

**WASHINGTON COUNTY, TENNESSEE
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

RESOLUTION NO. 25-09-21

***RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE
APPROPRIATION OF GRANT FUNDS TO THE JOHNSON CITY
ROTARY FOUNDATION FOR THE CREATION OF A CHILDREN'S
BICYCLE PLAYGROUND***

WHEREAS, Resolution 25-08-17 amended the FY26 budget to accept a non-matching grant from the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation for the First Frontier Trail; and

WHEREAS, the three Rotary Clubs of Johnson City and Elizabethton are working together to raise funds and coordinating the efforts associated with the construction of a Bicycle Training Playground located at the base of Tannery Knob in Johnson City (Exhibit A); and

WHEREAS, Part of the funding (\$200,000) for this Training Playground was included in the First Frontier Trail Proposal and the Rotary Foundation has requested an appropriation of \$200,000.00 from the grant funding for that purpose; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor requests the appropriation of funds to the Johnson City Rotary Foundation for the creation of a children's bicycle playground in the amount of \$200,000.00 from line item no. 101-58500-316-411. (Contributions to Other Agencies – Contributions); and

WHEREAS, the Budget Committee at its September 10, 2025 meeting recommended consideration and approval of this request to the Board of County Commissioners; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, TENNESSEE THAT:

SECTION 1. The Board of County Commissioners hereby approve the appropriation of funds to the Johnson City Rotary Foundation for the creation of a children's bicycle playground in the amount of \$200,000.00 from line item no. 101-58500-316-411. (Contributions to Other Agencies – Contributions).

SECTION 2. This Resolution shall take effect from and after the date on which it is approved by the County Mayor or as indicated by certification of the County Clerk, as hereinafter set forth.

Introduced by Commissioner: *Davenport*
Seconded by Commissioner: *Jones*

Commissioners Voting FOR: *Tucker, Johnson, Fitzgerald, Edens, Davenport, Matherly, Malone, Stout, Tomita, Jones, Wexler, Huffine, Wheeler, Carder*
Commissioners Voting AGAINST: *None*
Commissioners Abstaining: *England*
Commissioners Absent: *None*

ADOPTED BY THE COUNTY LEGISLATIVE BODY, in session duly assembled, on this the 22nd day of September, 2025.



CHERYL STOREY, County Clerk



GREG MATHERLY, Chair of the Board

REFERRED to County Mayor this the 26th day of Sept. 2025.



CHERYL STOREY, County Clerk

APPROVED by County Mayor on this the 26 day of Sept 2025.



WILLIAM J. GRANDY, County Mayor

The County Mayor having declined to approve this Resolution, the same became effective on the ___ day of _____ 2025, pursuant to Tennessee Code Annotated § 5-6-107(b)(5).

CHERYL STOREY, County Clerk

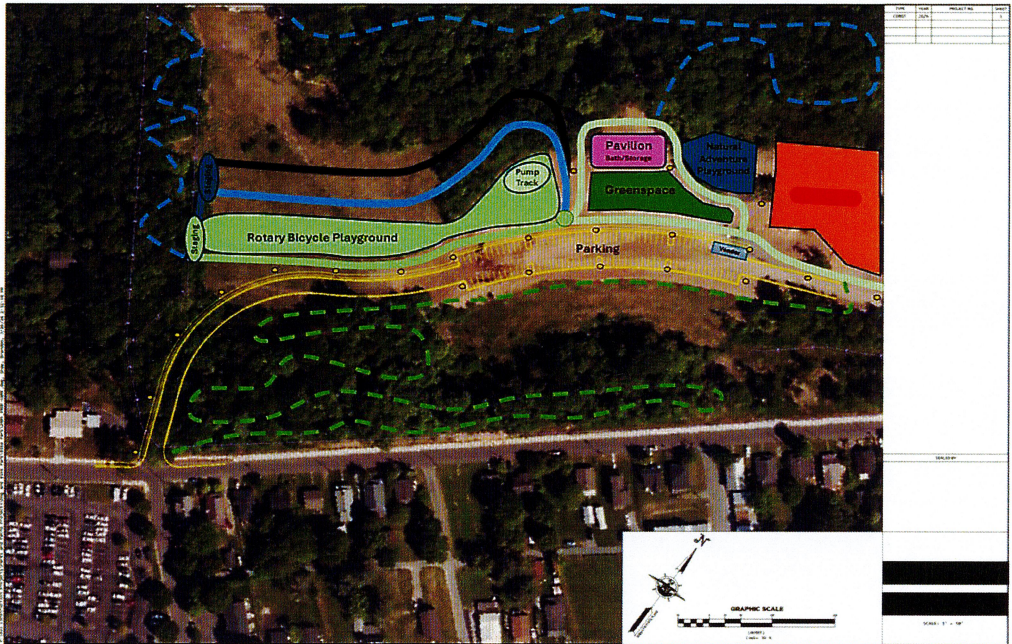
Approved as to form by the County Attorney this 24th day of September 2025.



ALLYSON L. WILKINSON, County Attorney

The three Rotary Clubs of Johnson City and Elizabethton are working together to raise money and build a Bicycle Training Playground located at the base of Tannery Knob in Johnson City. Part of the funding (\$200,000) for this Training Playground was included in the First Frontier Trail Proposal. The City of Johnson City will provide an access road, parking area, pavilion and bathrooms. The Playground will provide developmentally progressive skill-building opportunities for riders of all ages. It will offer a wide range of professionally designed dirt trails that provide low-risk, high-reward skills progression. It will help develop the mental/physical fitness for youth in Washington County and surrounding communities for decades to come. This space will be particularly beneficial for children with limited or no access to sidewalks or safe spaces to learn to ride.

Rotary Bicycle Playground



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