



AGENDA

**McCRACKEN COUNTY FISCAL COURT MEETING
SEPTEMBER 9, 2026, 5:00 P.M., COURTROOM D
McCRACKEN COUNTY COURTHOUSE
300 CLARENCE GAINES STREET**

**CALL TO ORDER
ROLL CALL
PRAYER
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

I. CONSENT AGENDA

It is ordered to approve the Consent Agenda for September 9, 2026, McCracken County Fiscal Court.

II. BUDGET TRANSFERS

It is ordered that the necessary cash transfers, in the amount of \$_____ be made in order to pay County bills and payroll approved September 9, 2026.

III. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

It is ordered to approve the Voucher Claims Register from August 24, 2026, to September 9, 2026, to show County bills in the amount of \$_____ were paid.

IV. DISCUSSION

- A. Public Comment during Fiscal Court Meetings
- B. Public Hearing for Consideration of Cable Franchise Proposals
- C. Paducah Sports Park Update
- D. McCracken County Growth Plan

V. BOARD APPOINTMENT

- A. It is ordered that Lalia Biggs is appointed to the Sports Tourism Commission for a term ending August 26, 2029.

VI. COURT ORDERS

- A. It is ordered that the Judge Executive is authorized to sign the Interlocal Agreement for Acceptance and Administration of the Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Award. The grant is applied for and administered by the City of Paducah Police Department in cooperation with McCracken County.
- B. It is ordered that a Resolution be adopted approving the execution of a Rural Secondary Program between the KYTC and McCracken County to perform bituminous resurfacing in the amount of \$165,519 on the following County roads: Powers Road (CR 1138) from KY 131 to KY 787 and Redbud Road (CR 1140G) from Watson Road to the end of the road.
- C. It is ordered to pay the invoice dated August 11, 2026, to BFW for the Sports Complex Project, in the amount of \$6,219.17. This is pursuant to the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement dated September 7, 2022, between the City of Paducah, Kentucky, the County of McCracken County, Kentucky, and the Sports Tourism Commission. As per the Interlocal Agreement, the City of Paducah pays half of the invoice to McCracken County.
- D. It is ordered to pay the invoice dated August 30, 2026, to J. Smallwood Painting for the Sports Complex Project, in the amount of \$5,625.00. This is pursuant to the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement dated September 7, 2022, between the City of Paducah, Kentucky, the County of McCracken County, Kentucky, and the Sports Tourism Commission. As per the Interlocal Agreement, the City of Paducah pays half of the invoice to McCracken County.
- E. It is ordered to pay the invoice dated August 24, 2026, to Troutman Sign Graphics for the Sports Complex Project, in the amount of \$2,464.00. This is pursuant to the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement dated September 7, 2022, between the City of Paducah, Kentucky, the County of McCracken County, Kentucky, and the Sports Tourism Commission. As per the Interlocal Agreement, the City of Paducah pays half of the invoice to McCracken County.
- F. It is ordered to pay the invoice dated July 17, 2026, to Zebra Graphics for the Sports Complex Project, in the amount of \$7,690.79. This is pursuant to the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement dated September 7, 2022, between the City of Paducah, Kentucky, the County of McCracken County, Kentucky, and

the Sports Tourism Commission. As per the Interlocal Agreement, the City of Paducah pays half of the invoice to McCracken County.

- G. It is ordered to pay the invoice dated July 29, 2026, to M&M Fence and Gate for the Sports Complex Project, in the amount of \$18,552.80. This is pursuant to the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement dated September 7, 2022, between the City of Paducah, Kentucky, the County of McCracken County, Kentucky, and the Sports Tourism Commission. As per the Interlocal Agreement, the City of Paducah pays half of the invoice to McCracken County.
- H. It is ordered to pay the invoice dated August 18, 2026, to Greif Contracting for the Sports Complex Project, in the amount of \$23,800.00. This is pursuant to the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement dated September 7, 2022, between the City of Paducah, Kentucky, the County of McCracken County, Kentucky, and the Sports Tourism Commission. As per the Interlocal Agreement, the City of Paducah pays half of the invoice to McCracken County.
- I. It is ordered to pay the invoice dated July 16, 2026, to PlayPros for the Sports Complex Project, in the amount of \$142,874.00. This is pursuant to the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement dated September 7, 2022, between the City of Paducah, Kentucky, the County of McCracken County, Kentucky, and the Sports Tourism Commission. As per the Interlocal Agreement, the City of Paducah pays half of the invoice to McCracken County.
- J. It is ordered to pay the invoice dated June 27, 2026, to GameTime for the Sports Complex Project, in the amount of \$195,013.00. This is pursuant to the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement dated September 7, 2022, between the City of Paducah, Kentucky, the County of McCracken County, Kentucky, and the Sports Tourism Commission. As per the Interlocal Agreement, the City of Paducah pays half of the invoice to McCracken County.
- K. It is ordered that the following equipment previously used by McCracken County is declared as surplus to be sold at a future auction.

DESCRIPTION	SERIAL NUMBER
Kohler Power System Fast Response 60KW	351443
Kohler Power System 30 KW	2266524

- L. It is ordered to approve August 2026 Transient Room Tax in the amount of \$466,932.50 be disbursed as follows:

Paducah CVB -----	\$	136,722.72
Convention Center-----	\$	93,017.23
Sports Tourism Commission-----	\$	142,317.77
Escrow Fund-----	\$	94,874.78

M. It is ordered to pay the invoice dated September 3, 2026, to M&M Fence and Gate for the Sports Complex Project, in the amount of \$20,000.00. This is pursuant to the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement dated September 7, 2022, between the City of Paducah, Kentucky, the County of McCracken County, Kentucky, and the Sports Tourism Commission. As per the Interlocal Agreement, the City of Paducah pays half of the invoice to McCracken County.

N. It is ordered that the KRS 68.310 Exemption Request be approved by the fiscal court and submitted to the Department for Local Government for approval.

VII. RESOLUTION

COUNTY OF McCRACKEN

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-14

A Resolution Regarding the Application of Ritter for a Cable Franchise

WHEREAS, E. Ritter Communications, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company d/b/a Rightfiber (“Ritter”) requested that the County of McCracken, Kentucky (“County”) commence proceedings to consider the award of a cable franchise to Ritter; and

WHEREAS, Section 91.04 of the Code of Ordinances of the County adopts the non-exclusive franchise provisions as set forth in Ordinance No. 2021-14 (“Cable Ordinance”), which was passed by the County on September 27, 2021; and

WHEREAS, federal law at 47 U.S.C. Section 541(a) provides that a franchising authority “may not unreasonably refuse to award an additional competitive franchise;” and

WHEREAS, the County followed the franchise procedure required by Section 12 of the Cable Ordinance by preparing a request for proposal (“RFP”) containing each of the items identified in such Section 12; and

WHEREAS, the County’s RFP required that proposals for a cable franchise contain responses to each of the items identified in Section 12 of the Cable Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the County’s opening date for submission of applications was set for July 27, 2026, and the deadline for submission of applications was set for August 17, 2026; and

WHEREAS, on August 17, 2026, the County received an application from Ritter dated August 14, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the County followed the franchise procedure required by Section 12(2)(g) of the Cable Ordinance by publishing a Notice of Public Hearing (“Notice”) in a local newspaper of general circulation on August 11, 2026, at least twenty (20) days before the date of the public hearing; and

WHEREAS, following publication of the Notice, the County held a public hearing to consider the application received from Ritter at its regularly scheduled County Commissioner meeting on September 9, 2026; and

WHEREAS, all interested parties were provided an opportunity to speak to the County Commissioners and to present information regarding Ritter’s application; and

WHEREAS, the County carefully reviewed all information and documentation presented to it regarding Ritter’s application and qualifications to operate a competing cable system within the County; and

WHEREAS, based on information and documentation made available to the County with respect to Ritter’s application, the County Commissioners have reached conclusions regarding Ritter’s legal, technical and financial qualifications to construct and operate a cable communications system to provide cable service within the County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Commissioners of McCracken County as follows:

1. The above recitals are hereby adopted.
2. The County hereby finds that Ritter’s application received on August 17, 2026, complies with the requirements of Section 12 of the Cable Ordinance.
3. The County finds that Ritter possesses the requisite legal, technical and financial qualifications to construct and operate a cable communications system to provide cable service within the County.
4. The County finds that its actions are appropriate and reasonable in light of the mandates contained in Section 12 of the Cable Ordinance, and applicable provisions of federal law including 47 U.S.C. Section 541(a).

Adopted by the County Commissioners of the County of McCracken, Kentucky this 9th day of September, 2026.

VIII. ORDINANCE

A. 1st Reading: Ordinance 2026-14

**Commonwealth of Kentucky
McCracken County Fiscal Court
ORDINANCE NO. 2026-14**

AN ORDINANCE GRANTING A NON-EXCLUSIVE FRANCHISE TO E. RITTER COMMUNICATIONS, LLC TO OPERATE AND MAINTAIN A CABLE SYSTEM WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE COUNTY OF McCRACKEN, KENTUCKY, PURSUANT TO THE TERMS AND PROVISIONS OF McCRACKEN COUNTY ORDINANCE NO. 2021-14, AND APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY JUDGE EXECUTIVE TO EXECUTE THE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF McCRACKEN, KENTUCKY, AND E. RITTER COMMUNICATIONS, LLC

Summary: The present Ordinance authorizes the Judge Executive to execute the Cable Franchise Agreement between the County and Ritter Communications. The Franchise Agreement extends to Ritter Communications the right to construct, operate, maintain, and extend a Cable System to all places within the County in accordance with the provisions set forth in the Franchise Agreement. Further, the Franchise Agreement requires Ritter Communications to pay a franchise fee in the amount of 5% of its annual gross revenues from the defined Service Area to the County.

Certification: It is hereby certified by the McCracken County Fiscal Court that the present summary represents an accurate official statement of the main points of and contents of Ordinance No. 2026 –14.

Public Inspection: Ordinance No. 2026 – 14 shall be available for public inspection in its whole and complete form in the McCracken County Judge Executive’s Office during ordinary business hours.

B. 1st Reading: Ordinance 2026-15

**Commonwealth of Kentucky
McCracken County Fiscal Court
Ordinance No. 2026-15**

An Ordinance amending McCracken County Ordinance No. 2026-06 by making revisions to the proposed Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Operating Budget

by modifications in receipts from Bond Sale Proceeds in strict compliance with the mandates of Kentucky Revised Statutes Chapter 68.

Summary: The present Ordinance makes revisions to Ordinance 2026-06, McCracken County Proposed Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Operating Budget, pertaining to a modification in receipts from Bond Sale Proceeds.

Certification: It is hereby certified by the McCracken County Fiscal Court that the present summary represents an accurate official statement of the main points of and contents of Ordinance No. 2026-15.

Public Inspection: Ordinance No. 2026-15 shall be available for public inspection in its whole and complete form in the McCracken County Judge Executive's Office during ordinary business hours.

C. 1st Reading : Ordinance 2026-16

**COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
MCCRACKEN COUNTY FISCAL COURT
ORDINANCE NO. 2026 – 16**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING MCCRACKEN COUNTY
ORDINANCE 2026-07 BY SETTING FORTH AN UPDATED
SALARY AND CLASSIFICATION TABLE FOR THE
MCCRACKEN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE TO REFLECT
INCREASED PAY FOR CERTAIN IDENTIFIED SHIFTS AND
FOR AN ADDITIONAL SERGEANT POSITION.**

Summary: The present Ordinance revises McCracken County Ordinance 2026-07 by repealing and replacing the existing Salary and Classification Table with an updated Salary and Classification Table. The updated Table includes pay increases for two positions of the afternoon shift and two positions of the evening shift. Further, the Authorized Positions portion of the Table is modified to reflect an additional Sergeant position and remove a Road Deputy position.

Certification: It is hereby certified by the McCracken County Fiscal Court that the present summary represents an accurate official statement of the main points of and contents of Ordinance No. 2026 – 16.

Public Inspection: Ordinance No. 2026 – 16 shall be available for public inspection in its whole and complete form in the McCracken County Judge Executive's Office during ordinary business hours.

IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION

X. ADJOURNMENT