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Metropolitan Council

**Rules of Procedure** 

Amendment to Rules of Procedure, Rule 12

# <u>Analysis</u>

Rule 12

I.

**I1**.

This proposed rule amendment would amend Rule 12 of the Council Rules of Procedure, which provides for rules regarding honorary resolutions and presentations. The proposed rule amendment would remove the authorization to file resolutions concerning honorary, memorializing, observance, or congratulatory matters for Council consideration. Rather, honorary, memorializing, observance, or congratulatory matters could only be recognized by proclamation.

Council members would retain the authority to file one nonbinding resolution per meeting. The rule amendment defines "nonbinding resolution" to mean resolutions, such as those requesting information or action by departments, agencies, boards, or commissions or other similar nonbinding resolutions; as well as, resolutions that support or oppose legislation pending before the Tennessee General Assembly or the United States Congress.

**Sponsors:** Johnston, Horton, Weiner, Evans, Hancock, Druffel, Huffman, Webb, Spain,

Rutherford, Allen, Benton, Eslick, Gregg and Kupin

# J. Resolutions on Public Hearing

# 1. <u>RS2025-1591</u>

A resolution exempting Gordo's Taqueria, located at 515 B Merritt Avenue from the minimum distance requirements for obtaining a beer permit pursuant to Section 7.08.090.E of the Metropolitan Code.

### <u>Analysis</u>

This resolution approves an exemption from the minimum distance requirements for obtaining a beer permit for Gordo's Taqueria, located at 515 B Merritt Avenue.

The Metropolitan Code of Laws prevents a beer permit from being issued to any establishment located within 100 feet of a religious institution, school, park, daycare, or one- or two-family residence. However, several exceptions exist to the distance requirements. For example,

facilities within the Urban Service District separated from these protected establishments by state or federal four-lane highways are exempt, as are retailer on-sale beer permit holders in MUL districts and events catered by holders of caterers' permits.

This exemption is requested because the business is located within 100 feet of a single-family residence.

Additionally, the Code provides a mechanism to exempt (a) restaurants or (b) any retail food store from Metro's minimum distance requirements, allowing such facilities to obtain beer permits upon the adoption of a resolution by the Council. Restaurants are no longer required to have state on-premises liquor consumption licenses in order to obtain such exemption.

A public hearing must be held by the Council prior to voting on resolutions brought under Section 7.08.090(E).

Bills on Public Hearing

**Sponsors**: Vo

# 2. BL2025-1005

K.

An ordinance to amend Title 17 of the Metropolitan Code of Laws, the Zoning Ordinance of the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County, relative to the creation of two new zoning districts called "Residential Neighborhood" (RN) and "Residential Limited" (RL), all of which is more particularly described herein (Proposal No. 2025Z-009TX-001).

#### Analysis

This ordinance amends Title 17 of the Metropolitan Code to create two new zoning district groups, Residential Neighborhood (RN) and Residential Limited (RL) and five new zoning districts in total. Within the RN group, the ordinance proposes creating the RN.1 and RN.2 zoning districts. Within the RL group, the ordinance proposes creating the RL.1, RL.2, and RL.3 zoning districts. The purpose of these new zoning district groups is to allow additional forms of residential development with standards and regulations to ensure that they are not detrimental to adjacent or nearby parcels zoned single family (RS) or two-family (R). The ordinance also makes additional changes to Title 17 to facilitate the new zoning districts, including defining "Story, half" and adding new residential uses to the land use table.

The ordinance defines "Story, half" as a conditioned space that rests primarily underneath the slope of the roof, usually having dormer windows. The half story is identified by the ".5" in the description of maximum height (Example: 2.5). This space shall be considered a full story when its top wall plates, on at least two opposite exterior walls, are greater than four feet above the floor of such story.

The ordinance proposes adding the following residential uses to the land use table, including townhouse, house court, townhouse court, plex house, manor house, multiplex, courtyard flats, and low-rise flats.

• "Townhouse" is defined as a small-to-large-sized, typically attached, building with a rear

yard that consists of at least three Townhouses placed side-by-side. Each Townhouse consists of one unit.

- "House court" is defined as a group of small, detached buildings arranged to define a shared court that is typically perpendicular to the street.
- "Townhouse court" is defined as a group of attached buildings arranged to define a shared court that is typically perpendicular to the street.
- "Plex house" is defined as a medium-sized detached building that consists of three to six side-by-side and/or stacked units, typically with one shared entry at the front and/or individual entries along the front or side.
- "Manor house" is defined as a medium-sized detached building that consists of six to ten side-by-side and/or stacked units, typically with one shared entry and sometimes secondary individual entries at the front or side.
- "Multiplex" is defined as a large-sized detached building that consists of 10 to 20 side-by-side and/or stacked units, typically with one shared entry and sometimes secondary individual entries at the front or side.
- "Courtyard flats" is defined as a building that consists of 10 to 20 side-by-side and/ or stacked units, accessed from one or more shared courtyards.
- "Low-rise flats" is defined as a large-scale building that may be attached or detached from adjacent buildings.

These new residential uses are only permitted in the RN and RL zoning districts. Currently, all these proposed residential uses fall under the multi-family use, which is defined as three or more dwelling units on a single lot or parcel of land. The ordinance does not propose to remove or alter the multi-family use.

The RN districts proposed by the ordinance allow for the single-family, two-family, townhouse, house court, townhouse court, plex house, and manor house uses along with additional uses similar to what is allowed in the RM2-RM20-A-NS zoning districts. The RN.1 district has a minimum lot size of 6,000 square feet, a maximum height of 2.5 stories, and bulk regulations that generally align with a suburban setting. The RN.2 district has a minimum lot size of 5,000 square feet, a maximum height of three stories, and bulk regulations that generally align with an urban setting.

The RL districts proposed by the ordinance allow for single-family, two-family, townhouse, house court, townhouse court, plex house, manor house, multiplex, courtyard flats, and low-rise flats uses along with additional uses similar to what is allowed in the RM2-RM20-A-NS zoning districts. The RL.1 district has a minimum lot size of 5,000 square feet, a maximum height of 2.5 stories, and bulk regulations that generally align with a suburban setting. The RL.2 district has a minimum lot size of 5,000 square feet, a maximum height of three stories, and bulk regulations that generally align with a moderate density urban setting. The RL.3 district has a minimum lot size of 5,000 square feet, a maximum height of four stories, and bulk regulations that generally align with a high density urban setting. Additionally, the RL zoning districts allow for eligibility for the Voluntary Attainable Housing Incentive proposed by BL2025-1008 for the townhouse, townhouse court, plex house, manor house, multiplex, courtyard flats, and low-rise flats (in R.3 only) uses. Note that Council deferred the second

reading of BL2025-1008 to November 4, 2025.

This ordinance does not apply the RN or RL zoning districts to any parcels; it only establishes the districts within the code that can then be utilized. The application of the zoning districts to any parcel would require the standard rezoning process be completed, including an application submitted to the Planning Department, a Planning Commission hearing, and three readings at the Metropolitan Council including a public hearing on second reading.

This item was approved with a substitute ordinance by the Planning Commission (8-0-1) at their September 25, 2025, meeting.

**Sponsors:** Gamble, Parker, Benedict and Horton

# 3. BL2025-1006

An ordinance amending Chapters 17.04, 17.12, and 17.16 of the Metropolitan Code to amend the regulations pertaining to height within the Single-Family Residential (RS) and One- and Two-Family Residential (R) zoning districts and to simplify the conditions by which two-family dwellings may be permitted in the AG, AR2a, R80, R40, R30, R20, R15, R10, R8, R8-A, R6, and R6-A zoning districts (Proposal No. 2025Z-010TX-001).

#### Analysis

This ordinance amends Title 17 of the Metropolitan Code of Laws to reduce the maximum height of single family and two-family structures in the R and RS zoning districts, excluding the R40, RS40, R80, and RS80 zoning districts, as well as remove conditions for the two-family use within R zoning districts. The ordinance proposes to reduce the maximum allowed building height for single family and two-family structures in the R and RS zoning districts, excluding R40, RS40, R80, and RS80 zoning districts, from three stories with no maximum foot height to two-and-a-half stories with a maximum height to the eave of 24 feet and a maximum overall height of 35 feet excluding elevator/stair bulkheads and chimneys. The existing maximum of a three-story building height would remain for single-family and two-family structures in the other unaffected zoning districts.

The ordinance also proposes to eliminate all conditions for the two-family use within AG, AR2a, and R zoning districts and permitting the two-family use on any lot zoned AG, AR2a, or R so long as the lot meets the minimum lot size for its zoning district, effectively making the two-family use permitted by right. However, the ordinance does not amend the associated "permitted condition" designations in the land use table.

Currently, for a lot zoned AG, AR2a, or R to be eligible for the two-family use, it must meet one of the following conditions:

- The lot is legally created and is of record in the office of the county register prior to August 1, 1984;
- The lot is created by the subdivision of a parcel of land in existence prior to August 1, 1984 into no more than three lots; or
- The lot is part of a subdivision having preliminary approval by the metropolitan planning commission on or before August 15, 1984, and having commenced any substantial site

development or infrastructure improvements, such as utilities and streets, and a portion of such subdivision is recorded in the office of the county register prior to April 1, 1985; or

# The following:

- o The lot is part of a subdivision, and
- The subdivision has been approved by the metropolitan planning commission, and
- The total number of lots permitting two-family dwellings within the subdivision shall be limited to not more than twenty-five percent of the total number of lots within the subdivision, and
- The total number of lots within the subdivision permitting two-family dwellings shall be computed by disregarding and eliminating any and all fractions of a permitted two-family dwelling which results from the application of the twenty-five percent limitation to the total number of lots within the subdivision, and
- The lots permitting two-family dwellings are identified on the final plat and the locations of the two-family dwellings have been approved by the metropolitan planning commission so as to minimize the impact on any existing single family development, and
- The final subdivision plat has been recorded in the office of the county register;
  or
- The lot is part of a planned unit development authorizing two-family structures as enacted by the metropolitan council.

This item is scheduled to be heard by the Planning Commission at its November 13, 2025, meeting.

**Sponsors**: Gamble, Parker and Benedict

# 4. BL2025-1007

An ordinance amending Chapters 17.04, 17.08, 17.12, 17.16, and 17.36 of the Metropolitan Code, to amend the regulations pertaining to detached accessory dwelling units and the Detached Accessory Dwelling Unit Overlay District (Proposal No. 2025Z-011TX-001).

# **Analysis**

This ordinance amends Title 17 of the Metropolitan Code of Laws to change the regulations for detached accessory dwelling units (DADU), increase the coverage allowance for accessory structures, and amend the existing DADU overlay provisions. The ordinance proposes to make multiple changes throughout Title 17 to permit DADUs with conditions within the RS zoning districts throughout the Urban Services District (USD). Currently, only RS zoning districts within a DADU Overlay are permitted to have DADUs. Additionally, the ordinance proposes to remove the requirement that lots must be 15,000 square feet in size, abut an improved alley, or be within a historic overlay or urban design overlay that permits DADUs. The ordinance also proposes to increase the permitted living space size of DADUs to 850 square feet on lots smaller than 10,000 square feet and 1,200 square feet on lots larger than 10,000 square feet.

Currently, the living space of DADUs are restricted to 700 square feet on all lots. Any DADU will still have to be subordinate in size and scale to the principal structure on the property, and the height restrictions remain unchanged.

The ordinance also proposes to increase the allowed lot coverage of accessory structures to 850 square feet or 50 percent of the building coverage of the main house (whichever is greater), with a maximum of 2,500 square feet of building coverage. Currently, accessory structures are limited to 750 square feet or 50 percent of the building coverage of the main house (whichever is greater), with a maximum of 2,500 square feet of building coverage. This increase in building coverage also extends to the reduced setback provision for accessory structures, permitting accessory structures with a building coverage of 850 square feet to only provide side setbacks equal to half that required by the zoning district, but not less than 3 feet. Minimum rear setbacks can be 3 feet except when garage doors or carport openings face an alley directly-in that case, the rear setback must be 10 feet. If the accessory building has a building coverage more than 850 square feet, then it must provide the full setbacks of the zoning district. Currently, the reduction in setbacks is limited to accessory structures with a building coverage of 750 square feet or smaller.

Finally, the ordinance proposes to augment the existing DADU overlay to permit and/or regulate DADUs on AR2a, AG, R, and RS zoned lots within the General Services District (GSD), while maintaining the existing regulations of the DADU overlay provisions. Currently, the DADU overlay can only be applied to R and RS lots within the urban zoning overlay (UZO) or the Highland Heights Study Area. Currently within the GSD, DADUs can only be constructed on lots zoned R or OR that meet the size and alley requirement within the existing DADU definition or be located within a historic zoning overlay or urban design overlay that permit them. Existing DADU overlays within the UZO and Highland Heights Study area will remain until the Metropolitan Council passes a rezoning ordinance removing the overlay.

This item was approved with a substitute by the Planning Commission (7-0-1) at their October 23, 2025 meeting.

**Sponsors:** Gamble, Parker and Benedict

# 20. BL2025-1103

An ordinance approving Amendment No. 1 to the Cayce Place Redevelopment Plan and, Amendment No. 2 to the Jefferson Street Redevelopment Plan. (Proposal No. 2025M-012PR-001).

# <u>Analysis</u>

This ordinance approves the first amendment to the Cayce Place Redevelopment Plan and the second amendment to the Jefferson Street Redevelopment Plan.

This ordinance would add a new section to both development plans, as managed by the Metropolitan Housing and Development Agency ("MDHA"). This new section would be entitled "2025 Plan Amendments" and would enact three principal changes. First, this new section would require that the portion of tax increment funds that may be used to pay the indebtedness

could not be greater than seventy-five percent, except that MDHA could increase or decrease this percentage pursuant to criteria set forth in a written policy adopted by the Board of Commissioners of MDHA. Further, the amendment notes that this provision would still be subject to the requirements of Chapter 5.06 of the Metropolitan Code of Laws entitled "Tax Increment Financing".

Second, the new section would require a periodic assessment of the activities and improvements eligible for tax increment financing ("TIF") under the plan. An assessment could be requested by either the Metropolitan Council ("the Council") or the tax increment agency. Assessments could be requested no earlier than seven years after the adoption of the plan, or the previous assessment, and would be required to be completed within ten years after the adoption of the plan or the previous assessment. The assessment would include a review of the impact and goals of the Plan, and MDHA and the Council would have to agree on the eligible activities or improvements. Council's agreement would be indicated by the adoption of a resolution approved by twenty-one members.

If any subsequent assessment is not completed within ten years after the previous assessment, it would constitute a New Loan Termination Event. If a New Loan Termination Event occurs, MDHA would be prohibited from approving any additional bonds or indebtedness to be paid by TIF under the Plan. A New Loan Termination Event would not terminate the Plan, nor would it impact any TIF approved prior to the Event.

Third, the section would clarify that the Council or MDHA may initiate a Plan amendment, subject to the approval of the other. Currently, only MDHA initiates these amendments in the existing redevelopment plans. If the Council initiates the amendment, the approval of MDHA must be obtained before the third reading of the ordinance adopting the amendment.

This ordinance largely repeats an effort to enact the proposed amendments to the Cayce Place Redevelopment Plan and the Jefferson Street Redevelopment Plan. The Council passed Ordinance No. BL2019-1645 on August 6, 2019, which included similar versions to these amendments. MDHA passed the same amendments on August 13, 2019. However, because these purported amendments were enacted first by the Council instead of MDHA, they were invalid under both development plans.

The MDHA Board of Commissioners approved both plan amendments subject to this ordinance.

**Sponsors:** Capp, Taylor, Toombs and Horton

# 21. BL2025-1104

An ordinance approving Amendment No. 2 to the East Bank Redevelopment Plan (Proposal No. 2025M-013PR-001).

<u>Analysis</u>

This ordinance approves the second amendment to the East Bank Redevelopment Plan, as

managed by the Metropolitan Housing and Development Agency. The ordinance would replace the text of the East Bank Redevelopment Plan and include new maps and descriptions of the project boundaries.

The original East Bank Redevelopment Plan was enacted by Ordinance No. BL96-163 in 1996 to facilitate the construction of an NFL football stadium. The project area was extended in 1999 by Ordinance No. BL99-1647 to include properties on and in the vicinity of Main Street and Woodland Street in East Nashville.

The proposed amendment reduces the size of the project area of the East Bank Redevelopment Plan and extends the duration of the plan until December 31, 2026. Since the creation of the East Bank Development Authority through Ordinance No. BL2024-428 and Chapter 68 of the Private Acts of 2024, the original portion of the project area is no longer necessary. The amendment would remove the part of the project area west of the Interstate 65/24 loop from the redevelopment plan.

The portions of the project area east of the interstate loop will remain in the redevelopment plan until December 31, 2026. The extension will allow for time to consider the creation of a Transit Oriented Development District.

The MDHA Board of Commissioners approved this amendment at its October 14, 2025 meeting.

**Sponsors:** Capp, Parker, Toombs and Horton

# M. Resolutions

# 22. RS2025-1562

A Resolution approving the activities and improvements eligible for tax increment financing in, the Cayce Place Redevelopment Plan.

#### Analysis

This resolution approves the activities and improvements eligible for tax increment financing in the Cayce Place Redevelopment Plan.

The Metropolitan Development and Housing Agency ("MDHA") oversees 11 Redevelopment Districts in Nashville, including the Cayce Place Redevelopment Plan.

Section 5.06.060 of the Metropolitan Code of Laws directs MDHA to make periodic assessments of the activities and improvements eligible for tax increment financing under each Redevelopment Plan. MDHA held nine meetings and conducted surveys of the property owners and citizens of Davidson County to gather resident and owner input for priorities in the Redevelopment Districts.

This resolution provides that MDHA has completed an assessment of the activities and improvements for tax increment financing in accordance with Section 5.06.060 of the

Metropolitan Code. The priorities in the Cayce Place Redevelopment Plan are: affordable housing related infrastructure, transit infrastructure including greenways and pedestrian-ways, public infrastructure, and historic preservation.

Pursuant to Section 5.06.060 of the Metropolitan Code of Laws, for an assessment to be complete, the Council must agree on the activities and improvements that are eligible for tax increment financing under the plan. The Council may indicate agreement by the passage of a resolution approved by 21 votes.

**Sponsors:** Capp, Toombs, Horton, Allen and Ewing

# 23. RS2025-1563

A Resolution approving the activities and improvements eligible for tax increment financing in the Jefferson Street Redevelopment Plan.

### Analysis

This resolution approves the activities and improvements eligible for tax increment financing in the Jefferson Street Redevelopment Plan.

The Metropolitan Development and Housing Agency ("MDHA") oversees 11 Redevelopment Districts in Nashville, including the Jefferson Street Redevelopment Plan.

Section 5.06.060 of the Metropolitan Code of Laws directs MDHA to make periodic assessments of the activities and improvements eligible for tax increment financing under each Redevelopment Plan. MDHA held nine meetings and conducted surveys of the property owners and citizens of Davidson County to gather resident and owner input for priorities in the Redevelopment Districts.

This resolution provides that MDHA has completed an assessment of the activities and improvements for tax increment financing in accordance with Section 5.06.060 of the Metropolitan Code. The priorities in the Jefferson Street Redevelopment Plan are: affordable housing related infrastructure, transit infrastructure including greenways and pedestrian-ways, public infrastructure, and historic preservation.

Pursuant to Section 5.06.060 of the Metropolitan Code of Laws, for an assessment to be complete, the Council must agree on the activities and improvements that are eligible for tax increment financing under the plan. The Council may indicate agreement by the passage of a resolution approved by 21 votes.

**Sponsors:** Taylor, Toombs, Horton, Allen, Ellis and Kupin

# 24. RS2025-1592

A resolution approving a grant subaward agreement between Johns Hopkins University and the Metropolitan Government, acting by and through the Office of the Mayor as part of the Bloomberg American Sustainable Cities grant project.

<u>Analysis</u>

This resolution approves a grant subaward agreement between Johns Hopkins University ("Johns Hopkins") and the Office of the Mayor as part of the Bloomberg American Sustainable Cities grant project.

The Metropolitan Council approved an initial grant agreement for this project through Resolution No. RS2025-1059. The grant agreement contemplated a subaward agreement between Johns Hopkins and the Metropolitan Government to define the terms of a \$120,000 grant for non-personnel experiences.

The subaward agreement provides to Johns Hopkins University to complete its obligations under its Bloomberg American Sustainable Cities grant. John Hopkins' obligations consist of two \$60,000 payments to be used for years one and two of the grant project. The first \$60,000 payment will be provided in advance upon the execution of the subgrant agreement to provide adequate funding through December 31, 2025. Johns Hopkins shall pay the Metropolitan Government for services rendered based on the completion of innovation milestone deliverables and reporting outlined in the memorandum of understanding approved in RS2025-1059.

The grant term will continue until February 28, 2027.

**Sponsors:** Toombs, Evans-Segall, Welsch and Ewing

# 25. RS2025-1593

A resolution approving the election of certain Notaries Public for Davidson County.

#### Analysis

This is a routine resolution approving the election of notaries public in accordance with state law.

**Sponsors**: Cash

# 26. RS2025-1594

A resolution initiating the creation of a Midtown Central Business Improvement District, and setting a public hearing regarding the creation of the same.

#### Analysis

This resolution initiates the creation of a Midtown Central Business Improvement District ("Midtown CBID") and sets a public hearing for the matter.

The intention of this resolution and the related Ordinance No. BL2025-1113 on First Reading is to create a Midtown CBID in the area described in the legislation.

The resolution under consideration would initiate the process for establishing Midtown CBID, pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 7-84-501 et seq. State law provides that a public hearing must be held not less than 30 nor more than 45 days following the adoption of the initiating

resolution.

The public hearing, required by state law, would be held on December 16, 2025, at 6:30 p.m. in the Metropolitan Council Chamber.

**Sponsors**: Kupin and Cash

# 27. RS2025-1595

A resolution approving amendment one to a grant from the Tennessee Emergency Management Agency to the Metropolitan Government, acting by and through the Department of Finance, to provide for reimbursement of COVID related eligible expenses pursuant to Presidential Disaster Declaration number FEMA-4514-DR-TN.

#### Analysis

This grant approves the first amendment to a grant from the Tennessee Emergency Management Agency ("TEMA") to the Department of Finance to provide for reimbursement of COVID-related eligible expenses pursuant to Presidential Disaster Declaration number FEMA-4514-DR-TN. The grant was originally approved by Resolution No. RS2024-811.

The original grant was in an amount not to exceed \$8,255,410.94 with a required cash match of \$23,407.97. The proposed amendment would reflect the entire award related to this presidential disaster declaration, which includes prior awards approved in RS2021-1202 and RS2023-2022, which totaled \$33,644,378.64. The grant amendment increases the full award by \$11,079,526.55, for a total grant of \$52,979,326.13 with a grant match of \$23,407.97.

The grant term will remain from January 20, 2020, to May 11, 2026. The funds will reimburse the costs of operating COVID-19 testing centers during 2020 and 2021.

**Sponsors:** Toombs, Welsch and Gadd

# 28. RS2025-1596

A resolution authorizing grants not exceeding \$10,800,000.00 from the Barnes Fund for Affordable Housing to certain nonprofits for the express purpose of constructing and rehabilitating affordable or workforce housing.

### **Analysis**

This resolution authorizes grant awards not exceeding \$10,800,000 to three nonprofit organizations selected for the express purpose of constructing and rehabilitating affordable or workforce housing.

On February 10, 2025, the Metropolitan Housing Trust Fund Commission issued a request for applications to qualified nonprofit organizations to participate in the nonprofit housing development grant program.

Tenn. Code Ann. section 7-3-314 authorizes the Metropolitan Government to provide financial assistance to nonprofit organizations. In addition, Section 5.04.070 of the Metropolitan Code of Laws provides that the Council may appropriate funds for the financial aid of nonprofit

organizations by resolution.

The terms of the grant contracts begin on the date of execution of the grant agreement and extend until completion of the project, but no longer than 24 months.

The funding would be appropriated as follows:

- Park Center, Inc. -- \$2,000,000
- The William Franklin Buchanan Community Development-Amelia Meadows --\$4,500,000
- The William Franklin Buchanan Community Development-Cedar Place -- \$4,300,000

The grant contracts are attached to the resolution.

Per state law and section 5.04.070 of the Metropolitan Code of Laws, adoption of this resolution requires 21 affirmative votes.

Fiscal Note: This appropriation would reduce the balance of the Barnes Fund by \$10,800,000.

**Sponsors:** Toombs, Horton, Welsch, Gadd, Ewing and Benedict

# 29. RS2025-1597

A resolution accepting the terms of a cooperative purchasing master agreement with Miovision Technologies, Inc., for public safety software for the Department of General Services.

#### Analysis

This resolution accepts the terms of a cooperative purchasing master agreement with Miovision Technologies, Inc., for public safety for the Department of General Services.

The original agreement is between Sourcewell, a state of Minnesota government agency, and Miovision Technologies, Inc. The anticipated project value is \$500,000. The estimated savings to the Metropolitan Government by using this cooperative purchasing agreement is \$52,571. The agreement would expire on July 27, 2029.

According to the Cooperative Request Review form, the pricing in the cooperative purchase agreement was leveraged from a competitive RFP with 80 offers. This agreement provides life safety software to protect the entry and exit from building and change traffic control lights during emergencies. It is unlikely that Metro would obtain a better value through a competitive solicitation.

T.C.A. § 12-3-1205(b) authorizes local governments to participate in cooperative purchasing agreements with governmental entities outside of the state as long as the goods or services were competitively procured by the other governmental entity. T.C.A. § 12-3-1205(b) further provides that local governments may participate in a master agreement by adopting a

resolution accepting the terms of the master agreement.

Fiscal Note: According to the Cooperative Request Review from the Division of Purchases, the anticipated project value is \$500,000. The anticipated savings to Metropolitan Government through utilizing this cooperative purchasing equipment is \$52,571.

**Sponsors:** Toombs and Hill

# 30. RS2025-1598

A resolution accepting the terms of a cooperative purchasing master agreement with Uber Technologies for on-demand transportation, meals, and logistics solutions for the Department of General Services.

### <u>Analysis</u>

This resolution accepts the terms of a cooperative purchasing master agreement with Uber Technologies for on-demand transportation, meals, and logistics solutions for the Department of General Services.

The original agreement is between Region 4 Education Services Center, a state of Texas governmental agency, and Uber Technologies. The anticipated project value is \$100,000. The estimated savings to the Metropolitan Government by using this cooperative purchasing agreement is \$22,571. The agreement would expire on July 31, 2028.

According to the Cooperative Request Review form, the pricing in the cooperative purchase agreement was leveraged from a competitive RFP with two offers. It is unlikely that Metro would obtain a better value through a competitive solicitation.

T.C.A. § 12-3-1205(b) authorizes local governments to participate in cooperative purchasing agreements with governmental entities outside of the state as long as the goods or services were competitively procured by the other governmental entity. T.C.A. § 12-3-1205(b) further provides that local governments may participate in a master agreement by adopting a resolution accepting the terms of the master agreement.

Fiscal Note: According to the Cooperative Request Review from the Division of Purchases, the anticipated project value is \$100,000. The anticipated savings to Metropolitan Government through utilizing this cooperative purchasing equipment is \$22,571.

**Sponsors**: Toombs and Hill

# 31. RS2025-1599

A resolution accepting the terms of a cooperative purchasing master agreement with Stringfellow, Inc., for bulk solid waste and recycling equipment for the Department of General Services.

#### Analysis

This resolution accepts the terms of a cooperative purchasing master agreement with

Stringfellow, Inc., for bulk solid waste and recycling equipment for the Department of General Services.

The original agreement is between Sourcewell, a state of Minnesota governmental agency, and Stringfellow, Inc. The anticipated project value is \$5,000,000. The estimated savings to the Metropolitan Government by using this cooperative purchasing agreement is \$265,071. The agreement would expire on May 19, 2029.

According to the Cooperative Request Review form, the pricing in the cooperative purchase agreement was leveraged from a competitive RFP with 21 offers. The agreement would provide for bulk solid waste recycling equipment, including but not limited to grapple, roll-off, and refuse trucks. It is unlikely that Metro would obtain a better value through a competitive solicitation.

T.C.A. § 12-3-1205(b) authorizes local governments to participate in cooperative purchasing agreements with governmental entities outside of the state as long as the goods or services were competitively procured by the other governmental entity. T.C.A. § 12-3-1205(b) further provides that local governments may participate in a master agreement by adopting a resolution accepting the terms of the master agreement.

Fiscal Note: According to the Cooperative Request Review from the Division of Purchases, the anticipated project value is \$5,000,000. The anticipated savings to Metropolitan Government through utilizing this cooperative purchasing equipment is \$265,071.

**Sponsors**: Toombs and Hill

# 32. RS2025-1600

A resolution appropriating a total of \$452,444 from the Metropolitan Government, acting by and through the Metropolitan Board of Health, to Street Works and approving a grant contract by and between the Metropolitan Government, acting by and through the Metropolitan Board of Health, and Street Works, for the provision of emergency financial assistance, medical case management, nutrition services, psychosocial services, early intervention services, and transportation for participants in the Ryan White Part A program.

# Analysis

This resolution appropriates a total of \$452,444 from the Metropolitan Board of Health to Street Works. According to the related grant agreement, Street Works would provide emergency financial assistance, medical case management, nutrition services, psychosocial services, early innovation services, and transportation for participants in the Ryan White Part A program.

The related grant agreement would be effective upon the date the contract is signed by all parties and filed with the Metropolitan Clerk. The grant contract would end on February 28, 2026.

Tenn. Code Ann. section 7-3-314 authorizes the Metropolitan Government to provide financial assistance to nonprofit organizations. Section 5.04.070 of the Metropolitan Code of Laws

provides that the Metropolitan Council may by Resolution appropriate funds for the financial aid of nonprofit organizations.

**Sponsors:** Toombs, Huffman, Welsch and Gadd

# 33. **RS2025-1601**

A resolution appropriating a total of \$211,866 from the Metropolitan Government, acting by and through the Metropolitan Board of Health, to United Neighborhood Health Services, Inc., dba Neighborhood Health, Inc., and approving a grant contract by and between the Metropolitan Government, acting by and through the Metropolitan Board of Health, and United Neighborhood Health Services, Inc., dba Neighborhood Health, Inc., for the provision of outreach services for participants in the Ryan White Part A program.

### <u>Analysis</u>

This resolution appropriates a total of \$211,866 from the Metropolitan Board of Health to United Neighborhood Health Services, Inc., dba Neighborhood Health, Inc.

According to the related grant agreement, Neighborhood Health, Inc. would outreach services for patients in the Ryan White Part A program by increasing access to comprehensive HIV services for underserved, uninsured, and marginalized populations, addressing the needs of HIV-positive individuals for comprehensive case management services, and improving health outcomes for those who are HIV-positive and reduce HIV transmission..

The related grant agreement would be effective upon the date the contract is signed by all parties and filed with the Metropolitan Clerk. The grant contract would end on February 28, 2026.

Tenn. Code Ann. section 7-3-314 authorizes the Metropolitan Government to provide financial assistance to nonprofit organizations. Section 5.04.070 of the Metropolitan Code of Laws provides that the Metropolitan Council may by Resolution appropriate funds for the financial aid of nonprofit organizations.

**Sponsors:** Toombs, Huffman, Welsch, Gadd and Benedict

# 34. RS2025-1602

A resolution accepting a grant from the Friends of Metro Animal Care & Control to the Metropolitan Government, acting by and through the Metropolitan Board of Health, to provide funding for various programs for shelter animals.

# <u>Analysis</u>

This resolution accepts a grant from the Friends of Metro Animal Care & Control to the Metropolitan Board of Health to provide funding for various programs for shelter animals. The programs to be supported by this grant are Emergency Medical Care, Safety Net Program, Foster Care Program, Rabies Clinic and microchip service all for shelter animals.

The grant amount is \$20,428 with no local cash match required.

Sponsors:

Toombs, Huffman, Bradford, Welsch and Gadd

# 35. RS2025-1603

A resolution appropriating \$30,000 through a grant contract by and between the Metropolitan Government, acting by and through the Nashville Public Library, and Oasis Center, Inc. to provide services that help youth grow, thrive, and create positive change in their lives and our community.

### Analysis

This resolution appropriates \$30,000 through a grant contract from the Nashville Public Library to Oasis Center, Inc. to provide services that help youth grow, thrive, and create positive change.

The funds will be used to assist the Mayor's Youth Council program, which will provide up to 50 hours of service learning for at least 25 Nashville high school students annually. The recipient will be reimbursed for actual costs consistent with the budget spending plan attached to the grant contract.

The term of the grant contract is effective July 1, 2025, and ends June 30, 2026.

Tenn. Code Ann. section 7-3-314 authorizes the Metropolitan Government to provide financial assistance to nonprofit organizations. In addition, Section 5.04.070 of the Metropolitan Code of Laws provides that the Council may appropriate funds for the financial aid of nonprofit organizations by resolution.

Fiscal Note: Metro would pay \$30,000 to the Oasis Center, Inc. to fund a consultant to coordinate the daily functions of the Mayor's Youth Council.

**Sponsors:** Toombs, Vo, Welsch, Gadd, Ewing and Benedict

# 36. RS2025-1604

A resolution appropriating \$250,000 through a grant contract by and between the Metropolitan Government, acting by and through the Nashville Public Library, and Oasis Center, Inc. to provide college access services for the Power Youth Program.

#### Analysis

This resolution appropriates \$250,000 through a grant contract from the Nashville Public Library ("NPL") to Oasis Center, Inc., to provide college access services for the Power Youth Program.

Pursuant to this agreement, Oasis Center, Inc. will use the funds to provide ongoing support to high school students who participated in Metro's Power Youth Program through the Oasis College Connection program, including meetings with designated staff members, development of a college plan, ongoing monitoring of the student's goals, and assistance with the college application process, and other support. The Oasis College Connection program will serve an estimated 1,800 youth.

NPL will provide \$250,000 to Oasis Center, Inc. for performance of this agreement. The recipient will be reimbursed for actual costs consistent with the budget spending plan attached to the grant contract. The grant contract term is effective July 1, 2025, and ends June 30, 2026.

Tenn. Code Ann. section 7-3-314 authorizes the Metropolitan Government to provide financial assistance to nonprofit organizations. In addition, Section 5.04.070 of the Metropolitan Code of Laws provides that the Council may appropriate funds for the financial aid of nonprofit organizations by resolution.

Fiscal Note: Metro would pay \$250,000 to the Oasis Center, Inc. to provide college access services for the Metro Power Youth Program.

**Sponsors:** Toombs, Vo, Bradford, Welsch, Gadd, Ewing and Benedict

# 37. **RS2025-1605**

A resolution appropriating \$120,000 through a grant contract by and between the Metropolitan Government, acting by and through the Nashville Public Library, and The Branch of Nashville, Inc. to provide English as a Second Language classes.

#### <u>Analysis</u>

This resolution appropriates \$120,000 from the Nashville Public Library to The Branch of Nashville to provide English as a Second Language ("ESL") classes at select library locations.

Pursuant to this grant agreement, The Branch of Nashville will provide four semester-long English classes a year for Nashville Public Library. The program aims to improve English language skills among adult learners in the community, addressing the current ESL waitlist in Davidson County. This program would serve up to 100 students a year.

The grant amount is for an amount not to exceed \$120,000. The grant would be effective from October 23, 2025, and conclude on June 30, 2027.

Tenn. Code Ann. section 7-3-314 authorizes the Metropolitan Government to provide financial assistance to nonprofit organizations. Section 5.04.070 of the Metropolitan Code of Laws provides that the Metropolitan Council may by Resolution appropriate funds for the financial aid of nonprofit organizations.

Fiscal Note: Metro would pay \$120,000 to The Branch of Nashville, Inc. to provide English as a Second Language classes at select branch locations.

**Sponsors:** Toombs, Vo, Welsch and Gadd

# 38. RS2025-1606

A resolution appropriating \$240,011.04 through a grant contract by and between the Metropolitan Government, acting by and through the Nashville Public Library, and Nashville International Center for Empowerment to provide English as a Second Language Classes.

### <u>Analysis</u>

This resolution appropriates \$240,011.04 from the Nashville Public Library to Nashville International Center for Empowerment ("NICE") to provide English as a Second Language ("ESL") classes at select library locations.

Pursuant to this grant agreement, NICE will provide 11 semester-long English classes aligned with English Language Proficiency standards. The program aims to improve English language skills among adult learners in the community, addressing the current ESL waitlist in Davidson County. This program would serve up to 200 students a year.

The grant amount is for an amount not to exceed \$240,011.04. The grant would be effective from October 23, 2025 and conclude on June 30, 2027.

Tenn. Code Ann. section 7-3-314 authorizes the Metropolitan Government to provide financial assistance to nonprofit organizations. Section 5.04.070 of the Metropolitan Code of Laws provides that the Metropolitan Council may by Resolution appropriate funds for the financial aid of nonprofit organizations.

Fiscal Note: Metro would pay \$240,011.04 to the Nashville International Center for Empowerment to provide English as a Second Language classes at select branch locations.

**Sponsors:** Toombs, Vo, Welsch, Gadd and Ewing

# 39. RS2025-1607

A resolution approving a grant application from the Tennessee Department of Disability and Aging to the Metropolitan Government, acting by and through the Nashville Public Library, for the purchase and installation of a powered, adult-sized changing table in the single occupancy restroom of the Green Hills Branch Library.

#### Analysis

This resolution approves a grant application for a grant from the Tennessee Department of Disability and Aging to purchase and install an Adult Changing Table for the Green Hills Branch of the Nashville Public Library.

If awarded, the grant is to install powered, height-adjustable, adult-sized changing table for single occupancy family restrooms at the Green Hills Branch Library.

The grant would be \$10,000 with no local cash match.

**Sponsors:** Toombs, Vo, Welsch, Gadd, Hill and Ewing

# 40. RS2025-1608

A resolution accepting a Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) grant from the Tennessee Department of Human Services to the Metropolitan Government, acting by and through the Metro Parks and Recreation Department, to provide nutritious meals and snacks

for children attending after school programs at 17 community center locations.

# <u>Analysis</u>

This resolution accepts a Child and Adult Care Food Program Grant from the Tennessee Department of Human Services to the Metropolitan Parks and Recreation Department to provide nutritious meals and snacks for children attending after school programs at 17 community center locations.

The grant amount is \$918,334.28 with no local cash match required. The grant term is effective October 1, 2025, to September 30, 2026.

The Board of Parks and Recreation accepted this grant at its May 6, 2025 meeting.

**Sponsors:** Toombs, Vo, Welsch, Gadd and Ewing

# 41. **RS2025-1609**

A resolution approving a contract between The Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County and CDK Enterprises, LLC d/b/a Southern Lighting and Traffic Systems, to provide Ouster Lidar System and Ouster Blue City Analytics for the purpose of enhancing pedestrian safety and improving traffic management throughout Davidson County.

#### Analysis

This resolution approves a sole source contract between the Metropolitan Government and CDK Enterprises, LLC, d/b/a Southern Lighting and Traffic Systems, to provide Ouster Lidar System and Ouster Blue City Analytics for the purpose of enhancing pedestrian safety and improving traffic management throughout Davidson County.

Sole source contracts may be awarded under the Metro procurement code when it is determined that there is only one source for the supply or services rendered. Section 4.12.060 of the Metro Code requires all sole source contracts having a total value in excess of \$250,000 to be approved by the Council by a resolution receiving 21 affirmative votes.

The estimated value of this contract is \$6,000,000 and therefore requires Council approval. The contract term begins upon approval of all required parties and filing in the Metropolitan Clerk's Office and extends for 60 months.

According to the sole source review form, Southern Lighting and Traffic Systems is the exclusive distributor of the BlueCity product in Tennessee. The product would be utilized as part of the implementation of a U.S. Department of Transportation grant, as approved by the Metropolitan Council by Ordinance No. BL2024-723. Per the grant terms, only a single supplier is acceptable.

Fiscal Note: The estimated value of this sole source contract number 6599268 with CDK Enterprises, LLC dba Southern Lighting & Traffic Systems for Ouster Lidar System and Ouster Blue City Analytics is \$6,000,000 to be paid from Fund 40024, Business Unit 42401024.

However, actual expenses may be paid from various departments' funds and business unit numbers when purchase orders are issued.

**Sponsors:** Toombs, Evans-Segall and Ewing

# 42. **RS2025-1610**

A resolution accepting a Safe Streets for All grant from the U.S. Department of Transportation to the Metropolitan Government, acting by and through the Nashville Department of Transportation and Multimodal Infrastructure (NDOT), to address safety issues along Nolensville Pike related to substandard and/or missing walking, bicycling, and transit facilities, the need for pedestrian-scale lighting, and lack of crossing locations present throughout the project area.

# <u>Analysis</u>

The resolution accepts a Safe Streets for All grant from the U.S. Department of Transportation to the Nashville Department of Transportation and Multimodal Infrastructure.

This grant would address safety issues along Nolensville Pike related to substandard or missing walking, biking, and transit facilities, the need for pedestrian-scale lighting, and a lack of crossing locations present throughout the project area. The grant agreement outlines the phased project that also included an emergency vehicle preemption demonstration project on Gallatin Pike.

The grant amount is \$13,049,572 with a required cash match of \$3,262,393. The grant term will conclude on December 30, 2028.

**Sponsors:** Toombs, Evans-Segall, Welsch, Vo, Johnston, Nash, Sepulveda, Gadd and Hill

# 43. RS2025-1611

A resolution approving an application for a recycling rebate grant from the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation to the Metropolitan Government, acting by and through the Nashville Department of Waste Services, to purchase curbside recycling carts and use AI technology to identify contamination in recycling.

#### **Analysis**

This resolution approves an application for a recycling rebate grant from the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation to the Nashville Department of Waste Services to purchase curbside recycling carts and use AI technology to identify contamination in recycling.

If approved, the grant amount is \$185,611.70 and requires a local cash match of \$185,666.90. The grant term would be from January 1, 2026, to December 31, 2026.

**Sponsors:** Toombs, Evans-Segall, Gadd and Ewing

# 44. RS2025-1612

A resolution accepting the terms of a cooperative purchasing master agreement with Envirosight, LLC for sewer inspection equipment for the Department of Water and Sewerage Services.

#### Analysis

This resolution accepts the terms of a cooperative purchasing master agreement with Envirosight, LLC, for public safety for the Department of Water and Sewerage Services.

The original agreement is between Sourcewell, a state of Minnesota local government agency, and Envirosight, LLC. The anticipated project value is \$1,000,000. The estimated savings to the Metropolitan Government by using this cooperative purchasing agreement is \$65,071. The agreement would expire on January 17, 2026.

According to the Cooperative Request Review form, the pricing in the cooperative purchase agreement was leveraged from a competitive RFP with 13 offers. This agreement provides sewer inspection equipment, including crawlers, software, video nozzles, and sewer inspection zoom cameras. It is unlikely that Metro would obtain a better value through a competitive solicitation.

T.C.A. § 12-3-1205(b) authorizes local governments to participate in cooperative purchasing agreements with governmental entities outside of the state as long as the goods or services were competitively procured by the other governmental entity. T.C.A. § 12-3-1205(b) further provides that local governments may participate in a master agreement by adopting a resolution accepting the terms of the master agreement.

Fiscal Note: According to the Cooperative Request Review from the Division of Purchases, the anticipated project value is \$1,000,000. The anticipated savings to Metropolitan Government through utilizing this cooperative purchasing equipment is \$65,071.

**Sponsors:** Toombs and Evans-Segall

#### 45. RS2025-1613

A resolution authorizing the Metropolitan Department of Law to compromise and settle the property damage claim of Pam Swoner against the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County in the amount of \$113,875.98, with said amount to be paid out of the Self-Insured Liability Fund.

# <u>Analysis</u>

On January 3, 2025, a sewer backup caused raw sewage to enter the home of Pam Swoner at 5917 Colchester Drive and caused extensive damage to the lower level of the property. The Metropolitan Department of Water and Sewerage Services cleaned the main and unblocked the line. The crew later found that the main was broken.

Ms. Swoner reported the claims to her insurance company, which called All Pipes Plumbing to remediate the lower level of her home. Ms. Swoner was unsatisfied with the work and called Servpro to complete the cleanup and repairs.

The backup caused Ms. Swoner to incur \$90,000 in property damage. Further, her insurance company incurred \$23,875.98 for remediation and hotel expenses.

The parties have participated in settlement negotiations and have agreed upon the settlement amount of \$113,875.98, subject to approval from the Metropolitan Council. The Department of Law recommends settlement of Ms. Swoner's property damage claim for \$113,875.98.

Fiscal Note: The total settlement amount is \$113,875.98. This settlement would be the 13th payment, after approval by Metropolitan Council, from the Self-Insured Liability Fund in FY26 for a cumulative total of \$1,920,499. The fund balance would be \$11,611,849 after these payments.

**Sponsors:** Toombs and Evans

# 46. RS2025-1614

A resolution authorizing The Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County to abandon a fire hydrant assembly, and to accept new public water main and fire hydrant assembly, for property located at 1718 Jefferson Street, also known as 1712 Jefferson development (MWS Project No. 25-WL-77 and Proposal No. 2025M-158ES-001).

# <u>Analysis</u>

This resolution abandons one fire hydrant assembly and accepts approximately 14 linear feet of new six-inch water main (DIP) and one new fire hydrant assembly, for property located at 1718 Jefferson Street, also known as 1712 Jefferson development.

Tennessee Code Annotated section 7-35-406(a)(2) and Ordinance No. BL2024-345 allow the Metropolitan Department of Water and Sewerage Services to approve extensions, additions, or works by resolution of the Metropolitan Council.

This proposal has been approved by the Planning Commission.

**Sponsors**: Horton and Evans-Segall

# O. Bills on Second Reading

#### 81. **BL2025-1008**

An ordinance establishing a Voluntary Attainable Housing Incentive Program for Metropolitan Nashville and Davidson County for the purpose of authorizing certain incentives to be provided to property owners who seek to build multi-family attainable housing.

# <u>Analysis</u>

This ordinance establishes a Voluntary Attainable Housing Incentive Program ("VAHI Program") for Metropolitan Nashville and Davidson County to authorize certain incentives to be provided to property owners who seek to build multi-family attainable housing.

Tennessee Code Annotated section 13-3-601 provides that the chief legislative body of a

municipality may create a VAHI Program by ordinance. The VAHI Program would be administered by the Nashville Planning Department ("Planning").

As required by state law, the proposed ordinance defines attainable housing as "residential units that are income restricted for a period of thirty (30) years and made available to households that earn no more than the Area Median Income (AMI) limit established for the applicable zoning district as specified in this ordinance, but in no circumstance shall exceed 120% AMI."

The VAHI Program shall be available to property owners seeking to build multi-family housing which includes attainable housing. A property owner may not be compelled to participate in the VAHI Program, and eligibility for other local housing programs is not tied to a property owner's participation in the VAHI Program.

Properties zoned Residential Limited (RL) are eligible for the VAHI Program. The establishment of the Residential Limited (RL) zoning designation is the subject Ordinance No. BL2025-1005, which is scheduled for a public hearing at the October 9 Council meeting. According to the exhibit included with the current ordinance, the following building types are eligible for the VAHI program: Townhouses, Townhouse Courts, Plex Houses, Manor Houses, Multiplexes, Low-Rise Courtyard Flats, and Low-Rise Flats. All multi-family facilities, buildings, and structures constructed under the VAHI Program must be deed-restricted to ensure that the attainable housing continues for a period of thirty (30) years.

To be considered for the VAHI program, a property owner must provide notice of intent to Planning staff and request a pre-application conference. Planning staff must then determine whether or not the proposed project satisfies the requirements to receive housing incentives. If the proposal is found to meet the necessary requirements, the property owner may apply to the Metropolitan Planning Commission to participate in the program. The Metropolitan Planning Commission shall review the completed application to determine if it is within the parameters of the document summarizing the pre-application conference. The Metropolitan Planning Commission may deny the application based upon any factual or legal issues subsequently identified during the review of the completed application or defer if appropriate under its rules.

Amendments to this legislation shall be approved by resolution.

**Sponsors:** Allen, Rutherford, Kupin, Nash, Gamble, Evans-Segall, Suara, Bradford, Porterfield, Huffman, Gadd, Vo. Ewing, Welsch, Benedict and Lee

# 82. <u>BL2025-1063</u>

An ordinance amending certain sections and subsections of Chapter 2.62, Chapter 12.56, and Title 13 of the Metropolitan Code of Laws to modify fees charged by the Nashville Department of Transportation and Multimodal Infrastructure ("NDOT") and make various other changes.

<u>Analysis</u>

This ordinance amends certain sections of Titles 2, 12, and 13 of the Metropolitan Code of Laws to allow the Nashville Department of Transportation and Multimodal Infrastructure ("NDOT") to increase certain permit and application fees. An independent consultant was retained to conduct a comprehensive fee study for NDOT and determine whether changes to the various fees are necessary to cover the full costs of services provided by NDOT for permit reviews and issuances. The consultant performed an analysis of the scope of services provided by NDOT and determined that its current permitting and administrative fees for services are below actual costs for providing the services.

This ordinance sets fees and creates a structure for future increases through July 31, 2028, for the following: film permits and applications, special events permits and applications, banner placements and applications, and parade permits and applications, all of which would be listed in section 2.62.080 of the Metropolitan Code.

The ordinance also sets fees and creates a structure for future increases through July 31, 2028 for encroachment permits, excavation permits, multimodal access closure exceptions, obstruction permits, right-of-way abandonments, street and alley map amendment applications, right-of-way temporary closure permits, sidewalk café permits and applications, parklet/streatery permits and applications all of which would be listed in section 13.02.020 of the Metropolitan Code.

Starting on August 1, 2028, the fees above would increase annually by the greater of (a) a percentage equal to the percentage change of the CPI Urban Index (CPI-U) over the prior fiscal year or (b) three percent. If, however, the change in CPI-U is negative, no change shall occur for that fiscal year.

The annual change in fees shall be published on the Metropolitan Government's website at least 30 days before they take effect, with additional notice given to the Metropolitan Council. NDOT would publish a report about performance improvements tied to the fee increases to the Metropolitan Council on an annual basis through September 31, 2028. The director of NDOT would present the report's findings in person to the Metropolitan Council upon invitation. Subject to the availability of funds, NDOT would also complete and publish a study of fees no less frequently than every five years, beginning in 2030.

The ordinance also contains housekeeping amendments in the affected sections changing "the department of public works" to the "Nashville Department of Transportation and Multimodal Infrastructure (NDOT)".

**Sponsors**: Toombs and Evans-Segall

# 83. BL2025-1101

An ordinance to amend Chapters 16.12, 16.16, and 16.20 regarding change of contractor permit fees for the Department of Codes Administration.

#### <u>Analysis</u>

This ordinance amends Chapters 16.12, 16.16, and 16.20 relative to the permit fees for a

change of contractor as assessed by the Department of Codes Administration.

In each chapter, the current code provides that new permits shall be taken out when a change in a contractor occurs before a project is complete. The contractor that completes the construction must pay a pro rata permit fee based upon the unfinished construction that is no less than the minimum permit fee. This practice applies in the plumbing code, gas/mechanical code, and the electrical code.

The proposed ordinance amended what fees are charged for a change of contractor. If the permit fee for the original construction was not refunded, the contractor that completes the construction shall pay a fee based the administrative costs to process the permit. That fee shall be no less than the minimum permit fee. If the permit fee for the original construction has been refunded, the contractor that completes the construction shall pay a full permit fee based upon the construction cost.

Permit refunds may only occur for any unused permit less than six months old and before any inspection has been made.

# **Sponsors**: Cortese

### 84. <u>BL2025-1102</u>

An ordinance approving a lease agreement by and between the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County acting by and through the Metropolitan Board of Public Education and United Way of Middle Tennessee d/b/a United Way of Greater Nashville (Proposal No. 2025M-037AG-001).

### <u>Analysis</u>

This ordinance approves a lease agreement between the Metropolitan Board of Public Education ("MNPS") and United Way of Greater Nashville ("United Way") for use of property at 2013 25th Avenue, also known as the McGruder Family Resource Center, for use as offices and a Family Resources Center. The property includes a 34,044 square foot building and 3.82 acres of property.

This lease would continue a partnership with MNPS, United Way, and Catholic Charites, which has historically subleased the property to operate the McGruder Family Resource Center. The lease contemplates a continued sublease from United Way to Catholic Charities, subject to MNPS approval.

The term of the lease is effective July 1, 2025, and ends on June 30, 2030. A new lease shall be executed at the end of the lease term, and United Way must notify MNPS more than 120 days prior to the initial term expiration if it desires to apply for a new lease.

MNPS will lease the property to United Way with the following rent structure:

Start End Annual Rate Rent Credit Adjusted Annual Rate Monthly

7/1/2025	6/30/2026	\$529,080.00	\$529,080.00	\$0	\$0
7/1/2026	6/30/2027	\$544,952.40	\$544,952.40	\$0	\$0
7/1/2027	6/30/2028	\$561,300.97	\$561,300.97	\$0	\$0
7/1/2028	6/30/2029	\$578,140.00	\$578,140.00	\$0	\$0
7/1/2029	6/30/2030	\$595,484.20	\$595,484.20	\$0	\$0

In exchange for the rent credit, United Way shall provide goods and services from the McGruder Family Resource Center. This would include various programs through Catholic Charities and partner programs, including the Judge Dinkins Educational Center, More Computing, Pathways Kitchen, and the Nashville Food Project. United Way shall submit an annual accounting of goods and services provided for the benefit of the district on July 1 of each year. Failure to submit this verification may result in immediate termination of the lease and/or termination of rent credits. Attachment B to the agreement lists the projected costs of goods and services to be considered for rent credits.

MNPS is responsible for capital repairs on the property. This includes the building's roof foundation, structural members of exterior walls, HVAC system components, and plumbing system. MNPS is also responsible for custodial services, grounds maintenance, preventative maintenance, refuse collection, routine maintenance and repairs, and utilities.

United Way is responsible for low voltage services, equipment and repairs, ADA compliance, and building, fire, and zoning codes and regulations. Further, any tenant improvements made by United Way during the lease term are subject to approval by MNPS and will revert to MNPS ownership as an integral part of the property upon termination of the lease. Tenant improvements will not be considered for rent credit.

Upon termination of the lease, the property will revert to MNPS. MNPS may terminate the lease for default, bankruptcy, lack of funding, condemnation, or for any reason with 120 days notice.

United Way shall maintain general liability insurance and worker's compensation and employer's liability insurance, with a respective limit of at least \$1,000,000 for each occurrence. United Way must also maintain property insurance for full replacement. United Way would indemnify and hold MNPS harmless for any liabilities, damages, or claims against MNPS.

The appraisal report, attached to the ordinance, indicates that the market value of the property is \$6,300,000 and the market monthly rent value is \$44,090. Any amendment to this lease may be approved by resolution receiving twenty-one votes of the Metropolitan Council.

Fiscal Note: Metropolitan Board of Public Education ("MNPS") will lease to United Way of Middle Tennessee the property located at 2013 25th Avenue for use as office and a Family Resource Center at no cost. MNPS will be responsible for capital repairs, custodial services, grounds maintenance, preventive maintenance, refuse collection, utilities, routine maintenance and repairs. United Way of Middle Tennessee will be responsible for tenant improvements, low voltage services, equipment and repairs, and will sub-lease to Catholic Charities of Nashville.

Sponsors:

Taylor, Toombs, Horton, Welsch, Gadd, Hill and Ellis

# 85. <u>BL2025-1105</u>

An ordinance approving Amendment Number 2 to the contract between the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County and Cigna Health and Life Insurance Company for administrative services for the account based self-insured medical plan.

# Analysis

This ordinance approves the second amendment to a contract between the Metropolitan Government and Cigna Health and Life Insurance Company ("Cigna") for administrative services for the account-based self-insured medical plan.

The Metropolitan Government entered two contracts with Cigna through a competitive bidding process through the Procurement Office. The first, an administrative services contract for an account-based plan, started on January 1, 2023 and will expire on December 31, 2027. The second, an administrative services agreement for a PPO Plan, commenced on January 1, 2024, and will expire on December 31, 2028.

The proposed amendment would extend the term of the administrative services contract for an account-based plan from December 31, 2027, to December 31, 2028, and add \$60 million to the agreement to cover administrative charges for the extended term. This extension would allow for a competitive procurement for both self-insured medical plans through a single, comprehensive request for proposals.

According to the amendment request review, the amendment has no impact on the scope of the original contract.

Section 4.12.160 of the Metropolitan Code of Laws limits the term of service contracts to 60 months, unless authorized by the Metropolitan Council.

Fiscal Note: This amendment extends the terms of the contract 6518292 to December 31, 2028 and increases the estimated value of the contract with Cigna Health and Life Insurance Company for Metro's group medical insurance by \$60,000,000 to cover the administrative charges for the extended term.

**Sponsors:** Toombs and Hill

#### 86. BL2025-1106

An Ordinance approving a limited revocable license agreement between the Metropolitan Government, acting by and through the Metropolitan Board of Health, and Cosecha Community Development to create, operate, and maintain a noncommercial community garden on the west side of the Woodbine Clinic to utilize Metro property to improve community health and nutrition.

## Analysis

This ordinance approves a limited revocable license agreement between the Metropolitan

Board of Health ("Metro Health") and Cosecha Community Development ("Cosecha") to create, operate, and maintain a noncommercial community garden in the fenced area on the west side of the Woodbine Clinic at 224 Oriel Avenue. The Metropolitan Council approved a similar agreement through Ordinance No. BL2023-2110.

Per the agreement, Cosecha will continue to develop the 308 square feet of fenced-in outdoor space abutting the Woodbine clinic for use as a community garden. Gardening will be permitted between sunrise and sunset. Mechanical equipment is only permitted between the hours of 8 a.m. and sunset. Further, Cosecha will maintain the gardening facilities in a neat and orderly condition. The community garden and its related educational programs must comply with all Metro rules, regulations, and policies. No charges or fees will be assessed as part of this agreement.

The agreement requires Cosecha to provide general liability insurance and worker's compensation and employer's liability insurance, with a respective limit of at least \$1,000,000 for each occurrence. Cosecha would indemnify and hold Metro Health harmless for any liabilities against Metro Health.

The term of the agreement begins on the date signed by all parties and filed with the Metropolitan Clerk and ends on December 31, 2028. Any amendments to this license agreement shall be approved by resolution of the Metropolitan Council receiving 21 affirmative votes.

Fiscal Note: There is no cost to Metro and no other charges or fees for the performance of this agreement.

**Sponsors:** Welsch, Toombs, Huffman, Gadd, Allen and Ewing

# 87. BL2025-1107

An ordinance approving a greenway conservation easement between the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County, through the Metropolitan Board of Parks and Recreation, and Beazer Homes, LLC for greenway improvements at 0 Kemp Drive (Parcel No. 087100B90000CO) (Proposal No. 2025M-044AG-001).

### <u>Analysis</u>

This ordinance accepts a greenway conservation easement for property located at 0 Kemp Drive, owned by Beazer Homes, LLC. The easement contains approximately 2.48 acres.

Pursuant to Tennessee Code Annotated section 66-9-305 and Metropolitan Charter section 2.01, the Metropolitan Government may accept donations of property interests for the purpose of establishing greenways and providing the public with recreational opportunities in natural areas.

This ordinance has been approved by the Planning Commission.

Fiscal Note: There is no cost to Metro to acquire this greenway conservation easement.

Sponsors: Evans, Toombs, Evans-Segall, Horton, Vo, Welsch, Gadd, Hill, Allen and

**Ewing** 

# 88. BL2025-1108

An ordinance authorizing the renaming of South Street to "King Hollands Avenue". (Proposal Number 2025M-003SR-001).

# Analysis

This ordinance renames a portion of South Street between 8th Avenue South to Music Square West to "King Hollands Avenue".

This renaming is to honor the legacy of Mr. Hollands, a leader of the Nashville Student movement against racial segregation and a community organizer in the Edgehill neighborhood.

This proposal has been approved by the Planning Commission.

Per section 18.08.015 of the Metropolitan Code of Laws, the Metropolitan Council cannot take action on second reading until the ordinance until receiving a recommendation from the Emergency Communications District Board and a written report regarding any historical significance of the street name from the Historical Commission.

The Emergency Communications District Board has not considered this proposal, and its next meeting is set for November 20, 2025.

**Sponsors:** Suara, Vo, Horton, Evans-Segall, Welsch, Hill, Allen, Ellis, Gamble, Ewing,

Porterfield, Capp, Webb and Benedict

# 89. BL2025-1109

An ordinance authorizing The Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County to accept new public sanitary sewer main, sanitary sewer manholes and easements, for property located at 935 Barnes Road (MWS Project No. 25-SL-148 and Proposal No. 2025M-149ES-001).

#### Analysis

This ordinance accepts approximately 330 linear feet of new eight-inch sanitary sewer main (PVC), two sanitary sewer manholes and easements for property located at 935 Barnes Road.

This ordinance has been approved by the Planning Commission. Future amendments to this ordinance may be approved by resolution.

Fiscal Note: This ordinance has no cost to Metro. Donated easements have no market value according to the Department of Water Services.

**Sponsors:** Rutherford, Horton and Evans-Segall

# 90. BL2025-1110

An ordinance authorizing The Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County to abandon existing public water main and easements, and to accept new public water main, the relocation of fire hydrant assemblies and easements, for property located at 2415 Vanderbilt Place, also known as Vanderbilt University Stevenson Center 6 (MWS Project No. 25-WL-50 and Proposal No. 2025M-153ES-001).

# Analysis

This ordinance abandons approximately 421 linear feet of existing eight-inch water main and easements and accepts approximately 447 linear feet of new eight-inch water main (DIP), two fire hydrant assembly relocations and easements, for property located at 2415 Vanderbilt Place.

This ordinance has been approved by the Planning Commission. Future amendments to this ordinance may be approved by resolution.

Fiscal Note: This ordinance has no cost to Metro. Abandoned and donated easements have no market value according to the Department of Water Services.

**Sponsors**: Cash, Horton, Evans-Segall and Hill

# 91. BL2025-1111

An ordinance authorizing The Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County to abandon existing public water main, fire hydrant assembly and easements, and to accept new public water main, fire hydrant assemblies and easements, for two properties located at 1 Titans Way and 100 Woodland Street, also known as South 2nd Street Phase 2, (MWS Project No. 25-WL-63 and Proposal No. 2025M-154ES-001).

#### Analysis

This ordinance abandons approximately 710 linear feet of existing 12-inch water main, one fire hydrant assembly and easements, and accepts approximately 915 linear feet of 12-inch water main, two fire hydrant assemblies and easements, for two properties located at 1 Titans Way and 100 Woodland Street, also known as South 2nd Street Phase 2.

This ordinance has been approved by the Planning Commission. Future amendments to this ordinance may be approved by resolution.

Fiscal Note: This ordinance has no cost to Metro. Abandoned and donated easements have no market value according to the Department of Water Services.

**Sponsors:** Kupin, Horton and Evans-Segall

# 92. BL2025-1112

An ordinance authorizing The Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County to accept new public water main, fire hydrant assembly and easements, for two properties located at 1 Titans Way and 100 Woodland Street, also known as South 2nd Street Phase 3 (MWS Project No. 25-WL-64 and Proposal No. 2025M-155ES-001).

# <u>Analysis</u>

This ordinance accepts approximately 424 linear feet of new 12-inch water main (DIP), one fire hydrant assembly and easements, for two properties located at 1 Titans Way and 100 Woodland Street, also known as South 2nd Street Phase 3.

This ordinance has been approved by the Planning Commission. Future amendments to this ordinance may be approved by resolution.

Fiscal Note: This ordinance has no cost to Metro. Donated easements have no market value according to the Department of Water Services.

**Sponsors:** Kupin, Horton and Evans-Segall

# P. Bills on Third Reading

# 93. <u>BL2025-1050</u>

An ordinance approving an agreement between the Metropolitan Government and Nashville Riverfront Amphitheater, LLC, an affiliate of Opry Entertainment Group, relating to management, operation, and maintenance of the West Riverfront Amphitheater and supporting grounds and buildings.

### <u>Analysis</u>

This ordinance, as amended, approves a management agreement between the Metropolitan Government ("Metro") and Nashville Riverfront Amphitheater, LLC, an affiliate of Opry Entertainment Group, ("Opry") relating to management, operation, and maintenance of the West Riverfront Amphitheater ("Amphitheater") and supporting grounds and buildings. Opry was selected to manage the Amphitheater pursuant to a competitively-bid RFP process. This contract succeeds a previous 10-year agreement with Live Nation Entertainment, Inc. to operate the Amphitheater.

The agreement allows Opry to operate, manage, and maintain the Amphitheater. Opry will have the right to all revenues derived from the operation of the Amphitheater, including ticket sales, sponsorships, broadcast rights, and the sale of food/beverages and merchandise. Opry will be required to cover all operating and maintenance expenses, including utilities and security. Metro will be responsible for maintaining structural elements of the facility, other core elements typically maintained by landlord, and the landscape and mowing around the premises outside of the Amphitheater.

Opry will be required to make an annual base rent payment of \$600,000 to Metro for the duration of the contract, as well as \$3.00 seat fee per ticket sold in any calendar year. The agreement also requires Opry to pay 25 percent of the net profit generated by the title sponsorship. Opry is also required to remit, annually, fifty cents from the sale of each ticket to be paid at Metro's direction and designated at the advisement of the Metro Parks Director to a Metro Parks Board Authorized Parks Support Organization - these funds shall be used to support Metro Parks facilities. Opry will also be required to pay Metro 50 percent of all concessions for non-fixed civic events and during July 4.

As part of the agreement, Opry will commit to a minimum capital investment of at least \$11 million into the facility over 10 years. This investment will be spent on upgrading the facility (including furniture, fixtures, and equipment), IT, sound, and production equipment, replacement equipment, assets and furniture, improved seating and premium hospitality experiences, and enhanced food and beverage offerings. Opry also agreed to invest \$4 million in years six through 10 of the contract if the gross box office revenue is more than \$75 million during the first five years of the contract. Upon each 5-year optional extension, Opry must commit an additional \$2,500,000 capital investment in the facility.

Opry must invest up to \$1 million in capital improvements to relocate, enhance, and upgrade the greenway bordering the Amphitheater and up to \$100,000 on associated design work. Opry would ensure continuous public access to the greenway at all times, not permit any event-related obstructions on the greenway, implement all needed physical modifications and operational changed to ensure continued use of the greenway. As amended, Opry would have access to Metropolitan Government property to construct these greenway improvements.

Opry is allowed to have no more than 45 "fully amplified events" per year at the amphitheater. These fully amplified concerts could exceed 96dBA, but not surpass 102dBA from the Front of House sound board for more than five consecutive minutes. Other events that have partial amplification would not count against the 45-event cap. Opry must ensure that at least 15 concerts take place at the Amphitheater per year. Failure to put on at least 15 concerts will result in a monetary penalty to Metro of \$15,000 for each concert event less than 15.

Metro will have the right to use the Amphitheater on July 4, the week of CMA Fest, and for three fully amplified civic events. Metro also reserves the ability to host New Year's Eve events at the Amphitheater. Opry is not to charge rent for any of the civic events, but the party responsible for the event (whether Metro or another organization) will be responsible for the operating expenses associated with the event. Fully amplified events would occur between approximately April and October every year. Good faith sound mitigation efforts would also be made by Opry.

The contract term would begin on January 1, 2026, and end on December 31, 2035. Metro and Opry will possess mutual options to extend the term for two five-year periods. Opry's base rent would increase to \$700,000 per year during the first five-year extension and increase to \$800,000 per year during the second five-year extension. Opry would also commit to additional capital investments upon each five-year extension.

Opry is required to maintain commercial general liability insurance coverage in an amount not less than \$1 million single limit, plus additional insurance with a limit of not less than \$5 million per occurrence. Opry will not obtain property insurance covering the Amphitheater. Metro shall not be responsible for any loss or damage to Opry's personal property, which Opry is solely responsible for safeguarding and insuring.

Any amendment to this agreement shall be approved by resolution of the Metropolitan Council

receiving at least twenty-one affirmative votes.

Fiscal Note: Opry Entertainment Group will manage the Nashville Riverfront Amphitheater through its affiliate, Nashville Riverfront Amphitheater, LLC, under contract number 6600212. Nashville Riverfront Amphitheater, LLC will pay at a minimum of \$11,000,000 for capital investment into the facility during the initial 10-year term of this agreement. A contingent capital investment of \$4,000,000 will be added in years six through ten if the gross box office revenue from the concert events is at least \$75,000,000 during the first five years. In addition, an investment of up to \$1,000,000 for capital improvements and up to \$100,000 for associated design work on the greenway bordering the Amphitheater will be made. An annual budget of \$2.00 per paid ticket from concert events will be expended for activation and safety investments. Metro will receive an annual base rent of \$600,000, or \$50,000 per month, during the term of this ten-year agreement. There are two options to extend the term of this agreement, provided that the capital investment in the facility and the greenway is completed. The first option is for an additional five-year period with an annual base rent of \$700,000, and the second option is for another five-vear period with an annual base rent of \$800.000, along with an additional minimum of \$2,500,000 capital investment upon each five-year option extension. In addition to the base rent. Metro will receive revenues from concert event seat fee of \$3.00 per ticket on a quarterly basis, \$0.50 per ticket annually from the sale of concert event tickets, 50% of all net profits through sales of concessions for all non-fixed civic events and the July 4 fixed civic event, 25% of net profit generated by the title sponsorship, and private events fee, equal to the lesser of \$10,000 or \$2.00 per attendee, for private events that utilize the Amphitheater stage and/or the Riverfront Room.

**Sponsors:** Toombs, Vo, Welsch, Kupin, Gadd, Styles and Benton

# 94. <u>BL2025-1055</u>

An ordinance authorizing Nashville Downtown Partnership to construct, install, and maintain an underground encroachment at Korean Veterans Boulevard at 1st Avenue North. (Proposal No. 2025M-015EN-001).

# Analysis

This ordinance authorizes Nashville Downtown Partnership construct, install, and maintain an underground encroachment at Korean Veterans Boulevard at 1st Avenue North. The encroachment would consist of irrigation piping encroaching into the public right-of-way along the south side of Korean Veterans Boulevard from the southwest corner of Guthrie and Korean Veterans Boulevard, extending west less than 150 feet.

The applicant must indemnify the Metropolitan Government from all claims in connection with the construction and maintenance of the encroachments and is required to furnish a certificate of public liability insurance in the amount of \$4,000,000, in aggregate, naming the Metropolitan Government as an insured party. The authority granted by the Ordinance will not be effective until the certificate of insurance is filed with the Metropolitan Clerk and NDOT.

Metropolitan Code of Laws § 13.08.030 allows the Metropolitan Council to grant encroachments, permits or privileges to construct, install, operate and/or maintain an encroachment in, on, over, or under any street, road, alley, sidewalk, or other public way by ordinance.

This ordinance has been approved by the Planning Commission.

**Sponsors:** Kupin, Horton and Evans-Segall

# 95. <u>BL2025-1062</u>

An ordinance amending section 2.154.010.B of the Metropolitan Code of Laws by changing the Council member representation on the Greenway and Open Space Commission.

# **Analysis**

This ordinance reduces the number of Council members serving on the Greenway and Open Space Commission from four to two. The Greenway and Open Space Commission was established by Ordinance No. O91-13, which provided that three Council members were to serve on the Commission - two from the Parks, Library, Recreation and Auditorium Committee and one at-large member. The membership was later modified in 1992 by adding another Parks, Library, Recreation and Auditorium Committee member for a total of three members from that Committee. In 2024, the Council amended the Commission membership provision to comply with the Metropolitan Charter such that the four Council members would serve in a non-voting capacity.

Currently, the Metropolitan Code of Laws provides for three members to be selected by the Council's Parks, Library, Recreation and Auditorium Committee from its membership and one at-large Council member to be selected by the Vice Mayor. The ordinance would update the name of the Committee to the Arts, Parks, Libraries, and Entertainment Committee and add a clause to recognize future name shifts. The ordinance would reduce the Arts, Parks, Libraries, and Entertainment Committee selection to one member from its membership resulting in a total of two Council members serving on the Commission as non-voting members.

**Sponsors**: Vo, Ewing and Gadd

# 96. <u>BL2025-1064</u>

An ordinance amending Section 3.24.020 of the Metropolitan Code of Laws relative to Council approval of injury-on-duty clinic medical services contracts.

#### Analysis

This ordinance amends Section 3.24.020 of the Metropolitan Code of Laws by removing the requirement that the Metropolitan Council approve all contracts for medical services for injury-on-duty clinics in certain circumstances.

Ordinance No. BL2013-526 established Metro's injury-on-duty clinics and included a requirement that the medical services contracts for such clinics be approved by the Metropolitan Council. The ordinance would remove the blanket approval requirement and only require Metropolitan Council approval of such contracts if they were not competitively procured in accordance with Metro's Procurement Code.

**Sponsors:** Suara, Druffel, Gadd and Porterfield

# 97. BL2025-1065

An ordinance amending Title 4 of the Metropolitan Code of Laws relative to the procurement code and anticompetitive practices.

# <u>Analysis</u>

This ordinance amends Metro's Procurement Code by adding provisions addressing anticompetitive practices.

Metropolitan Code of Laws Section 4.12.010, which provides definitions for the chapter, would be amended to add a definition for anticompetitive practices to mean any practice between or among bidders or offerors that has the effect of reducing or eliminating competition or restraining trade. The definition also provides a list of practices that would be considered anticompetitive. The purchasing agent and the director of law would be charged with determining whether any specific activity or practice meets the anticompetitive practice definition.

The ordinance would add "engaging in an anticompetitive practice" to the list of causes for contractor debarment or suspension. Currently, the list includes causes such as violation of public contracting ethical standards, violation of contract provisions, conviction of antitrust statutes arising out of bids or proposals, conviction of offenses indicating lack of business integrity or honesty, conviction of a criminal offense incidental to obtaining or attempting to obtain a public contract.

**Sponsors:** Suara, Druffel and Porterfield

# 98. <u>BL2025-1066</u>

An ordinance amending Chapter 4.12 of the Metropolitan Code of Laws relative to the procurement code and small purchases.

#### Analysis

This ordinance amends certain codified sections of the Procurement Code related to "small purchases."

In 2024, as authorized in state law, the Metropolitan Council amended the Procurement Code to increase the threshold dollar amounts that would require procurement through competitive sealed bids or proposals, such that smaller purchases could be delegated to departments. As part of the amendment, the smallest purchase delegation was increased to \$4,999.99. With this amendment to the Procurement Code and subsequent related amendments to the Procurement Regulations, the codified "small purchase" provision became redundant and unnecessary.

The ordinance would delete Sections 4.12.050 and 4.12.020.C of the Metropolitan Code of Laws pertaining to Small Purchases.

**Sponsors:** Suara, Druffel and Porterfield

# 99. BL2025-1067

An ordinance amending Chapter 4.12 of the Metropolitan Code of Laws to change the

qualifications for certain sole source contracts to be approved by the Metropolitan Council.

# <u>Analysis</u>

This ordinance amends Section 4.12.060.C of the Metropolitan Code of Laws regarding the requirement for certain sole source contracts to be approved by the Metropolitan Council. In 2013, the Metropolitan Council established that all sole source contracts with a total contract value of \$250,000 or higher must be approved by the Metropolitan Council. Based on inflation calculations, \$250,000 in 2013 is equivalent to approximately \$340,000 in 2025 dollars. This ordinance would increase the threshold contract value requiring approval of the Council to \$350,000 reflecting the inflationary adjustment.

**Sponsors:** Suara, Druffel and Porterfield

#### 100. BL2025-1068

An ordinance amending Chapter 4.12 of the Metropolitan Code of Laws to change the qualifications for certain solid waste collection and disposal contracts to be approved by the Metropolitan Council.

# <u>Analysis</u>

This ordinance amends the Procurement Code requirement for certain solid waste collection and disposal contracts to be approved by the Metropolitan Council.

In 1994, the Metropolitan Council established that solid waste collection and disposal contracts with an annual contract value of \$500,000 be approved by resolution of the Metropolitan Council. Based on inflation calculations, \$500,000 in 1994 is the equivalent to approximately \$1,060,000 in 2025 dollars. This ordinance amends Section 4.12.220 of the Metropolitan Code of Laws to increase the threshold annual contract value requiring approval of the Council to \$1,000,000 reflecting the inflationary adjustment.

**Sponsors:** Suara, Druffel, Allen, Ewing and Porterfield

# 101. BL2025-1069

An ordinance amending Section 4.40.050 of the Metropolitan Code of Laws relative to the procurement code and the requirement for the purchasing agent to report the recycled paper usage efforts.

#### **Analysis**

This ordinance amends the Procurement Code by eliminating the requirement for the purchasing agent to report recycled paper usage efforts.

In 1992, the Metropolitan Council established a declaration of policy to use recycled paper where feasible. In conjunction with this policy, Section 4.40.050.C of the Metropolitan Code of Laws requires that the Purchasing Agent submit annual reports to the Council and the Procurement Standards Board concerning efforts toward recycled paper usage goals. This ordinance deletes Section 4.40.050.C thereby eliminating the requirement for annual reporting on recycled paper usage efforts.

As amended, the ordinance also updates the implementation goals by the purchasing agent. The ordinance would require the purchasing agent to implement a policy, effective July 1, 2026, of purchasing paper and paper products that are produced or manufactured from recycled paper for the use of the various agencies and departments of metropolitan government. "Recycled paper" means all paper and paper products that contain a minimum of 30 percent post-consumer waste, which is increased from 10 percent in the current code.

**Sponsors:** Suara, Druffel, Allen, Ewing and Porterfield

# 102. <u>BL2025-1070</u>

An ordinance amending Metropolitan Code of Laws section 16.04.172 to clarify the power of the director of codes administration to revoke a permit and deny an application for a permit when the applicant or a related person or entity is in violation of an existing permit or provision of Title 16, and amending section 16.24.060 to correct a scrivener's error.

#### Analysis

This ordinance amends Section 16.04.172 of the Metropolitan Code of Laws to clarify the Director of Code Administration's authority to remove a permit and deny an application when an applicant or related person or entity violates Title 16 of the Metropolitan Code.

The current code provides that, in addition to any fine imposed for a violation of Title 16, permits granted under Title 16 may be revoked by the director of codes administration for a violation. No new permits may be issued to a person guilty of violating any of Title 16 until the violation is corrected to the director's satisfaction.

The proposed ordinance would expand and clarify this restriction. In addition to any fine imposed for a violation of Title 16 or any, rule, regulation, or order issued under authority granted under Title 16, the Director may revoke permits issued to and refuse to issue new permits to not only the person or entity in violation, but also any related person or entity, including any related person, partnership, limited partnership, joint venture, corporation, or any other type of business entity. No revoked permits or new permits shall be released or issued to a person or entity in violation or to any related person or entity until all work performed in violation of Title 16 is corrected to the Director's satisfaction.

An entity is considered to be *related* when owned, controlled, or operated by common persons, unless credible evidence reasonably shows that the entity is no longer owned, controlled, or operated by those individuals. Persons are deemed related when employed by or otherwise acting as an agent for a person or entity in violation.

The ordinance further updates section 16.24.060 to state that it shall be unlawful for a person, partnership, firm, corporation, or other entity to be in conflict with or in violation of any provision of this chapter.

**Sponsors:** Hill and Eslick

# 103. <u>BL2025-1071</u>

An ordinance amending Chapter 16.24 of the Metropolitan Code of Laws, to augment property standards regulations as they pertain to holiday lights and decorations.

# **Analysis**

This ordinance amends Chapter 16.24 of the Metropolitan Code of Laws to update property standards regulations pertaining to holiday lights and decorations.

The ordinance would add new subsections that would explicitly permit holiday lights in exterior property areas, buildings, and structures. These lights and decorations must be maintained in good, functional condition and not impede any ingress or egress to a property, building, and structure.

The Metropolitan Code of Laws additionally exempts holiday lights and decorations from sign regulations in Title 17.

**Sponsors:** Huffman and Horton

# 104. BL2025-1073

An ordinance repealing Ordinance No. BL2008-248 regarding annual reporting by departments of paper consumption and postage expense reduction efforts.

#### **Analysis**

This ordinance repeals Ordinance No. BL2008-248, which requires annual reporting of paper consumption and postage expenses by departments of the Metropolitan Government.

The Metropolitan Council adopted Ordinance No. BL2008-248 on August 7, 2008. In an effort to reduce costs, the ordinance required all departments of the Metropolitan Government to submit an annual report to the Metropolitan Council describing the actions taken by the department to reduce paper consumption and postage expenses.

Metropolitan departments have submitted these annual reports for 17 years as business technologies have evolved and reduced the need for paper. The proposed ordinance would end the requirement to issue these annual reports to the Metropolitan Council.

**Sponsors:** Johnston, Allen and Porterfield

# 105. BL2025-1074

An ordinance readopting the Code of The Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County, Tennessee, prepared by Municipal Code Corporation including supplemental and replacement pages thereof, containing certain ordinances of a general and permanent nature enacted on or before May 22, 2025.

# **Analysis**

This ordinance is a routine readoption of the Metropolitan Code to include all ordinances enacted on or before May 22, 2025.

Sponsors:

Cash

# 106. BL2025-1075

An ordinance approving Amendment 1 to the contract between the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County, through the Nashville Department of Transportation and Multimodal Infrastructure, and LTR Intermediate Holdings, Inc. d/b/a Liberty Tire Recycling, for the collection and disposal of scrap tires.

**Analysis** 

This ordinance approves the first amendment to a contract between the Nashville Department of Transportation and Multimodal Infrastructure ("NDOT") and LTR Intermediate Holdings, Inc., d/b/a Liberty Tree Recycling ("Liberty") for the collection and disposal of scrap tires.

NDOT previously entered into Contract No. 6490604 with Liberty, which was five years in length with a value of \$3,000,000. The contract is set to expire in June 2026.

The proposed ordinance would extend the contract term by an additional two years to end in May 27, 2028. Because the amended contract allows for a total term in excess of 60 months, Metropolitan Code of Laws Section 4.12.160.B requires Council approval by ordinance.

The amendment would also increase the total value of the contract to \$6,000,000 and changes the pricing information exhibit. The amendment also removes a requirement to identify the project name, RFQ, or Contract Number on a certificate of insurance and adds language required by Tenn. Code Ann. § 12-4-119 prohibiting the contractor from engaging in a boycott of Israel for the duration of the contract.

Fiscal Note: This amendment increases the estimated value of contract number 6490604 with LTR Intermediate Holdings, Inc. d/b/a Liberty Tire Recycling for the collection and disposal of scrap tires by \$3,000,000, for a revised contract amount of \$6,000,000 to be paid from Fund Number 30503, Business Unit 42701300. However, actual expenses may be paid from various departmental funds and business units when purchase orders are issued.

**Sponsors:** Toombs, Evans-Segall, Johnston, Hill, Allen and Benton

# 107. BL2025-1076

An ordinance authorizing The Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County to abandon existing public utility easement rights, for property located at 912 Matthews Avenue (Proposal No. 2025M-140ES-001).

# **Analysis**

This ordinance abandons an approximately 20-foot public utility easement for property located at 912 Matthews Avenue. The abandonment has been requested by property owner Thad McAuley.

This ordinance has been approved by the Planning Commission. Future amendments to this ordinance may be approved by resolution.

Fiscal Note: This ordinance has no cost to Metro. Abandoned easements have no market value according to the Department of Water Services.

**Sponsors:** Benedict, Horton and Evans-Segall

# 108. <u>BL2025-1077</u>

An ordinance authorizing The Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County to accept new sanitary sewer main, sanitary sewer manholes and easements, for property located at Nesbitt Lane (unnumbered), also known as 253 Nesbitt Phase 2 (MWS Project No. 25-SL-133 and Proposal No. 2025M-129ES-001).

#### **Analysis**

This ordinance accepts approximately 897 linear feet of new eight-inch sanitary sewer main (PVC), five sanitary sewer manholes and easements for property located at Nesbitt Lane (unnumbered), also known as 253 Nesbitt Phase 2.

This ordinance has been approved by the Planning Commission. Future amendments to this ordinance may be approved by resolution.

Fiscal Note: This ordinance has no cost to Metro. Donated easements have no market value according to the Department of Water Services.

**Sponsors**: Gamble, Horton and Evans-Segall

# 109. BL2025-1078

An ordinance authorizing The Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County to accept new public sanitary sewer main, sanitary sewer manhole and easements, for property located at Nesbitt Lane (unnumbered), also known as 253 Nesbitt Phase 3, (MWS Project No. 25-SL-134 and Proposal No. 2025M-131ES-001).

## **Analysis**

This ordinance accepts approximately 121 linear feet of new eight-inch sanitary sewer main (PVC), one sanitary sewer manhole and easements, for property located at Nesbitt Lane (unnumbered), also known as 253 Nesbitt Phase 3.

This ordinance has been approved by the Planning Commission. Future amendments to this ordinance may be approved by resolution.

Fiscal Note: This ordinance has no cost to Metro. Donated easements have no market value according to the Department of Water Services.

**Sponsors:** Gamble, Horton and Evans-Segall

# 110. BL2025-1079

An ordinance authorizing The Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County to accept new sanitary sewer mains, sanitary sewer manholes and easements, for property located at Nesbitt Lane (unnumbered), also known as 253 Nesbitt Phase 4 (MWS Project No. 25-SL-135 and Proposal No. 2025M-130ES-001).

### <u>Analysis</u>

This ordinance accepts approximately 321 linear feet of new eight-inch sanitary sewer main (DIP) approximately 46 linear feet of new eight-inch sanitary sewer main (PVC), two sanitary sewer manholes and easements, for property located at Nesbitt Lane (unnumbered), also known as 253 Nesbitt Phase 4.

This ordinance has been approved by the Planning Commission. Future amendments to this ordinance may be approved by resolution.

Fiscal Note: This ordinance has no cost to Metro. Donated easements have no market value according to the Department of Water Services.

**Sponsors**: Gamble, Horton and Evans-Segall

# 111. BL2025-1080

An ordinance authorizing The Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County to accept new sanitary sewer main, sanitary sewer manholes and easements, for four properties located at 611 and 631 Old Lebanon Dirt Road and 1741 and 1748 Ridgemere Court, also known as Gujarat Cultural Association (MWS Project No. 25-SL-129 and Proposal No. 2025M-137ES-001).

### **Analysis**

This ordinance accepts approximately 241 linear feet of new eight-inch sanitary sewer main (PVC), two sanitary sewer manholes and easements, for four properties located at 611 and 631 Old Lebanon Dirt Road and 1741 and 1748 Ridgemere Court, also known as Gujarat Cultural Association.

This ordinance has been approved by the Planning Commission. Future amendments to this ordinance may be approved by resolution.

Fiscal Note: This ordinance has no cost to Metro. Donated easements have no market value according to the Department of Water Services.

**Sponsors**: Evans, Horton, Evans-Segall and Kupin

# 112. <u>BL2025-1081</u>

An ordinance authorizing The Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County to accept new public sanitary sewer main, sanitary sewer manhole and easements, for property located at Split Log Road (unnumbered) in Williamson County, also known as Rosebrooke South Section 1, (MWS Project No. 25-SL-128 and Proposal No. 2025M-138ES-001).

# Analysis

This ordinance accepts approximately 180 linear feet of new eight-inch sanitary sewer main (PVC), one sanitary sewer manholes and easements, for property located at Split Log Road (unnumbered) in Williamson County, also known as Rosebrooke South Section 1.

This ordinance has been approved by the Planning Commission. Future amendments to this ordinance may be approved by resolution.

Fiscal Note: This ordinance has no cost to Metro. Donated easements have no market value according to the Department of Water Services.

**Sponsors**: Horton and Evans-Segall

# 113. BL2025-1082

An ordinance authorizing The Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County to abandon existing public water main and easements, and to accept new public water main, fire hydrant assembly and easements, for two properties located at 12610 Old Hickory Boulevard and Old Hickory Boulevard (unnumbered), also known as 12610 Business Park, (MWS Project No. 24-WL-76 and Proposal No. 2025M-143ES-001).

#### Analysis

This ordinance abandons approximately 216 linear feet of existing six-inch water main (DIP) and easements and accepts approximately 267 linear feet of new six-inch water main (DIP), one fire hydrant assembly and easements, for two properties located at 12610 Old Hickory Boulevard and Old Hickory Boulevard (unnumbered), also known as 12610 Business Park.

This ordinance has been approved by the Planning Commission. Future amendments to this ordinance may be approved by resolution.

Fiscal Note: This ordinance has no cost to Metro. Abandoned and donated easements have no market value according to the Department of Water Services.

**Sponsors:** Styles, Horton and Evans-Segall

# 114. BL2025-1083

An ordinance authorizing The Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County to abandon existing public sanitary sewer main, sanitary sewer manhole and easement, and to accept new public water and sanitary sewer mains, fire hydrant assembly, sanitary sewer manholes and easements, for two properties located at 847 and 865 West Trinity Lane (MWS Project Nos. 25-WL-29 and 25-SL-96 and Proposal No. 2025M-145ES-001).

### **Analysis**

This ordinance abandons approximately 492 linear feet of existing eight-inch sanitary sewer main, three sanitary sewer manholes and easements and accepts approximately 231 linear feet of new eight inch water main (DIP), approximately 492 linear feet of new eight-inch sanitary sewer main (DIP), one fire hydrant assembly, six sanitary sewer manholes and easements, for two properties located at 847 and 865 West Trinity Lane.

This ordinance has been approved by the Planning Commission. Future amendments to this ordinance may be approved by resolution.

Fiscal Note: This ordinance has no cost to Metro. Abandoned and donated easements have no market value according to the Department of Water Services.

**Sponsors:** Toombs, Horton and Evans-Segall

# 115. <u>BL2025-1084</u>

An ordinance authorizing The Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County to accept new sanitary sewer main, sanitary sewer manhole and easements, for property located at 1718 Jefferson Street, also known as 1712 Jefferson Street development (MWS Project No. 24-SL-203 and Proposal No. 2025M-141ES-001).

# <u>Analysis</u>

This ordinance accepts approximately 10 linear feet of new eight-inch sanitary sewer main (PVC) and one sanitary sewer manhole and easements for property located at located at 1718 Jefferson Street, also known as 1712 Jefferson Street development.

This ordinance has been approved by the Planning Commission. Future amendments to this ordinance may be approved by resolution.

Fiscal Note: This ordinance has no cost to Metro. Donated easements have no market value according to the Department of Water Services.

**Sponsors:** Taylor, Horton and Evans-Segall

# 116. BL2025-1085

An ordinance authorizing The Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County to accept new public water and sanitary sewer mains, fire hydrant assembly, sanitary sewer manholes and easements, for two properties located at 3039 and 3041 Hillside Road, also known as Grace Park, (MWS Project Nos. 23-WL-98 and 23-SL-268 and Proposal No. 2025M-146ES-001).

#### **Analysis**

This ordinance accepts approximately 625 linear feet of new eight-inch water main (DIP), approximately 603 linear feet of new eight-inch sanitary sewer main (PVC), one fire hydrant assembly, five sanitary sewer manholes and easements, for two properties located at 3039 and 3041 Hillside Road, also known as Grace Park.

This ordinance has been approved by the Planning Commission. Future amendments to this ordinance may be approved by resolution.

Fiscal Note: This ordinance has no cost to Metro. Donated easements have no market value according to the Department of Water Services.

**Sponsors:** Parker, Horton and Evans-Segall

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An ordinance authorizing The Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County to accept new public water and sanitary sewer mains, fire hydrant assembly, sanitary sewer

manholes and easements, for two properties located at 3941 and 3957 Dodson Chapel Road, also known as Dodson Chapel Townhouses (MWS Project Nos. 25-WL-10 and 25-SL-23 and Proposal No. 2025M-148ES-001).

# <u>Analysis</u>

This ordinance accepts approximately 1,039 linear feet of new eight-inch water main (DIP), approximately 469 linear feet of new eight-inch sanitary sewer main (PVC), approximately 421 linear feet of new eight-inch sanitary sewer main (DIP), two fire hydrant assemblies, eight sanitary sewer manholes and easements, for two properties located at 3941 and 3957 Dodson Chapel road, also known as Dodson Chapel Townhouses.

This ordinance has been approved by the Planning Commission. Future amendments to this ordinance may be approved by resolution.

Fiscal Note: This ordinance has no cost to Metro. Donated easements have no market value according to the Department of Water Services.

**Sponsors**: Huffman, Horton and Evans-Segall