



WHEREAS, The City of Knoxville and Knox County desire that the open space portions of the Sam E. Hill School property, as shown on the attachments, be developed as a multiple million dollar multi-purpose recreation, art and education youth serving center for the children of Lonsdale and the greater Knoxville community dependent upon the development and approval by Knox County Commission of a memorandum of understanding (MOU) between the City of Knoxville and Knox County for said youth serving facility.

WHEREAS, The City of Knoxville and Knox County are requesting that the Knox County Board of Education declare surplus approximately one third (1/3) of the Sam E. Hill property as described in Attachment #1 (legal description), Attachment #2 (aerial view) and Attachment #3 (parcel subdivision “vicinity map”) for the sole purpose of developing the aforesaid multi-purpose recreation, art and education youth serving center for the children of Lonsdale and the greater Knoxville community.

WHEREAS, officials of The City of Knoxville and Knox County have publicly expressed support of the concept to the proposed multi-purpose recreation, art and education facility serving not only Lonsdale and the community but also Sam E. Hill School and its students during school hours. These benefits conceptually include improved and jointly used accessible parking, access to the facility’s gymnasium, improved infrastructure adjacent to the school and improved playground facilities.

WHEREAS, Should the City of Knoxville and Knox County not successfully execute an agreement that develops the declared surplus property as a multiple million dollar multi-purpose recreation, art and education youth serving center for the children of Lonsdale and the greater Knoxville community, then it is requested that Knox County return the property to the Knox County Board of Education for its continued use in furtherance of its mission, or for Knox County to utilize the space as a public park or similar community use.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF KNOX COUNTY:**

SECTION 1: As of June 7, 2017, the Board of Education of Knox County hereby declares as surplus approximately one third (1/3) of the Sam E. Hill property as described in Attachment #1 (legal description), Attachment #2 (aerial view) and Attachment #3 (parcel subdivision "vicinity map") for the purpose of developing a multiple million dollar multi-purpose recreation, art and education youth serving center for the children of Lonsdale and the greater Knoxville community.

SECTION 2: Should the City of Knoxville and Knox County not successfully execute an agreement to develop a multiple million dollar multi-purpose recreation, art and education youth serving center for the children of Lonsdale and the greater Knoxville community, then the Board requests Knox County in good faith return the property to the Knox County Board of Education for its continued use in furtherance of its mission, or for Knox County to utilize the space as a public park or similar community use.

SECTION 3: This Resolution shall take effect from and after its passage, the welfare of the Knox County School Board requiring it.



Chair, Knox County Board of Education

6/7/2017

Date

Approved by  
Knox County Board of Education

6/7/2017 

Received: County Clerk

Date