

**RESOLUTION 26-14 B**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF SPRING HILL, TENNESSEE, DIRECTING STAFF TO COORDINATE WITH THE CITY OF COLUMBIA TO PURSUE AN INTERLOCAL WASTEWATER AGREEMENT AND AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS FOR RELATED PLANNING, ENGINEERING, AND DUE DILIGENCE COSTS**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Spring Hill operates a municipal wastewater system subject to regulatory capacity constraints, including a Consent Order issued by the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation (TDEC); and

**WHEREAS**, current wastewater flows, committed allocations, and vested development projects substantially consume the City's available central wastewater treatment capacity, and the City does not anticipate the availability of additional central treatment capacity prior to approximately 2030; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Columbia is currently constructing a new wastewater treatment facility with substantial treatment capacity anticipated to be available upon completion; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Spring Hill has identified a potential opportunity to pursue an interlocal wastewater agreement with the City of Columbia that could provide interim regional treatment capacity through a metered connection to Columbia's system, subject to final terms, regulatory approvals, and cost feasibility; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board desires to authorize City staff to continue coordination with the City of Columbia to evaluate the feasibility of an interlocal wastewater agreement, without committing the City to final execution of any agreement absent future Board approval.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF SPRING HILL, TENNESSEE, THAT:**

**Section 1. Authorization to Pursue Interlocal Agreement**

City staff is hereby directed and authorized to coordinate with the City of Columbia to pursue, evaluate, and negotiate the potential framework of an interlocal wastewater agreement, including technical, operational, financial, and regulatory considerations.

**Section 2. Authorization of Related Expenditures**

The City Administrator and/or their designees are authorized to expend funds to cover all costs for planning, engineering, legal review, and other professional services reasonably necessary to evaluate and pursue the proposed interlocal wastewater agreement, subject to available appropriations and applicable purchasing requirements.

**Section 3. No Approval of Final Agreement**

Nothing in this Resolution shall be construed as approval of a final interlocal agreement, rate structure, capital commitment, or long-term operational obligation. Any final interlocal wastewater agreement shall be subject to separate review and approval by the Board of Mayor and Aldermen.

**Section 4. Effective Date**

This Resolution shall take effect from and after its adoption, the public welfare requiring it.

**Passed and adopted by the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Spring Hill, Tennessee on the 5<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2026.**

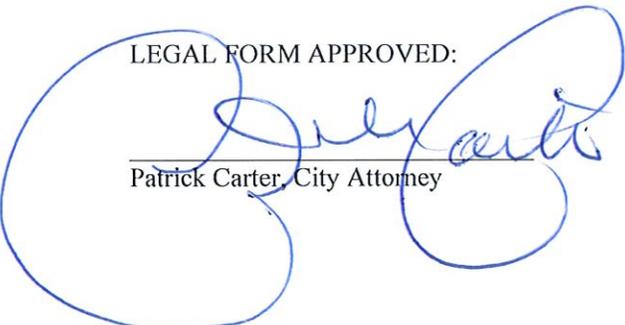


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Matt Fitterer, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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April Goad, City Recorder

LEGAL FORM APPROVED:

  
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Patrick Carter, City Attorney

## STAFF MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Board of Mayor and Aldermen  
**FROM:** Carter Napier, City Administrator  
**DATE:** December 31, 2025  
**SUBJECT:** Resolution 25-14-B, Interlocal Agreement with the City of Columbia

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**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends approval of the resolution directing staff to begin work with the City of Columbia to for a potential interlocal wastewater agreement and authorizing the expenditure of funds for related planning, engineering, legal, and due diligence costs. Approval of this resolution allows staff to continue necessary evaluation efforts without committing the City to a final agreement absent future Board approval.

**BACKGROUND & INFORMATION:**

The City of Spring Hill operates a municipal wastewater system that is currently subject to regulatory capacity constraints, including a Consent Order issued by the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation (TDEC). Existing wastewater flows, committed capacity allocations, and vested development projects substantially utilize the City's available central treatment capacity. As a result, the City does not anticipate additional central wastewater treatment capacity becoming available until approximately 2030.

The City of Columbia is presently constructing a new wastewater treatment facility that is expected to have significant excess treatment capacity upon completion. In light of Spring Hill's current capacity limitations, Staff has identified a potential opportunity to develop an interlocal wastewater agreement with the City of Columbia that could provide Spring Hill interim regional treatment capacity through a metered sewer connection to Columbia's system.

The proposed resolution authorizes staff to continue coordination with the City of Columbia to evaluate the technical, operational, financial, and regulatory feasibility of such an agreement. Most importantly however, the resolution does not approve or obligate the City to enter into a final interlocal agreement; any such agreement would require separate review and approval by the Board of Mayor and Aldermen in a future business meeting.



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**FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

Approval of this resolution authorizes the expenditure of funds for planning, engineering, legal review, and other due diligence necessary to evaluate the feasibility of a interlocal wastewater agreement with the City of Columbia. While these costs are not quantifiable at this time (over and above the costs identified in the associated Reimbursement Agreement), any expenditures will be subject to available appropriations, budget amendment procedures and applicable purchasing requirements. Approval of this resolution does not authorize final capital or long-term operational costs commitments, which would be addressed in future Board meetings should the project advance.

**SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:**

Resolution, Memo, (Interlocal Agreement to come)



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