

RESOLUTION NO. 24-04-006

SPONSORED BY: Commissioners Jared Anderson, Mike Caylor and Nick Bright

**A RESOLUTION THAT APPROVES A MULTI-YEAR (5 YEARS) AGREEMENT WITH
INTERNETWORK SERVICES INCORPORATED DBA INTERNETWORK ENGINEERING
FOR THE CISCO TELEPHONE SYSTEM FOR THE COUNTY**

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Blount County, Tennessee, adopted the provisions of Tennessee Code Annotated, § 5-14-101 et. seq., known as the County Purchasing Law of 1957;

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated §5-14-108(m)(1) states that the county purchasing agent is authorized to purchase and contract to purchase materials, supplies, equipment and contractual services on a fiscal year basis, but no commitment shall be made which extends beyond the end of the current fiscal year for which appropriations have been made by the county legislative body, except such commitments as are authorized by resolution of the county legislative body;

WHEREAS, Internetwork Services Incorporated dba Internetwork Engineering (“Internetwork Engineering”) shall provide Blount County CISCO telephone system for the duration of five (5) years. The telephone system shall be provided through the cooperative agreement NASPO ValuePoint CISCO Master Agreement #AR3227 and TN Participating Addendum #65778. By moving from Momentum system to CISCO system and with this agreement with Internetwork Engineering, it will save the County approximately \$54,000.00 per year, or a total of \$270,000.00 in five (5) years. This switch to Cisco system will also provide the County IT more control over the system which shall benefit the users faster and greater support on telephone issues.

WHEREAS, the Purchasing Department, on behalf of the IT Department, requests a multi-year contract with Internetwork Engineering that will extend beyond the current fiscal year to maximize cost saving;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of Blount County, Tennessee, assembled in regular session on this 18th day of April 2024, that a multi-year contract with INTERNETWORK SERVICES INCORPORATED DBA INTERNETWORK ENGINEERING be approved for Blount County, Tennessee.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution take effect from and after its passage, and that any part of any prior resolution to the contrary is hereby declared null and void, the public welfare requiring it.

Duly authorized and approved the 18th of April 2024.

CERTIFICATION OF ACTION

ATTEST

Commission Chairman

County Clerk

County Mayor

Date

- ☐ Approved
☐ Vetoed