7592 2353

ROLL CALL

BE IT REMEMBERED, that a Blount County Commission Workshop meeting was held on Tuesday, December 10, 2024, at 6:30 p.m. in the Blount County Courthouse of Maryville, Tennessee. Blount County Commission Workshop Chairman Nick Bright called the meeting to order. An electronic roll call was taken by Blount County Clerk Gaye Hasty. There were 16 members present and 5 were absent with the late arrival of Jessica Hannah. The Chairman declared that a quorum did exist. The following proceedings were held, to wit:

- Present:** 16 - Mike Akard, Jared Anderson, Robbie Bennett, Brad Bowers, Nick Bright, Quentin Caldwell, Misty Davis, Ron French, John Giles, Jessica Hannah, Jeff Jopling, Staci Martin, Earl McMahan, Steve Mikels, Linda Webb and David Wells
- Absent:** 5 - Dyran Bledsoe, Richard Carver, Mike Caylor, Scott King and Dawn Reagan

A. SETTING OF AGENDA.

Prior to setting the agenda, the Chairman stated that the resolution needed sponsors in item F.1.a. "Resolution 24-12-001, Budget Increase – Schools Capital - \$348,000.00 (Appropriate funds for the LED lighting replacement at Heritage Middle School). No action taken by the Budget Committee for lack of motion." Commissioners French and Bowers agreed to sponsor Resolution No. 24-12-001.

A motion was made by Commissioner Giles, seconded by Commissioner French, that the agenda be set. An electronic vote was taken. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:

- Present:** 15 - Mike Akard, Jared Anderson, Robbie Bennett, Brad Bowers, Nick Bright, Quentin Caldwell, Misty Davis, Ron French, John Giles, Jeff Jopling, Staci Martin, Earl McMahan, Steve Mikels, Linda Webb and David Wells
- Absent:** 6 - Dyran Bledsoe, Richard Carver, Mike Caylor, Jessica Hannah, Scott King and Dawn Reagan

B. PUBLIC INPUT ON ITEMS ON THE AGENDA.

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES.

- 1. [Commission Workshop Meeting Minutes for November 12, 2024.](#)

Attachments: [Minutes of Workshop Meeting on 2024-Nov-12](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Martin, seconded by Commissioner Wells, that the minutes be approved. An electronic vote was taken. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:

- Yes:** 15 - Commissioner Akard, Vice Chair Anderson, Commissioner Bennett, Commissioner Bowers, Chairperson Bright, Commissioner Caldwell, Commissioner Davis, Commissioner French, Commissioner Giles, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner Martin, Commissioner McMahan, Commissioner Mikels, Commissioner Webb and Commissioner Wells
- No:** 0
- Absent:** 6 - Commissioner Bledsoe, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caylor, Commissioner Hannah, Commissioner King and Commissioner Reagan
- Abstain:** 0

D. CONSENT CALENDAR.

A motion was made by Commissioner French, seconded by Vice Chair Anderson, that the Consent Calendar be forwarded to full commission. An electronic vote was taken. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:

- Yes:** 15 - Commissioner Akard, Vice Chair Anderson, Commissioner Bennett, Commissioner Bowers, Chairperson Bright, Commissioner Caldwell, Commissioner Davis, Commissioner French, Commissioner Giles, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner Martin, Commissioner McMahan, Commissioner Mikels, Commissioner Webb and Commissioner Wells

No: 0

Absent: 6 - Commissioner Bledsoe, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caylor,
Commissioner Hannah, Commissioner King and Commissioner Reagan

Abstain: 0

1. [Resolution No. 24-12-012, A Proclamation Honoring Tommy L. Stinnett for his Dedicated Service to the Citizens of Blount County, Tennessee.](#)

Attachments: [24-12-012 Proclamation res Commissioner Tom Stinnett 7-A](#)

2. [Approval of Bonds and Oaths.](#)

Attachments: [24-12-011 BONDS AND OATHS RESOLUTION](#)

[Oath of Deputy Sheriff 2024-12-19](#)

[Public Official Bond 2024-12-19](#)

[Notary Public Bonds and Oaths 2024-12-19](#)

3. [Notaries to be Elected.](#)

Attachments: [Notaries to be Elected 2024-12-19](#)

4. [Receiving of Reports. \(INFORMATION ONLY\)](#)

Attachments: [Minutes of Audit Committee Meeting 2023-Mar-21](#)

[Minutes of Beer Board Meeting 2024-Oct-17](#)

[Minutes of Board of Zoning Appeals 2024-Oct-01](#)

[Minutes of Budget Comm Meeting 2024-Oct-03](#)

[Minutes of Budget Comm Meeting 2024-Sep-10](#)

[Minutes of CARES Comm Meeting 2024-Apr-23](#)

[Minutes of Education Comm Meeting 2024-Oct-01](#)

[Minutes of Planning Comm 2024-Sep-26](#)

[Minutes of Planning Comm 2024-Nov-07](#)

[Trustee Report October 2024](#)

a. [November 2024 Financial Reports. \(INFORMATION ONLY\)](#)

- Attachments:** [ARPA Utility Project Update November 2024](#)
[ARPA Tracking 11.30.24](#)
[FY24.25 Proposed Capital Plan](#)
[November 2024 Expense Report](#)
[November 2024 Revenue Report](#)
[YTD Expense Report as of November 30, 2024](#)
[November 2024 Revenue Report](#)
[US Bank Report November 2024](#)

5. [Certified Election Results for November 5, 2024. \(INFORMATION ONLY\)](#)

- Attachments:** [Receipt of Certified Election Results for 2024-Nov-05](#)
[Certified Absent and Early Voting Election Results for 2024-Nov-05](#)
[State and Federal General Election on 2024-Nov-05](#)
[City of Alcoa Election on 2024-Nov-05](#)
[City of Louisville Election on 2024-Nov-05](#)
[City of Maryville Election on 2024-Nov-05](#)

6. [South Blount County Utility District Board \(4-Year Term\) Mayoral Appointment. \(INFORMATION ONLY\)](#)

- Attachments:** [South Blount Utility Appointment 2024](#)

7. [2025 Schedule of Blount County Commission Committee Meetings.](#)

- Attachments:** [Public Notice - 2025 Committee Meetings](#)

8. [FY25-26 Budget Calendar. Referred to full commission with a favorable recommendation by the Budget Committee \(5-0\).](#)

- Attachments:** [FY25.26 Blount County Budget Process Calendar](#)

E. UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

F. NEW BUSINESS.

1. Budget Increases, Decreases and/or Adjustments.

- a. [Resolution 24-12-001, Budget Increase – Schools Capital - \\$348,000.00 \(Appropriate funds for the LED lighting replacement at Heritage Middle School\). No action taken by the Budget Committee for lack of motion.](#)

Attachments: [Amendment Heritage Middle LED Lights](#)
[Resolution Heritage Middle LED Lights](#)
[Memo Heritage Middle LED Lights](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner French, seconded by Commissioner Bowers, that the Resolution be forwarded to full commission. An electronic vote was taken. The Chairman declared the motion to have failed by the following vote:

- Yes:** 1 - Commissioner Bennett
- No:** 14 - Commissioner Akard, Vice Chair Anderson, Commissioner Bowers, Chairperson Bright, Commissioner Caldwell, Commissioner Davis, Commissioner French, Commissioner Giles, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner Martin, Commissioner McMahan, Commissioner Mikels, Commissioner Webb and Commissioner Wells
- Absent:** 6 - Commissioner Bledsoe, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caylor, Commissioner Hannah, Commissioner King and Commissioner Reagan
- Abstain:** 0

- b. [Resolution No. 24-12-002, Budget Increase - Other General County Government - \\$55,000.00 \(Appropriate \\$55,000.00 to pay expenses to Juniper Advisory, LLC, a medical consulting group.\) Referred to full commission with a favorable recommendation by the Budget Committee \(5-0\).](#)

Attachments: [Resolution Central Svs Health Care Consultant](#)
[Amendment Central Svs Health Care Consultant](#)
[Memo Central Svs Health Care Consultant](#)

A motion was made by Vice Chair Anderson, seconded by Commissioner Webb, that the Resolution be forwarded to full commission. An electronic vote was taken. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:

- Yes:** 15 - Commissioner Akard, Vice Chair Anderson, Commissioner Bennett, Commissioner Bowers, Chairperson Bright, Commissioner Caldwell, Commissioner Davis, Commissioner French, Commissioner Giles, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner Martin, Commissioner McMahan, Commissioner Mikels, Commissioner Webb and Commissioner Wells
- No:** 0
- Absent:** 6 - Commissioner Bledsoe, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caylor, Commissioner Hannah, Commissioner King and Commissioner Reagan
- Abstain:** 0

- c. [Resolution No. 24-12-003, Budget Increase - Other General County Government - \\$449,227.00 \(Appropriate American Rescue Plan \[ARP\] funds for additional Stormwater Expenses on the Eagleton Ballpark Renovation Project.\) Referred to full commission with a favorable recommendation by the Budget Committee \(5-0\).](#)

Attachments: [Resolution ARPA Storm Water Adjustment](#)
[Amendment ARPA Storm Water Adjustment](#)
[Memo ARPA Stormwater Adjustment](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner French, seconded by Vice Chair Anderson, that the Resolution be forwarded to full commission. An electronic vote was taken. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:

Yes: 16 - Commissioner Akard, Vice Chair Anderson, Commissioner Bennett, Commissioner Bowers, Chairperson Bright, Commissioner Caldwell, Commissioner Davis, Commissioner French, Commissioner Giles, Commissioner Hannah, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner Martin, Commissioner McMahan, Commissioner Mikels, Commissioner Webb and Commissioner Wells

No: 0

Absent: 5 - Commissioner Bledsoe, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caylor, Commissioner King and Commissioner Reagan

Abstain: 0

- d. [Resolution No. 24-12-004, Budget Increase - Other General County Government - \\$358,180.00 \(Appropriate American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 \[ARPA\] and Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation \[TDEC\] funds for the completion of the Knox Chapman utility projects in Blount County.\) Referred to full commission with a favorable recommendation by the Budget Committee \(5-0\).](#)

Attachments: [Resolution ARPA Knox Chapman](#)
[Amendment ARPA Knox Chapman](#)
[Memo ARPA Knox Chapman](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner French, seconded by Commissioner Giles, that the Resolution be forwarded to full commission. An electronic vote was taken. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:

Yes: 15 - Commissioner Akard, Vice Chair Anderson, Commissioner Bennett, Commissioner Bowers, Chairperson Bright, Commissioner Davis, Commissioner French, Commissioner Giles, Commissioner Hannah, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner Martin, Commissioner McMahan, Commissioner Mikels, Commissioner Webb and Commissioner Wells

No: 0

Absent: 5 - Commissioner Bledsoe, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caylor, Commissioner King and Commissioner Reagan

Abstain: 1 - Commissioner Caldwell

- e. [Resolution No. 24-12-005, Budget Increase - Other General County Government - \\$1,678,318.00 \(Appropriate American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 \[ARPA\] and Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation \[TDEC\] funds for the completion of the Tuckaleechee utility project in Blount County.\) Referred to full commission with a favorable recommendation by the Budget Committee \(5-0\).](#)

Attachments: [Resolution Tuckaleechee Utility Adjustment](#)
[Amendment Tuckaleechee Utility Adjustment](#)
[Memo Tuckaleechee Utility Adjustment](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Giles, seconded by Vice Chair Anderson, that the Resolution be forwarded to full commission. An electronic vote was taken. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:

Yes: 15 - Commissioner Akard, Vice Chair Anderson, Commissioner Bennett, Commissioner Bowers, Chairperson Bright, Commissioner Davis, Commissioner French, Commissioner Giles, Commissioner Hannah, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner Martin, Commissioner McMahan, Commissioner Mikels, Commissioner Webb and Commissioner Wells

No: 0

Absent: 5 - Commissioner Bledsoe, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caylor, Commissioner King and Commissioner Reagan

Abstain: 1 - Commissioner Caldwell

- f. [Resolution No. 24-12-006, Budget Increase - Other General County Government - \\$6,020,000.00 \(Approve Health Department MOU and appropriate American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 \[ARPA\] for the use of construction and renovation of the Health Department, no county funds will be used.\) Referred to full commission with a favorable recommendation by the Budget Committee \(5-0\).](#)

Attachments: [Resolution Health Dept MOU](#)
[Amendment Health Department MOU](#)
[Memo Health Department MOU](#)
[Health Department MOU](#)
[THD Contract \(Attachment A\)](#)
[THD Contract AMENDMENT \(Attachment B\)](#)
[Letter from TDH Commissioner](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Wells, seconded by Commissioner French, that the Resolution be forwarded to full commission. An electronic vote was taken. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:

Yes: 16 - Commissioner Akard, Vice Chair Anderson, Commissioner Bennett, Commissioner Bowers, Chairperson Bright, Commissioner Caldwell, Commissioner Davis, Commissioner French, Commissioner Giles, Commissioner Hannah, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner Martin, Commissioner McMahan, Commissioner Mikels, Commissioner Webb and Commissioner Wells

No: 0

Absent: 5 - Commissioner Bledsoe, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caylor, Commissioner King and Commissioner Reagan

Abstain: 0

g. [Resolution No. 24-12-007, Budget Increase - Other General County Government - \\$943,323.00 \(Approve digitization MOU and appropriate American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 \[ARPA\] for the use of digitizing county records to increase public access and the delivery of government programs and services.\) Referred to full commission with a favorable recommendation by the Budget Committee \(5-0\).](#)

- Attachments:** [Resolution MOU Digitization Project](#)
[Amendment MOU Digitization Project](#)
[Memo MOU Digitization Project](#)
[Records Management Digitization Project MOU](#)
[Digitization Assessment](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Webb, seconded by Vice Chair Anderson, that the Resolution be forwarded to full commission. An electronic vote was taken. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:

Yes: 16 - Commissioner Akard, Vice Chair Anderson, Commissioner Bennett, Commissioner Bowers, Chairperson Bright, Commissioner Caldwell, Commissioner Davis, Commissioner French, Commissioner Giles, Commissioner Hannah, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner Martin, Commissioner McMahan, Commissioner Mikels, Commissioner Webb and Commissioner Wells

No: 0

Absent: 5 - Commissioner Bledsoe, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caylor, Commissioner King and Commissioner Reagan

Abstain: 0

2. Other Budget Items.

- a. [Resolution No. 24-12-008, Register of Deeds - \(Request of the Tennessee General Assembly to allocate one half of the real estate transfer tax to the county, where the tax was collected, on a recurring basis.\) Referred to full commission with a favorable recommendation by the Budget Committee \(5-0\).](#)

Attachments: [Resolution Real Estate Transfer Tax](#)
[Memo Real Estate Transfer Tax](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner French, seconded by Commissioner Giles, that the Resolution be forwarded to full commission. An electronic vote was taken. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:

- Yes:** 15 - Commissioner Akard, Vice Chair Anderson, Commissioner Bennett, Commissioner Bowers, Chairperson Bright, Commissioner Caldwell, Commissioner Davis, Commissioner French, Commissioner Giles, Commissioner Hannah, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner Martin, Commissioner McMahan, Commissioner Webb and Commissioner Wells
- No:** 0
- Absent:** 6 - Commissioner Bledsoe, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caylor, Commissioner King, Commissioner Mikels and Commissioner Reagan
- Abstain:** 0

3. Appointments.

- a. [Board of Directors of Blount Memorial Foundation, Inc. \(3-Year Term\) Mayoral Appointment of Mike Lewis, Kelly A. Love, and D. Kelly Thomas, Jr.](#)

Attachments: [Blount Memorial Foundation Inc Board Appointments Dec 2024](#)
[Mike Lewis bio](#)
[Kelly A Love Esq](#)
[Judge Thomas CV](#)

A motion was made by Vice Chair Anderson, seconded by Commissioner Wells, that the appointments be forwarded to full commission. An electronic vote was taken. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:

- Yes:** 16 - Commissioner Akard, Vice Chair Anderson, Commissioner Bennett, Commissioner Bowers, Chairperson Bright, Commissioner Caldwell, Commissioner Davis, Commissioner French, Commissioner Giles, Commissioner Hannah, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner Martin, Commissioner McMahan, Commissioner Mikels, Commissioner Webb and Commissioner Wells
- No:** 0
- Absent:** 5 - Commissioner Bledsoe, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caylor, Commissioner King and Commissioner Reagan
- Abstain:** 0

- b. [Industrial Development Board and Health & Educational Facilities Board Member \(6-Year Term\) Appointment. Appoint one of the following recommended Community Leaders: 1\) Matt Haralson, Kizer & Black, PLLC; 2\) David Shanks, Shanks Co.; OR 3\) Tracy Queen, ICC International.](#)

Attachments: [Blount County - IDB Board Member Appointment 2024](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner French, seconded by Vice Chair Anderson, that the appointment be forwarded to full commission. An electronic vote was taken. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:

Yes: 16 - Commissioner Akard, Vice Chair Anderson, Commissioner Bennett, Commissioner Bowers, Chairperson Bright, Commissioner Caldwell, Commissioner Davis, Commissioner French, Commissioner Giles, Commissioner Hannah, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner Martin, Commissioner McMahan, Commissioner Mikels, Commissioner Webb and Commissioner Wells

No: 0

Absent: 5 - Commissioner Bledsoe, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caylor, Commissioner King and Commissioner Reagan

Abstain: 0

- c. [Planning Commission \(4-Year Term\) Mayoral Appointments of Tom Hodge and Darrell Tipton.](#)

Attachments: [Mayor Recommendation for Planning Commission Appts 2024](#)

[Memo Re Recommendation for Planning Comm Appts](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Bowers, seconded by Commissioner French, that the appointments be forwarded to full commission.

A motion was made by Commissioner Giles, seconded by Vice Chair Anderson, that the appointments in items F.3.c thru F.3.i be forwarded to full commission. Commissioner Mikels objected to item F.3.c. Due to the objection, the Chairman declared that the items would be considered individually.

An electronic vote was taken on the motion to forward item F.3.c to full commission. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:

Yes: 16 - Commissioner Akard, Vice Chair Anderson, Commissioner Bennett, Commissioner Bowers, Chairperson Bright, Commissioner Caldwell, Commissioner Davis, Commissioner French, Commissioner Giles, Commissioner Hannah, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner Martin, Commissioner McMahan, Commissioner Mikels, Commissioner Webb and Commissioner Wells

No: 0

Absent: 5 - Commissioner Bledsoe, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caylor, Commissioner King and Commissioner Reagan

Abstain: 0

d. [Cable TV Authority \(Term Expires September 2026\) a Commissioner to Fulfill the Vacancy of Tom Stinnett.](#)

A motion was made by Vice Chair Anderson, seconded by Commissioner French, that items F.3.d thru F.3.i be forwarded to full commission.

Commissioner Akard stated that a vacancy on the Public Services Committee needed to be filled as a result of Commissioner Stinnett's resignation. The Chairman declared that the Public Services Committee appointment to be added as item F.3.j.

An electronic vote was taken to forward items F.3.d thru F.3.i and F.3.j. "Public Services Committee a Commissioner to Fulfill the Vacancy of Commissioner Stinnett." to the full commission. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:

Yes: 16 - Commissioner Akard, Vice Chair Anderson, Commissioner Bennett, Commissioner Bowers, Chairperson Bright, Commissioner Caldwell, Commissioner Davis, Commissioner French, Commissioner Giles, Commissioner Hannah, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner Martin, Commissioner McMahan, Commissioner Mikels, Commissioner Webb and Commissioner Wells

No: 0

Absent: 5 - Commissioner Bledsoe, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caylor, Commissioner King and Commissioner Reagan

Abstain: 0

e. [CARES Committee \(Term Expires September 2026\) a Commissioner to Fulfill the Vacancy of Commissioner Stinnett.](#)

This appointment to be forwarded to full commission as per the action taken above in item F.3.d.

f. [Emergency Medical Services Board \(Term Expires September 2026\) a Commissioner to Fulfill the Vacancy of Tom Stinnett.](#)

This appointment to be forwarded to full commission as per the action taken above in item F.3.d.

g. [Finance Committee \(Term Expires September 2026\) a Commissioner to Fulfill the Vacancy of Tom Stinnett.](#)

This appointment to be forwarded to full commission as per the action taken above in item F.3.d.

h. [Human Resources Committee \(Term Expires September 2025\) a Commissioner to Fulfill the Vacancy of Tom Stinnett.](#)

This appointment to be forwarded to full commission as per the action taken above in item F.3.d.

i. [Insurance Committee \(Term Expires September 2025\) a Commissioner to Fulfill the Vacancy of Tom Stinnett.](#)

This appointment to be forwarded to full commission as per the action taken above in item F.3.d.

4. [County Commission Authority for Settlement of Pending Litigation per County Attorney and Risk Management.](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Akard, seconded by Commissioner French, that the Resolution be forwarded to full commission. An electronic vote was taken. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:

Yes: 16 - Commissioner Akard, Vice Chair Anderson, Commissioner Bennett, Commissioner Bowers, Chairperson Bright, Commissioner Caldwell, Commissioner Davis, Commissioner French, Commissioner Giles, Commissioner Hannah, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner Martin, Commissioner McMahan, Commissioner Mikels, Commissioner Webb and Commissioner Wells

No: 0

Absent: 5 - Commissioner Bledsoe, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caylor, Commissioner King and Commissioner Reagan

Abstain: 0

5. [Resolution No. 24-12-013, A Resolution Authorizing a Continuous Three \(3\) Year Reappraisal Cycle.](#)

Attachments: [Resolution of Reappraisal Plan 3-Year 2026](#)
[NEW 3-YEAR REAPPRAISAL PLAN](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner French, seconded by Commissioner Hannah, that the Resolution be forwarded to full commission. An electronic vote was taken. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:

Yes: 15 - Commissioner Akard, Vice Chair Anderson, Commissioner Bennett, Commissioner Bowers, Chairperson Bright, Commissioner Caldwell, Commissioner Davis, Commissioner French, Commissioner Giles, Commissioner Hannah, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner Martin, Commissioner McMahan, Commissioner Webb and Commissioner Wells

No: 1 - Commissioner Mikels

Absent: 5 - Commissioner Bledsoe, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caylor, Commissioner King and Commissioner Reagan

Abstain: 0

6. [Resolution No. 24-12-014, A Resolution to Amend the Zoning Map of Blount County, Tennessee, From S \(Suburbanizing\) to C \(Commercial\) for a 2.962 Acre Parcel Located at 3013 E. Lamar Alexander Parkway. The Property is Identified as Tax Map 059 Parcel 041.00.](#)

Attachments: [Resolution to Amend Zoning at 3013 E Lamar](#)
[CC Public Hearing - TDT Ad 3013 E Lamar Alexander Pkwy](#)
[Request for ZPH - Sub-Com 3013 E Lamar Alex Pkwy](#)
[Draft Resolution - Sub-Com 3013 E Lamar Alex Pkwy](#)
[Report of Action 2024-Sep-26 - Sub-Com 3013 E Lamar Alex Pkwy](#)
[Staff Memo - Sub-Com 3013 E Lamar Alex Pkwy](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Bowers, seconded by Commissioner Mikels, that the Resolution be forwarded to full commission.

Commissioner Mikels called a point of order on Commissioner French speaking about property tax rates on property deemed as residential vs. commercial. The Chairman overruled the point of order.

An electronic vote was taken on the motion that the Resolution be forwarded to full commission. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:

Yes: 15 - Commissioner Akard, Vice Chair Anderson, Commissioner Bennett, Commissioner Bowers, Chairperson Bright, Commissioner Caldwell, Commissioner Davis, Commissioner Giles, Commissioner Hannah, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner Martin, Commissioner McMahan, Commissioner Mikels, Commissioner Webb and Commissioner Wells

No: 1 - Commissioner French

Absent: 5 - Commissioner Bledsoe, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caylor, Commissioner King and Commissioner Reagan

Abstain: 0

7. [Setting of Zoning Public Hearing to Amend the Zoning Map of Blount County, Tennessee, from S \(Suburbanizing\) to C \(Commercial\) for a 19.345 Acre Portion of a 34.832 Acre Parcel Located at 3652 U.S. Highway 411 South. The Property is Identified as Tax Map 090 Parcel 018.00.](#)

Attachments: [Request for ZPH Sub-Com 3652 US411S](#)

[Draft Resolution Sub-Com 3652 US411S](#)

[Report of Action Sub-Com 3652 US411S](#)

[Staff Memo and Attached Exhibits](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Giles, seconded by Commissioner Mikels, that the setting for a zoning public hearing be forwarded to full commission. An electronic vote was taken. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:

Yes: 14 - Commissioner Akard, Vice Chair Anderson, Commissioner Bennett, Commissioner Bowers, Commissioner Caldwell, Commissioner Davis, Commissioner Giles, Commissioner Hannah, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner Martin, Commissioner McMahan, Commissioner Mikels, Commissioner Webb and Commissioner Wells

No: 0

Absent: 5 - Commissioner Bledsoe, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caylor, Commissioner King and Commissioner Reagan

Abstain: 2 - Chairperson Bright and Commissioner French

8. [Resolution No. 24-12-015, A Resolution to Allow Safe Passage in Blount County, Tennessee, for a Certain Visitor From the North Pole. \(This Resolution is Introduced in Memory of the Late Commissioner Richard Williams, Jr.\)](#)

Attachments: [Santa Resolution 2024-Dec-19](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Akard, seconded by Commissioner French, that the Resolution be forwarded to full commission. An electronic vote was taken. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:

Yes: 16 - Commissioner Akard, Vice Chair Anderson, Commissioner Bennett, Commissioner Bowers, Chairperson Bright, Commissioner Caldwell, Commissioner Davis, Commissioner French, Commissioner Giles, Commissioner Hannah, Commissioner Jopling, Commissioner Martin, Commissioner McMahan, Commissioner Mikels, Commissioner Webb and Commissioner Wells

No: 0

Absent: 5 - Commissioner Bledsoe, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caylor, Commissioner King and Commissioner Reagan

Abstain: 0

G. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND STATEMENTS.

H. PUBLIC INPUT ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA.

I. ADJOURNMENT.

A motion was made that the meeting be adjourned. The Chairman declared the meeting to be adjourned. The Blount County Commission Workshop meeting adjourned on Tuesday, December 10, 2024, at 7:55 p.m.