



AGENDA ACTION FORM

Consideration of a Resolution Authorizing East Tennessee State University to Provide Educational Services at the Kingsport Center for Higher Education

To: Board of Mayor and Aldermen

From: Chris McCartt, City Manager *CM*

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Work Session: July 21, 2026

First Reading: N/A

Final Adoption: July 21, 2026

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Strategic Focus Area: 7. World-Class Education

Recommendation:

Approve the resolution.

Executive Summary:

If approved, this resolution will extend the current agreement with East Tennessee State University (ETSU) to provide educational services at the Kingsport Center for Higher Education through June 30, 2030.

This agreement outlines the basic methods that allow ETSU to operate in the Academic Village in buildings leased by Northeast State Community College (NeSCC). NeSCC has exclusive right to offer all lower division and associate level programs and courses within the Academic Village. They may permit other institutions to participate in lower-level classes if they deem it appropriate.

This agreement also outlines the fee of \$50,000 payable to NeSCC for offering programming at the Kingsport Center for Higher Education. The fee allows them access to classroom space as well as office space within the building.

The term of the agreement is from July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2030 which mirrors the term of the recently approved Lease Agreement with NeSCC for the Academic Village properties.

Attachments:

1. Resolution
2. Agreement

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Baker	—	—	—
Cooper	—	—	—
Duncan	—	—	—
George	—	—	—
Mayes	—	—	—
Phillips	—	—	—
Montgomery	—	—	—