

RESOLUTION NO. 20260728-12

Authorizing an Agreement with the Tennessee Advanced Communications Network for the Construction of a Communications Tower at the Jason Dickey Fire Training Center

Whereas, the Tennessee Advanced Communications Network ("TACN") provides a statewide interoperable communications system serving public safety agencies throughout the State of Tennessee; and

Whereas, the construction of a communications tower at the Jason Dickey Fire Training Center will enhance public safety communications and strengthen emergency response capabilities for Lawrence County and its first responders; and

Whereas, the Lawrence County Facilities Committee has reviewed the proposed project and recommends that Lawrence County enter into the necessary agreement with the Tennessee Advanced Communications Network to facilitate construction of the communications tower; and

Whereas, the Lawrence County Board of County Commissioners finds that the construction of the proposed communications tower serves a valid public purpose by improving emergency communications infrastructure and promoting the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of Lawrence County;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Lawrence County Legislative Body meeting in Regular Session on this 28th day of July 2026, that the recommendation of the Facilities Committee is hereby approved, and Lawrence County is authorized to enter into the necessary agreement or agreements with the Tennessee Advanced Communications Network, including as attached as Exhibit 1, for the construction of a communications tower at the Jason Dickey Fire Training Center.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Executive is hereby authorized to execute the agreement with the Tennessee Advanced Communications Network and any related easements, licenses, leases, memoranda of understanding, memoranda of agreement, construction agreements, site access agreements, site licenses, or other instruments necessary or convenient to accomplish the purposes of this Resolution, including such documents as may not yet be in final form on the date of the Commission's approval, provided that such documents are substantially consistent with the project authorized herein and are approved as to legal form by the County Attorney.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Executive, Emergency Management Agency Director, County Attorney, and such other County officials and employees as may be necessary are hereby authorized to take any further actions reasonably necessary to implement this Resolution and facilitate the construction, installation, operation, and maintenance of the communications tower.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall take effect upon its passage, the public welfare requiring it.

Passed this 28th day of July 2026.

Shane Eaton, Chair
Lawrence County Legislative Body

David A. Morgan, County Executive

ATTEST:

Russ Brewer, County Clerk

SPONSOR: Facilities Committee