Council Member _____ made a motion to approve the following resolution. A vote of ___.

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING TOWN STAFF TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION FOR THE FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (FEMA) BUILDING RESILIENT INFRASTRUCTURE AND COMMUNITIES (BRIC) GRANT PROGRAM FOR A REPLACEMENT PUBLIC SAFETY FACILITY

RESOLUTION NO. R-26-54

WHEREAS, Tropical Storm Helene caused extensive damage to the Town of Black Mountain Public Safety Building; and

WHEREAS, the Town is currently appealing the denial determination from FEMA Public Assistance for the building; and

WHEREAS, even if successful, FEMA PA funding will not cover the majority of funding needed to adequately repair or replace the current facility; and

WHEREAS, the State has donated property on North Fork Road to the Town restricted to public safety uses; and

WHEREAS, the Land of Sky Regional Council has offered to assist the Town of Black Mountain with this application; and

WHEREAS, the BRIC program requires local and State matching funds (25% of total project costs – estimated to be approximately $5M), which the Town intends to be sourced from a combination of the value of the parcel proposed as the intended site, NC OSBM grant funding, future departmental allocations, fund balance in the Helene Recovery Fund, and any other appropriate state funding; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council wishes to pursue a formal application to cover costs associated with engineering, construction, site preparation, and other activities associated with constructing a replacement facility for Town of Black Mountain Public Safety services;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF BLACK MOUNTAIN:

1. That Land of Sky on behalf of the Town of Black Mountain is authorized to develop and submit a formal application to the FEMA BRIC program for funding a replacement public safety facility.
2. That the Town Manager (or designee) is authorized to execute and file the application, including all assurances and agreements required, on behalf of the Town of Black Mountain.

This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

Approved this the 9th day of July 2026.

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C. Michael Sobol, Mayor

Attest:

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Wesley M. Barker, Town Clerk