

**AMENDMENT TO THE UNION COUNTY PROPERTY ACQUISITION POLICY
AND PROCEDURES
(January 12, 2026)**

1. Amend the Section entitled “**Coverage:**” by inserting the following at the end of this Section:

However, notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the authority and process for the express acceptance of dedicated easements shall be as set forth in the section of this document entitled “Acceptance of Dedicated Easements.”

2. Add a new Section entitled “**Acceptance of Dedicated Easements:**” at the end of the document, which shall read as follows:

Acceptance of Dedicated Easements: This section sets forth the authority and process for express acceptance of dedicated easements. Dedicated easements may be dedicated by plat to Union County or Union County Water (or other similar verbiage indicating use by Union County); dedicated for sewer, sanitary sewer, water, or other similar uses; dedicated generally to public use; or dedicated with similar verbiage indicating use by a local government entity. The use of easements dedicated for use is deemed approved by the Board of Commissioners upon acceptance of such easements as described in this section, for entering upon the land for purposes of excavating, constructing, installing, inspecting, maintaining, repairing, replacing, improving, altering, and operating in, upon, across, under and through the land all water and sewer utilities together with the right to install taps and appliances and other apparatus pertaining to constructing and maintaining said utilities. Such use is approved as in the public interest.

The County Manager is hereby granted the authority to expressly accept easements by dedication as described above for such uses through the execution of a written instrument accepting such dedicated easements. This authority includes the power to accept such easements dedicated prior to the date of this section being adopted, as well as prospectively for any such easements dedicated after the date of this section being adopted. The County Manager is also granted the power to delegate such authority to the Deputy County Manager, an Assistant County Manager, the Water Administrator, or a Department

Director. A written instrument accepting dedicated easements may be recorded in the office of the Union County Register of Deeds.