

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE ALL DOCUMENTS NECESSARY AND PROPER TO ACCEPT A DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY STATE AND LOCAL CYBERSECURITY GRANT AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE ALL DOCUMENTS NECESSARY AND PROPER TO EFFECTUATE THE PURPOSE OF THIS RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, in order to address cybersecurity risks and threats the U.S. Department of Homeland Security has established the State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program (SLCGP) that provides funds to state and local governments; and

WHEREAS, the city is required to submit a Local Government Investment Justification Form annually to be eligible to receive the SLCGP grant; and

WHEREAS, the Local Government Investment Justification Form was submitted on December 2, 2025, which outlined the project details, requested equipment list, and all anticipated expenses the applicant will incur in implementing the outlined projects; and

WHEREAS, city staff have been notified by the Tennessee Department of Finance & Administration, which assists in the administration of the SLCGP of its eligibility to receive managed services and funding through the SLGCP; and

WHEREAS, the managed services consist of 750 CrowdStrike licenses which will provide fully managed endpoint detection and response capabilities, enabling real-time detection, prevention, and response to cyber threats across the city's technology environment; and

WHEREAS, additionally city is eligible to receive \$77,842.26 in grant funds for a Backup and Replication Solution to strengthen the city's data protection, business continuity, and disaster recovery capabilities and to purchase CrowdStrike Identity Threat Detection and Response (ITDR) licenses to enhance the city's cybersecurity posture; and

WHEREAS, implementation of the projects to strengthen the city's cybersecurity posture and protect critical infrastructure will enable the city to significantly enhance cybersecurity defenses, protecting government services, public safety, utilities, and citizen information..

Now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION I. That the acceptance of the SLCGP grant is approved.

SECTION II. That the mayor, or in his absence, incapacity, or failure to act, the vice mayor, is authorized to execute, in a form approved by the city attorney, and subject to the requirements of Article X, Section 10 of the Charter of the City of Kingsport, and all documents necessary and proper to accept grant funds from the Department of Homeland Security State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program (SLCGP) to deliver the necessary documents, and to take all actions necessary and proper on the part of the city to carry out, give effect to, and consummate the actions contemplated by this resolution.

SECTION III. That the mayor is authorized to execute any and all documents including those necessary and proper to demonstrate the city's compliance with the grant requirements or its provisions necessary to effectuate the purpose of the grant or this resolution.

SECTION III. That the board finds that the actions authorized by this resolution are for a public purpose and will promote the health, comfort and prosperity of the public.

SECTION IV. That this resolution shall take effect from and after its adoption, the public welfare requiring it.

ADOPTED this the 5th day of May, 2026.

PAUL W. MONTGOMERY, MAYOR

ATTEST:

ANGELA MARSHALL, DEPUTY CITY RECORDER

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

RODNEY B. ROWLETT, III, CITY ATTORNEY