

State of Tennessee
Cheatham County

RESOLUTION NO. 2018-02

**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF ASHLAND CITY, TENNESSEE
ESTABLISHING A POLICY WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AND
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FOR THE BROADBAND READY
COMMUNITY PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, The Town of Ashland City appoints the Building Codes Officer as the designee to manage all matters related to the project; and

WHEREAS, the designee will review and either approve or deny submitted applications within thirty business days after submission; and

WHEREAS, the designee is authorized to electronically sign all forms, applications, and documentation related to the project whenever possible.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF ASHLAND CITY, TENNESSEE that the Broadband Ready Community Program Policy is hereby adopted.

We, the undersigned City Council members, meeting in Regular Session on this 9th day of January, 2018 move the adoption of the above Resolution.

Councilmember  moved to adopt the Resolution.

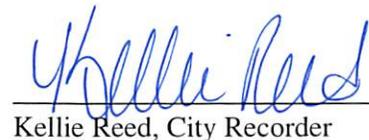
Councilmember  seconded the motion.

Voting in Favor 6

Voting Against 0

Attest:


Richard Johnson, Mayor


Kellie Reed, City Recorder



TOWN of ASHLAND CITY, TENNESSEE
101 Court Street
Ashland City, TN 37015

TO: Commissioner Bob Rolfe
TN Department of Economic and Community Development
312 Rosa L. Parks Blvd
Nashville, TN 37243

December 1, 2017

Dear Commissioner Rolfe,

I am writing to inform you of the Town of Ashland City's intent to be a Broadband Ready Community under the Tennessee Broadband Accessibility Act of 2017.

This means that the Town of Ashland City will commit to a policy of:

- A single point of contact for all matters related to a broadband project;
- All applications related to a broadband project will be reviewed and either approved or denied within thirty (30) business days after the application is submitted; and
- An authorization that all forms, applications, and documentation related to a project may be signed by electronic means, where possible.

Moreover, we can commit that the Town of Ashland City will not:

- Require an applicant to designate a final contractor to complete a project;
- Impose an unreasonable fee for reviewing an application or issuing a permit for a project;
- Impose a seasonal moratorium on the issuance of permits for projects;
- Discriminate among communications services providers or utilities with respect to any action related to a broadband project, including granting access to public rights-of-way, infrastructure and poles, and any other physical assets owned or controlled by the political subdivision.

Thank you for what your department is doing to extend broadband service in the state of Tennessee. It is our hope the Tennessee Broadband Accessibility Act will continue to improve connectivity in rural areas of our state for many years to come.

Signed,

Mayor, Ashland City