OLD BUSINESS

Item 1 Resolution No. 2026-04-02
Sponsors: Stidham/Gardner
RESOLUTION TO PROVIDE FUNDING TO THE PETWORKS ANIMAL SERVICES FOR $50,000 FOR THE DAY-TO-DAY OPERATION OF THE SHELTER.

Item 2 Resolution No. 2026-07-06
Sponsors: Crosswhite/King
RESOLUTION TO APPROPRIATE UP TO $100,000 OF SULLIVAN COUNTY OCCUPANCY TAX REVENUES TO FUND NECESSARY REPAIRS TO VITAL, COUNTY-OWNED HISTORIC STRUCTURES AND SITES IN HISTORIC BLOUNTVILLE.

Item 3 Resolution No. 2026-07-07
Sponsors: Harvey/Stidham
RESOLUTION TO MAKE A ONE-TIME CONTRIBUTION OF $50,000 TO SECOND HARVEST FOOD BANK OF NORTHEAST TENNESSEE TO HELP FUND THE AGENCY'S FOOD BACKPACK PROGRAM FOR THE 2026-2027 SCHOOL YEAR TO PROVIDE NUTRITIOUS MEALS TO SULLIVAN COUNTY STUDENTS IN NEED OF FOOD AT HOME.

NEW BUSINESS

Item 4 Resolution No. 2026-08-02
Sponsors: Locke/Calton
RESOLUTION TO GIVE AND TRANSFER REAL PROPERTY FORMERLY KNOWN AS TEMPLE STAR SCHOOL BASEBALL FIELD TO SULLIVAN WEST VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Item 5 Resolution No. 2026-08-03
Sponsors: Carr/Stidham
A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE SUBMISSION OF CERTAIN SULLIVAN COUNTY CENSUS TRACTS FOR CONSIDERATION AS OPPORTUNITY ZONE 2.0 DESIGNATIONS.

Item 6 Resolution No. 2026-08-04
Sponsors: King/Calton
A RESOLUTION REGARDING CERTAIN PROPERTIES TO BE EXCLUDED FROM COUNTY BIDDING AT DELINQUENT TAX SALE.

Item 7 Resolution No. 2026-08-05
Sponsors: Crosswhite/Cole
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SULLIVAN COUNTY TO APPLY FOR, ACCEPT IF AWARDED, AND APPROPRIATE FUNDS FROM THE TENNESSEE STATE MUSEUM CAPITAL MAINTENANCE AND IMPROVEMENTS GRANT PROGRAM FOR MAINTENANCE PROJECTS AT THE HISTORIC DEERY INN.

Item 8 Resolution No. 2026-08-06
Sponsors: Crosswhite/Cole
RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE SULLIVAN COUNTY PURCHASING AGENT TO ENTER INTO A SIXTY (60) MONTH LEASE AGREEMENT WITH RJ YOUNG OF BRISTOL, TENNESSEE, FOR COPIER NEEDS FOR THE SULLIVAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE AND JAIL

Item 9 Resolution No. 2026-08-07
Sponsors: Cole/Crosswhite

A RESOLUTION TO APPROPRIATE $100,000 FOR THE OPERATION, MAINTENANCE, STAFFING, AND IMPROVEMENT OF THE BLOUNTVILLE ATHLETIC FACILITIES.

Item 10 Resolution No. 2026-08-08
Sponsors: Carr/Locke

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SULLIVAN COUNTY TO APPLY FOR UP TO $1,100,000 THROUGH A U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE GRANT TO FUND ACQUISITION OF ADVANCED LAW ENFORCEMENT, EQUIPMENT AND TECHNOLOGY TO ENHANCE INVESTIGATIVE CAPABILITIES, CRIMINAL ENFORCEMENT OPERATIONS, AND THE SAFETY OF LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS AND THE GENERAL PUBLIC THROUGHOUT SULLIVAN COUNTY.

Item 11 Resolution No. 2026-08-09
Sponsors: Ward/Vanover

RESOLUTION APPROVING ACCEPTANCE OF $4,500 GRANT TO CREATE A "RESET ROOM" TO AID IN POSITIVE MENTAL HEALTH AND STRESS REDUCTION FOR PARTICIPANTS OF COURT PROCEEDINGS.

Item 12 Resolution No. 2026-08-10
Sponsors: Stidham/Ireson

RESOLUTION TO GO ON RECORD SULLIVAN COUNTY INTENDS NOT TO RENEW ITS CONTRACT FOR TECHNOLOGY SUPPORTING THE USE OF VISUAL SURVEILLANCE DEVICES IN SULLIVAN COUNTY, PENDING DEVELOPMENT OF EITHER STATEWIDE OR LOCAL "GUARDRAILS" REGARDING PRIVACY CONCERNS.

Item 13 Resolution No. 2026-08-11
Sponsors: Means/Crosswhite

A RESOLUTION OF THE SULLIVAN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS REGARDING ACCEPTANCE OF HEALTHY START HOME VISITNG PROGRAM GRANT FUNDS.

Item 14 Resolution No. 2026-08-12
Sponsors: Akard/Harvey

RESOLUTION OF THE SULLIVAN COUNTY COMMISSION FOR ADOPTION OF A REDEVELOPMENT PLAN AND TAX INCREMENT FINANCING AMENDMENT FOR ZAIDI PROPERTY PROJECT LOCATED WITHIN THE WILLEY BOOM REDEVELOPMENT DISTRICT.

Item 15 Resolution No. 2026-08-13
Sponsors: Pierce/Vanover

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE ALLOCATION OF $175,000 OF AVAILABLE OPIOID ABATEMENT FUNDS TO THE SULLIVAN COUNTY ANTI-DRUG COALITION TO HELP COVER THE NON-PROFIT AGENCY'S 2026-2027 OPERATING BUDGET.

Item 16 Resolution No. 2026-08-14
Sponsors: Vanover/Crawford
RESOLUTION TO APPROVE ALLOCATION OF $151,925 OF AVAILABLE OPIOID ABATEMENT FUNDS TO SULLIVAN COUNTY RECOVERY RESTORATION TO HELP FUND THE NON-PROFIT'S CONTINUED SERVICE TO COUNTY RESIDENTS PARTICPATING IN ITS COURT-SANCTIONED PROGRAMS FOR OFFENDORS SEEKING HELP IN RECOVERY.

Item 17 Resolution No. 2026-08-15
Sponsors: Calton/Pierce
RESOLUTION TO APPROVE ALLOCATION OF $86,662 OF AVAILABLE OPIOID ABATEMENT FUNDS TO FAMILIES FREE, INC., TO HELP FUND THE SULLIVAN COUNTY WOMEN'S RECOVERY HOME IN BLOUNTVILLE.

Item 18 Resolution No. 2026-08-16
Sponsors: Crosswhite/Vanover
RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT AND APPROPRIATE $30,000 IN TENNESSEE YOUTH EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM (TYEP) GRANT FUNDS FROM VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION FOR SULLIVAN COUNTY SCHOOLS.

Item 19 Resolution No. 2026-08-17
Sponsors: Crosswhite/Vanover
RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT AND APPROPRIATE $30,000 IN TENNESSEE YOUTH EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM (TYEP) GRANT FUNDS FROM VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION FOR SULLIVAN COUNTY SCHOOLS.

Item 20 Resolution No. 2026-08-18
Sponsors: Crosswhite/Vanover
RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE SULLIVAN COUNTY SCHOOLS' PARTICIPATION IN THE TENNESSEE YOUNG EMPLOYEE PROGRAM (TN YEP) AND THE RECEIPT OF REIMBURSEMENT FUNDING.

Item 21 Resolution No. 2026-08-19
Sponsors: Crosswhite/Vanover
RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE SULLIVAN COUNTY PURCHASING AGENT TO ENTER INTO A SIXTY (60) MONTH LEASE WITH CANON USA INC. FOR THE SCHOOL NUTRITION OFFICE COPIER.

Item 22 Resolution No. 2026-08-20
Sponsors: Crosswhite/Vanover
RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE ORIGINAL BUDGET FOR THE GEAR UP GRANT FROM EAST TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY (ETSU) IN THE GENERAL PURPOSE SCHOOL FUND.

Item 23 Resolution No. 2026-08-21
Sponsors: Crosswhite/Vanover
RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT AND APPROPRIATE $24,000 IN STATE APPRENTICESHIP EXPANSION FORMULA (SAEF) GRANT FUNDS FOR THE TEACHING AS A PROFESSION (TAP) PROGRAM.

Item 24		Resolution No. 2026-08-22
Sponsors: Crosswhite/Vanover
RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE GENERAL PURPOSE SCHOOL FUND BUDGET TO RECOGNIZE THE FISCAL YEAR 2024 (YEAR 3) DHS STATE AND LOCAL CYBERSECURITY GRANT PROGRAM (SLCGP) FUNDS.

Item 25		Resolution No. 2026-08-23
Sponsors: Crosswhite/Vanover
RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE AND APPROPRIATE THE FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR 2023 DHS STATE AND LOCAL CYBERSECURITY GRANT PROGRAM (SLCGP) FUNDS FOR THE SULLIVAN COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION.

Item 26		Resolution No. 2026-08-24
Sponsors: Crosswhite/Vanover
RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE THE REIMBURSEMENT FOR DUAL ENROLLMENT INSTRUCTION IN THE 2026-27 GENERAL PURPOSE SCHOOL BUDGET.

Itrem 27		Resolution No. 2026-08-25
Sponsors: Crosswhite/Vanover
A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE RECEIPT OF FUNDS FROM BALLAD HEALTH FOR PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT, TRAINING, ADMINISTRATION, AND OPERATION OF THE BALLAD HEALTH ACADEMY BY SULLIVAN COUNTY SCHOOLS.

Item 28		Resolution No. 2026-08-26
Sponsors: Crosswhite/Vanover
RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE THE FY 2027 INNOVATIVE SCHOOL MODELS (ISM) GRANT FUNDS IN THE GENERAL PURPOSE SCHOOL FUND.

Item 29		Resolution No. 2026-08-27
Sponsors: Locke/Cole
RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE FY 2026-2027 SULLIVAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE BUDGET WITH FUNDING FROM THE SULLIVAN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION THAT WAS APPROVED IN THE SCHOOL BOARD MEETING ON AUGUST 13, 2026 IN THE AMOUNT OF $80,000 TO PROVIDE FUNDING NEEDED TO PURCHASE A VEHICLE AND EQUIPMENT FOR THE STATE APPROVED SRO POSITION AT THE WEST RIDGE ANNEX.

Item 30		Resolution No. 2026-08-28
Sponsors: Locke/Cole
RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE SULLIVAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE 2026-2027 SRO GRANT BUDGET TO INCREASE THE FUNDS FROM $1,125,000 TO $1,200,000 TO ADD THE STATE APPROVED OFFICER TO THE WEST RIDGE ANNEX AND APPROVE THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE TO SIGN THE AMENDED STATE GRANT CONTRACT.

Item 31		Resolution No. 2026-08-29
Sponsors: King/Vanover
RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE 2026 – 2027 GENERAL FUND RISK MANAGEMENT BUDGET IN THE AMOUNT OF $605,550 FOR A ONE-TIME TRANSFER OF FUNDING TO THE SELF-INSURANCE FUND.

Item 30 Resolution No. 2026-08-28
Sponsors: Locke/Cole

RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE SULLIVAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE 2026-2027 SRO GRANT BUDGET TO INCREASE THE FUNDS FROM $1,125,000 TO $1,200,000 TO ADD THE STATE APPROVED OFFICER TO THE WEST RIDGE ANNEX AND APPROVE THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE TO SIGN THE AMENDED STATE GRANT CONTRACT.

Item 31 Resolution No. 2026-08-29
Sponsors:

AS AMENDED BY SPONSOR FOR DISTRIBUTION 6/18/2026

SULLIVAN COUNTY
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Item 01
Resolution No. 2026-04-02

To the Honorable Richard S. Venable, Mayor of Sullivan County, and the Board of Sullivan County Commissioners meeting in Regular Session this 18th day of June 2026.

RESOLUTION TO PROVIDE FUNDING TO THE PETWORKS ANIMAL SERVICES+ FOR $50,000 FOR THE DAY TO DAY OPERATION OF THE SHELTER.

WHEREAS, PETWORKS is dedicated to providing the best possible care to lost and homeless animals and strives to end animal suffering and animal overpopulation through progressive and proactive policies and programs, including adoption, rescue, spay/neuter, and responsible ownership education.

WHEREAS, PETWORKS currently provides animal control services to the City of Kingsport and accepts animals that are dropped off at the shelter from anywhere in the Sullivan County area.

WHEREAS, PETWORKS is providing care for animals that are seriously injured or seriously malnourished from Sullivan County cruelty cases. These animals require extensive veterinary care and long rehabilitation periods before they can put up for adoption or adopted.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners of Sullivan County, Tennessee, assembled in regular Session, hereby approves funding for the PETWORKS Animal Services in the amount of $50,000. This amount is to be funded from the Fund Balance of the General Fund or other available funding.

This resolution shall take effect from and after its passage. All resolutions in conflict herewith be and the same rescinded insofar as such conflict exists.

Duly adopted this ________ day of ____________________ 2026.

Reviewed by Chairman: _________________________________

John T. Gardner, Chairman, Sullivan County Commission.

ATTEST: ____________________________________

Teresa Jacobs, County Clerk

Delivered to the Sullivan County Mayor or his secretary this ____day of__________, 20____ at or about the following time ______by the following method: ___________.

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Teresa Jacobs, County Clerk.

ACTION BY MAYOR

Item 01
Resolution No. 2026-04-02

Reviewed and ACCEPTED by Mayor, Sullivan County: ________________________________

Mayor, Sullivan County

Reviewed and VETOED by Mayor, Sullivan County:________________________________

Mayor, Sullivan County

Delivered to the Chairman of the Sullivan County Commission or his designee this the __________ day of_______________________, 20_____ at or about the following time ______________ by the following method:_________________________________.

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Mayor, Sullivan County

Sponsor: Commissioner Gary Stidham

Cosponsor: Commissioner John Gardner

ACTIONS: 07/09/26 (Work Session) To be considered at Regular Session on 07/16/26; 07/16/26 (Regular Session) Deferred until August meeting by Sponsor; 08/13/26 (Work Session) Deferred until September meeting by Sponsor

SULLIVAN COUNTY
Board of County Commissioners
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Item 2
Resolution No. 2026-07-06

To the Honorable Richard S. Venable, Sullivan County Mayor, and the Board of Sullivan County Commissioners meeting in Regular Session this 16th day of July 2026.

RESOLUTION TO APPROPRIATE UP TO $100,000 OF SULLIVAN COUNTY OCCUPANCY TAX REVENUES TO FUND NECESSARY REPAIRS TO VITAL, COUNTY-OWNED HISTORIC STRUCTURES AND SITES IN HISTORIC BLOUNTVILLE

WHEREAS professional assessment of key structures significant to the history of Sulivan County and located withing historic Blountville have revealed immediate needed repairs to secure said historic structures for continued points of interest for visitors; and

WHEREAS the county has obtained estimates for the cost of the needed work; and

WHEREAS the needed work is an eligible use of revenue derived from the county's occupancy tax.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Commissioners of Sullivan County, meeting in Regular Session, approves appropriation of up to $100,000 for the repair work listed below, said funds to come from revenue generated by the county's occupancy tax. Account codes to be assigned by the Finance Department.

This resolution shall take effect from and after its passage. All resolutions in conflict herewith be and the same rescinded insofar as such conflict exists.

Duly passed and approved this ________ day of ____________________ 2026.

Reviewed by Chairman: ______________________________
John T. Gardner, Chairman, Sullivan County Commission

ATTEST: ________________________________
Teresa Jacobs, County Clerk

Delivered to the Sullivan County Mayor or his secretary this the __________ day of ______________________, 20____ at or about the following time _____________ by the following method: ____.

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Teresa Jacobs, County Clerk

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Item 2
Resolution No. 2026-07-06

ACTION BY MAYOR

Reviewed and ACCEPTED by Mayor, Sullivan County: ________________________________
Mayor, Sullivan County

Reviewed and VETOED by Mayor, Sullivan County: ________________________________
Mayor, Sullivan County

Delivered to the Chairman of the Sullivan County Commission or his designee this the __________ day of _______________________, 20_____ at or about the following time ______________ by the following method:

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Mayor, Sullivan County

Sponsor: Commissioner Joyce Crosswhite
Cosponsors: Commissioner Dwight King; Commissioner David Akard; Commissioner Mark Ireson; Commissioner Darlene Calton; Commissioner John Gardner; Commissioner Sam Jones; Commissioner Zane Vanover, everyone voting in the affirmative.
ACTIONS: 07/09/26 (Work Session) To be placed on 1st Reading at Regular Session on 07/16/26; 07/16/26 (Regular Session) 1st Reading; 08/13/26 (Work Session) To be considered at Regular Session on 08/20/26

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Item 3
Resolution No. 2026-07-07

To the Honorable Richard S. Venable, Sullivan County Mayor, and the Board of Sullivan County Commissioners meeting in Regular Session this 16th day of July 2026.

RESOLUTION TO MAKE A ONE-TIME CONTRIBUTION OF $50,000 TO SECOND HARVEST FOOD BANK OF NORTHEAST TENNESSEE TO HELP FUND THE AGENCY'S FOOD BACKPACK PROGRAM FOR THE 2026-2027 SCHOOL YEAR TO PROVIDE NUTRITIOUS MEALS TO SULLIVAN COUNTY STUDENTS IN NEED OF FOOD AT HOME

WHEREAS in Sullivan County, more than 26,000 County residents, including 6,400 children, experience food insecurity each year; and

WHEREAS that means that 1 in 5 children in Sullivan County are food insecure; and

WHEREAS through the Food For Kids Backpack Program, Second Harvest Food Bank works with Bristol City Schools, Kingsport City Schools, and Sullivan County Schools to ensure that children in their respective systems, who are identified as chronically hungry, have access to nutritious food outside of school hours; and

WHEREAS during the 2025-2026 school year, 1,395 Sullivan County children were served by Second Harvest Food Bank; and

WHEREAS it takes more than $150,000 total to pay to serve the children covered by the Food For Kids program in Sullivan County; and

WHEREAS a $50,000 investment, as proposed, will provide a bag of food every two weeks to 454 Sullivan County children during the 2026-2027 school year.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the Board of Commissioners of Sullivan County, meeting in Regular Session, approves a one-time contribution of $50,000 to Second Harvest Food Bank for the agency's Food For Kids Backpack Program during the 2026-2027 school year by appropriation of that amount to the agency from the county's general fund balance.

This resolution shall take effect from and after its passage. All resolutions in conflict herewith be and the same rescinded insofar as such conflict exists.

Duly passed and approved this ________ day of ____________________ 2026.

Reviewed by Chairman: ________________________________
John T. Gardner, Chairman, Sullivan County Commission

ATTEST: ___________________________________
Teresa Jacobs, County Clerk

Delivered to the Sullivan County Mayor or his secretary this the __________ day of ______________________, 20____ at or about the following time _____________ by the following method: ____.

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Teresa Jacobs, County Clerk

ACTION BY MAYOR

Reviewed and ACCEPTED by Mayor, Sullivan County: ________________________________
Mayor, Sullivan County

Reviewed and VETOED by Mayor, Sullivan County: ________________________________
Mayor, Sullivan County

Delivered to the Chairman of the Sullivan County Commission or his designee this the __________ day of _______________________, 20_____ at or about the following time ______________ by the following method:

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Mayor, Sullivan County

Sponsor: Commissioner Cheryl Harvey
Cosponsors: Commissioner Gary Stidham; Commissioner Joyce Crosswhite; Commissioner Zane Vanover; Commissioner Barry Hopper; Commissioner Darlene Calton.
ACTIONS: 07/09/26 (Work Session) To be placed on 1st Reading at Regular Session on 07/16/26; 07/16/26 (Regular Session) 1st Reading; 08/13/26 (Work Session) To be considered at Regular Session on 08/20/26

Board of County Commissioners
246th Annual Session

Item 4
Resolution No. 2026-08-02

To the Honorable Richard S. Venable, Sullivan County Mayor and the Board of Sullivan County Commissioners meeting in Regular Session this 20th day of August 2026.

RESOLUTION TO GIVE AND TRANSFER REAL PROPERTY FORMERLY KNOWN AS TEMPLE STAR SCHOOL BASEBALL FIELD TO SULLIVAN WEST VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT.

WHEREAS, the Sullivan West Volunteer Fire Department seeks to build a new Training Center/Sub-Station in the Sullivan West/Sullivan Gardens area; and

WHEREAS, Sullivan West Volunteer Fire Department has determined that the property generally known as the old Temple Star School Baseball Field located in the 15th Civil District of Sullivan County, Tennessee, would be a good site for such development; and

WHEFEAS, said old Temple Star School Baseball Field is identified as Tax Map 103, Parcel # 154.00, being a portion of the property described in Deed Book 502C at Page 241, of record in the Register's Office for Sullivan County at Blountville; and

WHEREAS, this Temple Star School Baseball Field is currently leased to East Tennessee Select Baseball pursuant to a lease dated September 30, 2008 which renews automatically annually; and

WHEREAS, East Tennessee Select Baseball has agreed to terminate such lease agreement immediately in order to enable the transfer of such property to Sullivan West Volunteer Fire Department.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners of Sullivan County, Tennessee, assembled in Regular Session hereby approves the termination of the current lease agreement with East Tennessee Select Baseball for the use of the old Temple Star Baseball Field; AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Board of County Commissioners approves the immediate gift and transfer of real property generally known as the old Temple Star Baseball Field, and more specifically known as Tax Map 103, Parcel # 154.00, to the Sullivan West Volunteer Fire Department at an agreed upon price of $0.00. The County Attorney shall prepare the Deed, and the Mayor shall execute it.

This resolution shall take effect from and after its passage. All resolutions in conflict herewith shall be and the same are hereby rescinded insofar as such conflict exists.

Duly adopted this ________ day of ____________________ 2026.

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Item 4
Resolution No. 2026-08-02

Reviewed by Chairman: ________________________________
John T. Gardner, Chairman, Sullivan County Commission.

ATTEST: ____________________________________
Teresa Jacobs, County Clerk

Delivered to the Sullivan County Mayor or his secretary this ____day of__________, 20____ at or about the following time ______by the following method: ___________________________.

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Teresa Jacobs, County Clerk.

ACTION BY MAYOR

Reviewed and ACCEPTED by Mayor, Sullivan County: ________________________________
Mayor, Sullivan County

Reviewed and VETOED by Mayor, Sullivan County:

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Mayor, Sullivan County

Delivered to the Chairman of the Sullivan County Commission or his designee this the __________ day of_______________________, 20_____ at or about the following time ______________ by the following method:_________________________________.

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Mayor, Sullivan County

Sponsor: Commissioner Hunter Locke
Cosponsor: Commissioner Darlene Calton, everyone voting in the affirmative
ACTIONS: 08/13/26 (Work Session) To be placed on Consent Agenda at Regular Session on 08/20/26

To the Honorable Richard S. Venable, Sullivan County Mayor and the Board of Sullivan County Commissioners meeting in Regular Session this 20th day of August 2026.

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE SUBMISSION OF CERTAIN SULLIVAN COUNTY CENSUS TRACTS FOR CONSIDERATION AS OPPORTUNITY ZONE 2.0 DESIGNATIONS.

WHEREAS, the Opportunity Zone program was established to encourage long-term investment in economically distressed communities by providing incentives for investment in designated Opportunity Zones; and

WHEREAS, the State of Tennessee is preparing to submit recommended census tracts for consideration by the Governor's Office for designation under the Opportunity Zone 2.0 program; and

WHEREAS, the identification and designation of Opportunity Zones may provide an additional tool to encourage private investment, economic development, business growth, job creation, and community revitalization within eligible areas of Sullivan County; and

WHEREAS, the recommended census tracts for Sullivan County were developed through coordination among staff of NETWORKS Sullivan Partnership, the City of Kingsport, and the City of Bristol, with consideration given to the economic development priorities and needs of the communities within Sullivan County; and

WHEREAS, the Sullivan County Board of Commissioners recognizes the potential economic development benefits associated with Opportunity Zone 2.0 designation and desires to formally express its support for the submission of the recommended census tracts for consideration by the Governor's Office; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Sullivan County Board of Commissioners hereby supports and endorses the submission of the following census tracts located within Sullivan County, Tennessee, for consideration by the Governor's Office for designation as Opportunity Zones under the Opportunity Zone 2.0 program:

Census Tract 402 (GEOID 47163040200)
Census Tract 405 (GEOID 47163040500)
Census Tract 421 (GEOID 47163042100)
Census Tract 427 (GEOID 47163042703)
Census Tract 428 (GEOID 47163042802)
Census Tract 430 (GEOID 47163043000)
Census Tract 431 (GEOID 47163043100)

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Sullivan County Board of Commissioners supports the coordinated efforts of NETWORKS Sullivan Partnership, the City of Kingsport, and the City of Bristol in identifying and recommending census tracts for Opportunity Zone 2.0 consideration.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution shall serve as the formal expression of support of the Sullivan County Board of Commissioners for the submission of the above-referenced census

tracts for consideration by the Governor's Office and does not constitute a guarantee or assurance that any census tract will ultimately receive an Opportunity Zone 2.0 designation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Sullivan County Mayor, or his designee, is hereby authorized to communicate the County's support for the recommended census tracts and to provide a copy of this resolution to the appropriate state and local officials as may be necessary.

Duly passed and approved this______day of________2026.

Reviewed by Chairman: ___________________________________
John T. Gardner, Chairman, Sullivan County Commission.

ATTEST: ______________________________________
Teresa Jacobs, County Clerk

Delivered to the Sullivan County Mayor or his secretary this ____day of__________, 20____ at or about the following time ______by the following method: ____________________________.

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Teresa Jacobs, County Clerk.

ACTION BY MAYOR

Reviewed and ACCEPTED by Mayor, Sullivan County: _________________________________
Mayor, Sullivan County

Reviewed and VETOED by Mayor, Sullivan County:

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Mayor, Sullivan County

Delivered to the Chairman of the Sullivan County Commission or his designee this the __________ day of________________________, 20_____ at or about the following time ______________ by the following method:_________________________________.

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Mayor, Sullivan County

Sponsor: Commissioner Joe Carr
Cosponsor: Commissioners Gary Stidham
ACTIONS: 08/13/26 (Work Session) To be placed on Consent Agenda at Regular Session on 08/20/26

To the Honorable Richard S. Venable, Sullivan County Mayor, and the Board of Sullivan County Commissioners meeting in Regular Session this 20th day of August 2026.

A RESOLUTION REGARDING CERTAIN PROPERTIES TO BE EXCLUDED FROM COUNTY BIDDING AT DELINQUENT TAX SALE.

Concerning the recommendation that Sullivan County refrain from bidding on the following properties offered for sale at a delinquent tax sale:

1. 1013 Tip Top Avenue (Fleenor, Brook) Tax Map 029L, Group E, Parcel 019.00
2. D Street (Harris, E B) Tax Map 061D, Group G, Parcel 030.10
3. 124 Hillcrest Street (Holt, Kenneth) Tax Map 111H, Group A, Parcel 001.5
4. McKee Road (Oliver Dorothy & Tammy) Tax Map 124P A 001.10

WHEREAS, the County Mayor, in consultation with the County Commission's Delinquent Tax Committee, has reviewed the above-referenced properties and determined that it is not in the best financial interest of Sullivan County to bid on said properties at the delinquent tax sale; and

WHEREAS, the anticipated costs, obligations, potential liabilities, environmental concerns, condition of the properties, marketability, or other factors may outweigh any anticipated economic benefit to the County from acquiring ownership of said properties; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners finds that authorizing the County to refrain from bidding on the above-referenced properties is in the best interest of the citizens and taxpayers of Sullivan County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Sullivan County Board of County Commissioners, assembled in Regular Session, hereby authorizes and approves the County's decision not to bid on the following properties at the delinquent tax sale:

- 1013 Tip Top Avenue, Tax Map 029L, Group E, Parcel 019.00;
- D Street, Tax Map 061D, Group G, Parcel 030.10; and
- 124 Hillcrest Street, Tax Map 111H, Group A, Parcel 001.50
- McKee Road, Tax Map 124P A 001.10

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall take effect from and after its passage, the public welfare requiring it. All resolutions in conflict herewith are hereby rescinded insofar as such conflict exists.

Approved this ___ day of ____________*, 20.*

Duly adopted this ________ day of ____________________ 2026.

Reviewed by Chairman: _________________________________
John T. Gardner, Chairman, Sullivan County Commission.

ATTEST: ____________________________________
Teresa Jacobs, County Clerk

Delivered to the Sullivan County Mayor or his secretary this ____day of__________, 20____ at or about the following time ______by the following method: ___________.

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Teresa Jacobs, County Clerk.

ACTION BY MAYOR

Reviewed and ACCEPTED by Mayor, Sullivan County: ________________________________
Mayor, Sullivan County

Reviewed and VETOED by Mayor, Sullivan County:________________________________
Mayor, Sullivan County

Delivered to the Chairman of the Sullivan County Commission or his designee this the __________ day of_______________________, 20_____ at or about the following time ______________ by the following method:_________________________________.

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Mayor, Sullivan County

Sponsor: Commissioner Dwight King
Cosponsor: Commissioner Darlene Calton

ACTIONS: 08/13/26 (Work Session) To be placed on Consent Agenda at Regular Session on 08/20/26

Resolution No. 2026-08-05

To the Honorable Richard S. Venable, Sullivan County Mayor, and the Board of Sullivan County Commissioners meeting in Regular Session this 20th day of August 2026.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SULLIVAN COUNTY TO APPLY FOR, ACCEPT IF AWARDED, AND APPROPRIATE FUNDS FROM THE TENNESSEE STATE MUSEUM CAPITAL MAINTENANCE AND IMPROVEMENTS GRANT PROGRAM FOR MAINTENANCE PROJECTS AT THE HISTORIC DEERY INN.

WHEREAS, the Tennessee State Museum Capital Maintenance and Improvements Grant Program provides funding to support the preservation, maintenance, and improvement of museums and historically significant facilities throughout the State of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, Sullivan County owns the Historic Deery Inn, an important historic landmark that serves as a valuable cultural, educational, and heritage resource for the citizens of Sullivan County and visitors to the region; and

WHEREAS, Sullivan County desires to apply for grant funding in an amount of up to **One Hundred Thousand Dollars ($100,000.00)** to complete eligible capital maintenance and preservation projects at the Historic Deery Inn; and

WHEREAS, the Tennessee State Museum Capital Maintenance and Improvements Grant Program requires **no local matching funds** and operates as a **non-reimbursable grant**, with grant funds being distributed directly to the recipient prior to the commencement of approved projects; and

WHEREAS, if awarded, all grant-funded projects must be completed no later than **June 30, 2027**, in accordance with the terms and conditions of the grant program; and

WHEREAS, the Sullivan County Finance Department will establish all necessary accounting codes and financial procedures to ensure proper receipt, tracking, expenditure, and reporting of grant funds in accordance with applicable state and county financial requirements.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Sullivan County, Tennessee, meeting in regular session, that:

1. The Sullivan County Mayor, or his designee, is hereby authorized to submit an application to the Tennessee State Museum Capital Maintenance and Improvements Grant Program requesting funding in an amount of up to **$100,000.00** for eligible maintenance and preservation projects at the Historic Deery Inn.
2. Upon notification of an award, the Sullivan County Mayor is authorized to accept the grant and execute all documents necessary to carry out the grant in accordance with all applicable state requirements.
3. The sum of up to **$100,000.00**, if awarded, is hereby appropriated for the purpose of completing approved maintenance and preservation projects at the Historic Deery Inn.
4. The Sullivan County Finance Department is authorized to establish all appropriate revenue and expenditure account codes necessary for the administration and accounting of the grant funds.
5. County officials and employees are authorized to take all actions necessary to implement this resolution and administer the grant in accordance with the requirements of the Tennessee State Museum Capital Maintenance and Improvements Grant Program.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution shall take effect immediately upon its passage, the public welfare requiring it. All resolutions in conflict herewith are hereby rescinded insofar as such conflict exists.

Approved this ___ day of ____________*, 20.*

Duly adopted this ________ day of ____________________ 2026.

Reviewed by Chairman: _________________________________
John T. Gardner, Chairman, Sullivan County Commission.

ATTEST: ____________________________________
Teresa Jacobs, County Clerk

Delivered to the Sullivan County Mayor or his secretary this ____day of__________, 20____ at or about the following time ______by the following method: ___________.

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Teresa Jacobs, County Clerk.

ACTION BY MAYOR

Reviewed and ACCEPTED by Mayor, Sullivan County: ________________________________
Mayor, Sullivan County

Reviewed and VETOED by Mayor, Sullivan County:________________________________
Mayor, Sullivan County

Delivered to the Chairman of the Sullivan County Commission or his designee this the __________ day of_______________________, 20_____ at or about the following time ______________ by the following method:_________________________________.

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Mayor, Sullivan County

Sponsor: Commissioner Joyce Crosswhite
Cosponsors: Commissioner Michael Cole; Commissioner Tony Leonard; Commissioner Dwight King.
ACTIONS: 08/13/26 (Work Session) To be placed on Consent Agenda at Regular Session on 08/20/26

Resolution No. 2026-08-06

To the Honorable Richard S. Venable, Sullivan County Mayor, and the Board of Sullivan County Commissioners meeting in Regular Session this 20th day of August 2026.

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE SULLIVAN COUNTY PURCHASING AGENT TO ENTER INTO A SIXTY (60) MONTH LEASE AGREEMENT WITH RJ YOUNG OF BRISTOL, TENNESSEE, FOR COPIER NEEDS FOR THE SULLIVAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE AND JAIL.

WHEREAS, the Sullivan County Sheriff's Office's current copier lease agreement with RJ Young will expire on September 1, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the Sullivan County Sheriff's Office has met with representatives from multiple companies to review the current needs and issues facing the Sheriff's Office and Jail regarding copier equipment, leasing, and maintenance support options; and

WHERAS, the Sullivan County Sheriff's Office currently has a lease agreement with RJ Young in the amount of $**2,174 per month,** and the proposed new lease agreement with RJ Young will be **$2,423.02 per month**; and

WHEREAS, the proposed new copier lease agreement with R.J. Young will provide the Sullivan County Sheriff's Office and Jail with all new copier machines, as well as two additional machines at no additional cost, to assist with the areas experiencing the greatest demand, **Booking and Jail Medical**; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners of Sullivan County, Tennessee, assembled in Regular Session, hereby authorize the Sullivan County Purchasing Agent to execute a Sixty (60) month lease @ $2,423.02 per month with RJ Young as recommended by the Sullivan County Sheriff's Office Administrative personnel.

WAIVER OF RULES REQUESTED

This resolution shall take effect from and after its passage. All resolutions in conflict herewith be and the same rescinded insofar as such conflict exists.

Duly passed and approved this ________ day of ____________________ 2026.

Reviewed by Chairman: ________________________________
John T. Gardner, Chairman, Sullivan County Commission.

ATTEST: ___________________________________
Teresa Jacobs, County Clerk

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Resolution No. 2026-08-06

Delivered to the Sullivan County Mayor or his secretary this ____day of__________, 20____ at or about the following time ______by the following method: ___________.

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Teresa Jacobs, County Clerk.

ACTION BY MAYOR

Reviewed and ACCEPTED by Mayor, Sullivan County: _________________________________
Mayor, Sullivan County

Reviewed and VETOED by Mayor, Sullivan County:_________________________________
Mayor, Sullivan County

Delivered to the Chairman of the Sullivan County Commission or his designee this the __________ day of_______________________, 20_____ at or about the following time ______________ by the following method:_________________________________.

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Mayor, Sullivan County

Sponsor: Commissioner Joyce Crosswhite
Cosponsors: Commissioner Michael Cole; Commissioner Andrew Cross.
ACTIONS: 08/13/26 (Work Session) To be placed on Consent Agenda at Regular Session on 08/20/26

To the Honorable Richard S. Venable, Sullivan County Mayor, and the Board of Sullivan County Commissioners meeting in Regular Session this 20th day of August 2026.

A RESOLUTION TO APPROPRIATE $100,000 FOR THE OPERATION, MAINTENANCE, STAFFING, AND IMPROVEMENT OF THE BLOUNTVILLE ATHLETIC FACILITIES.

WHEREAS, Sullivan County has opened the Blountville Athletic Facilities to provide recreational opportunities and support organized athletics, community events, and public use; and

WHEREAS, the Fiscal Year 2026-2027 budget was developed before sufficient operational experience was available to accurately determine the staffing, maintenance, equipment, and financial needs of the facilities; and

WHEREAS, since opening, the County has identified additional operational needs, including appropriate staffing and a need to continually evaluate expenses and revenues as facility usage develops; and

WHEREAS, the County desires to separately account for all revenues and expenditures associated with the facilities and establish a collaborative process for evaluating future operational and financial needs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Sullivan County, Tennessee, meeting in regular session, that:

SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION AND STAFFING.
The sum of **One Hundred Thousand Dollars ($100,000)** is hereby appropriated from the County General Fund for the operation, maintenance, staffing, equipment, repair, and improvement of the Blountville Athletic Facilities.
The appropriation shall include funding for **one (1) full-time employee and one (1) seasonal employee** to assist with facility oversight, scheduling, events, maintenance, and other operational needs. Compensation, classification, duties, supervision, and hiring shall be administered in accordance with applicable Sullivan County policies and procedures.

SECTION 2. ACCOUNTING AND REVENUES.
The Finance Department shall establish separate revenue and expenditure account codes for the Blountville Athletic Facilities to independently track facility-related financial activity.
Revenues generated from rentals, reservations, concessions, events, fees, and other facility activities shall be **earmarked for the operation, staffing, maintenance, repair, equipment, and improvement of the athletic facilities**. Revenues exceeding current and reasonably anticipated facility needs may be transferred to the County General Fund in accordance with applicable County budgetary procedures and Commission authorization.

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SECTION 3. OPERATIONAL AND BUDGET REVIEW.
A subcommittee consisting of representatives from the **Maintenance Department, Purchasing Department, and Finance Department** shall periodically review facility operations, staffing, revenues, expenditures, maintenance, equipment, and other needs and make recommendations regarding future funding and operations.
The Commission recognizes that the needs of the newly operational facilities will continue to evolve. Actual operational experience shall therefore be considered in determining appropriate staffing and funding levels in future County budgets.

SECTION 4. EFFECTIVE DATE.
This Resolution shall take effect upon its passage, the public welfare requiring it. All resolutions in conflict herewith be and the same rescinded insofar as such conflict exists.

Duly passed and approved this ________ day of ____________________ 2026.

Reviewed by Chairman: _________________________________
John T. Gardner, Chairman, Sullivan County Commission.

ATTEST: ____________________________________
Teresa Jacobs, County Clerk

Delivered to the Sullivan County Mayor or his secretary this ____day of__________, 20____ at or about the following time ______by the following method: ___________.

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Teresa Jacobs, County Clerk.

ACTION BY MAYOR

Reviewed and ACCEPTED by Mayor, Sullivan County: ________________________________
Mayor, Sullivan County

Reviewed and VETOED by Mayor, Sullivan County:________________________________
Mayor, Sullivan County

Delivered to the Chairman of the Sullivan County Commission or his designee this the __________ day of_______________________, 20_____ at or about the following time ______________ by the following method:_________________________________.

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Mayor, Sullivan County

Sponsor: Commissioner Michael Cole
Cosponsors: Commissioner Joyce Crosswhite
ACTIONS: 08/13/26 (Work Session) To be considered at Regular Session on 08/20/26

Resolution No. 2026-08-08

To the Honorable Richard S. Venable, Sullivan County Mayor, and the Board of Sullivan County Commissioners meeting in Regular Session this 20th day of August 2026.

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SULLIVAN COUNTY TO APPLY FOR UP TO $1,100,000 THROUGH A U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE GRANT TO FUND ACQUISITION OF ADVANCED LAW ENFORCEMENT, EQUIPMENT AND TECHNOLOGY TO ENHANCE INVESTIGATIVE CAPABILITIES, CRIMINAL ENFORCEMENT OPERATIONS, AND THE SAFETY OF LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS AND THE GENERAL PUBLIC THROUGHOUT SULLIVAN COUNTY.

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance, has announced the availability of funding via a program to strengthen the capacity of state and local law enforcement agencies by providing funding for equipment, technology, and other resources that enhance public safety and criminal justice operations; and

WHEREAS, Sullivan County Sheriff's Office seeks to apply for up to $1,100,000 of this funding opportunity to acquire advanced technology and digital forensic resources that will improve investigative capabilities and enhance officer effectiveness in identifying, collecting, preserving, extracting, unlocking, analyzing, and managing digital evidence; and

WHEREAS, grant funds will be used to purchase technology, software, hardware, and digital forensic resources that assist law enforcement with extracting, unlocking, and analyzing data from mobile phones, computers, and other digital devices, as well as software that supports public safety technologies including body-worn camera systems, digital evidence management software, and other investigative technologies that provide stronger digital evidence and improve public safety outcomes; and

WHEREAS, the project includes the acquisition of software licenses that will be procured under five (5) year subscription agreements in accordance with applicable grant requirements and Sullivan County procurement policies; and

WHEREAS, this funding opportunity operates under a non-matching, reimbursement grant model, requiring Sullivan County to pay eligible project costs upfront and seek reimbursement from the U.S. Department of Justice following approved expenditures.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Sullivan County Commission that:

1. The Sullivan County Mayor is hereby authorized to submit an application for funding through the U.S. Department of Justice FY 2026 Bridging Immigration-Related Deficits Experienced Nationwide ("BIDEN") Program – Round 2.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its passage, the public welfare requiring it. All resolutions in conflict herewith be and the same rescinded insofar as such conflict exists.

Duly passed and approved this ________ day of ____________________ 2026.

Reviewed by Chairman: _________________________________
John T. Gardner, Chairman, Sullivan County Commission.

ATTEST: ____________________________________
Teresa Jacobs, County Clerk

Delivered to the Sullivan County Mayor or his secretary this ____day of__________, 20____ at or about the following time ______by the following method: ___________.

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Teresa Jacobs, County Clerk.

ACTION BY MAYOR

Reviewed and ACCEPTED by Mayor, Sullivan County: ________________________________
Mayor, Sullivan County

Reviewed and VETOED by Mayor, Sullivan County:________________________________
Mayor, Sullivan County

Delivered to the Chairman of the Sullivan County Commission or his designee this the __________ day of_______________________, 20_____ at or about the following time ______________ by the following method:_________________________________.

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Mayor, Sullivan County

Sponsor: Commissioner Joe Carr
Cosponsors: Commissioner Hunter Locke
ACTIONS: 08/13/26 (Work Session) To be placed on Consent Agenda at Regular Session on 08/20/26

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Item 11
Resolution No. 2026-08-09

To the Honorable Richard S. Venable, Sullivan County Mayor, and the Board of Sullivan County Commissioners meeting in Regular Session this 20th day of August 2026.

RESOLUTION APPROVING ACCEPTANCE OF $4,500 GRANT TO CREATE A "RESET ROOM" TO AID IN POSITIVE MENTAL HEALTH AND STRESS REDUCTION FOR PARTICIPANTS OF COURT PROCEEDINGS.

WHEREAS Ballad Health is a non-profit healthcare organization committed to improving the health and wellness of citizens in its service areas of Northeast TN and Southwest VA; and
WHEREAS Sullivan County operates the Sullivan County General Session Courts and wishes to create "reset rooms" to aid in positive mental health and stress reduction for participants of court proceedings; and

WHEREAS Ballad Health believes this will improve the mental health and wellness of members of the community in keeping with its charitable purposes and is willing to assist County in creating such reset rooms by providing a monetary donation to be used for this purpose.
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Board of Commissioners of Sullivan County supports the attached agreement between Sullivan County and Ballad Health is which Ballad Health agrees to provide a one-time grant of $4,500 for this purpose.
FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED:
——————————— SECTION 1: The $4,500 is to be paid by Ballad Health to Sullivan County no later than September 1, 2026.
SECTION 2: Ballad Health has no obligation beyond providing the monetary support.
SECTION 3: Sullivan County agrees to use the funds only for the purchase of items and equipment related to the reset room project.
SECTION 4: The County will display a sign to be provided by Ballad that is reasonably acceptable to the County indicating the equipment in the room has been provided by Ballad Health. Ballad hereby grants a license to the County to display this signage at the County for the duration of this Agreement.
SECTION 5: Sullivan County agrees to provide the following anonymous data points to Ballad regarding room utilization monthly. County acknowledges that Ballad may request the data points or frequency of reporting may be changed in the future. County will use reasonable efforts to meet any modified data points or reporting frequency. Initial Data reporting:

1. Number of room uses per month; Number of uses in the month where the user expresses feeling improvement/benefit from using the room; Number of first time visits to the reset room in a month.

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This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its passage, the public welfare requiring it. All resolutions in conflict herewith be and the same rescinded insofar as such conflict exists.

Duly passed and approved this ________ day of ____________________ 2026.

Reviewed by Chairman: _________________________________
John T. Gardner, Chairman, Sullivan County Commission.

ATTEST: ____________________________________
Teresa Jacobs, County Clerk

Delivered to the Sullivan County Mayor or his secretary this ____day of__________, 20____ at or about the following time ______by the following method: ___________.

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Teresa Jacobs, County Clerk.

ACTION BY MAYOR

Reviewed and ACCEPTED by Mayor, Sullivan County: ________________________________
Mayor, Sullivan County

Reviewed and VETOED by Mayor, Sullivan County:________________________________
Mayor, Sullivan County

Delivered to the Chairman of the Sullivan County Commission or his designee this the __________ day of_______________________, 20_____ at or about the following time ______________ by the following method:_________________________________.

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Mayor, Sullivan County

Sponsor: Commissioner Travis Ward
Cosponsors: Commissioner Zane Vanover
ACTIONS: 08/13/26 (Work Session) To be considered at Regular Session on 08/20/26

SULLIVAN COUNTY
Board of County Commissioners
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Item 12
Resolution No. 2026-08-10

To the Honorable Richard S. Venable, Sullivan County Mayor, and the Board of Sullivan County Commissioners meeting in Regular Session this 20th day of August 2026.

RESOLUTION TO GO ON RECORD SULLIVAN COUNTY INTENDS NOT TO RENEW ITS CONTRACT FOR TECHNOLOGY SUPPORTING THE USE OF VISUAL SURVEILLANCE DEVICES IN SULLIVAN COUNTY, PENDING DEVELOPMENT OF EITHER STATEWIDE OR LOCAL "GUARDRAILS" REGARDING PRIVACY CONCERNS.

WHEREAS in August 2024, the Board of Commissioners of Sullivan County, Tennessee, approved a request from the Sullivan County Sheriff's Office to enter a contract and develop a system of visual surveillance cameras; and

WHEREAS the SCSO currently operates visual surveillance cameras under a contract that will be up for renewal in January 2027; and

WHEREAS the Tennessee General Assembly is expected to address public concerns regarding use of such cameras during its upcoming session, including: retention of data collected by such cameras shall not for longer than 30 days; data collected by such cameras shall not be sold; all data collected by such cameras shall be stored on a server guaranteed by any vendor to be secure.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Board of Commissioners of Sullivan County goes on record now that Sullivan County shall not renew a contract for continued service of or provision of technology and/or equipment for the operation of visual surveillance cameras in Sullivan County until such time the concerns above have been addressed either by state law or local policy development and any vendor receiving a county contract for said services and/or equipment meets the criteria to be determined based on the criteria: limited retention of data; no sale of data; guaranteed server safety.

This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its passage, the public welfare requiring it. All resolutions in conflict herewith be and the same rescinded insofar as such conflict exists.

Duly passed and approved this ________ day of ____________________ 2026.

Reviewed by Chairman: _________________________________
John T. Gardner, Chairman, Sullivan County Commission.

ATTEST: ____________________________________
Teresa Jacobs, County Clerk

Delivered to the Sullivan County Mayor or his secretary this ____day of__________, 20____ at or about the following time ______by the following method: ___________.

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Teresa Jacobs, County Clerk.

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Resolution No. 2026-08-10

ACTION BY MAYOR

Reviewed and ACCEPTED by Mayor, Sullivan County: ________________________________
Mayor, Sullivan County

Reviewed and VETOED by Mayor, Sullivan County:________________________________
Mayor, Sullivan County

Delivered to the Chairman of the Sullivan County Commission or his designee this the __________ day of_______________________, 20_____ at or about the following time ______________ by the following method:_________________________________.

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Mayor, Sullivan County

Sponsor: Commissioner Gary Stidham
Cosponsors: Commissioner Mark Ireson; Comm. Joe Carr.
ACTIONS: 08/13/26 (Work Session) To be considered on Waiver of Rules at Regular Session on 08/20/26

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Item 13
Resolution No. 2026-08-11

To the Honorable Richard S. Venable, Sullivan County Mayor, and the Board of Sullivan County Commissioners meeting in Regular Session this 20th day of August 2026.

A RESOLUTION OF THE SULLIVAN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS REGARDING ACCEPTANCE OF HEALTHY START HOME VISITNG PROGRAM GRANT FUNDS.

WHEREAS the Sulivan County Regional Health Department currently operates an Evidence-Based Home Visiting program dedicated to improving maternal and child health outcomes, supporting early childhood development, and strengthening local families; and

WHEREAS additional grant funding in the amount of $523,500.00 has been made available through Tennessee Department of Health under the Healthy Start Home Visiting Program Services; and

WHEREAS this grant opportunity provides a separate and distinct funding source while carrying a scope of work that directly aligns with the Evidence-Based Home Visiting services currently delivered by the department; and

WHEREAS acceptance of these grant funds requires no local matching funds.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the Board of Commissioners of Sullivan County authorizes acceptance of the Healthy Start Home Visiting Program Services grant funding in the amount of $523,500.00 from Tennessee Department of Health. Accounts and codes to be assigned by the Sullivan County Finance Department.

This resolution shall take effect from and after its passage. All resolutions in conflict herewith be and the same rescinded insofar as such conflict exists.

Duly passed and approved this ________ day of ____________________ 2026.

Reviewed by Chairman: _________________________________
John T. Gardner, Chairman, Sullivan County Commission.

ATTEST: ____________________________________
Teresa Jacobs, County Clerk

Delivered to the Sullivan County Mayor or his secretary this ____day of__________, 20____ at or about the following time ______by the following method: ___________.

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Teresa Jacobs, County Clerk.

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Item 13
Resolution No. 2026-08-11

ACTION BY MAYOR

Reviewed and ACCEPTED by Mayor, Sullivan County: ________________________________
Mayor, Sullivan County

Reviewed and VETOED by Mayor, Sullivan County:________________________________
Mayor, Sullivan County

Delivered to the Chairman of the Sullivan County Commission or his designee this the __________ day of_______________________, 20_____ at or about the following time ______________ by the following method:_________________________________.

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Mayor, Sullivan County

Sponsor: Commissioner Jessica Means
Cosponsors: Commissioner Joyce Crosswhite
ACTIONS: 08/13/26 (Work Session) To be placed on Consent Agenda at Regular Session on 08/20/26

SULLIVAN COUNTY
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Item 14
Resolution No. 2026-08-12

To the Honorable Richard S. Venable, Sullivan County Mayor, and the Board of Sullivan County Commissioners meeting in Regular Session this 20th day of August 2026.

RESOLUTION OF THE SULLIVAN COUNTY COMMISSION FOR ADOPTION OF A REDEVELOPMENT PLAN AND TAX INCREMENT FINANCING AMENDMENT FOR ZAIDI PROPERTY PROJECT LOCATED WITHIN THE WILLEY BOOM REDEVELOPMENT DISTRICT.

WHEREAS, Bristol Housing ("BH") pursuant to the provisions of Title 13, Chapter 20, Tennessee Code Annotated, as supplemented and amended, has the power and authority to administer redevelopment programs located within its statutory boundaries; and

WHEREAS, BH has prepared a Redevelopment Plan for the Willey Boom Redevelopment District in conformance with Title 13, Chapter 20, Part 2, Tennessee Code Annotated, as supplemented and amended which has been adopted by the City of Bristol, Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, as previously authorized by the Sullivan County Commission, BH conducted a public hearing on July 15, 2026, to determine the necessity for the adoption of a Redevelopment Plan for the Willey Boom Redevelopment District on behalf of Sullivan County which includes the use of tax increment financing; and

WHEREAS, the comments and findings of said public hearing, along with the Zaidi Property Project proposal for the Willey Boom Redevelopment District have been presented to the Sullivan County Commission; and

WHEREAS, BH and the City Council of the City of Bristol, Tennessee have recommended the adoption of the Redevelopment Plan and the proposed tax increment financing amendment and have also recommended approval of the use of tax increment financing for a redevelopment project which includes a residential development known as the Zaidi Property Project to be located within the Willey Boom Redevelopment District.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners of Sullivan County, Tennessee, assembled in Regular Session, hereby authorizes:

1. That the Redevelopment Plan for the Willey Boom Redevelopment District (being the same plan previously approved by this Commission for other Bristol redevelopment districts and being incorporated herein by reference), along with the proposed TIF Amendment, as presented and recommended by BH, a copy of the TIF Amendment being attached hereto as Exhibit A, are hereby approved, and the factual findings contained therein are affirmed and adopted by the Sullivan County Commission.

2. That use of tax increment financing as described in the Willey Boom Redevelopment Plan TIF Amendment for use in support of the project known as Zaidi Property Project is hereby approved.

3. That the Sullivan County Mayor and Sullivan County Assessor are hereby authorized and empowered to negotiate and execute all such documents as may be reasonably required to implement this Plan.

4. That BH is hereby authorized and empowered to implement the Redevelopment Plan as amended, including the use of tax increment financing, on behalf of Sullivan County through the execution of a Redevelopment Agreement and other agreements deemed appropriate by BH.

5. This resolution is restricted solely to the Willey Boom Redevelopment District and Zaidi Property Project is not an approval or denial of any other Redevelopment Plan, Project or District.

This resolution shall take effect from and after its passage. All resolutions in conflict herewith be and the same rescinded insofar as such conflict exists.

Duly passed and approved this ________ day of ____________________ 2026.

Reviewed by Chairman: _________________________________
John T. Gardner, Chairman, Sullivan County Commission.

ATTEST: ____________________________________
Teresa Jacobs, County Clerk

Delivered to the Sullivan County Mayor or his secretary this ____day of__________, 20____ at or about the following time ______by the following method: ___________.

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Teresa Jacobs, County Clerk.

ACTION BY MAYOR

Reviewed and ACCEPTED by Mayor, Sullivan County: ________________________________
Mayor, Sullivan County

Reviewed and VETOED by Mayor, Sullivan County:________________________________
Mayor, Sullivan County

Delivered to the Chairman of the Sullivan County Commission or his designee this the __________ day of_______________________, 20_____ at or about the following time ______________ by the following method:_________________________________.

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Mayor, Sullivan County

Sponsor: Commissioner David Akard
Cosponsors: Commissioner Cheryl Harvey; Commissioner Barry Hopper; Commissioner Andrew Cross; Commissioner Michael Cole.
ACTIONS: 08/13/26 (Work Session) To be considered on Waiver of Rules at Regular Session on 08/20/26

EXHIBIT A

WILLEY BOOM REDEVELOPMENT DISTRICT
ZAIDI PROPERTY PROJECT
TAX INCREMENT FINANCING AMENDMENT

Tax-increment financing ("TIF") is a redevelopment tool to be administered by housing and redevelopment authorities codified at Tenn. Code Ann. §§13-20-204 and 205, et. seq. The purpose of TIF is to provide an economic stimulus for blighted property in need of redevelopment. Upon adoption of this Amendment, TIF may be utilized to finance eligible redevelopment costs for a residential redevelopment project known as Zaidi Property ("Zaidi Property") to be located within the existing Willey Boom Redevelopment District subject to the provisions of this Amendment. The TIF shall be administered as follows:

A. District History.

The Willey Boom Redevelopment District was designated as a Redevelopment District by Bristol Housing ("BH") and the City of Bristol, Tennessee in 2024. The Willey Boom Redevelopment District consists of three zones. The first zone is bounded by East Ceder Street in the north, Delaware Street on the east, Hazelwood Street on the south, and 5th Street on the west. Zone One contains approximately 18 acres and 17 parcels of property. The second zone is bounded by Lakeview Street in the north, a commercial property line on the east, Oakwood Street on the south, and a commercial property line on the west. Zone Two contains approximately 24 acres and 19 parcels of property. The third zone is bounded by a residential property line in the north, a residential property line in the east, North Paperville Road in the south, and residential property lines on the west. Zone Three contains approximately 159 acres and 18 parcels of property.

The Willey Boom Redevelopment District and its three zones are shown on the map attached as Exhibit One ("Redevelopment District"). The Zaidi Property Project Area of the Willey Boom Redevelopment District is located in Zone Three and is shown on the map attached as Exhibit Two ("Project Area"). The Zaidi Property project is approximately 132 acres and its redevelopment will serve as a catalyst for improvements in the entire Redevelopment District.

The Project Area of the Redevelopment District is currently vacant and consists of undeveloped land, with significant soil, rock and other development challenges deleterious land use which negatively impacts the welfare of the neighboring areas. Delay of the redevelopment of the Project Area will continue to have a blighting influence on the adjacent areas. The use of TIF will allow the redevelopment of a site which has remained undeveloped for many years. The Project Area would be improved by implementation of the proposed Redevelopment Project. The presence of approximately 445 new housing units will substantially increase economic activity in and around the Redevelopment District. Redevelopment of this area via the proposed Project would also help alleviate the shortage of housing options in the Bristol and Sullivan County markets which are critical to assist area businesses in recruiting new employees to the area.

Based on the foregoing circumstances and conditions, the Board of Commissioners of BH has determined that the District is blighted as defined by TCA 13-20-201 et seq. The District and the Project Area experiences the following conditions:

1. Long-term vacant and underutilized property.

2. Deleterious land use, and

3. Blighting effect of the continued vacancy and deterioration of the property and impact to the surrounding properties including increased crime in the Redevelopment District

It is recommended that the project be redeveloped, rehabilitated and/or renovated in order to correct such blighted and deteriorated conditions.

B. District Zoning and Land Use.

The redevelopment of the District shall comply with the zoning ordinances and building codes as well as other applicable rules, laws, ordinances, codes and regulations of the City. BH shall also review the Plan and any redevelopment projects within the District with appropriate City agencies and officials to ensure that the Plan and the proposed redevelopment activities conform with local objectives relating to appropriate land uses, improved traffic flow, public transportation, public utilities, recreation and community facilities and other public improvements and needs. For a more complete description of the requirements and restrictions of the Zoning Ordinances of the City, reference should be made to the Ordinances themselves. This property is currently zoned PRD by the City of Bristol with no plans to revise that designation.

The City and BH will cooperate in the planning and construction of improvements to the streets, roadways, sidewalks, curbs and gutters, parking systems, lighting, landscaping and traffic signalization and control.

C. Estimated Cost of the Project.

The total estimated costs of all the proposed improvements to be made by Ardent Development Group, a Tennessee general partnership (the “Developer”) for the Project is $170,000,000. The proposed improvements to be performed by the Developer include grading, rock removal, storm water and utilities, public and private roads, sidewalks, landscaping, lighting, and other related amenities. The housing units to be constructed are as follows:

	Approx. # of Units	Square Footage
Duplex – Twin Homes	48	1200
Single Family - Cottage	87	1183-2361
Single Family	157	1618-4109
Single Family	153	1343-2804
Total Units	445	

(hereafter the "Redevelopment Project").

In order to give BH and the Developer flexibility in the event of future unforeseen market or site conditions, BH may deem Developer to be in compliance with the above unit count requirements provided the total unit count regardless of category is at least ninety percent (90%) of the total unit counts listed above. In addition, BH will be paid an annual administration fee equal to five percent of the total annual tax increment revenue received by BH. The Project will be located upon a portion of the following tax parcel: Sullivan County Tax Map 021, Parcels 054.30. The TIF shall be limited to eligible expenditures for the Redevelopment Project within the Project Area.

D. Sources of Revenue to Finance the Cost of the Project.

The primary sources of revenue to pay for the Redevelopment Project are developer equity and loan proceeds in the approximate amount of $ 160,700,000.00 from a permanent loan and equity of the Developer and tax increment based debt (to be issued by BH in the form of bonds, notes, or other indebtedness) in a total amount not to exceed $ 9,300,000.00, but in no event in an amount to exceed the estimated amount of debt that can be amortized within the time periods provided herein, all of which is hereby authorized by City of Bristol (the "City") and Sullivan County, Tennessee (the "County"). Current projections suggest that the tax increment from the proposed improvements within the Project Area will be sufficient to retire this amount of indebtedness within a 15 year principal amortization period.

The total current property tax assessment for the Project Area is $ 632,300. This results in annual property tax payments to the City in the amount of $ 11,665.94 and annual property tax payments to the County in the amount of $ 10,198.37 . The Redevelopment Project would result in a total estimated assessed value for property within the Project Area of $ 37,766,056 (based on a $151,064,227 tax appraised value). Based on current tax rates, this would result in total estimated annual city taxes of $ 696,783 and total estimated annual county taxes of $609,128. Because Sullivan County has dedicated $0.205 of its $ 1.6129 tax rate for repayment of indebtedness and the City of Bristol has dedicated $0.06 of its $1.845 tax rate for repayment of indebtedness, that portion of the increment, pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. §§13-20-205 and 9-23-103, shall not be allocated as provided in Paragraph G below but shall be collected and paid to the respective taxing agency as all other property taxes are collected and paid. Thus, the estimated total available increment from Sullivan County taxes after the statutory debt service set aside but prior to any county holdback is $522,806. The estimated total available increment from City of Bristol taxes after statutory debt service set aside but prior to any holdback is $ 662,837. However, this amendment provides in Paragraph G that fifteen percent (15.00 %) of the tax increment shall be retained by the City and County resulting in an estimated total annual available tax increment after holdbacks and BH administrative fees of $ 957,407. The combined new tax revenue above the current base as a result of this Project would be $154,545 to the County and $121,705 for the City. A detailed calculation of these estimated projections is attached hereto as Exhibit Three. The redevelopment of the Project Area will not occur to the degree proposed without the use of tax-increment financing.

E. Amount and the Final Maturity of Bonded or other Indebtedness to be Incurred.

The principal amortization period for any indebtedness backed by the tax-increment revenue generated within the Project Area shall be no more than 15 years. In any event, the final maturity date of all indebtedness issued pursuant to this Amendment shall be on or before May 15, 2049. Upon retirement of all bonds, loans, or other indebtedness incurred and payable from tax-increment funds, or at such time as monies on deposit in the tax-increment fund or funds are sufficient for such purpose, all property taxes resulting from the incremental development of the project shall be retained by the appropriate taxing agency for disbursement according to law.

F. Impact of the Tax-Increment Financing Provisions Upon Taxing Agencies.

The total assessment of the City of Bristol's property tax base for the 2025 tax year is approximately $1,201,200,512. The total assessment of Sullivan County's property tax base for the 2023 tax year is approximately $3,726,932,850. The current assessment of the Project Area represents 0.05% of the City of Bristol's property tax base and 0.01% of the Sullivan County property tax base. The estimated assessment of the Proposed Improvements would represent 3.14 % of the current City of Bristol tax base and 1.01% of the current Sullivan County tax base. Based on these small percentages, the City and the County (the two taxing agencies affected by this Redevelopment Project) will not be substantially impacted financially by this tax-increment financing provision.

The development of the Redevelopment Project will result in additional residents and economic activity within the Redevelopment District. It is estimated approximately 650 total jobs could be created during the construction phase of the Redevelopment Project. In addition, the long-term impact includes the addition of residents to the Willey Boom area which results in significant additional local taxes and other revenue for local governments. While all these numbers rely on certain assumptions and projections, the end result of the Redevelopment Project is that a need for housing has been met and the City and County will receive a substantial economic boost.

G. Division of Property Taxes.

Upon written notice to the City and County from BH of the tax year that the allocation period shall begin (but in no event beyond the tax year 2034), the taxes levied and collected over the Project Area (or any zone or portion of the Project Area as authorized in Paragraph L below) shall be collected by the appropriate taxing authorities in the same manner as provided by law, except that said taxes shall be divided as follows:

1. The portion of the taxes which would be produced by the rate at which the tax is levied each year by each taxing agency, upon the assessed value of such property within the Project Area as of the 2025 tax year (which is the year prior to the year of approval of this TIF amendment) ("Base Assessment"), shall be allocated to, and when collected, shall be paid to, the respective taxing agencies as taxes levied by such taxing agencies on all other property are paid; provided, that in any year in which taxes of the Project Area are less than the Base Assessment and the Dedicated Taxes, there shall be allocated and paid to those respective taxing agencies only those taxes actually imposed and collected; and provided further, that, in any year or years in which the Base Assessment would be diminished solely due to a rate reduction under Title 67, Chapter 5, Part 17, of the Tennessee Code, the Base Assessment shall nevertheless be established at the amount originally determined.

2. Subject to the restraints herein and applicable law, eighty five percent (85%) of all the taxes levied in each year in excess of the Base Assessment and Dedicated Taxes shall be allocated to and, when collected, shall be paid into a special fund or funds of BH to pay the administration fee and to pay the principal of and interest on any bonds, loans or other indebtedness incurred or to be incurred by BH to finance or refinance, in whole or in part, eligible redevelopment expenses of the Redevelopment Project contemplated by the Redevelopment Plan, and such other expenses as may be

allowed by law. The remaining fifteen percent (15%) of all the taxes levied in each year in excess of the Base Assessment and Dedicated Taxes shall be allocated to and, when collected, shall be paid to the respective taxing agencies in the same manner as taxes on all other property are paid.

3. Upon retirement of all bonds, loans or other indebtedness incurred by BH and payable from such special fund or funds, or at such time as monies on deposit in such special fund or funds are sufficient for such purpose, all taxes levied each year in excess of the Base Assessment and Dedicated Taxes shall, when collected, be paid to the respective taxing agency as taxes levied by such taxing agencies on all other property are paid, and BH shall give notice to all affected taxing agencies of such retirement. Excess taxes beyond amounts necessary to fund or reserve for eligible expenditures may be applied to principal and interest of debt incurred to finance such eligible expenditures or shall revert to the taxing agency general fund. In any event, the division of property taxes required by this document shall not continue for any tax year beyond 2048.

H. Property Tax Assessments and Collection.

1. The appropriate assessor shall, in each year during the period in which taxes are to be allocated to BH pursuant to Paragraph G, compute and certify the net amount, if any, by which the current assessed value of all taxable property located within the Project Area which is subject to taxation by the particular taxing agency exceeds the base assessment. The net amount of any such increase is referred to in this subdivision as the incremental value for that particular year.

2. In any year in which there exists a tax increment to be allocated to BH, the appropriate assessor shall exclude it from the assessed value upon which the appropriate assessor computes the tax rates for taxes levied that year by the taxing agency. However, the assessor shall extend the aggregate tax rate of such taxes against the Base Assessment and the incremental value and shall apply the taxes collected there from as provided herein.

3. If in any year property comprising a portion of the Project Area shall be removed from the tax rolls of a taxing agency, the Base Assessment for the Project Area shall be reduced by the amount of the Base Assessment allocable to the property so removed for each subsequent year in which taxes are to be allocated to a particular authority pursuant to the above provisions.

I. Documentation for Assessor’s Office.

Upon approval of this Amendment, BH shall transmit to the assessor of property and the chief financial officer for each taxing agency affected, a copy of the description of all land within the Project Area (including tax parcel numbers), the date or dates of the approval of the redevelopment plan or amendment thereto, a copy of the resolution approving the redevelopment plan or approving an Amendment thereto, a map or plat indicating the boundaries of such property and the Base Assessment with respect to the Project Area, and taxes shall thereafter, when collected, be allocated and paid in the manner provided herein.

J. Excluded Taxes.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this section, taxes levied upon property subject to tax-increment financing provisions by any taxing agency for the payment of principal of and interest on all bonds, loans or other indebtedness of such taxing agency, and taxes levied by or for the benefit of the State of Tennessee (herein "Dedicated Taxes"), shall not be subject to allocation as provided in Paragraph G but shall be levied against the property and, when collected, paid to such taxing agency as taxes levied by such taxing agency on all other property are paid and collected.

K. Interpretation.

This tax-increment financing amendment is being proposed pursuant to *Tenn. Code Ann. § 13-20-201, et. seq*. and *Tenn. Code Ann. § 9-23-101, et. seq*. and all relevant provisions are hereby incorporated herein by reference. All provisions of this Amendment shall be construed in a manner consistent with said Code sections.

L. Conditions of Tax Increment.

BH shall enter into a redevelopment agreement with Developer which requires Developer to pursue and complete the Redevelopment Project in a diligent manner, and in accordance with plans and specifications approved by BH including provisions that obligate the Developer to construct or cause the construction of the housing units and other improvements as set forth in this plan. The redevelopment agreement to be entered into between BH and Developer shall contain such terms as BH believes reasonably necessary to accomplish this purpose. The tax increment financing authorized pursuant to this Amendment may be divided into multiple separate TIF loans which may be phased in such manner, in such amounts and on such terms as BH deems advisable. BH shall also have the authority to group the various tax parcels to be created within Project Area into separate TIF zones as it deems advisable and pledge the TIF revenue from each separate TIF zone for the repayment of separate TIF loans as it deems advisable to achieve the purposes of this Amendment. However, in no event shall the combined loan amounts for the Project Area as a whole exceed $9,300,000.00, nor shall the principal amortization period for any TIF Indebtedness exceed 15 years and in no event shall the TIF Revenue from any portion of the Project Area be allocated beyond the tax year 2048. Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. 9-23-103, BH may separately group one (1) or more parcels within the Project Area for purposes of calculating and allocating the tax increment revenues hereunder, and in such cases, the allocation of tax increment revenues shall be calculated and made based upon each such parcel or group of parcels, and not the entire area subject to the plan. BH may also allocate the tax increment revenues with respect to any parcel or group of parcels within the Project Area to begin in different years in order to match tax increment revenues with the purposes for which such revenues will be applied as determined in BH's discretion but in no event shall the TIF Revenue for any portion of the Project Area be allocated for more than 15 years in total.

<u>EXHIBIT ONE</u>

MAP OF WILLEY BOOM REDVELOPMENT DISTRICT

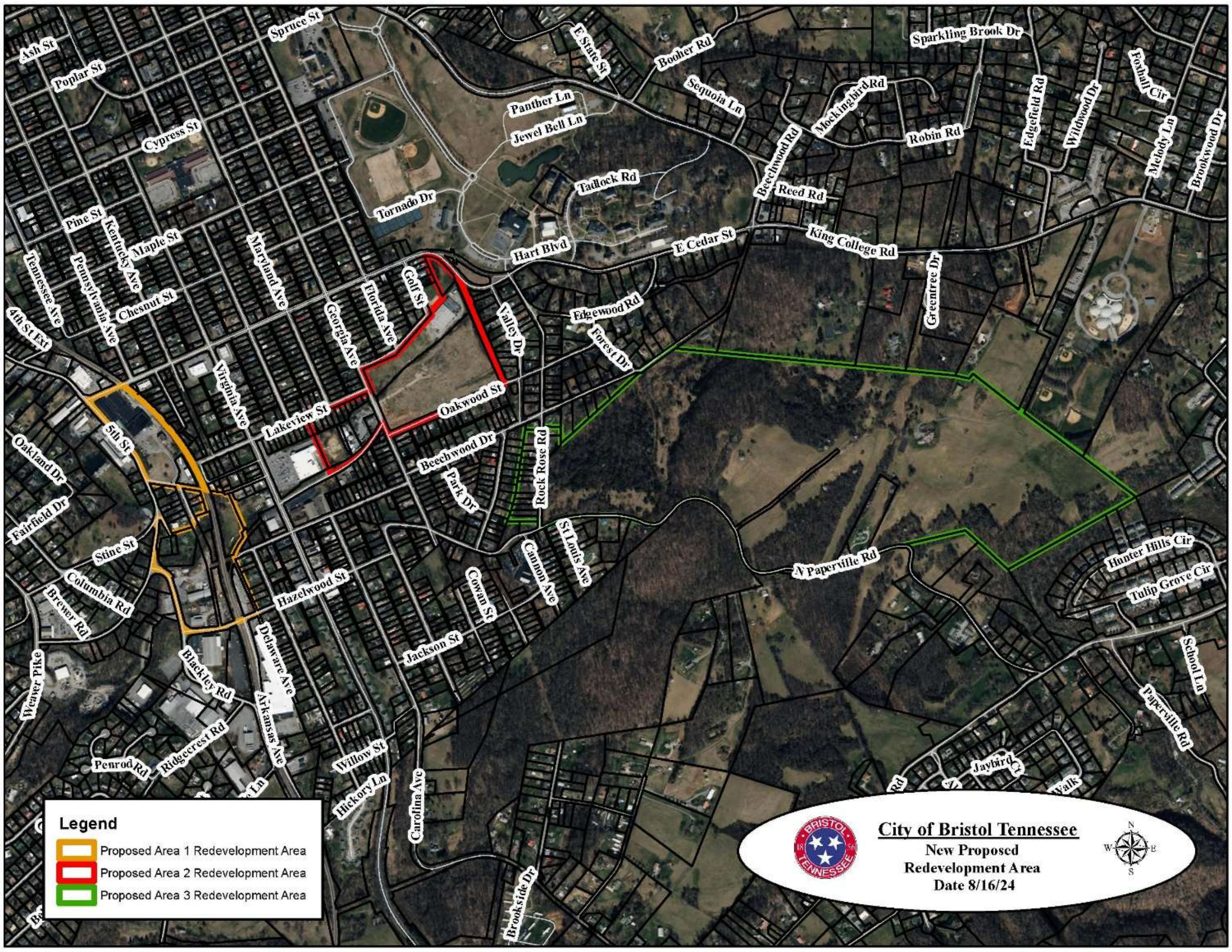
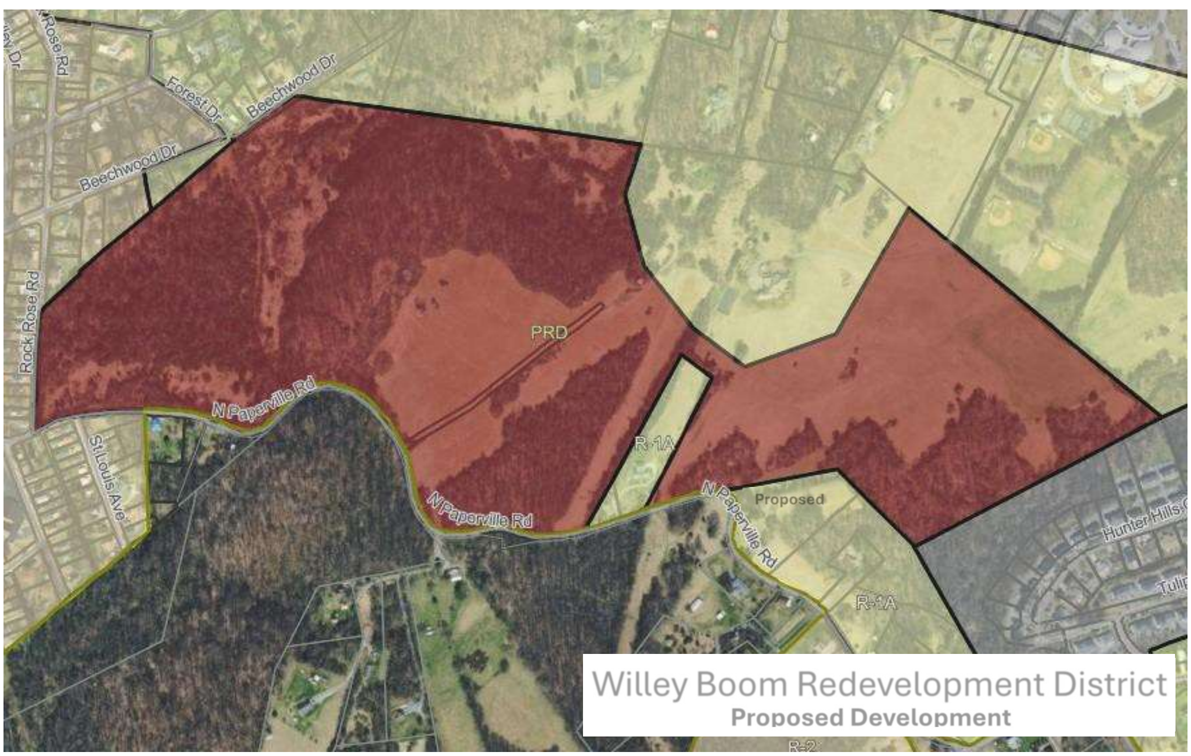


EXHIBIT TWO

MAP OF WILLEY BOOM REDVELOPMENT DISTRICT

ZAIDI PROPERTY PROJECT AREA



<u>EXHIBIT THREE</u>

TIF ESTIMATE

ZAIDI PROPERTY PROJECT AREA

WILLEY BOOM REDEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

Total Original Assessed Base Value	$632,300.00
County Tax Rate	1.6129
City Tax Rate	1.845
Total New Assessed Value	$37,766,056.75
County Debt Service Rate	.205
City Debt Service Rate	.06
Total County Taxes	$609,128.73
Base County Taxes	$10,198.37
County Increment	$598,930.36
County Debt Service Set Aside	$76,124.20
Available County Increment after Debt Service	$522,806.16
County Increment after 15% Holdback	$444,385.24
County Increment after Admin Fee	$422,165.98
Total City Taxes	$696,783.75
Base City Taxes	$11,665.94
Proposed City Increment	$685,117.81
City Debt Service Set Aside	$22,280.25
Available City Increment after Debt Service	$662,837.56
City Increment after 15% Holdback	$563,411.92
City Increment after Admin Fee	$535,241.33
Total City and County Increment available for Debt Service	**$957,407.30**

SULLIVAN COUNTY
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Item 15
Resolution No. 2026-08-13

To the Honorable Richard S. Venable, Sullivan County Mayor, and the Board of Sullivan County Commissioners meeting in Regular Session this 20th day of August 2026.

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE ALLOCATION OF $175,000 OF AVAILABLE OPIOID ABATEMENT FUNDS TO THE SULLIVAN COUNTY ANTI-DRUG COALITION TO HELP COVER THE NON-PROFIT AGENCY'S 2026-2027 OPERATING BUDGET.

WHEREAS, as of August 6, 2026, Sullivan County had available $420,453 total in Opioid Abatement Funds; and

WHEREAS, Sullivan County's Opioid Advisory Committee recommends allocating $175,000 of that total amount to the Sullivan County Anti-Drug (SCAD) Coalition; per the non-profit agency's request to help it operate for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027; and

WHEREAS, Judget Teresa Nelson and Judge Doug Vance took time from their busy dockets to attend the Advisory Committee's meeting to state their support for SCAD, which they described as essential to ongoing programs in their courts to send drug-related defendants to treatment rather than the county's overcrowded jail – and imperative to efforts to establish a veterans' court in Sullivan County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Sullivan County Commission meeting in Regular Session this 20th day of August 2026 approves allocation of $175,000 to the Sullivan County Anti-Drug Coalition. Accounts and codes to be assigned by the Finance Department.

This resolution shall take effect from and after its passage. All resolutions in conflict herewith be and the same rescinded insofar as such conflict exists.

Duly passed and approved this ________ day of ____________________ 2026.

Reviewed by Chairman: _________________________________
John T. Gardner, Chairman, Sullivan County Commission.

ATTEST: ____________________________________
Teresa Jacobs, County Clerk

Delivered to the Sullivan County Mayor or his secretary this ____day of__________, 20____ at or about the following time ______by the following method: ___________.

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Teresa Jacobs, County Clerk.

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Item 15
Resolution No. 2026-08-13

ACTION BY MAYOR

Reviewed and ACCEPTED by Mayor, Sullivan County: ________________________________
Mayor, Sullivan County

Reviewed and VETOED by Mayor, Sullivan County:________________________________
Mayor, Sullivan County

Delivered to the Chairman of the Sullivan County Commission or his designee this the __________ day of_______________________, 20_____ at or about the following time ______________ by the following method:_________________________________.

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Mayor, Sullivan County

Sponsored by: Commissioner Archie Pierce
Cosponsors: Commissioner Zane Vanover; Commissioner Larry Crawford; Commissioner Darlene Calton; Commissioner Joyce Crosswhite; Commissioner Joe Carr.
ACTIONS: 08/13/26 (Work Session) To be placed on Consent Agenda at Regular Session on 08/20/26

SULLIVAN COUNTY
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Item 16
Resolution No. 2026-08-14

To the Honorable Richard S. Venable, Sullivan County Mayor, and the Board of Sullivan County Commissioners meeting in Regular Session this 20th day of August 2026.

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE ALLOCATION OF $151,925 OF AVAILABLE OPIOID ABATEMENT FUNDS TO SULLIVAN COUNTY RECOVERY RESTORATION TO HELP FUND THE NON-PROFIT'S CONTINUED SERVICE TO COUNTY RESIDENTS PARTICPATING IN ITS COURT-SANCTIONED PROGRAMS FOR OFFENDORS SEEKING HELP IN RECOVERY.

WHEREAS, as of August 6, 2026, Sullivan County had available $420,453 total in Opioid Abatement Funds; and

WHEREAS, Sullivan County's Opioid Advisory Committee recommends allocating $151,925 of that total amount to Sullivan County Recovery Restoration; per the non-profit agency's request to help it operate for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027; and

WHEREAS the Advisory Committee's vote on the recommendation was 6 yes, 0 no, and 1 abstention (Judge Jim Goodwin recused himself).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Sullivan County Commission meeting in Regular Session this 20th day of August 2026 approves allocation of $151,925 to Sullivan County Recovery Restoration. Accounts and codes to be assigned by the Finance Department.

This resolution shall take effect from and after its passage. All resolutions in conflict herewith be and the same rescinded insofar as such conflict exists.

Duly passed and approved this ________ day of ____________________ 2026.

Reviewed by Chairman: __________________________________
John T. Gardner, Chairman, Sullivan County Commission.

ATTEST: _____________________________________
Teresa Jacobs, County Clerk

Delivered to the Sullivan County Mayor or his secretary this ____day of__________, 20____ at or about the following time ______by the following method: ___________.

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Teresa Jacobs, County Clerk.

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Item 16
Resolution No. 2026-08-14

ACTION BY MAYOR

Reviewed and ACCEPTED by Mayor, Sullivan County: ________________________________
Mayor, Sullivan County

Reviewed and VETOED by Mayor, Sullivan County:________________________________
Mayor, Sullivan County

Delivered to the Chairman of the Sullivan County Commission or his designee this the __________ day of_______________________, 20_____ at or about the following time ______________ by the following method:_________________________________.

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Mayor, Sullivan County

Sponsored by: Commissioner Zane Vanover
Cosponsors: Commissioner Larry Crawford; Commissioner Darlene Calton; Commissioner Joyce Crosswhite; Commissioner Joe Carr; Commissioner Archie Pierce.
ACTIONS: 08/13/26 (Work Session) To be placed on Consent Agenda at Regular Session on 08/20/26

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Item 17
Resolution No. 2026-08-15

To the Honorable Richard S. Venable, Sullivan County Mayor, and the Board of Sullivan County Commissioners meeting in Regular Session this 20th day of August 2026.

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE ALLOCATION OF $86,662 OF AVAILABLE OPIOID ABATEMENT FUNDS TO FAMILIES FREE, INC., TO HELP FUND THE SULLIVAN COUNTY WOMEN'S RECOVERY HOME IN BLOUNTVILLE.

WHEREAS, as of July 31, 2026, Sullivan County had available $420,453 total in Opioid Abatement Funds; and

WHEREAS, Sullivan County's Opioid Advisory Committee recommends allocating $86,662 of that total amount to Families Free, Inc., per the non-profit agency's request to help start a new women's recovery home in property it has the opportunity to lease in Blountville.

WHEREAS the Advisory Committee's vote on the recommendation was unanimous and consensus by the group was that while the $86,662 was not the full $170,000 requested by Families Free to help fund the women's recovery home for 30 months, the committee would consider funding Families Free additional money toward the effort as soon as more opioid abatement funds become available to Sullivan County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Sullivan County Commission meeting in Regular Session this 20th day of August 2026 approves allocation of $86,662 to Families Free, Inc.

This resolution shall take effect from and after its passage. All resolutions in conflict herewith be and the same rescinded insofar as such conflict exists.

Duly passed and approved this ________ day of ____________________ 2026.

Reviewed by Chairman: _________________________________
John T. Gardner, Chairman, Sullivan County Commission.

ATTEST: ____________________________________
Teresa Jacobs, County Clerk

Delivered to the Sullivan County Mayor or his secretary this ____day of__________, 20____ at or about the following time ______by the following method: ___________.

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Teresa Jacobs, County Clerk.

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Item 17
Resolution No. 2026-08-15

ACTION BY MAYOR

Reviewed and ACCEPTED by Mayor, Sullivan County: ________________________________
Mayor, Sullivan County

Reviewed and VETOED by Mayor, Sullivan County:________________________________
Mayor, Sullivan County

Delivered to the Chairman of the Sullivan County Commission or his designee this the __________ day of_______________________, 20_____ at or about the following time ______________ by the following method:_________________________________.

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Mayor, Sullivan County

Sponsored by: Commissioner Darlene Calton.
Cosponsors: Commissioner Archie Pierce; Larry Crawford; Commissioner Darlene Calton; Commissioner Joyce Crosswhite; Commissioner Joe Carr; Commissioner Zane Vanover.
ACTIONS: 08/13/26 (Work Session) To be placed on Consent Agenda at Regular Session on 08/20/26

SULLIVAN COUNTY
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Item 18
Resolution No. 2026-08-16

To the Honorable Richard S. Venable, Sullivan County Mayor and the Board of Sullivan County Commissioners meeting in Regular Session this 20th day of August 2026.

RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT AND APPROPRIATE $30,000 IN TENNESSEE YOUTH EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM (TYEP) GRANT FUNDS FROM VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION FOR SULLIVAN COUNTY SCHOOLS.

WHEREAS, the Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development (TDLWD), Workforce Services Division, and Vocational Rehabilitation (VR) support local efforts to increase youth employment through the Tennessee Youth Employment Program (TYEP); and

WHEREAS, the TYEP grant is a strategic initiative designed to lessen the effects of poverty and ensure that youth with disabilities gain valuable work experience and develop productive workplace habits to prepare them for future careers; and

WHEREAS, this program specifically aims to expand opportunities for teens and young adults with disabilities who might otherwise struggle to find gainful employment; and

WHEREAS, the Sullivan County Board of Education has been awarded up to $30,000.00 in TYEP grant funding through the First Tennessee Development District to support student employment initiatives; and

WHEREAS, these funds will be utilized to provide stipends for students in the Special Education program who are working within Sullivan County Schools; and

WHEREAS, this initiative will allow students to build essential job skills in real-world environments while receiving financial compensation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of Sullivan County, Tennessee that the sum of $30,000.00 be accepted from the Tennessee Youth Employment Program and Vocational Rehabilitation and amended as follows to appropriate said funds:

Account Number	Account Description	Amount
46790	Other Vocational Grants	+30,000.00
71200-189	Other Salaries & Wages	+27,870.00
71200-201	Social Security Tax	+1,725.00
71200-212	Employer Medicare	+405.00

Waiver of the Rules Requested

CONTINUED

This resolution shall take effect from and after its passage. All resolutions in conflict herewith be and the same rescinded insofar as such conflict exists.

Duly passed and approved this _________ day of ______________________ 2026.

Reviewed by Chairman: _________________________________
John T. Gardner, Chairman, Sullivan County Commission

ATTEST: ____________________________________
Teresa Jacobs, County Clerk

Delivered to the Sullivan County Mayor or his secretary this the __________ day of ______________________, 20____ at or about the following time _____________ by the following method: ____.

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Teresa Jacobs, County Clerk

ACTION BY MAYOR

Reviewed and ACCEPTED by Mayor, Sullivan County: ________________________________
Mayor, Sullivan County

Reviewed and VETOED by Mayor, Sullivan County: ________________________________
Mayor, Sullivan County

Delivered to the Chairman of the Sullivan County Commission or his designee this the __________ day of _______________________, 20_____ at or about the following time ______________ by the following method:

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Mayor, Sullivan County

Sponsor: Commissioner Joyce Crosswhite
Cosponsor: Commissioner Zane Vanover

ACTIONS:

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Item 19
Resolution No. 2026-08-17

To the Honorable Richard S. Venable, Sullivan County Mayor and the Board of Sullivan County Commissioners meeting in Regular Session this 20th day of August 2026.

RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT AND APPROPRIATE $30,000 IN TENNESSEE YOUTH EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM (TYEP) GRANT FUNDS FROM VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION FOR SULLIVAN COUNTY SCHOOLS.

WHEREAS, the Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development (TDLWD), Workforce Services Division, and Vocational Rehabilitation (VR) support local efforts to increase youth employment through the Tennessee Youth Employment Program (TYEP); and

WHEREAS, the TYEP grant is a strategic initiative designed to lessen the effects of poverty and ensure that youth with disabilities gain valuable work experience and develop productive workplace habits to prepare them for future careers; and

WHEREAS, this program specifically aims to expand opportunities for teens and young adults with disabilities who might otherwise struggle to find gainful employment; and

WHEREAS, the Sullivan County Board of Education has been awarded $30,000.00 in TYEP grant funding through the First Tennessee Development District to support student employment initiatives; and

WHEREAS, these funds will be utilized to provide stipends for students in the Work Based Learning program who are working within Sullivan County Schools; and

WHEREAS, this initiative will allow students to build essential job skills in real-world environments while receiving financial compensation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of Sullivan County, Tennessee, assembled in regular session on this 20th day of August 2026, that the sum of $30,000.00 be accepted from the Tennessee Youth Employment Program and Vocational Rehabilitation and amended as follows to appropriate said funds:

Account Number	Account Description	Amount
46790	Other Vocational Grants	+30,000.00
71300-189	Other Salaries & Wages	+27,868.00
71300-201	Social Security Tax	+1,728.00
71300-212	Employer Medicare	+404.00

Waiver of the Rules Requested

CONTINUED

This resolution shall take effect from and after its passage. All resolutions in conflict herewith be and the same rescinded insofar as such conflict exists.

Duly passed and approved this ________ day of ____________________ 2026.

Reviewed by Chairman: ______________________________
John T. Gardner, Chairman, Sullivan County Commission

ATTEST: ________________________________
Teresa Jacobs, County Clerk

Delivered to the Sullivan County Mayor or his secretary this the _________ day of _____________________, 20____ at or about the following time ____________ by the following method: ____.

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Teresa Jacobs, County Clerk

ACTION BY MAYOR

Reviewed and ACCEPTED by Mayor, Sullivan County: ______________________________
Mayor, Sullivan County

Reviewed and VETOED by Mayor, Sullivan County: ______________________________
Mayor, Sullivan County

Delivered to the Chairman of the Sullivan County Commission or his designee this the _________ day of _____________________, 20_____ at or about the following time _____________ by the following method:

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Mayor, Sullivan County

Sponsor: Commissioner Joyce Crosswhite
Cosponsor: Commissioner Zane Vanover

ACTIONS:

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Item 20
Resolution No. 2026-08-18

To the Honorable Richard S. Venable, Sullivan County Mayor and the Board of Sullivan County Commissioners meeting in Regular Session this 20th day of August 2026.

RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE SULLIVAN COUNTY SCHOOLS' PARTICIPATION IN THE TENNESSEE YOUNG EMPLOYEE PROGRAM (TN YEP) AND THE RECEIPT OF REIMBURSEMENT FUNDING.

WHEREAS, the Tennessee Youth Employment Program (TN YEP) is an initiative designed to create meaningful employment opportunities for young individuals by matching employers with talent who align perfectly with their business and industry requirements; and

WHEREAS, the Sullivan County Schools has partnered with the TN YEP program to offer ten (10) high school students the opportunity to participate in this valuable work-based learning experience; and

WHEREAS, through its participation, Sullivan County Schools is eligible to receive a reimbursement of up to Thirty Thousand Dollars ($30,000.00) from the TN YEP to cover the wages of the participating students; and

WHEREAS, the reimbursement of these funds will enable the school system to fully support the students' participation in the program without a financial burden on the district's budget; and

WHEREAS, the Sullivan County School Board recognizes the significant educational and career-readiness benefits that the TN YEP program provides to its students.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners of Sullivan County, Tennessee, assembled in Regular Session hereby authorizes the Sullivan County Department of Education to recognize said reimbursements in the General Purpose School Fund; not to exceed the above amount ($30,000.00). The revenue and expenditure account codes for the grant are as follows:

Account Number	Account Description	Amount
48130-395	Contributions	30,000.00
71300-189-395	Other Salaries & Wages	27,868.00
71300-201-395	Social Security	1,728.00
71300-212-395	Employer Medicare	404.00

This resolution shall take effect from and after its passage. All resolutions in conflict herewith be and the same rescinded insofar as such conflict exists.

Waiver of rules requested
CONTINUED

Duly passed and approved this ________ day of ____________________ 2026.

Reviewed by Chairman: ______________________________
John T. Gardner, Chairman, Sullivan County Commission

ATTEST: _________________________________
Teresa Jacobs, County Clerk

Delivered to the Sullivan County Mayor or his secretary this the _________ day of ____________________, 20____ at or about the following time ____________ by the following method: ____.

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Teresa Jacobs, County Clerk

ACTION BY MAYOR

Reviewed and ACCEPTED by Mayor, Sullivan County: ______________________________
Mayor, Sullivan County

Reviewed and VETOED by Mayor, Sullivan County: ______________________________
Mayor, Sullivan County

Delivered to the Chairman of the Sullivan County Commission or his designee this the _________ day of _____________________, 20_____ at or about the following time _____________ by the following method:

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Mayor, Sullivan County

Sponsor: Commissioner Joyce Crosswhite
Cosponsor: Commissioner Zane Vanover
ACTIONS:

SULLIVAN COUNTY
Board of County Commissioners
246th Annual Session

Item 21
Resolution No. 2026-08-19

To the Honorable Richard S. Venable, Sullivan County Mayor and the Board of Sullivan County Commissioners meeting in Regular Session this 20th day of August 2026.

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE SULLIVAN COUNTY PURCHASING AGENT TO ENTER INTO A SIXTY (60) MONTH LEASE WITH CANON USA INC. FOR THE SCHOOL NUTRITION OFFICE COPIER.

WHEREAS, the Sullivan County Department of Education has met with a representative of Canon USA Inc. to review the current needs/issues at the School Nutrition Office; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners of Sullivan County, Tennessee, assembled in Regular Session hereby authorizes the Purchasing Agent to execute a sixty (60) month lease @ $50.76 per month with Canon USA Inc. as recommended by the Sullivan County Board of Education.

Waiver of the Rules Requested

This resolution shall take effect from and after its passage. All resolutions in conflict herewith be and the same rescinded insofar as such conflict exists.

Duly passed and approved this ________ day of ____________________ 2026.

Reviewed by Chairman: ______________________________
John T. Gardner, Chairman, Sullivan County Commission

ATTEST: _________________________________
Teresa Jacobs, County Clerk

Delivered to the Sullivan County Mayor or his secretary this the __________ day of ______________________, 20____ at or about the following time _____________ by the following method: ____.

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Teresa Jacobs, County Clerk

ACTION BY MAYOR

Reviewed and ACCEPTED by Mayor, Sullivan County: ______________________________
Mayor, Sullivan County

Reviewed and VETOED by Mayor, Sullivan County: ______________________________
Mayor, Sullivan County

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Item 21
Resolution No. 2026-08-19

Delivered to the Chairman of the Sullivan County Commission or his designee this the __________ day of _______________________, 20_____ at or about the following time ______________ by the following method:

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Mayor, Sullivan County

Sponsor: Commissioner Joyce Crosswhite
Cosponsors: Commissioner Zane Vanover

ACTIONS:

SULLIVAN COUNTY
Board of County Commissioners
246th Annual Session

Item 22
Resolution No. 2026-08-20

To the Honorable Richard S. Venable, Sullivan County Mayor and the Board of Sullivan County Commissioners meeting in Regular Session this 20th day of August 2026.

RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE ORIGINAL BUDGET FOR THE GEAR UP GRANT FROM EAST TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY (ETSU) IN THE GENERAL PURPOSE SCHOOL FUND.

WHEREAS, Sullivan County Schools has been awarded continuing participation in the GEAR UP Grant program through East Tennessee State University (ETSU) to support student readiness and success; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Sullivan County Commissioners previously recognized and approved an initial budget allocation for the **Gaining Early Awareness and Readiness for Undergraduate Programs (GEAR UP)** grant during the July 2026 regular session; and

WHEREAS, updated grant activities require a revision to the original budget; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Sullivan County, Tennessee, assembled in regular session, that the General Purpose School Fund budget be amended to reflect the revision of the GEAR UP Grant funds as follows:

Account Number	Account Description	Amount
71300-471-725	Software & Online Curriculum	-$5,000.00
71300-499-725	Other Supplies & Materials	+$10,000.00
71300-730-725	Instructional Equipment	+$32,000.00
72130-189-725	Salaries & Wages	-$10,287.00
72130-201-725	Social Security	-$638.00
72130-204-725	Retirement	-$925.84
72130-212-725	Medicare	-$149.16
72130-315-725	Transportation-Contracted Svs	-$10,000.00
72230-355-725	Travel	-$15,000.00

This resolution shall take effect from and after its passage. All resolutions in conflict herewith be and the same rescinded insofar as such conflict exists.

Duly passed and approved this ________ day of ____________________ 2026.

Reviewed by Chairman: ______________________________
John T. Gardner, Chairman, Sullivan County Commission

ATTEST: _________________________________
Teresa Jacobs, County Clerk

Delivered to the Sullivan County Mayor or his secretary this the _________ day of ____________________, 20____ at or about the following time ____________ by the following method: ____.

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Teresa Jacobs, County Clerk

ACTION BY MAYOR

Reviewed and ACCEPTED by Mayor, Sullivan County: _____________________________
Mayor, Sullivan County

Reviewed and VETOED by Mayor, Sullivan County: _____________________________
Mayor, Sullivan County

Delivered to the Chairman of the Sullivan County Commission or his designee this the _________ day of _____________________, 20_____ at or about the following time _____________ by the following method:

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Mayor, Sullivan County

Sponsor: Commissioner Joyce Crosswhite
Cosponsor: Commissioner Zane Vanover

ACTIONS:

SULLIVAN COUNTY
Board of County Commissioners
246th Annual Session

Item 23
Resolution No. 2026-08-21

To the Honorable Richard S. Venable, Sullivan County Mayor and the Board of Sullivan County Commissioners meeting in Regular Session this 20th day of August 2026.

RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT AND APPROPRIATE $24,000 IN STATE APPRENTICESHIP EXPANSION FORMULA (SAEF) GRANT FUNDS FOR THE TEACHING AS A PROFESSION (TAP) PROGRAM.

WHEREAS, the Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development (TDLWD), through its State Apprenticeship Agency (Office of Apprenticeship), administers the State Apprenticeship Expansion Formula (SAEF) grant program; and

WHEREAS, SAEF programs are designed to assist employers in building a skilled workforce of new and incumbent employees to meet specific labor market needs; and

WHEREAS, Sullivan County Schools is committed to preparing students for high-demand careers through Career and Technical Education (CTE) pathways; and

WHEREAS, Sullivan County Schools currently operates the "Teaching as a Profession" (TAP) program, a critical pipeline for developing future educators within our community; and

WHEREAS, Sullivan County has been awarded $24,000.00 in SAEF funding through the First Tennessee Development District to support students participating in the Teaching as a Profession program; and

WHEREAS, these funds will be utilized to provide stipends to students who are participating in the TAP program and serving in local elementary schools.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of Sullivan County, Tennessee, assembled in regular session, that the sum of $24,000.00 be accepted from the First Tennessee Development District through the SAEF Grant and the General Purpose School Fund budget be amended as follows to appropriate said funds:

Account Number	**Account Description**	**Amount**
46790	Other Vocational Grants	+24,000.00
71300-189	Other Salaries & Wages	+22,295.00
71300-201	Social Security Tax	+1,382.00
71300-212	Employer Medicare	+323.00

Waiver of the Rules Requested

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Item 23
Resolution No. 2026-08-21

This resolution shall take effect from and after its passage. All resolutions in conflict herewith be and the same rescinded insofar as such conflict exists.

Duly passed and approved this ________ day of ____________________ 2026.

Reviewed by Chairman: ______________________________
John T. Gardner, Chairman, Sullivan County Commission

ATTEST: _________________________________
Teresa Jacobs, County Clerk

Delivered to the Sullivan County Mayor or his secretary this the _________ day of _____________________, 20____ at or about the following time _____________ by the following method: ____.

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Teresa Jacobs, County Clerk

ACTION BY MAYOR

Reviewed and ACCEPTED by Mayor, Sullivan County: _____________________________
Mayor, Sullivan County

Reviewed and VETOED by Mayor, Sullivan County: _____________________________
Mayor, Sullivan County

Delivered to the Chairman of the Sullivan County Commission or his designee this the _________ day of _______________________, 20_____ at or about the following time ______________ by the following method:

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Mayor, Sullivan County

Sponsor: Commissioner Joyce Crosswhite
Cosponsor: Commissioner Zane Vanover

ACTIONS:

SULLIVAN COUNTY
Board of County Commissioners
246th Annual Session

Item 24
Resolution No. 2026-08-22

To the Honorable Richard S. Venable, Sullivan County Mayor and the Board of Sullivan County Commissioners meeting in Regular Session this 20th day of August 2026.

RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE GENERAL PURPOSE SCHOOL FUND BUDGET TO RECOGNIZE THE FISCAL YEAR 2024 (YEAR 3) DHS STATE AND LOCAL CYBERSECURITY GRANT PROGRAM (SLCGP) FUNDS.

WHEREAS, the Sullivan County Department of Education applied for funding through the Tennessee Strategic Technology Solutions (STS) for the Fiscal Year 2024 (Year 3) Department of Homeland Security (DHS) State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program (SLCGP); and

WHEREAS, the Sullivan County Department of Education has received a notification of award recommendation in the total amount of **$77,842.26** to fund projects targeting gaps in Nationwide Cybersecurity Review (NCSR) security plans, including mobile networking, VPNs, and mobile command center infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, this grant program requires no local matching funds from Sullivan County, and the total awarded amount of **$77,842.26** needs to be formally recognized and appropriated within the General Purpose School Fund budget; and

WHEREAS, the State of Tennessee will also provide managed services licenses separately on behalf of the county, including 1,250 End User Cybersecurity Awareness Training licenses and 10 Endpoint Detection and Response licenses, which do not require direct local purchasing.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Sullivan County, Tennessee, assembled in regular session, that the General Purpose School Fund budget be amended to recognize and appropriate these grant funds as follows:

Account Number	Account Description	Amount
47590	Other Federal Through State	$77,842.26
72250-350	Internet Connectivity	$51,842.26
72210-524	Staff Development	$12,000.00
72210-701	Administration Equipment	$14,000.00

This resolution shall take effect from and after its passage. All resolutions in conflict herewith be and the same rescinded insofar as such conflict exists.

Duly passed and approved this ________ day of ____________________ 2026.

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Item 24
Resolution No. 2026-08-22

Reviewed by Chairman: ___________________________________
John T. Gardner, Chairman, Sullivan County Commission

ATTEST: ______________________________________
Teresa Jacobs, County Clerk

Delivered to the Sullivan County Mayor or his secretary this the __________ day of _______________________, 20____ at or about the following time _____________ by the following method: ____.

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Teresa Jacobs, County Clerk

ACTION BY MAYOR

Reviewed and ACCEPTED by Mayor, Sullivan County: _________________________________
Mayor, Sullivan County

Reviewed and VETOED by Mayor, Sullivan County: _________________________________
Mayor, Sullivan County

Delivered to the Chairman of the Sullivan County Commission or his designee this the __________ day of ________________________, 20_____ at or about the following time ______________ by the following method:

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Mayor, Sullivan County

Sponsored By: Joyce Crosswhite
Co-Sponsor(s): Zane Vanover

ACTIONS:

SULLIVAN COUNTY
Board of County Commissioners
246th Annual Session

Item 25
Resolution No. 2026-08-23

To the Honorable Richard S. Venable, Sullivan County Mayor and the Board of Sullivan County Commissioners meeting in Regular Session this 20th day of August 2026.

RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE AND APPROPRIATE THE FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR 2023 DHS STATE AND LOCAL CYBERSECURITY GRANT PROGRAM (SLCGP) FUNDS FOR THE SULLIVAN COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION.

WHEREAS, the Tennessee Department of Finance & Administration, Strategic Technology Solutions (CyberSafeTN), has awarded Sullivan County Schools a Federal Fiscal Year 2023 DHS State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program (SLCGP) allocation; and

WHEREAS, the grant award consists of a pass-through reimbursement allocation totaling **$49,200.00** ($37,200.00 for Managed Endpoint Detection via Google Workspace for Education Plus and $12,000.00 for Additional Training via InfoSec IQ - CompTIA and ISC CISSP); and

WHEREAS, the grant further awards managed services consisting of 1,250 End User Cybersecurity Awareness Training licenses (InfoSec IQ) provided directly by the State in lieu of cash funding;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Sullivan County, Tennessee, assembled in regular session, that the General Purpose School Fund budget be amended to reflect the revision of the FFY23 SLCGP Grant funds as follows:

Account Number	Account Description	Amount
47590	Other Federal Through State	$49,000.00
72250-350	Internet Connectivity	$37,200.00
72210-524	Staff Development	$12,000.00

This resolution shall take effect from and after its passage. All resolutions in conflict herewith be and the same rescinded insofar as such conflict exists.
Duly passed and approved this ________ day of ____________________ 2026.

Reviewed by Chairman: ________________________________
John T. Gardner, Chairman, Sullivan County Commission

ATTEST: ____________________________________
Teresa Jacobs, County Clerk

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Delivered to the Sullivan County Mayor or his secretary this the __________ day of ______________________, 20____ at or about the following time _____________ by the following method: ____.

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Teresa Jacobs, County Clerk

ACTION BY MAYOR

Reviewed and ACCEPTED by Mayor, Sullivan County: _________________________________
Mayor, Sullivan County

Reviewed and VETOED by Mayor, Sullivan County: _________________________________
Mayor, Sullivan County

Delivered to the Chairman of the Sullivan County Commission or his designee this the __________ day of _______________________, 20_____ at or about the following time ______________ by the following method:

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Mayor, Sullivan County

Sponsor: Joyce Crosswhite
Cosponsor: Zane Vanover

ACTIONS:

SULLIVAN COUNTY
Board of County Commissioners
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Item 26
Resolution No. 2026-08-24

To the Honorable Richard S. Venable, Sullivan County Mayor and the Board of Sullivan County Commissioners meeting in Regular Session this 20th day of August 2026.

RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE THE REIMBURSEMENT FOR DUAL ENROLLMENT INSTRUCTION IN THE 2026-27 GENERAL PURPOSE SCHOOL BUDGET.

WHEREAS, the Sullivan County Department of Education has reimbursement for the provision of a dual enrollment instructor for various CTE programs; and

WHEREAS, the funds to be reimbursed to Sullivan County Department of Education for the 2026-27 year are $29,750.00; and

WHEREAS, the CTE department would like to utilize these reimbursements to enhance the equipment provided in various CTE programming; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners of Sullivan County, Tennessee, assembled in Regular Session hereby authorizes the Sullivan County Department of Education to recognize said reimbursement; not to exceed the above amount ($29,750.00). The revenue and expenditure account codes for the grant are as follows:

Account Number	Account Description	Amount
48130	Contributions	29,750.00
71300-730-007	Vocational Instruction Equip	29,750.00

This resolution shall take effect from and after its passage. All resolutions in conflict herewith be and the same rescinded insofar as such conflict exists.

Duly passed and approved this ________ day of ____________________ 2026.

Reviewed by Chairman: _________________________________
John T. Gardner, Chairman, Sullivan County Commission

ATTEST: ____________________________________
Teresa Jacobs, County Clerk

Delivered to the Sullivan County Mayor or his secretary this the __________ day of ______________________, 20____ at or about the following time _____________ by the following method: ____.

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Teresa Jacobs, County Clerk

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Item 26
Resolution No. 2026-08-24

ACTION BY MAYOR

Reviewed and ACCEPTED by Mayor, Sullivan County: ________________________________
Mayor, Sullivan County

Reviewed and VETOED by Mayor, Sullivan County: ________________________________
Mayor, Sullivan County

Delivered to the Chairman of the Sullivan County Commission or his designee this the __________ day of _______________________, 20_____ at or about the following time ______________ by the following method:

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Mayor, Sullivan County

Sponsor: Commissioner Joyce Crosswhite
Cosponsor: Commissioner Zane Vanover

ACTIONS:

Item 27
Resolution No. 2026-08-25

To the Honorable Richard S. Venable, Sullivan County Mayor and the Board of Sullivan County Commissioners meeting in Regular Session this 20th day of August 2026.

A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE RECEIPT OF FUNDS FROM BALLAD HEALTH FOR PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT, TRAINING, ADMINISTRATION, AND OPERATION OF THE BALLAD HEALTH ACADEMY BY SULLIVAN COUNTY SCHOOLS.

WHEREAS, Sullivan County Schools, in partnership with Ballad Health, has agreed to administer the Ballad Health Academy within the CTE programming; and

WHEREAS, a teacher from each high school completed professional development training specifically related to the administration of the Ballad Health Academy program; and

WHEREAS, Ballad Health has committed to supporting this educational initiative through reimbursement for the costs associated with stipends for completing said training; and

WHEREAS, Ballad Health has also agreed to reimburse for the costs associated with stipends for administering the grant each semester; and

WHEREAS, Ballad Health has also agreed to assist with the implementation of the program within its schools by allocating funds to be utilized for expenses associated with personnel, instructional equipment, and instructional supplies; and

WHEREAS, Sullivan County Schools will receive funding in the amount of $173,600.00 as a result of said agreement; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners of Sullivan County, Tennessee, assembled in Regular Session hereby authorizes the Sullivan County Board of Education to recognize said funds in the General Purpose School Fund; not to exceed the above amount ($173,600.00). The revenue and expenditure account codes for the reimbursements are as follows:

Account Number	Account Description	Amount
48130	Contributions	173,600.00
71300-100	Personnel	80,241.00
71300-200	Employee Benefits	13,359.00
71300-400	Supplies & Materials	40,000.00
71300-700	Equipment	40,000.00

Waiver of the Rules Requested

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This resolution shall take effect from and after its passage. All resolutions in conflict herewith be and the same rescinded insofar as such conflict exists.

Duly passed and approved this ________ day of ____________________ 2026.

Reviewed by Chairman: _________________________________
John T. Gardner, Chairman, Sullivan County Commission

ATTEST: ____________________________________
Teresa Jacobs, County Clerk

Delivered to the Sullivan County Mayor or his secretary this the __________ day of ______________________, 20____ at or about the following time _____________ by the following method: ____.

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Teresa Jacobs, County Clerk

ACTION BY MAYOR

Reviewed and ACCEPTED by Mayor, Sullivan County: ________________________________
Mayor, Sullivan County

Reviewed and VETOED by Mayor, Sullivan County: ________________________________
Mayor, Sullivan County

Delivered to the Chairman of the Sullivan County Commission or his designee this the __________ day of _______________________, 20_____ at or about the following time ______________ by the following method:

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Mayor, Sullivan County

Sponsor: Commissioner Joyce Crosswhite
Cosponsor: Commissioner Zane Vanover

ACTIONS:

SULLIVAN COUNTY
Board of County Commissioners
246th Annual Session

Item 28
Resolution No. 2026-08-26

To the Honorable Richard S. Venable, Sullivan County Mayor and the Board of Sullivan County Commissioners meeting in Regular Session this 20th day of August 2026.

RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE THE FY 2027 INNOVATIVE SCHOOL MODELS (ISM) GRANT FUNDS IN THE GENERAL PURPOSE SCHOOL FUND.

WHEREAS, the State of Tennessee, through the Tennessee Department of Education, awards Innovative School Models (ISM) Grant funding to school districts to support career and technical education, expand postsecondary opportunities, and eliminate structural barriers between middle/high school and local workforce pathways; and

WHEREAS, the funds granted to Sullivan County Department of Education for the 2026-27 year are $152,985.23.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners of Sullivan County, Tennessee, assembled in Regular Session hereby authorizes the Sullivan County Department of Education to recognize said grant funds in the General Purpose School Fund; not to exceed the above amount ($152,985.23). The revenue and expenditure account codes for the grant are as follows:

Account Number	Account Description	Amount
46790-717	Other State Grants	152,985.23
71300-400-717	Supplies & Materials	15,716.31
71300-700-717	Capital Outlay	127,286.47
76100-700-717	Capital Outlay	9,982.45

Waiver of the Rules Requested

This resolution shall take effect from and after its passage. All resolutions in conflict herewith be and the same rescinded insofar as such conflict exists.

Duly passed and approved this ________ day of ____________________ 2026.

Reviewed by Chairman: ________________________________
John T. Gardner, Chairman, Sullivan County Commission

ATTEST: ________________________________
Teresa Jacobs, County Clerk

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Delivered to the Sullivan County Mayor or his secretary this the __________ day of ______________________, 20____ at or about the following time _____________ by the following method: ____.

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Teresa Jacobs, County Clerk

ACTION BY MAYOR

Reviewed and ACCEPTED by Mayor, Sullivan County: ________________________________
Mayor, Sullivan County

Reviewed and VETOED by Mayor, Sullivan County: ________________________________
Mayor, Sullivan County

Delivered to the Chairman of the Sullivan County Commission or his designee this the __________ day of _______________________, 20_____ at or about the following time ______________ by the following method:

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Mayor, Sullivan County

Sponsor: Commissioner Joyce Crosswhite
Cosponsors: Commissioner Zane Vanover

ACTIONS:

SULLIVAN COUNTY
Board of County Commissioners
246th Annual Session

Item 29
Resolution No. 2026-08-27

To the Honorable Richard S. Venable, Sullivan County Mayor and the Board of Sullivan County Commissioners meeting in Regular Session this 20th day of August 2026.

RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE FY 2026-2027 SULLIVAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE BUDGET WITH FUNDING FROM THE SULLIVAN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION THAT WAS APPROVED IN THE SCHOOL BOARD MEETING ON AUGUST 13, 2026, IN THE AMOUNT OF $80,000 TO PROVIDE FUNDING NEEDED TO PURCHASE A VEHICLE AND EQUIPMENT FOR THE STATE APPROVED SRO POSITION AT THE WEST RIDGE ANNEX.

WHEREAS, the State of Tennessee has approved an additional State-funded School Resource Officer position for the Sullivan County West Ridge Annex; and

WHEREAS, the Sullivan County Board of Education approved, at its meeting on August 13, 2026, to transfer funding to the general fund in the amount of $80,000 to assist the Sullivan County Sheriff's Office with the purchase of a vehicle and necessary equipment for the additional School Resource Officer assigned to the West Ridge Annex; and

WHEREAS, the Sullivan County Sheriff's Office budget will be increased to purchase the needed vehicle and equipment for the SRO at West Ridge Annex for a total estimated initial cost of $80,000 ($66,000 for a vehicle, $14,000 for upfitting Cost); and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners of Sullivan County, Tennessee, assembled in Regular Session hereby approve funding from The Sullivan County Board of Education to the Sullivan County Sheriff's Office budget to Provide funding in the amount of $80,000 for the cost of a vehicle and equipment needed for the SRO at the West Ridge Annex. The expenditure accounts are below:

- 101 E 54110 400 $14,000

- 101 E 54110 700 $66,000

WAIVER OF RULES REQUESTED

This resolution shall take effect from and after its passage. All resolutions in conflict herewith be and the same rescinded insofar as such conflict exists.

Duly passed and approved this ________ day of ____________________ 2026.

Reviewed by Chairman: ________________________________
John T. Gardner, Chairman, Sullivan County Commission

ATTEST: ___________________________________
Teresa Jacobs, County Clerk

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Delivered to the Sullivan County Mayor or his secretary this the __________ day of ______________________, 20____ at or about the following time _____________ by the following method: ____.

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Teresa Jacobs, County Clerk

ACTION BY MAYOR

Reviewed and ACCEPTED by Mayor, Sullivan County: _______________________________
Mayor, Sullivan County

Reviewed and VETOED by Mayor, Sullivan County: _______________________________
Mayor, Sullivan County

Delivered to the Chairman of the Sullivan County Commission or his designee this the __________ day of _______________________, 20_____ at or about the following time ______________ by the following method:

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Mayor, Sullivan County

Sponsor: Commissioner Hunter Locke
Cosponsors: Commissioner Michael Cole; Commissioner Andrew Cross

SULLIVAN COUNTY
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246th Annual Session

Item 30
Resolution No. 2026-08-28

To the Honorable Richard S. Venable, Sullivan County Mayor and the Board of Sullivan County Commissioners meeting in Regular Session this 20th day of August 2026.

RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE SULLIVAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE 2026-2027 SRO GRANT BUDGET TO INCREASE THE FUNDS FROM $1,125,000 TO $1,200,000 TO ADD THE STATE APPROVED OFFICER TO THE WEST RIDGE ANNEX AND APPROVE THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE TO SIGN THE AMENDED STATE GRANT CONTRACT.

WHEREAS, the State of Tennessee has approved additional funding in the amount of $75,000 to provide funding for an additional School Resource Officer position at the West Ridge Annex; and

WHEREAS, the Sullivan County Sheriff's Office is requesting approval to amend its 2026–2027 SRO Grant budget from $1,125,000 to $1,200,000 to account for the additional $75,000 in State-approved grant funding; and

WHEREAS, Sullivan County Sheriff's office is seeking approval to sign the Grant Application provided by the State of Tennessee in reference to the 2026-2027 School Resource Officer Grant; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners of Sullivan County, Tennessee, assembled in Regular Session hereby approve the Sullivan County Sheriff's Office to amend the 2026-2027 School Resource Officer Grant budget from $1,125,000 to $1,200,000 and to approve the Sullivan County Sheriff's Office to sign the application. The funds will be coming in from the State of Tennessee (101 R 46240). We are requesting these funds be placed into the following Accounts:

- 101 E 54110 100 Program Code 545 $ 52,500

- 101 E 54110 200 Program Code 545 $ 22,500

WAIVER OF RULES REQUESTED

This resolution shall take effect from and after its passage. All resolutions in conflict herewith be and the same rescinded insofar as such conflict exists.

Duly passed and approved this ________ day of ____________________ 2026.

Reviewed by Chairman: ________________________________
John T. Gardner, Chairman, Sullivan County Commission

ATTEST: ____________________________________
Teresa Jacobs, County Clerk

CONTINUED

Delivered to the Sullivan County Mayor or his secretary this the __________ day of ______________________, 20____ at or about the following time _____________ by the following method: ____.

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Teresa Jacobs, County Clerk

ACTION BY MAYOR

Reviewed and ACCEPTED by Mayor, Sullivan County: _______________________________
Mayor, Sullivan County

Reviewed and VETOED by Mayor, Sullivan County: _______________________________
Mayor, Sullivan County

Delivered to the Chairman of the Sullivan County Commission or his designee this the __________ day of _______________________, 20_____ at or about the following time ______________ by the following method:

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Mayor, Sullivan County

Sponsor: Commissioner Hunter Locke
Cosponsors: Commissioner Michael Cole; Commissioner Andrew Cross

SULLIVAN COUNTY
Board of County Commissioners
246th Annual Session

Item 31
Resolution No. 2026-08-29

To the Honorable Richard S. Venable, Sullivan County Mayor and the Board of Sullivan County Commissioners meeting in Regular Session this 20th day of August 2026.

RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE 2026 – 2027 GENERAL FUND RISK MANAGEMENT BUDGET IN THE AMOUNT OF $605,550 FOR A ONE-TIME TRANSFER OF FUNDING TO THE SELF-INSURANCE FUND.

WHEREAS, the governing body has determined that it is necessary and in the best financial interest of the government to provide additional funding to the Self-Insurance Fund; and

WHEREAS, the county has experienced increased costs in the prior year for insurance premiums, as well as worker compensation and general liability claims; and

WHEREAS, the transfer of funds is needed to provide adequate resources to the Self-Insurance Fund and maintain the financial stability of the government's self-insurance program; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners of Sullivan County, Tennessee, assembled in Regular Session hereby authorizes amending the 2026 – 2027 General Fund Risk Management Budget and the Self-Insurance Fund as follows:

General Fund:

Appropriation	51920-500	Contracted Services	$ 605,550
Source	39000	Fund Balance	$ 605,550

Self-Insurance Fund:

Source	43101	Self-Insurance Premiums and Contributions	$ 605,550

This resolution shall take effect from and after its passage. All resolutions in conflict herewith be and the same rescinded insofar as such conflict exists.

WAIVER OF RULES REQUESTED

Duly passed and approved this ________ day of ____________________ 2026.

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Item 31
Resolution No. 2026-08-29

Reviewed by Chairman: ___________________________________
John T. Gardner, Chairman, Sullivan County Commission

ATTEST: ______________________________________
Teresa Jacobs, County Clerk

Delivered to the Sullivan County Mayor or his secretary this the __________ day of ______________________, 20____ at or about the following time _____________ by the following method: ____.

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Teresa Jacobs, County Clerk

ACTION BY MAYOR

Reviewed and ACCEPTED by Mayor, Sullivan County: _________________________________
Mayor, Sullivan County

Reviewed and VETOED by Mayor, Sullivan County: _________________________________
Mayor, Sullivan County

Delivered to the Chairman of the Sullivan County Commission or his designee this the __________ day of ________________________, 20_____ at or about the following time ______________ by the following method:

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Mayor, Sullivan County

Sponsor: Commissioner Dwight King
Cosponsor: Commissioner Zane Vanover

ACTIONS: