

RESOLUTION NO. 23-07-013

Sponsored by: Linda Webb and Nick Bright

A RESOLUTION TO ENTER INTO A GRANT CONTRACT WITH THE STATE OF TENNESSEE FOR WATER AND SEWER INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS

WHEREAS, the federal government has enacted the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA) on March 11, 2021 to provide federal funding to state and local governments for, among other projects, investments in water and sewer infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, Blount County has been allocated \$12,885,976 directly for this purpose from this grant Act; and

WHEREAS, the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation (TDEC) has received ARPA funds and will distribute \$6,619,757 locally to Blount County; and

WHEREAS, the City of Friendsville has received State ARPA funds and has distributed their allocation of \$629,655.25 to Blount County; and

WHEREAS, Blount County has needs throughout the County for water and sewer infrastructure updates; and

WHEREAS, Blount County is not directly in the business of operating water or sewer facilities, but utilizes the various utility districts throughout and adjoining the County to provide these services to its citizens; and

WHEREAS, South Blount County Utility District (SBCUD) is a utility district which provides utility services to Blount County, Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, Knox Chapman Utility District (KCUD) is a utility district which provides utility services to Blount County, Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, the City of Friendsville operates a utility district which provides utility services to Blount County, Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, each of these individual utility districts has entered into agreement with Blount County to compete water and sewer infrastructure updates throughout the county.

NOW, THEREFORE, BY THE Board of Commissioners of Blount County, Tennessee assembled in regular session this 20th day of July, 2023 that the County should fully execute the State Contract to implement two (2) drinking water projects and two (2) waste water projects.

Duly authorized and approved this 20th day of July, 2023.

CERTIFICATION OF ACTION.....ATTEST

Commission Chairman

County Clerk

Approved: _____

Vetoed: _____

County Mayor

Date