



## AGENDA ACTION FORM

### **Consideration of a Resolution Supporting Applications for Two Competitive State Water Infrastructure Grants through the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation**

To: Board of Mayor and Aldermen

From: Chris McCartt, City Manager *CM*

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#### **Recommendation:**

Approve the Resolution

#### **Executive Summary:**

The utilities department is coordinating with the First Tennessee Development District on applications for competitive grant funding through the State Water Infrastructure Grants program. If awarded city will work with the North Greene Utilities District on a project and with the First Utility District of Hawkins County on a separate project. The State of Tennessee dedicated \$200 million of its share of American Rescue Plan (ARP) funds to water, wastewater and stormwater infrastructure projects in the form of competitive grants. If selected, the grant includes a 5% co-funding requirement based on the City's Ability to Pay Index.

Project selection was based on TDEC's goal to provide safe, reliable water services to all Tennesseans through collaborative approaches to infrastructure challenges.

- North Greene Utilities Grant - Includes grant request up to \$15,000,000 to design and construct necessary infrastructure to connect the Kingsport's water system to North Greene Utilities to supplement their additional water needs.
- First Utility District of Hawkins County Grant – Includes a \$250,000 request to evaluate the necessary infrastructure to connect to First Utility District of Hawkins to provide water during an emergency.

#### **Attachments:**

1. Resolution
2. Letters of Support
3. Location Map

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Cooper	—	—	—
Duncan	—	—	—
George	—	—	—
Montgomery	—	—	—
Olterman	—	—	—
Phillips	—	—	—
Shull	—	—	—