

**HAMILTON COUNTY COMMISSION  
AGENDA PREPARATION SESSION  
JULY 26, 2017**

**STATE OF TENNESSEE         )**             Agenda Preparation Session  
**COUNTY OF HAMILTON        )**             July 26, 2017

0:01

**BE IT REMEMBERED**, that on this 26<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2017, an Agenda Preparation Session of the Hamilton County Board of Commissioners was begun and held at the Courthouse, in the City of Chattanooga, in the County Commission Room, when the following proceedings were held, to wit:--

0:16

Present and presiding was the Honorable Chester Bankston, Chairman. County Clerk Bill Knowles called the roll of the County Commission and the following, constituting a quorum, answered to their names: Commissioner Beck, Commissioner Boyd, Commissioner Fairbanks, Commissioner Fields, Commissioner Graham, Commissioner Mackey, Commissioner Martin, Commissioner Smedley, and Chairman Bankston. Total present - 9. Total absent – 0.

Also in attendance were County Mayor Jim Coppinger, members of his administrative staff, County Attorney Rheubin Taylor, and County Auditor Jenneth Randall.

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### COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

Chairman Bankston indicated the upcoming agenda items would be considered as follows:

- A Report of Investment Activity for the quarter ending June 30, 2017 would be submitted as a matter of record.
- The Trustee's Preliminary Monthly and Excess Fee report for June 2017 would be submitted for the record.
- Quarterly Fee Office reports for the quarter ending June 2017 would be submitted for the record.
- Resolution No. 817-1 was the usual County Clerk item regarding notaries, etc. This required no committee assignment.
- Resolution Nos. 817-2 through 817-5 were heard by a Committee of the Whole.
- Resolution No. 817-6 was assigned to the Roads Committee, chaired by Commissioner Smedley.
- Resolution Nos. 817-7 through 817-11 were assigned to the Finance Committee, chaired by Commissioner Boyd.

Chairman Bankston stated that Resolution Nos. 817-2 through 817-5 would now be heard by the Committee of the Whole.

### COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE – RESOLUTION NO. 817-2

0:57

Commissioner Beck spoke regarding this item, which appropriates \$4,500.00 to Mary Walker Historical and Educational Foundation, Inc. from general fund discretionary monies, as allotted to district five. It was noted the funds will assist with their summer intern program.

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There were no questions from Commissioners.

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE – RESOLUTION NO. 817-3**

1:25

Commissioner Fairbanks spoke regarding this item, which appropriates \$2,400.00 to Mowbray Volunteer Fire Department from general fund discretionary monies, as allotted to district one. It was noted the funds will assist with rope rescue training.

There were no questions from Commissioners.

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE – RESOLUTION NO. 817-4**

2:14

County Attorney Taylor spoke regarding this item, which authorizes the entering into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Hamilton County, the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office, and the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation. The agreement allows access by certain designated Sheriff's Office personnel to the National Crime Information Center (NCIC) to conduct criminal background investigations on all Workhouse inmates, on behalf of the management of the Silverdale Workhouse.

There were no questions from Commissioners.

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**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE – RESOLUTION NO. 817-5**

3:28 Administrator of Public Works and County Engineer Todd Leamon spoke regarding this item, which authorizes Hamilton County to enter into an agreement with the Chattanooga Area Chamber of Commerce for replacement and upgrades from florescent to LED lighting at the Hamilton County Business Development Center. The agreement authorizes the expenditure of up to \$100,000 from the county's line of credit to reimburse the Chamber of Commerce for the actual costs of the project. It was noted Vice President of Economic Development for the Chattanooga Area Chamber of Commerce Charles Wood was present to answer any questions.

4:57 In response to Commissioner's Boyd question, Mr. Leamon stated that the Resolution authorizes the replacement of T8 bulbs in the facility. He noted approximately 285 compact florescent bulbs will be replaced resulting in a 60% reduction in wattage, or around \$30,000 in savings per year. It was noted the Chamber is responsible for the electric bill and therefore would receive the savings.

Chairman Bankston and Commisisoner Boyd voiced their support for this Resolution.

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Commissioner Smedley, Chairman of the Zoning Committee, stated the Zoning Committee will meet in the Commission Conference Room immediately following the Agenda Session.

Commissioner Boyd, Chairman of the Finance Committee, stated the Finance Committee will meet in the Commission Room immediately following the Agenda Session.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Chairman Bankston asked for announcements from members of the Commission.

8:13

Commissioner Graham announced the Lookout Valley Lion's Club golf tournament will take place in September. The proceeds go to provide food and toys to families in Lookout Valley.

**DELEGATIONS**

Chairman Bankston asked for delegations on matters other than zoning.

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9:53

Monty Bell, who stated that he is a homeless resident of Hamilton County, addressed the Commission regarding racial disparity in the criminal justice system.

Being no further business, Chairman Bankston declared the meeting adjourned until Wednesday, August 2<sup>nd</sup> at 9:30 AM.

Respectfully submitted:



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William F. (Bill) Knowles, County Clerk

Approved:

08-16-17  
Date

W.F.K.  
Clerk's Initials