

# LEGISLATIVE TRACKING FORM

Filing for Council Meeting Date: 03/03/26

Resolution  Ordinance

Contact/Prepared By: Andrea Blackman

Date Prepared: 01/30/26

Title (Caption): A resolution approving amendment one to the Southern Cities Economic Initiative grant memorandum of understanding (MOU)

from the National League of Cities to the Metropolitan Government, Amendment 1 will extend the period from 10/31/25 to 6/30/26 and update the budget.

Submitted to Planning Commission?  N/A  Yes-Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Proposal No: \_\_\_\_\_

Proposing Department: Finance Requested By: Finance - Office of Impact

Affected Department(s): Finance Affected Council District(s): \_\_\_\_\_

**Legislative Category (check one):**

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|---|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bonds                | <input type="checkbox"/> Contract Approval           | <input type="checkbox"/> Intergovernmental Agreement   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Budget - Pay Plan    | <input type="checkbox"/> Donation                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Lease                         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Budget - 4%          | <input type="checkbox"/> Easement Abandonment        | <input type="checkbox"/> Maps                          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Capital Improvements | <input type="checkbox"/> Easement Accept/Acquisition | <input type="checkbox"/> Master List A&E               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Capital Outlay Notes | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grant            | <input type="checkbox"/> Settlement of Claims/Lawsuits |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Code Amendment       | <input type="checkbox"/> Grant Application           | <input type="checkbox"/> Street/Highway Improvements   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Condemnation         | <input type="checkbox"/> Improvement Acc.            | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____                  |

<b>FINANCE</b> Amount +/-: \$ <u>\$ 0.00</u> <b>Funding Source:</b> Capital Improvement Budget Capital Outlay Notes Departmental/Agency Budget Funds to Metro General Obligation Bonds Grant Increased Revenue Sources	<b>Match:</b> \$ <u>\$ 0.00</u> Judgments and Losses Local Government Investment Project Revenue Bonds Self-Insured Liability Solid Waste Reserve Unappropriated Fund Balance 4% Fund Other: _____ Date to Finance Director's Office: _____ <b>APPROVED BY</b> <b>FINANCE DIRECTOR'S OFFICE:</b> _____
Approved by OMB: <u>Aaron Pratt</u> <i>kh</i> Approved by Finance/Accounts: _____ Approved by Div Grants Coordination: <u>Juanita Paulsen</u>	

**ADMINISTRATION**

Council District Member Sponsors: \_\_\_\_\_

Council Committee Chair Sponsors: \_\_\_\_\_

Approved by Administration: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**DEPARTMENT OF LAW** Date to Dept. of Law: \_\_\_\_\_ Approved by Department of Law: \_\_\_\_\_

**Settlement Resolution/Memorandum Approved by:** \_\_\_\_\_

Date to Council: \_\_\_\_\_ For Council Meeting: \_\_\_\_\_  E-mailed Clerk

All Dept. Signatures  Copies  Backing  Legislative Summary  Settlement Memo  Clerk Letter  Ready to File

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## GRANT SUMMARY SHEET

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**Grant Name:** Southern Cities Economic Initiative 26 Amend. 1

**Department:** FINANCE DEPARTMENT

**Grantor:** National League of Cities Institute

**Pass-Through Grantor  
(If applicable):**

**Total Award this Action:** \$0.00

**Cash Match Amount** \$0.00

**Department Contact:** Michelle Boudreaux  
862-6161

**Status:** AMENDMENT

**Program Description:**

In partnership with the Metro Finance Department's Business Assistance Office, the Office of Impact will utilize the SCEI grant funds and technical assistance to develop an engagement strategy aimed at increasing the number of small businesses registered to do business with Metro Government. The goal of this engagement strategy is to enhance outreach to small business owners, streamline the business registration process, and foster stronger relationships between Metro Government and small business owners. These efforts align with the broader goals of the Mayor's Office in advancing economic inclusion and resilience. Amendment 1 will change the grant budget year date from 10/31/2025 to 6/30/2026 and update the budget plan.

**Plan for continuation of services upon grant expiration:**

After the expiration of grant funding in 2025, the Office of Impact will not seek additional funding from Metro. If more funding is required, the Office will engage outside grant funding opportunities again.

### Grants Tracking Form

Part One

<b>Pre-Application</b> <input type="radio"/>		<b>Application</b> <input type="radio"/>		<b>Award Acceptance</b> <input type="radio"/>		<b>Contract Amendment</b> <input checked="" type="radio"/>	
Department	Dept. No.	Contact			Phone	Fax	
FINANCE DEPARTMENT ▼	015	Michelle Boudreaux			862-6161		
<b>Grant Name:</b>		Southern Cities Economic Initiative 26 Amend. 1					
<b>Grantor:</b>		National League of Cities Institute			<b>Other:</b>		
<b>Grant Period From:</b>		04/24/25	(applications only) <b>Anticipated Application Date:</b>				
<b>Grant Period To:</b>		06/30/26	(applications only) <b>Application Deadline:</b>				
<b>Funding Type:</b>		FOUNDATION ▼	<b>Multi-Department Grant</b> <input type="checkbox"/> → <b>If yes, list below.</b>				
<b>Pass-Thru:</b>			<b>Outside Consultant Project:</b> <input type="checkbox"/>				
<b>Award Type:</b>		COMPETITIVE ▼	<b>Total Award:</b>		\$0.00		
<b>Status:</b>		AMENDMENT ▼	<b>Metro Cash Match:</b>		\$0.00		
<b>Metro Category:</b>		Est. Prior. ▼	<b>Metro In-Kind Match:</b>		\$0.00		
<b>CFDA #</b>		N/A	<b>Is Council approval required?</b>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
<b>Project Description:</b>		<b>Applic. Submitted Electronically?</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>					
<p>In partnership with the Metro Finance Department's Business Assistance Office, the Office of Impact will utilize the SCEI grant funds and technical assistance to develop an engagement strategy aimed at increasing the number of small businesses registered to do business with Metro Government. The goal of this engagement strategy is to enhance outreach to small business owners, streamline the business registration process, and foster stronger relationships between Metro Government and small business owners. These efforts align with the broader goals of the Mayor's Office in advancing economic inclusion and resilience. <b>Amendment 1 will change the grant budget year date from 10/31/2025 to 6/30/2026 and update the budget plan.</b></p>							
<b>Plan for continuation of service after expiration of grant/Budgetary Impact:</b>							
After the expiration of grant funding in 2025, the Office of Impact will not seek additional funding from Metro. If more funding is required, the Office will engage outside grant funding opportunities again.							
<b>How is Match Determined?</b>							
<b>Fixed Amount of \$</b>			or	<b>% of Grant</b>		<b>Other:</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>Explanation for "Other" means of determining match:</b>							
<b>For this Metro FY, how much of the required local Metro cash match:</b>							
<b>Is already in department budget?</b>				<b>Fund</b>	<b>Business Unit</b>		
<b>Is not budgeted?</b>				<b>Proposed Source of Match:</b>			
<b>(Indicate Match Amount &amp; Source for Remaining Grant Years in Budget Below)</b>							
<b>Other:</b>							
<b>Number of FTEs the grant will fund:</b>		0.00	<b>Actual number of positions added:</b>		0.00		
<b>Departmental Indirect Cost Rate</b>		5.30%	<b>Indirect Cost of Grant to Metro:</b>		\$795.00		
<b>*Indirect Costs allowed?</b> <input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No		<b>% Allow.</b>	0.00%	<b>Ind. Cost Requested from Grantor:</b>		\$0.00 <b>in budget</b>	
<b>*(If "No", please attach documentation from the grantor that indirect costs are not allowable. See Instructions)</b>							
<b>Draw down allowable?</b> <input type="checkbox"/>							
<b>Metro or Community-based Partners:</b>							
Metro Partners: Finance Department and Mayor's Office Community Partners: Boomin' University, Conexión Américas, and Creating an Environment of Success							

Part Two

Grant Budget										
Budget Year	Metro Fiscal Year	Federal Grantor	State Grantor	Other Grantor	Local Match Cash	Match Source (Fund, BU)	Local Match In-Kind	Total Grant Each Year	Indirect Cost to Metro	Ind. Cost Neg. from Grantor
Yr 1	FY26			\$15,000.00				\$15,000.00	\$795.00	\$0.00
Yr 2	FY__									
Yr 3	FY__									
Yr 4	FY__									
Yr 5	FY__									
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$15,000.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>		<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$15,000.00</b>	<b>\$795.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
<b>Date Awarded:</b>				02/03/26	<b>Tot. Awarded:</b>		\$0.00	<b>Contract#:</b>		
<b>(or) Date Denied:</b>					<b>Reason:</b>					
<b>(or) Date Withdrawn:</b>					<b>Reason:</b>					

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GCP Received 2/3/26



GCP Approved 2/3/26

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

A resolution approving amendment one to a grant memorandum of understanding (MOU) from the National League of Cities to the Metropolitan Government, acting by and through the Metropolitan Finance Department, to participate in the Southern Cities Economic Initiative (SCEI) to design and execute local economic strategies that boost economic mobility and resilience for residents and small businesses.

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Government, acting by and through the Metropolitan Finance Department, previously entered into a grant agreement with the National League of Cities to participate in the Southern Cities Economic Initiative (SCEI) to design and execute local economic strategies that boost economic mobility and resilience for residents and small businesses approved by RS2025-1383; and,

WHEREAS, the parties wish to amend the grant agreement to extend the grant period to June 30, 2026, and update the Planning Phase Budget, a copy of which amendment one is attached hereto; and,

WHEREAS, it is to the benefit of the citizens of The Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County that amendment one to the grant MOU be approved.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE METROPOLITAN GOVERNMENT OF NASHVILLE AND DAVIDSON COUNTY:

Section 1. That amendment one to the grant MOU by and between the National League of Cities and the Metropolitan Government, acting by and through the Metropolitan Finance Department, to participate in the Southern Cities Economic Initiative (SCEI) to design and execute local economic strategies that boost economic mobility and resilience for residents and small businesses, a copy of which amendment one is attached hereto and incorporated herein, is hereby approved, and the Metropolitan Mayor is authorized to execute the same.

Section 2. That this resolution shall take effect from and after its adoption, the welfare of The Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County requiring it.

APPROVED AS TO AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS:

Jenneen Reed/mjw  
Jenneen Reed, Director  
Finance Department

INTRODUCED BY:

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APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:

Courtney Mohan  
Assistant Metropolitan Attorney

\_\_\_\_\_ Member(s) of Council



January 30, 2026

Andrea Blackman  
Chief Impact Officer  
Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County  
Department of Finance  
Nashville, TN 37219

Dear Ms. Blackman

The National League of Cities approves the City of Nashville's request to extend the grant period to June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2026. The grant funds are to be used in the spirit of the original grant agreement for the *Southern Cities Economic Initiative (SCEI)* and deployed as outlined in the attached planning phase budget.

We appreciate any efforts made to use these funds to design and execute local strategies that boost economic mobility and resilience for residents and businesses. Please do not hesitate to reach out to us with any questions.

Best of luck and please stay in touch!

Heidi Goldberg

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Heidi Goldberg'. The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Senior Director, Economic Opportunity and Workforce  
Center for Municipal Strategies and Programs

Cc: Denise Belser

**SIGNATURE PAGE  
FOR  
GRANT NO. Southern Cities Economic Initiative Amend 1**

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have by their duly authorized representatives set their signatures.

**METROPOLITAN GOVERNMENT OF  
NASHVILLE AND DAVIDSON COUNTY**

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Finance Department

2/3/2026  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**APPROVED AS TO AVAILABILITY  
OF FUNDS:**

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Director of Finance Date  
Department of Finance

2/13/2026 | 3:21 PM CST  
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**APPROVED AS TO RISK AND INSURANCE:**

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Director of Insurance

2/17/2026 | 7:30 AM CST  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**APPROVED AS TO FORM AND  
LEGALITY:**

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Metropolitan Attorney

2/17/2026 | 7:23 AM CST  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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Freddie O' Connell  
Metropolitan Mayor

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**ATTEST:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Metropolitan Clerk

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

<b>NLC's Southern Cities Economic Inclusion (SCEI) Initiative</b>		
<b>Planning Phase Budget</b>		
<b>City: Nashville</b>	<b>State: Tennessee</b>	
<b>PLANNING PHASE GRANT BUDGET</b>	<b>2025 original plan</b>	<b>2026 updated plan</b>
<b>1. PERSONNEL (CONSULTANT ONLY)</b>	\$ 9,500.00	\$ 10,000.00
Salary	\$ -	\$ -
Fringe	\$ -	\$ -
<b>Total Personnel Costs:</b>	\$ 9,500.00	\$ 10,000.00
<b>2. PROGRAM COSTS</b>	\$ -	\$ -
Office Equipment & Computers	\$ -	\$ -
Data Collection	\$ -	\$ -
Technology	\$ 1,500.00	
Marketing & Outreach	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,000.00
Materials & Supplies	\$ -	\$ 500.00
Printing & Postage	\$ 500.00	
Travel (project related)	\$ -	\$ -
Travel (NLC convenings)	\$ -	\$ -
Training	\$ -	\$ -
Subcontract to Partner Organization	\$ -	\$ -
Consultant Fee	\$ -	\$ -
Food	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
Meeting costs	\$ -	\$ 1,500.00
Conference Speakers & Facilitators	\$ -	\$ -
Other (please specify)	\$ -	\$ -
Initiative implementation costs	\$ -	\$ -
OEV Contribution	\$ -	\$ -
<b>TOTAL ANTICIPATED EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$ 15,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 15,000.00</b>