

**HAMILTON COUNTY COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
JUNE 21, 2023**

STATE OF TENNESSEE)
COUNTY OF HAMILTON)

Regular Meeting
June 21, 2023

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on this 21st day of June, 2023, a Regular Meeting 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:--

0:12 Present and presiding was the Honorable Chip Baker, Chairman. County Clerk Bill Knowles called the roll of the County Commission and the following, constituting a quorum, answered to their names: Commissioner Greg Beck, Commissioner Mike Chauncey, Commissioner Jeff Eversole, Commissioner Joe Graham, Commissioner Lee Helton, Commissioner Warren Mackey, Commissioner David Sharpe, Commissioner Gene-o Shipley, Commissioner Ken Smith, and Chairman Chip Baker. Commissioner Steve Highlander was absent. Total present - 10. Total absent - 1.

Chairman Baker announced Commissioner Highlander was out of the country and would not be present for today's meeting.

Also in attendance were County Mayor Weston Wamp, members of his administrative staff, County Attorney Rheubin Taylor, and Assistant County Auditor Chris McCollough.

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Attached hereto is a copy of the Public Notice of this meeting, which was published in a local newspaper and made a matter of record of this meeting.

0:37 Commissioner Helton invited County Attorney Rheubin Taylor, to offer the invocation. Commissioner Helton led in the pledge to the flag.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1:56 **ON MOTION** of Commissioner Graham, seconded by Commissioner Sharpe, that the minutes of the Recessed Meeting of May 31, 2023, the Agenda Preparation Session of May 31, 2023, the Regular Meeting of June 7, 2023 be approved, treat same as read, made a matter of record and filed. The foregoing Motion was unanimously adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Beck, "Aye", Commissioner Chauncey, "Aye", Commissioner Eversole, "Aye", Commissioner Graham, "Aye", Commissioner Helton, "Aye", Commissioner Mackey, "Aye", Commissioner Sharpe, "Aye", Commissioner Shipley, "Aye", Commissioner Smith, "Aye", and Chairman Baker, "Aye". Commissioner Highlander was absent. Total present – 10. Total absent – 1. Total "Aye" votes – 10. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

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TRUSTEE REPORT

2:25

The Trustee's Monthly and Excess Fee Report for May 2023 was submitted and made a matter of record.

ORDER OF DESIGNATION

An Order was recorded designating Todd Leamon to sit as at the County Mayor's representative on the Planning Commission for the meeting of June 12, 2023.

2:32

RESOLUTION NO. 623-35 A RESOLUTION ADOPTING A BUDGET OF \$995,201,026 FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2024.

ON MOTION of Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Shipley, to adopt Resolution No. 623-35.

3:27

Commissioner Sharpe spoke of his concerns with this Resolution because it is not in accordance with *Resolution No. 207-27* which passed in 2007 placing all future receipts of the Hotel-Motel Occupancy Privilege Tax to the Chattanooga Area Convention and Visitors Bureau, who is now known as the Chattanooga Tourism Company (CTC). He stated he was open to exploring how officials can use the hotel-motel tax in new and creative ways moving forward, but did not believe it was

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appropriate for the county to take funds from the CTC. He noted the issue is about people in the local tourism industry who rely on the agency's ability to market and help improve their ability to earn.

7:01

Mayor Wamp stated Administrator of Finance Lee Brouner has a Resolution prepared for the Commission to consider in the next few weeks, bringing them in line with the budget proposed. It was noted the FY24 proposed budget allocated the same amount CTC was given in FY23. The \$1.7 million growth would be retained by Hamilton County for various community and park improvements. He also noted the hotel-motel tax has grown from \$ 3.8 million to over \$ 12 million since *Resolution No. 207-27* was passed.

9:44

In response to Commissioner Mackey's question, Attorney Taylor and Mr. Brouner stated the Commission is in 100% compliance with CTC. Mr. Brouner noted if the budget is adopted he has a Resolution prepared to amend *Resolution No. 207-27* to bring the FY24 budget in compliance.

11:25

President and CEO for the CTC Barry White stated they have been operating based on *Resolution No. 207-27* for the last sixteen years with assurance they would still receive future funding and growth. He noted he learned two weeks ago the change was in the proposed budget for FY24.

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Mr. White recognized numerous members in the audience who represent the hospitality and tourism industry. He also recognized CTC board members and a representative from the Ironman Corporation.

Mr. White stated the impact CTC has on Hamilton County is \$1.5 billion every year. He noted he agrees with the need for more equitable investment from the city in the tourism agency. He stated the issue with the proposed budget is timing. The two-week notice CTC received from the mayor's office was not favorable for current ongoing negotiations. He noted tourism is a massive industry in Hamilton County, which requires continuous investment to maintain.

17:29

Commissioner Sharpe stated the Commission needs to do what they say they are going to do. He noted it is not appropriate to take these funds from the CTC.

ON MOTION of Commissioner Sharpe, seconded by Commissioner Mackey, to amend Resolution No. 623-35 to keep the CTC whole in this year's budget.

25:00

At this time, a lengthy conversation took place between Commissioners, Mayor Wamp, Mr. White, and Mr. Brouner about concerns with Hamilton County being the only entity funding CTC.

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49:37

Commissioner Helton particularly questioned the amount of reserve funds CTC had on hand. Commissioner Eversole stated that he would be glad to accompany Mr. White to Chattanooga Mayor Tim Kelley's office to seek financial assistance from that government.

The foregoing Motion failed on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Beck, "Nay", Commissioner Chauncey, "Nay", Commissioner Eversole, "Pass", Commissioner Graham, "Aye", Commissioner Helton, "Nay", Commissioner Mackey, "Pass", Commissioner Sharpe, "Aye", Commissioner Shipley, "Nay", Commissioner Smith, "Nay", and Chairman Baker, "Nay". Commissioner Highlander was absent. Total present – 10. Total absent – 1. Total "Aye" votes – 2. Total "Nay" votes – 6. Total "Pass" votes – 2.

Per the Commission's Rules of Order, any member having announced "Pass" on the first call of the vote should subsequently be called on by the Clerk to vote a second time.

Clerk Knowles called the roll of members having previously announced "Pass". Commissioner Eversole announced "Nay" and Commissioner Mackey announced "Nay" on the second call of the vote. Total present – 10. Total absent – 1. Total "Aye" votes – 2. Total "Nay" votes – 8.

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1:17:39 Commissioner Graham addressed unprofessional comments made towards the Commission at the School Boards meeting last week. He stated he did not believe they understood the budget process based on some of the comments made. He noted having the Board of Education add strings to the FY24 budget supersedes the Commission's authority and is extremely disrespectful. He was not in favor of the DOE's proposed Interlocal agreement between Hamilton County and DOE regarding the \$6 Million. He stated the \$6 Million should remain with Hamilton County and be placed in the unassigned division versus newly created fund "Capital Projects- HCS". Which he referred to as "removing the purse strings".

ON MOTION of Commissioner Graham, seconded by Commissioner Chauncey, to amend Resolution No. 623-35 moving the \$6 Million from Capital Projects-HCS and placing it in the unassigned division.

1:27:13 Hamilton County Superintendent of Education Justin Robertson stated the school board was in a heated debate and unhappy. They were not being disrespectful. He noted the school board has been more than respectful and transparent during this budget process. He also stated the DOE is not investing in programs they are investing in people.

1:32:31 At this time, a lengthy conversation took place between Commissioners, Mr. Brouner, Mayor Wamp, and Dr. Robertson about the propose budget pulling \$6 Million

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from the DOE Capital Maintenance line and moving it to Hamilton County General - Capital Projects- HCS. It was stated the \$6 Million would be bonded out with larger projects, resulting in \$60 Million over the lifetime of the bond issue to be used for school capital projects.

The foregoing Motion failed on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Beck, "Nay", Commissioner Chauncey, "Aye", Commissioner Eversole, "Aye", Commissioner Graham, "Aye", Commissioner Helton, "Nay", Commissioner Mackey, "Nay", Commissioner Sharpe, "Nay", Commissioner Shipley, "Nay", Commissioner Smith, "Nay", and Chairman Baker, "Nay". Commissioner Highlander was absent. Total present – 10. Total absent – 1. Total "Aye" votes – 3. Total "Nay" votes –7.

ON MOTION of Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Shipley, to adopt Resolution No. 623-35. The foregoing Motion was unanimously adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Beck, "Aye", Commissioner Chauncey, "Aye", Commissioner Eversole, "Aye", Commissioner Graham, "Aye", Commissioner Helton, "Aye", Commissioner Mackey, "Aye", Commissioner Sharpe, "Aye", Commissioner Shipley, "Aye", Commissioner Smith, "Aye", and Chairman Baker, "Aye". Commissioner Highlander was absent. Total present – 10. Total absent – 1. Total "Aye" votes – 10. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

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1:52:08 Commissioner Sharpe stated this is the first time in thirty-two years all growth money has not been given to Hamilton County Schools. He noted this is the lowest school millage rate since the merger of our school system.

1:53:52 **RESOLUTION NO. 623-36 A RESOLUTION MAKING APPROPRIATIONS TO
NONPROFIT CHARITABLE AND CIVIC ORGANIZATIONS OF HAMILTON COUNTY,
TENNESSEE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2023 AND ENDING
JUNE 30, 2024.**

ON MOTION of Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Chauncey, to adopt Resolution No. 623-36. The foregoing Motion was unanimously adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Beck, "Aye", Commissioner Chauncey, "Aye", Commissioner Eversole, "Aye", Commissioner Graham, "Aye", Commissioner Helton, "Aye", Commissioner Mackey, "Aye", Commissioner Sharpe, "Aye", Commissioner Shipley, "Aye", Commissioner Smith, "Aye", and Chairman Baker, "Aye". Commissioner Highlander was absent. Total present – 10. Total absent – 1. Total "Aye" votes – 10. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

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RESOLUTION NO. 623-37 A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE SCHOOLS FEDERAL PROJECTS FUND BUDGET BY ADDING \$68,795,564 TO THE FY2022-2023 BUDGET; TO AMEND THE SELF-FUNDED PROJECTS FUND BUDGET BY \$5,967,408 APPROPRIATING FUND BALANCE OF \$2,398,434 AND ADDITIONAL REVENUE OF \$3,568,974 TO THE FY2022-2023 BUDGET; TO AMEND THE GENERAL PURPOSE FUND BUDGET BY APPROPRIATING FUND BALANCE OF \$25,238,899 AND ADDITIONAL REVENUE OF \$42,139,844 TO THE FY2022-2023 BUDGET; TO AMEND THE SCHOOL NUTRITION FUND BUDGET WITH ADDITIONAL REVENUE OF \$3,481,267 TO THE FY2022-2023 BUDGET.

ON MOTION of Commissioner Shipley, seconded by Commissioner Sharpe, to adopt Resolution No. 623-37. The foregoing Motion was adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Beck, "Aye", Commissioner Chauncey, "Aye", Commissioner Eversole, "Aye", Commissioner Graham, "Aye", Commissioner Helton, "Aye", Commissioner Mackey, "Aye", Commissioner Sharpe, "Aye", Commissioner Shipley, "Aye", Commissioner Smith, "Aye", and Chairman Baker, "Aye". Commissioner Highlander was absent. Total present – 10. Total absent – 1. Total "Aye" votes – 10. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

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1:56:12 **RESOLUTION NO. 623-38 A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE AND ACCEPT APPLICATIONS FOR NOTARY PUBLIC POSITIONS, THE BONDS AND OATHS OF NOTARIES PREVIOUSLY ELECTED, THE OATHS OF DEPUTY SHERIFFS, AND THE OATH OF DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK.**

ON MOTION of Commissioner Sharpe, seconded by Commissioner Eversole, to adopt Resolution No. 623-38. The foregoing Motion was unanimously adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Beck, "Aye", Commissioner Chauncey, "Aye", Commissioner Eversole, "Aye", Commissioner Graham, "Aye", Commissioner Helton, "Aye", Commissioner Mackey, "Aye", Commissioner Sharpe, "Aye", Commissioner Shipley, "Aye", Commissioner Smith, "Aye", and Chairman Baker, "Aye". Commissioner Highlander was absent. Total present – 10. Total absent – 1. Total "Aye" votes – 10. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

1:56:51 **RESOLUTION NO. 623-39 A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT BY THE COUNTY MAYOR OF CORY GEARRIN AND JEFFREY HOLLINGSWORTH TO THE CHATTANOOGA-HAMILTON COUNTY HOSPITAL AUTHORITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR A FOUR YEAR TERM.**

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ON MOTION of Commissioner Sharpe, seconded by Commissioner Beck, to adopt Resolution No. 623-39. The foregoing Motion was unanimously adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Beck, "Aye", Commissioner Chauncey, "Aye", Commissioner Eversole, "Aye", Commissioner Graham, "Aye", Commissioner Helton, "Aye", Commissioner Mackey, "Aye", Commissioner Sharpe, "Aye", Commissioner Shipley, "Aye", Commissioner Smith, "Aye", and Chairman Baker, "Aye". Commissioner Highlander was absent. Total present – 10. Total absent – 1. Total "Aye" votes – 10. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

1:57:27

RESOLUTION NO. 623-40 A RESOLUTION MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO OOLTEWAH YOUTH ASSOCIATION IN THE AMOUNT OF TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$2,000.00) FROM GENERAL FUND TRAVEL DISCRETIONARY MONIES, AS ALLOTTED TO DISTRICT TEN.

ON MOTION of Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Graham, to adopt Resolution No. 623-40. The foregoing Motion was unanimously adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Beck, "Aye", Commissioner Chauncey, "Aye", Commissioner Eversole, "Aye", Commissioner Graham, "Aye", Commissioner Helton, "Aye", Commissioner Mackey, "Aye", Commissioner Sharpe, "Aye", Commissioner Shipley, "Aye", Commissioner Smith, "Aye", and Chairman Baker, "Aye". Commissioner

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Highlander was absent. Total present – 10. Total absent – 1. Total “Aye” votes – 10.

Total “Nay” votes – 0.

1:58:18 **RESOLUTION NO. 623-41 A RESOLUTION MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO
EAST HAMILTON HIGH SCHOOL IN THE AMOUNT OF THREE THOUSAND NINE
HUNDRED SIXTY DOLLARS AND SIXTY-SEVEN CENTS (\$3,960.67) FROM
GENERAL FUND TRAVEL DISCRETIONARY MONIES, AS ALLOTTED TO
DISTRICT SEVEN.**

ON MOTION of Commissioner Graham, seconded by Commissioner Beck, to adopt Resolution No. 623-41. The foregoing Motion was unanimously adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Beck, “Aye”, Commissioner Chauncey, “Aye”, Commissioner Eversole, “Aye”, Commissioner Graham, “Aye”, Commissioner Helton, “Aye”, Commissioner Mackey, “Aye”, Commissioner Sharpe, “Aye”, Commissioner Shipley, “Aye”, Commissioner Smith, “Aye”, and Chairman Baker, “Aye”. Commissioner Highlander was absent. Total present – 10. Total absent – 1. Total “Aye” votes – 10. Total “Nay” votes – 0.

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1:58:56 **RESOLUTION NO. 623-42 A RESOLUTION MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO SNOW HILL RECREATION LEAGUE IN THE AMOUNT OF TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$2,000.00) FROM GENERAL FUND TRAVEL DISCRETIONARY MONIES, AS ALLOTTED TO DISTRICT NINE.**

ON MOTION of Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Eversole, to adopt Resolution No. 623-42. The foregoing Motion was unanimously adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Beck, "Aye", Commissioner Chauncey, "Aye", Commissioner Eversole, "Aye", Commissioner Graham, "Aye", Commissioner Helton, "Aye", Commissioner Mackey, "Aye", Commissioner Sharpe, "Aye", Commissioner Shipley, "Aye", Commissioner Smith, "Aye", and Chairman Baker, "Aye". Commissioner Highlander was absent. Total present – 10. Total absent – 1. Total "Aye" votes – 10. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

1:59:32 **RESOLUTION NO. 623-43 A RESOLUTION MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO SODDY DAISY TROJAN FUND IN THE AMOUNT OF TWO THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$2,500.00) FROM GENERAL FUND TRAVEL DISCRETIONARY MONIES, AS ALLOTTED TO DISTRICT ONE.**

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ON MOTION of Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Graham, to adopt Resolution No. 623-43. The foregoing Motion was unanimously adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Beck, "Aye", Commissioner Chauncey, "Aye", Commissioner Eversole, "Aye", Commissioner Graham, "Aye", Commissioner Helton, "Aye", Commissioner Mackey, "Aye", Commissioner Sharpe, "Aye", Commissioner Shipley, "Aye", Commissioner Smith, "Aye", and Chairman Baker, "Aye". Commissioner Highlander was absent. Total present – 10. Total absent – 1. Total "Aye" votes – 10. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

2:00:09 **RESOLUTION NO. 623-44 A RESOLUTION MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO MIDDLE VALLEY YOUTH ASSOCIATION IN THE AMOUNT OF ONE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$1,500.00) FROM GENERAL FUND TRAVEL DISCRETIONARY MONIES, AS ALLOTTED TO DISTRICT ONE.**

ON MOTION of Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Graham, to adopt Resolution No. 623-44. The foregoing Motion was unanimously adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Beck, "Aye", Commissioner Chauncey, "Aye", Commissioner Eversole, "Aye", Commissioner Graham, "Aye", Commissioner Helton, "Aye", Commissioner Mackey, "Aye", Commissioner Sharpe, "Aye", Commissioner Shipley, "Aye", Commissioner Smith, "Aye", and Chairman Baker, "Aye". Commissioner

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Highlander was absent. Total present – 10. Total absent – 1. Total “Aye” votes – 10.

Total “Nay” votes – 0.

2:00:47 **RESOLUTION NO. 623-58 A RESOLUTION MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO HENRY BOWLES ATHLETIC FUND IN THE AMOUNT OF ONE THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED FIFTY-FIVE DOLLARS AND THIRTY-SIX CENTS (\$1,355.36) FROM GENERAL FUND TRAVEL DISCRETIONARY MONIES, AS ALLOTTED TO DISTRICT ELEVEN.**

ON MOTION of Commissioner Mackey, seconded by Commissioner Smith, to adopt Resolution No. 623-58. The foregoing Motion was unanimously adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Beck, “Aye”, Commissioner Chauncey, “Aye”, Commissioner Eversole, “Aye”, Commissioner Graham, “Aye”, Commissioner Helton, “Aye”, Commissioner Mackey, “Aye”, Commissioner Sharpe, “Aye”, Commissioner Shipley, “Aye”, Commissioner Smith, “Aye”, and Chairman Baker, “Aye”. Commissioner Highlander was absent. Total present – 10. Total absent – 1. Total “Aye” votes – 10. Total “Nay” votes – 0.

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2:01:26 **RESOLUTION NO. 623-59 A RESOLUTION MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO
ALTON PARK DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION IN THE AMOUNT OF ONE
THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED FIFTY-FIVE DOLLARS AND THIRTY-SEVEN
CENTS (\$1,355.37) FROM GENERAL FUND TRAVEL DISCRETIONARY MONIES,
AS ALLOTTED TO DISTRICT ELEVEN.**

ON MOTION of Commissioner Mackey, seconded by Commissioner Smith, to adopt Resolution No. 623-59. The foregoing Motion was unanimously adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Beck, "Aye", Commissioner Chauncey, "Aye", Commissioner Eversole, "Aye", Commissioner Graham, "Aye", Commissioner Helton, "Aye", Commissioner Mackey, "Aye", Commissioner Sharpe, "Aye", Commissioner Shipley, "Aye", Commissioner Smith, "Aye", and Chairman Baker, "Aye". Commissioner Highlander was absent. Total present – 10. Total absent – 1. Total "Aye" votes – 10. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

2:02:06 **RESOLUTION NO. 623-60 A RESOLUTION MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO
LOOKOUT VALLEY NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION IN THE AMOUNT OF ONE
THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED FIFTY-FIVE DOLLARS AND THIRTY-SEVEN
CENTS (\$1,355.37) FROM GENERAL FUND TRAVEL DISCRETIONARY MONIES,
AS ALLOTTED TO DISTRICT ELEVEN.**

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ON MOTION of Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Shipley, to adopt Resolution No. 623-60. The foregoing Motion was unanimously adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Beck, "Aye", Commissioner Chauncey, "Aye", Commissioner Eversole, "Aye", Commissioner Graham, "Aye", Commissioner Helton, "Aye", Commissioner Mackey, "Aye", Commissioner Sharpe, "Aye", Commissioner Shipley, "Aye", Commissioner Smith, "Aye", and Chairman Baker, "Aye". Commissioner Highlander was absent. Total present – 10. Total absent – 1. Total "Aye" votes – 10. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

2:02:46

RESOLUTION NO. 623-61 A RESOLUTION MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO LOOKOUT VALLEY LIONS CLUB CHARITY IN THE AMOUNT OF ONE THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED FIFTY-FIVE DOLLARS AND THIRTY-SIX CENTS (\$1,355.36) FROM GENERAL FUND TRAVEL DISCRETIONARY MONIES, AS ALLOTTED TO DISTRICT ELEVEN.

ON MOTION of Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Eversole, to adopt Resolution No. 623-61. The foregoing Motion was unanimously adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Beck, "Aye", Commissioner Chauncey, "Aye", Commissioner Eversole, "Aye", Commissioner Graham, "Aye", Commissioner Helton, "Aye", Commissioner Mackey, "Aye", Commissioner Sharpe, "Aye", Commissioner

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Shipley, “Aye”, Commissioner Smith, “Aye”, and Chairman Baker, “Aye”. Commissioner Highlander was absent. Total present – 10. Total absent – 1. Total “Aye” votes – 10. Total “Nay” votes – 0.

2:03:21

RESOLUTION NO. 623-62 A RESOLUTION MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO NET RESOURCE FOUNDATION IN THE AMOUNT OF ONE THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED FIFTY-FIVE DOLLARS AND THIRTY-SEVEN CENTS (\$1,355.37) FROM GENERAL FUND TRAVEL DISCRETIONARY MONIES, AS ALLOTTED TO DISTRICT ELEVEN.

ON MOTION of Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Sharpe, to adopt Resolution No. 623-62. The foregoing Motion was unanimously adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Beck, “Aye”, Commissioner Chauncey, “Aye”, Commissioner Eversole, “Aye”, Commissioner Graham, “Aye”, Commissioner Helton, “Aye”, Commissioner Mackey, “Aye”, Commissioner Sharpe, “Aye”, Commissioner Shipley, “Aye”, Commissioner Smith, “Aye”, and Chairman Baker, “Aye”. Commissioner Highlander was absent. Total present – 10. Total absent – 1. Total “Aye” votes – 10. Total “Nay” votes – 0.

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2:04:00 **RESOLUTION NO. 623-63 A RESOLUTION MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO EAST LAKE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION IN THE AMOUNT OF ONE THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED FIFTY-FIVE DOLLARS AND THIRTY-SIX CENTS (\$1,355.36) FROM GENERAL FUND TRAVEL DISCRETIONARY MONIES, AS ALLOTTED TO DISTRICT ELEVEN.**

ON MOTION of Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Sharpe, to adopt Resolution No. 623-63. The foregoing Motion was unanimously adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Chauncey, "Aye", Commissioner Eversole, "Aye", Commissioner Graham, "Aye", Commissioner Helton, "Aye", Commissioner Mackey, "Aye", Commissioner Sharpe, "Aye", Commissioner Shipley, "Aye", Commissioner Smith, "Aye", and Chairman Baker, "Aye". Commissioner Highlander was absent and Commissioner Beck stepped away during the vote. Total present – 9. Total absent – 2. Total "Aye" votes – 9. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

2:04:39 **RESOLUTION NO. 623-64 A RESOLUTION MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO CHARLES H. COOLIDGE NATIONAL MEDAL OF HONOR HERITAGE CENTER IN THE AMOUNT OF ONE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$1,500.00) FROM GENERAL FUND TRAVEL DISCRETIONARY MONIES, AS ALLOTTED TO DISTRICT THREE.**

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ON MOTION of Commissioner Graham, seconded by Commissioner Eversole, to adopt Resolution No. 623-64. The foregoing Motion was unanimously adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Chauncey, “Aye”, Commissioner Eversole, “Aye”, Commissioner Graham, “Aye”, Commissioner Helton, “Aye”, Commissioner Mackey, “Aye”, Commissioner Sharpe, “Aye”, Commissioner Shipley, “Aye”, Commissioner Smith, “Aye”, and Chairman Baker, “Aye”. Commissioner Highlander was absent and Commissioner Beck stepped away during the vote. Total present – 9. Total absent – 2. Total “Aye” votes – 9. Total “Nay” votes – 0.

2:05:23 **RESOLUTION NO. 623-65 A RESOLUTION MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO HIXSON HIGH SCHOOL IN THE AMOUNT OF THREE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$3,000.00) FROM GENERAL FUND TRAVEL DISCRETIONARY MONIES, AS ALLOTTED TO DISTRICT THREE.**

ON MOTION of Commissioner Graham, seconded by Commissioner Sharpe, to adopt Resolution No. 623-65. The foregoing Motion was unanimously adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Beck, “Aye”, Commissioner Chauncey, “Aye”, Commissioner Eversole, “Aye”, Commissioner Graham, “Aye”, Commissioner Helton, “Aye”, Commissioner Mackey, “Aye”, Commissioner Sharpe, “Aye”, Commissioner Shipley, “Aye”, Commissioner Smith, “Aye”, and Chairman Baker, “Aye”. Commissioner

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Highlander was absent. Total present – 10. Total absent – 1. Total “Aye” votes – 10.

Total “Nay” votes – 0.

2:05:58

RESOLUTION NO. 623-66 A RESOLUTION MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO PRISON PREVENTION MINISTRIES, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF TWO THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS (\$2,250.00) FROM GENERAL FUND TRAVEL DISCRETIONARY MONIES, AS ALLOTTED TO DISTRICT THREE.

ON MOTION of Commissioner Graham, seconded by Commissioner Mackey, to adopt Resolution No. 623-66. The foregoing Motion was unanimously adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Beck, “Aye”, Commissioner Chauncey, “Aye”, Commissioner Eversole, “Aye”, Commissioner Graham, “Aye”, Commissioner Helton, “Aye”, Commissioner Mackey, “Aye”, Commissioner Sharpe, “Aye”, Commissioner Shipley, “Aye”, Commissioner Smith, “Aye”, and Chairman Baker, “Aye”. Commissioner Highlander was absent. Total present – 10. Total absent – 1. Total “Aye” votes – 10.

Total “Nay” votes – 0.

2:06:35

RESOLUTION NO. 623-67 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR, ON BEHALF OF HAMILTON COUNTY, TO NEGOTIATE A PURCHASE AND SALE AGREEMENT WITH THE HAMILTON COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION AND BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD OF TENNESSEE, INC. FOR THE PURCHASE OF

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PROPERTY LOCATED AT 401 W. MLK BOULEVARD FOR A FUTURE SCHOOL SITE, AND FURTHER AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AND EXECUTE ANY AND ALL DOCUMENTS NECESSARY TO ACQUIRE SAID PROPERTY IN THE AMOUNT OF TEN MILLION DOLLARS (\$10,000,000).

ON MOTION of Commissioner Mackey, seconded by Commissioner Graham, to adopt Resolution No. 623-67.

2:07:29 In response to Commissioner Graham's question, Attorney Taylor stated Mayor Wamp and Hamilton County Superintendent of Education Justin Robertson spoke during last week's Agenda Session and stated there would be an agreement to have the deed titled in the name of Hamilton County and Hamilton County Board of Education.

2:08:33 Mayor Wamp confirmed the intent for the deed is to be titled in the name of both Hamilton County and Hamilton County Board of Education.

2:09:18 In response to Commissioner Chauncey's question, Mayor Wamp stated this Resolution allows him to take the next step with Blue Cross Blue Shield, which will lead to the official documents allowing a further look into the facility. He noted this formalizing the Commissions support for the letter of intent the Mayor's Office provided to Blue Cross Blue Shield. Mayor Wamp stated they will bring all documents of the process to the Commission as it unfolds.

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The foregoing Motion was unanimously adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Beck, "Aye", Commissioner Chauncey, "Aye", Commissioner Eversole, "Aye", Commissioner Graham, "Aye", Commissioner Helton, "Aye", Commissioner Mackey, "Aye", Commissioner Sharpe, "Aye", Commissioner Shipley, "Aye", Commissioner Smith, "Aye", and Chairman Baker, "Aye". Commissioner Highlander was absent. Total present – 10. Total absent – 1. Total "Aye" votes – 10. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

2:11:41 **RESOLUTION NO. 623-68 A RESOLUTION STATING THE INTENT OF THE COUNTY COMMISSION OF HAMILTON COUNTY, TENNESSEE TO CONSIDER AN ECONOMIC IMPACT PLAN AUTHORIZING A TAX INCREMENT INCENTIVE TO SUPPORT A MULTI-USE DEVELOPMENT IDENTIFIED AS THE ONE WESTSIDE-BEND PROJECT, WHICH DEVELOPMENT WILL CONTAIN ELIGIBLE PROJECTS FOR PURPOSES OF APPLICABLE LAW.**

ON MOTION of Commissioner Graham, seconded by Commissioner Smith, to adopt Resolution No. 623-68.

2:12:22 In response to Commissioner Beck's question, Chattanooga Housing Authority Executive Director Betsy McCright stated they will be using a "Build First Strategy" to build units on a currently vacant site and then move residents who desire to live on the

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mixed income development. She noted it is very important to have mixed income developments so there are no longer pockets of extreme poverty in one area. She also stated The Bend has agreed to allocate ten percent of their rental units to residents who are 80% of median income.

The foregoing Motion was unanimously adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Beck, "Pass", Commissioner Chauncey, "Aye", Commissioner Eversole, "Aye", Commissioner Graham, "Aye", Commissioner Helton, "Aye", Commissioner Mackey, "Aye", Commissioner Sharpe, "Aye", Commissioner Shipley, "Aye", Commissioner Smith, "Aye", and Chairman Baker, "Aye". Commissioner Highlander was absent. Total present – 10. Total absent – 1. Total "Aye" votes – 9. Total "Nay" votes – 0. Total "Pass" votes – 1.

Per the Commission's Rules of Order, any member having announced "Pass" on the first call of the vote should subsequently be called on by the Clerk to vote a second time.

Clerk Knowles called the roll of the member having previously announced "Pass". Commissioner Beck announced "Pass" on the second call of the vote. Total present – 10. Total absent – 1. Total "Aye" votes – 9. Total "Nay" votes – 1.

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2:18:45 **RESOLUTION NO. 623-69 A RESOLUTION TO CONFIRM THE APPOINTMENT OF
CHRIS MCCOLLOUGH AS COUNTY AUDITOR.**

ON MOTION of Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Shipley, to
adopt Resolution No. 623-69.

2:19:15 Commissioner Graham stated he supports Chris McCollough as the new County
Auditor.

2:19:45 In response to Commissioner Graham’s question, Mayor Wamp stated this is a
position who reports and supports the Legislative Body as well as the Mayor’s Office.

 The foregoing Motion was unanimously adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the
following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows:
Commissioner Beck, “Aye”, Commissioner Chauncey, “Aye”, Commissioner Eversole,
“Aye”, Commissioner Graham, “Aye”, Commissioner Helton, “Aye”, Commissioner
Mackey, “Aye”, Commissioner Sharpe, “Aye”, Commissioner Shipley, “Aye”,
Commissioner Smith, “Aye”, and Chairman Baker, “Aye”. Commissioner Highlander
was absent. Total present – 10. Total absent – 1. Total “Aye” votes – 10. Total “Nay”
votes – 0.

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2:21:02 **RESOLUTION NO. 623-45 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT FOR A PHASE II SUMMER YOUTH EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM GRANT FROM THE TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT WITH A TERM BEGINNING JULY 1, 2023, TO AUGUST 31, 2024, AND TO AMEND THE FISCAL YEAR 2024 HAMILTON COUNTY ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT GENERAL FUND REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES BUDGETS BY \$785,455 TO ACCEPT THE AWARD, AND TO SIGN ANY DOCUMENTS NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THIS RESOLUTION.**

Commissioner Smith, Chairman of the Finance Committee, provided details regarding Resolution No. 623-45 and stated the Finance Committee reviewed and recommended approval.

ON MOTION of Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Graham, to adopt Resolution No. 623-45. The foregoing Motion was unanimously adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Beck, "Aye", Commissioner Chauncey, "Aye", Commissioner Eversole, "Aye", Commissioner Graham, "Aye", Commissioner Helton, "Aye", Commissioner Mackey, "Aye", Commissioner Sharpe, "Aye", Commissioner Shipley, "Aye", Commissioner Smith, "Aye", and Chairman Baker, "Aye". Commissioner

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Highlander was absent. Total present – 10. Total absent – 1. Total “Aye” votes – 10.

Total “Nay” votes – 0.

2:22:00 **RESOLUTION NO. 623-46 A RESOLUTION FOR THE ACCEPTANCE OF A
PROPOSAL BY THE TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR
ROAD IMPROVEMENTS FOR ROUTE: SR-29, MOUNTAIN CREEK ROAD.**

Commissioner Smith, Chairman of the Finance Committee, provided details regarding Resolution No. 623-46 and stated the Finance Committee reviewed and recommended approval.

ON MOTION of Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Graham, to adopt Resolution No. 623-46. The foregoing Motion was unanimously adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Beck, “Aye”, Commissioner Chauncey, “Aye”, Commissioner Eversole, “Aye”, Commissioner Graham, “Aye”, Commissioner Helton, “Aye”, Commissioner Mackey, “Aye”, Commissioner Sharpe, “Aye”, Commissioner Shipley, “Aye”, Commissioner Smith, “Aye”, and Chairman Baker, “Aye”. Commissioner Highlander was absent. Total present – 10. Total absent – 1. Total “Aye” votes – 10. Total “Nay” votes – 0.

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2:22:38 **RESOLUTION NO. 623-47 A RESOLUTION TO APPLY FOR A GRANT FOR THE HUMANE TRANSPORT OF PATIENTS FROM THE MENTAL HEALTH TRANSPORT PROGRAM FOR THE HAMILTON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE.**

Commissioner Smith, Chairman of the Finance Committee, provided details regarding Resolution No. 623-47 and stated the Finance Committee reviewed and recommended approval.

ON MOTION of Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Beck, to adopt Resolution No. 623-47. The foregoing Motion was unanimously adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Beck, "Aye", Commissioner Chauncey, "Aye", Commissioner Eversole, "Aye", Commissioner Graham, "Aye", Commissioner Helton, "Aye", Commissioner Mackey, "Aye", Commissioner Sharpe, "Aye", Commissioner Shipley, "Aye", Commissioner Smith, "Aye", and Chairman Baker, "Aye". Commissioner Highlander was absent. Total present – 10. Total absent – 1. Total "Aye" votes – 10. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

2:24:18 **RESOLUTION NO. 623-48 A RESOLUTION TO WAIVE THE PROCUREMENT RULES AND AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY MAYOR TO TRANSFER A SURPLUS VEHICLE TO SEQUATCHIE COUNTY GOVERNMENT.**

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Commissioner Smith, Chairman of the Finance Committee, provided details regarding Resolution No. 623-48 and stated the Finance Committee reviewed and recommended approval.

ON MOTION of Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Graham, to adopt Resolution No. 623-48. The foregoing Motion was unanimously adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Beck, "Aye", Commissioner Chauncey, "Aye", Commissioner Eversole, "Aye", Commissioner Graham, "Aye", Commissioner Helton, "Aye", Commissioner Mackey, "Aye", Commissioner Sharpe, "Aye", Commissioner Shipley, "Aye", Commissioner Smith, "Aye", and Chairman Baker, "Aye". Commissioner Highlander was absent. Total present – 10. Total absent – 1. Total "Aye" votes – 10. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

2:25:03 **RESOLUTION NO. 623-49 A RESOLUTION TO ADJUST THE FISCAL YEAR 2023
GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES BUDGET IN ORDER TO RECLASSIFY
EXPENDITURES RELATED TO LEASES CLASSIFIED UNDER GASB
(GOVERNMENTAL ACCOUNTING STANDARDS BOARD) 87 WHICH GOVERNS
ACCOUNTING FOR LEASES.**

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Commissioner Smith, Chairman of the Finance Committee, provided details regarding Resolution No. 623-49 and stated the Finance Committee reviewed and recommended approval.

ON MOTION of Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Graham, to adopt Resolution No. 623-49. The foregoing Motion was unanimously adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Beck, "Aye", Commissioner Chauncey, "Aye", Commissioner Eversole, "Aye", Commissioner Graham, "Aye", Commissioner Helton, "Aye", Commissioner Mackey, "Aye", Commissioner Sharpe, "Aye", Commissioner Shipley, "Aye", Commissioner Smith, "Aye", and Chairman Baker, "Aye". Commissioner Highlander was absent. Total present – 10. Total absent – 1. Total "Aye" votes – 10. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

2:25:43 **RESOLUTION NO. 623-50 A RESOLUTION TO REVISE THE FUNDING POLICY FOR THE HAMILTON COUNTY EMPLOYEES' PENSION PLAN, THE HAMILTON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' PENSION PLAN, AND THE HAMILTON COUNTY TEACHERS' PENSION PLAN.**

Commissioner Smith, Chairman of the Finance Committee, provided details regarding Resolution No. 623-50 and stated the Finance Committee reviewed and recommended approval.

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ON MOTION of Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Graham, to adopt Resolution No. 623-50.

2:26:13 In response to Commissioner Mackey's question, Administrator of Finance Lee Brouner stated they will be making minor technical changes to small pension plans. He noted there will be no practical effect on the former employees who still receive pensions through these plans.

The foregoing Motion was unanimously adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Beck, "Aye", Commissioner Chauncey, "Aye", Commissioner Eversole, "Aye", Commissioner Graham, "Aye", Commissioner Helton, "Aye", Commissioner Mackey, "Aye", Commissioner Sharpe, "Aye", Commissioner Shipley, "Aye", Commissioner Smith, "Aye", and Chairman Baker, "Aye". Commissioner Highlander was absent. Total present – 10. Total absent – 1. Total "Aye" votes – 10. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

2:27:59 **RESOLUTION NO. 623-51 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR ON BEHALF OF HAMILTON COUNTY, TENNESSEE, THE HEALTH SERVICES DIVISION, OPERATING AS THE HAMILTON COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT TO SIGN A CONTINUATION CONTRACT WITH THE TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH IN THE AMOUNT OF \$341,200.00 TO PROVIDE TUBERCULOSIS**

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**CONTROLS SERVICES IN HAMILTON COUNTY FOR A TIME PERIOD OF JULY 1,
2023 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2024.**

Commissioner Smith, Chairman of the Finance Committee, provided details regarding Resolution No. 623-51 and stated the Finance Committee reviewed and recommended approval.

ON MOTION of Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Graham, to adopt Resolution No. 623-51. The foregoing Motion was unanimously adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Beck, "Aye", Commissioner Chauncey, "Aye", Commissioner Eversole, "Aye", Commissioner Graham, "Aye", Commissioner Helton, "Aye", Commissioner Mackey, "Aye", Commissioner Sharpe, "Aye", Commissioner Shipley, "Aye", Commissioner Smith, "Aye", and Chairman Baker, "Aye". Commissioner Highlander was absent. Total present – 10. Total absent – 1. Total "Aye" votes – 10. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

2:28:51 **RESOLUTION NO. 623-52 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR ON BEHALF OF HAMILTON COUNTY, TENNESSEE, THE HEALTH SERVICES DIVISION, OPERATING AS THE HAMILTON COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT TO SIGN A CONTRACT WITH THE TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH IN THE AMOUNT OF \$18,300.00 TO PROVIDE SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED DISEASE AND**

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**HIV EDUCATION, PREVENTION AND CONTROL SERVICES IN HAMILTON
COUNTY, FOR A TIME PERIOD OF JUNE 1, 2023 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2023.**

Commissioner Smith, Chairman of the Finance Committee, provided details regarding Resolution No. 623-52 and stated the Finance Committee reviewed and recommended approval.

ON MOTION of Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Mackey, to adopt Resolution No. 623-52. The foregoing Motion was unanimously adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Beck, "Aye", Commissioner Chauncey, "Aye", Commissioner Eversole, "Aye", Commissioner Graham, "Aye", Commissioner Helton, "Aye", Commissioner Mackey, "Aye", Commissioner Sharpe, "Aye", Commissioner Shipley, "Aye", Commissioner Smith, "Aye", and Chairman Baker, "Aye". Commissioner Highlander was absent. Total present – 10. Total absent – 1. Total "Aye" votes – 10. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

2:29:42

RESOLUTION NO. 623-53 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR TO APPLY TO THE TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND ACCEPT A LITTER PREVENTION AND TRASH COLLECTION GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$127,500 WITH A CONTRACT PERIOD BEGINNING JULY 1, 2023 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2024.

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Commissioner Smith, Chairman of the Finance Committee, provided details regarding Resolution No. 623-53 and stated the Finance Committee reviewed and recommended approval.

ON MOTION of Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Eversole to adopt Resolution No. 623-53. The foregoing Motion was unanimously adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Beck, "Aye", Commissioner Chauncey, "Aye", Commissioner Eversole, "Aye", Commissioner Graham, "Aye", Commissioner Helton, "Aye", Commissioner Mackey, "Aye", Commissioner Sharpe, "Aye", Commissioner Shipley, "Aye", Commissioner Smith, "Aye", and Chairman Baker, "Aye". Commissioner Highlander was absent. Total present – 10. Total absent – 1. Total "Aye" votes – 10. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

2:30:27 **RESOLUTION NO. 623-54 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR TO SIGN AN AGREEMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$44,625 WITH THE SCENIC CITIES BEAUTIFUL COMMISSION TO PROVIDE LITTER PREVENTION EDUCATION SERVICES WITH A CONTRACT PERIOD BEGINNING JULY 01, 2023 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2024.**

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Commissioner Smith, Chairman of the Finance Committee, provided details regarding Resolution No. 623-54 and stated the Finance Committee reviewed and recommended approval.

ON MOTION of Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Mackey to adopt Resolution No. 623-54. The foregoing Motion was unanimously adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Beck, "Aye", Commissioner Chauncey, "Aye", Commissioner Eversole, "Aye", Commissioner Graham, "Aye", Commissioner Helton, "Aye", Commissioner Mackey, "Aye", Commissioner Sharpe, "Aye", Commissioner Shipley, "Aye", Commissioner Smith, "Aye", and Chairman Baker, "Aye". Commissioner Highlander was absent. Total present – 10. Total absent – 1. Total "Aye" votes – 10. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

2:31:12 **RESOLUTION NO. 623-55 A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE DONATION OF THREE THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED AND FIFTY-THREE DOLLARS (\$3,653.00) FOR THE PURCHASE OF THE SUSIE ADVANCED OBSTETRIC TRAINER AND THE OMNI 2 BLOOD PRESSURE TRAINING SYSTEM FROM GAUMARD AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR TO SIGN ANY DOCUMENTS NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THIS RESOLUTION.**

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Commissioner Smith, Chairman of the Finance Committee, provided details regarding Resolution No. 623-55 and stated the Finance Committee reviewed and recommended approval.

ON MOTION of Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Chauncey to adopt Resolution No. 623-55. The foregoing Motion was unanimously adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Beck, "Aye", Commissioner Chauncey, "Aye", Commissioner Eversole, "Aye", Commissioner Graham, "Aye", Commissioner Helton, "Aye", Commissioner Mackey, "Aye", Commissioner Sharpe, "Aye", Commissioner Shipley, "Aye", Commissioner Smith, "Aye", and Chairman Baker, "Aye". Commissioner Highlander was absent. Total present – 10. Total absent – 1. Total "Aye" votes – 10. Total "Nay" votes – 0.

2:32:03 **RESOLUTION NO. 623-56 A RESOLUTION TO REZONE FROM R-2 RURAL RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT AND O-1 OFFICE DISTRICT TO C-3 GENERAL BUSINESS DISTRICT FROM THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 2001 HOLLISTER ROAD.**

Chairman Baker announced Resolution No. 623-56 was withdrawn during last week's Agenda Session.

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2:32:09 **RESOLUTION NO. 623-57 A RESOLUTION TO REZONE FROM A-1
AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT TO R-1 SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT FOR
THE PROPERTIES LOCATED AT 7367 HIXSON PIKE (PART) AND 7758 EVAN
WAY.**

Commissioner Chauncey, Chairman of the Zoning Committee, provided details regarding Resolution No. 623-57 and stated the Zoning Committee reviewed and recommended approval.

ON MOTION of Commissioner Chauncey, seconded by Commissioner Smith, to adopt Resolution No. 623-57. The foregoing Motion was unanimously adopted on a Roll Call vote, with the following members of the County Commission being present and voting as follows: Commissioner Beck, “Aye”, Commissioner Chauncey, “Aye”, Commissioner Graham, “Aye”, Commissioner Helton, “Aye”, “Aye”, Commissioner Mackey, “Aye”, Commissioner Sharpe, “Aye”, Commissioner Shipley, “Aye”, Commissioner Smith, “Aye”, and Chairman Baker, “Aye”. Commissioner Highlander was absent and Commissioner Eversole stepped away during the vote. Total present – 9. Total absent – 2. Total “Aye” votes – 9. Total “Nay” votes – 0.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chairman Baker asked for announcements from members of the Commission.

2:33:16

Commissioner Shipley spoke of the passing of former Hamilton County Superintendent of Education Don Loftis. He stated he was a fighter pilot in Vietnam who then taught at John Allen Elementary before becoming the Superintendent of Hamilton County Schools. He noted he did a lot for Hamilton County and asked everyone to remember his family during this time.

2:34:28

Commissioner Mackey spoke highly of former Hamilton County Superintendent of Education Don Loftis and how he was a great man who led Hamilton County Schools in a very positive direction. Commissioner Beck stated Mr. Loftis did a lot for District 5 and the Commission.

2:38:21

Commissioner Sharpe stated it was really important the budget was passed today allowing Hamilton County Schools to hire all the personnel needed to address reading comprehension, math and behavioral issues.

In response to Commissioner Sharpe's question, Administrator of Human Resources Sandra Ellis stated they do not have a HR policy for remote work but they will get a policy and let Commissioners know when it is in place.

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2:39:57 Commissioner Eversole and Commissioner Graham thanked the Commission and Mayor Wamp and staff for passing a no tax increase budget.

2:41:02 Commissioner Graham recognized his wife, daughter, Lucas, Ben and Owen in the audience.

2:42:39 Mayor Wamp thanked staff for the amazing work on the budget. He thanked all the men and women who work for County Government. He shared all employees will receive a 4% raise for their hard work and essential services they provide. He thanked the Commission on a well-passed budget. He spoke of the Summer Youth Employment Grant and reported eighty youth are signed up to start work in July.

2:45:47 Chairman Baker thanked Mayor Wamp on a successful budget process.

DELEGATIONS

Chairman Baker asked for delegations on matters other than zoning. There were none.

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There being no further business, Chairman Baker declared the meeting in recess until Wednesday, June 28th, 2023 at 9:30 AM.

Respectfully submitted:



William F. (Bill) Knowles, County Clerk

Approved:

07-05-23

WJK

Date

Clerk's Initials