

## HAMILTON COUNTY, TENNESSEE

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## Statement from Hamilton County Mayor Weston Wamp on Erlanger Naming Rights for New Lookouts Stadium

**HAMILTON COUNTY, TN (May 23, 2025)** — "When the County supported Erlanger's transition to a nonprofit hospital, we didn't envision multimillion dollar deals for stadium naming rights. I am very supportive of Erlanger Hospital and its current leadership, but at a time of severe nursing shortages and quality of care concerns, this decision is hard to explain.

As feared, it appears the stadium will be a drain on our community's resources for years to come. Before I was elected, the Lookouts convinced city leaders to give the team all revenue from naming rights on this publicly owned facility. Now, in a sad twist, our local safety net hospital will be footing the bill for the Lookouts \$1 million annual lease payment."