



**HEALTH FACILITIES COMMISSION
CERTIFICATE OF NEED
MEETING MINUTES
September 25, 2024**

LOCATION: William Snodgrass Tennessee Tower, The Nashville Hearing Room, 3rd Floor, 312 Rosa L Parks Avenue, Nashville, TN 37203

COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT

Rick Chinn, Chairman
Melanie Keller, Vice-Chairman
James Wright
Barbara Brennan
Lauren Legate
Jeremy Biggs
Johnny Lai, Designee for TennCare
Nicole Sweitzer, Designee for Comptroller

COMMISSION MEMBERS ABSENT

Tim Evans

COMMISSION STAFF PRESENT

Logan Grant, Executive Director
Phillip Earhart, Deputy Director
Jim Christoffersen, General Counsel
Alecia Craighead, Data and Analysis Administrator
Lowavia Eden-Hoback, Office and Resource Manager
Thomas Pitt, HFC Examiner
Ann R. Reed, Deputy Director of Licensure & Regulation
Joel Clinton, Statistical Research Specialist

COURT REPORTER

April Daniel

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Mr. Logan Grant with the following members present: Sweitzer, Keller, Wright, Brennan, Legate, Biggs, Lai, and Chinn. A quorum was established with eight members present.

DIRECTOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The October 23, 2024, meeting will be held at 665 Mainstream Drive, Iris Room, Nashville TN.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Chinn presented the June 24, 2024, minutes for approval.

Ms. Sweitzer moved for approval with Mr. Brennan providing the second.

The motion CARRIED [8-0-0] unanimously by voice vote. **APPROVED**

CERTIFICATE OF NEED APPLICATIONS

PC 557 eliminated TCA § 68-11-1616, which had provided that “each decision rendered by the Health Facilities Commission shall include written documentation and explanation of the factual and legal basis upon which the commission grants or denies the Certificate of Need.” PC 557 only requires this for applications that are denied.

Therefore, for applications filed on or after the effective date of the relevant portions of PC 557 (10/1/2021), a simple motion to approve an application will suffice, and a motion to deny must include an explanation of the factual and legal basis as to why one or more of the criteria have not been met.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Hitchcock Direct Imaging, Hixson (Hamilton County), TN – CN2407-018

Request: For the establishment of an outpatient diagnostic center (ODC) through the conversion of its existing physician office-based imaging center. The proposed ODC will offer CT, ultrasound, and X-ray imaging. It will be licensed as an outpatient diagnostic center by the Board for Licensing Health Care Facilities, Tennessee Health Facilities Commission. The address of the project will be 5104 Hixson Pike, Hixson, (Hamilton County) Tennessee, 37343. The service area for the project is Hamilton County, Tennessee. The applicant is owned by Dr. Matthew Hitchcock, M.D. Estimated project cost: \$1,337,260.

Speaking on behalf of the applicant was Jerry Taylor.

Mr. Keller moved for approval with Mr. Biggs providing the second.

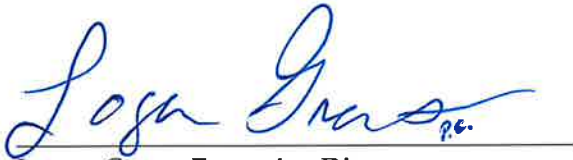
Seven members voted to approve the application— Sweitzer, Lai, Keller, Wright, Brennan, Legate, and Biggs. The motion CARRIED [7-0-0].

GENERAL COUNSEL REPORT

OTHER BUSINESS - Not Applicable

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Logan Grant" with a small "p.c." written below the name. The signature is written over a horizontal line.

Logan Grant, Executive Director

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