



Metropolitan Council

J. Rules of Procedure

J1. [Rule 9.3](#)

Proposed amendment to Rule 9 of the Rules of Procedure of the Council.

Analysis

This proposed rule amendment would amend Rule 9 of the Council Rules of Procedure. Rule 9 governs the introduction of legislation. The proposed rule amendment would require that all ordinances on first reading be consider in one vote. In addition, an ordinance on first reading could be considered separately if two or more members notify the Vice Mayor that they wish to take a separate vote on an ordinance.

Sponsors: Huffman and Horton

K. Bills on Public Hearing

1. [BL2025-742](#)

An Ordinance amending Title 2 and Section 16.28.195 of the Metropolitan Code pertaining to the Metropolitan Historical Commission and the Metropolitan Historic Zoning Commission.

Analysis

This ordinance, as substituted, amends Title 2 and Section 16.28.195 of the Metropolitan Code of Laws regarding the staff of the Historical Commission.

Under the existing Section 2.128.050 of the Metropolitan Code of Laws, the position of the executive director of the Historical Commission is created. The executive director serves at the pleasure of the Historical Commission, and their compensation is determined by the Historical Commission. The executive director of the Historical Commission must meet certain education and experience requirements.

The ordinance, as substituted, would keep these provisions, but rename the position as the “director” of the Historical Commission instead of the “executive director”. In addition, the substitute would clarify that the director of the Historical Commission is empowered to hire staff as needed to carry out the functions of the Historical Commission.

In addition, the ordinance, as substituted, would create a new Chapter 2.130 regarding the

Historic Zoning Commission Staff. The ordinance, as substituted, would move the staff of the Historic Zoning Commission to the Planning Department and the staff would report to the executive director of the Planning Department. All future staff would also be organized under the Planning Department. Staff employed prior to the effective date of the ordinance would retain civil service status. Current Historic Zoning Commission staff are civil service employees. Staff hired after the effective date of the ordinance would have the same status as other employees of the Planning Department, who are not civil service employees. The ordinance, as substituted, would also officially create the position of Historic Zoning Administrator in the Metropolitan Code of Laws. This position would report to and serve at the pleasure of the executive director of the Planning Department. The historic zoning administrator must meet certain education and experience requirements, similar to those of the Historical Commission, but with additional qualifications related to zoning. An amendment was added that states future employees of the Planning Department assigned to the Historic Zoning Commission should have experience in historic preservation.

Section 16.28.195.A outlines the process for an application for a demolition permit for a structure that is listed or is eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places. Under the current provision, the executive director of the historical commission has up to 90 days to approve a demolition permit before the structure can be demolished. The ordinance, as substituted, would change this to authorize the historic zoning administrator, instead of the director of this historical commission, to make this determination.

The existing Chapter 2.128 of the Metropolitan Code of Laws addresses only the Historical Commission and does not address the Historic Zoning Commission or the Historic Zoning Commission staff. Chapter 17.40, Article IX of the Metropolitan Code of Laws addresses the Historic Zoning Commission but these provisions do not address its staff. The Metropolitan Historic Zoning Commission Rules of Order and Procedure state in Section V that the staff functions of the Historic Zoning Commission are performed by the Historical Commission staff, with one members of staff being named as the zoning administrator of the Historic Zoning Commission.

While this ordinance amends the Metropolitan Code of Laws relative to the staff of the Historical Commission and the Historic Zoning Commission, it does not impact or change the authority of either commission. The Historical Commission authority is outlined in Chapter 2.128 of the Metropolitan Code of Laws. The Historic Zoning Commission authority is outlined in Tennessee Code Annotated § 13-7-401, et seq., and Chapter 17.40, Article IX of the Metropolitan Code of Laws.

This ordinance would take effect on July 1, 2025.

An amendment was added at the March 4, 2025 Council meeting to add recitals.

Sponsors: Benedict, Evans, Kupin, Huffman, Welsch, Johnston, Gamble, Horton, Webb, Benton, Eslick, Ellis, Spain, Weiner and Sepulveda

M.**Resolutions**

2. [RS2025-1062](#)

A resolution affirming the determinations of The Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County to issue general obligation bonds pursuant to certain Initial Resolutions previously adopted by the Metropolitan County Council and consenting to reallocations for specific public works projects.

Analysis

This resolution would affirm two previously adopted Initial Resolutions to issue general obligation bonds and would also approve a reallocation of project funding for the Nashville School of the Arts.

In 2017, Council adopted two Initial Resolutions (“2017 Capital Spending Plans”) authorizing the issuance of general obligation bonds to finance a variety of public works projects, as that term is defined in state law. Resolution No. RS2017-713 and Resolution No. RS2017-963 authorized funding for projects numbered 18BE0009 and 17BE0014, respectively, both of which would have allocated bond proceeds to finance the costs associated with land acquisition for the Nashville School of the Arts. The aggregate authorized spending amount for the land acquisition was \$11,300,000.

Since the passage of the 2017 Capital Spending Plans, priorities for the Nashville School of the Arts and other school properties have shifted such that the spending authority for land acquisition costs would be better spent on consulting, design, planning, and construction costs for a new Nashville School of the Arts facility. As such, the resolution under consideration would reallocate previously approved \$11,300,000 to project number 14BE0026 - Nashville School of the Arts - New. As indicated in Exhibit B, it is projected that with a new school facility, the savings in maintenance resources can be spread across the district.

In 2024, Council adopted Resolution No. RS2024-195 effectively reducing the authority to issue general obligation bonds and the spending authority in a collection of capital spending plans, including the 2017 Capital Spending Plans which were reduced by a nominal amount having little effect on the Nashville School of Arts projects. Because the original projects were limited to land acquisition, a new spending authorization is needed to broaden the scope of the projects. Thus, the resolution under consideration would additionally reduce the funding authorization in the 2017 Capital Spending Plans in an amount equal to the reallocation amount. Effectively, the total authorization of the 2017 Capital Spending Plans will be reduced by \$11,300,000 and the resolution under consideration will create a new spending authorization of \$11,300,000, resulting in the same total amount of funding.

For compliance purposes, the resolution under consideration will be treated as an Initial Resolution pursuant to Sections 9-21-205 and 206 of the Tennessee Code Annotated. As such Section 4 of the Initial Resolution will be published in a newspaper with general circulation. This section contains the financing purposes, project description, fiscal pledge and interest rate limitation statements, among other things, required by state law.

Rule 21 of the Council Rules of Procedure requires that initial resolutions provide detailed

information regarding the identification of projects by CIB project number, the amount to be financed allocated to each project, and the identification of where a proposed project appears (if at all) on the Council's CIB prioritization list.

This resolution was previously deferred one meeting pursuant to Rule 21.

Sponsors: Toombs, Porterfield and Gadd

3. **RS2025-1067**

A resolution approving a preliminary engineering agreement between CSX Transportation, Inc. ("CSXT"), a Virginia corporation with its principal place of business in Jacksonville, Florida, and the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County, to facilitate the replacement of an existing bridge on Eastland Avenue (Proposal No. 2025M-005AG-001).

Analysis

This resolution approves a preliminary agreement between CSX Transportation ("CSXT") and the Nashville Department of Transportation and Infrastructure ("NDOT") to facilitate the replacement of an existing bridge on Eastland Avenue.

The agreement provides that CSXT will prepare and approve final engineering and design plans, specifications, drawings, agreements and other documents tied to the replacement of a bridge on Eastland Avenue near Riverside Drive. CSXT would also prepare cost estimates for its work in connection with the project and review construction cost estimates, site surveys, plats, legal descriptions, assessments, studies, easements, agreements and related construction documents submitted by NDOT.

NDOT will reimburse CSXT for the costs and expenses associated with the engineering and design services, estimated to be \$37,600.

Ordinance No. BL2005-787 authorized approval of agreements between the Department of Public Works (now NDOT) and CSXT through a Metropolitan Council resolution.

Fiscal Note: Nashville Department of Transportation and Infrastructure ("NDOT") would reimburse CST Transportation, Inc. ("CSXT") the estimated cost in the amount of \$37,600 for the preliminary engineering and design services for the replacement of an existing bridge on Eastland Avenue.

Sponsors: Capp, Porterfield and Gamble

4. **RS2025-1074**

A resolution appropriating to certain accounts for the benefit of Metropolitan Transit Authority, Nashville Department of Transportation and Multimodal Infrastructure, Department of Information Technology Services, and the Mayor's Office in the amount of Fifty-Nine Million Three Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$59,300,000) in connection with the "Choose How You Move" Transportation Improvement Program.

Analysis

This resolution approves supplemental appropriations in the amount of \$59,300,000 from revenues of various funds for the benefit of various departments. Council enacted Ordinance No. BL2024-427 approving a transit improvement program and a levy of a surcharge on certain sales taxes to fund the program. The program and the surcharge were approved by referendum election on November 5, 2024. The sales tax surcharge levy began on February 1, 2025.

The Metro Finance Department projects that between February 1, 2025, and the end of the fiscal year the sales tax surcharge will generate \$59,300,000 in revenue. The appropriates the projected surcharge amount to a Surcharge Revenue account. From that revenue account, the following amounts are appropriated:

To Metropolitan Transit Authority: \$42,465,000 for transit operations and operations reserve.

To Nashville Department of Transportation: \$196,000 for transit operating salaries, fringe, and supplies.

To Information Technology Services: \$284,000 for transit operating salaries, fringe, and supplies.

To Mayor's Office: \$190,000 for transit operating salaries, fringe, and supplies.

To Metro Transit Capital Improvement Expense Fund: \$16,165,000 for appropriation as a surcharge revenue transfer for capital expenses.

From the surcharge revenue amounts appropriated to the Metro Transit Capital Improvement Expense Fund, the following amounts are appropriated:

To Nashville Department of Transportation: \$1,350,000 for transit capital expenses.

To Metropolitan Transit Authority: \$14,815,000 for transit capital expenses.

Since the sales tax surcharge is a dedicated revenue source, any appropriated funds not expended and not encumbered at the end of the fiscal year can be carried forward into subsequent budget years for authorized transit improvement program purposes. This resolution authorizes such a carry forward.

Sponsors: Porterfield, Parker, Welsch, Gadd, Huffman and Toombs

5. **[RS2025-1075](#)**

A resolution authorizing the Metropolitan Department of Law to compromise and settle the personal injury claim of Robert Beene against the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County in the amount of \$7,000.00 and that said amount be paid out of the Self-Insured Liability Fund.

Analysis

On August 13, 2024, Robert Beene was stopped in his vehicle at the intersection of Second Avenue and Gay Street. A Davidson County Sheriff's Office ("DCSO") prisoner transport vehicle was traveling southbound on Gay Street when the driver attempted to turn onto Second Avenue North. The DCSO vehicle turned sharply and sideswiped Mr. Beene's vehicle. Mr. Beene's property damage claim related to his vehicle was previously settled for \$4,560.96.

Mr. Beene sought treatment at the emergency room in early September after the accident for left hip pain. He received an x-ray and pain medication. Later in September, Mr. Beene was treated at an orthopedic clinic for hip pain. Mr. Beene's medical expenses totaled \$3,085.36.

The parties have participated in settlement negotiations and have agreed upon the settlement amount of \$7,000, subject to approval from the Metropolitan Council. The Department of Law recommends settlement of Mr. Beene's personal injury claim for \$7,000.

Disciplinary action against the DCSO employee involved is pending supervisor review.

Fiscal Note: The total settlement amount is \$7,000. This settlement along with Resolution No. RS2025-1090 would be the 23rd and 24th payments after approval by Metropolitan Council from the Self-Insured Liability Fund in FY25 for a cumulative total of \$1,274,879. The fund balance would be \$12,106,031 after this payment.

Sponsors: Porterfield and Toombs

6. [RS2025-1076](#)

A resolution appropriating the amount of \$22,439,000.00 from the General Fund Reserve Fund for the purchase of equipment and building repairs for various departments of The Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County.

Analysis

This resolution appropriates \$22,439,000 from the General Fund Reserve Fund (4% Fund) to 16 departments for various purchases of equipment and building repairs. Section 6.14 of the Metropolitan Charter requires that 4% of all the general fund revenue of the General Services District be set aside each year solely for the purchase of equipment and building repairs.

Ordinance No. O86-1534 and Section 5.04.015.F of the Metro Code require that allocations from the 4% Fund each be supported by information sheets, which are attached to the resolution. The information sheets detail the cost of the equipment or building repairs, whether the cost is related to a replacement, the age of the equipment being replaced, and the estimated life of the equipment. The resolution further provides that "the Director of Finance may schedule acquisitions authorized herein to ensure an appropriate balance in the Fund."

The following departments would receive funding:

- Davidson County Juvenile Court -- \$45,000 for appliance replacement and repairs for the Detention Center
- Davidson County Sheriff's Office -- \$2,500,000 for miscellaneous equipment and the

miscellaneous repair and maintenance fund

- Department of General Services -- \$3,600,000 for Facilities - Major Maintenance/Repairs; Fleet - New and Replacement Vehicles; and Office Buildout/FF&E
- Department of Law -- \$212,000 for NetDocuments; laptops with docking stations; and furniture for new employees
- Department of Information Technology Services - \$4,866,000 for Cooling System for Data Center; End-of-Life Equipment and Resources; Tech Revolving Fund - Desktop and Laptop replacements; and CAL - AMS System Tablets for Parks
- Metropolitan Arts Commission - \$110,000 for the reconfiguration of the Metro Arts Space
- Metropolitan Historical Commission - \$25,000 for Sunnyside - Completion of Renovation Items
- Metropolitan Nashville Police Department - \$1,386,000 for IT-MDC Software Management and Update System; End-of-Life Server Replacement for SDD Crime Analysis SQL Server - IT; Patrol Car Buildouts/Radios; MNPd Hanger - Furniture and Fixtures; IT-Milestone Video Management SQL Servers/License/Recording Servers; and Safety Equipment - SWAT, Investigative Video Analytic System
- Department of Parks and Recreation - \$2,850,000 for Cumberland Elevator Replacement, Fencing; netting, water line replacement and equipment for playgrounds/Park System; and to Upgrade Parks Lighting, Playgrounds and Courts - Systemwide
- Department of Health -- \$600,000 for Roof repairs and maintenance for Metro Animal Care and Control and Medical Supplies and Equipment for Woodbine and Lentz Health Centers
- Nashville Department of Transportation - \$500,000 for Tree maintenance and repair
- Nashville Fire Department -- \$1,500,000 for Logistics - Medical & Safety Supplies and Facilities Management - Repairs and Maintenance of Facilities
- Nashville Public Library -- \$2,590,000 for books/periodical/library materials and signage for branch library
- Office of Family Safety - \$33,000 for computer tablets and stands and miscellaneous furniture and fixtures
- Office of Homeless Services - \$92,000 for purchase and installation of Cold Weather Shelter cooking/refrigeration units; Chest freezer; Defibrillators for Strobel, CWS, and DCC; AI Phone Intercom System; and laptops and tablets
- State Trial Courts - \$1,530,000 for the replacement of the Court Reporting System - Phase 1 of 2, and Case Management Software

Sponsors: Porterfield and Toombs

7. [**RS2025-1077**](#)

A resolution to approve the Third Amendment to a grant contract for constructing affordable housing approved by RS2022-1443 between The Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County, acting by and through the Metropolitan Housing Trust Fund Commission,

and Inspiritus, Inc.

Analysis

This resolution approves the third amendment to a grant between the Metropolitan Housing Trust Fund Commission and Inspiritus Inc. originally approved by Resolution No. RS2022-1443 (Exhibit J to RS2022-1443).

RS2022-1443 approved a contract for a grant of \$2,500,000 to be used for the construction of affordable housing rental units at 1622 Rosa Parks Boulevard.

The first amendment, approved pursuant to Resolution No. RS2024-332, extended the term of the contract from 24 months to 36 months. The second amendment, approved pursuant to Resolution No. RS2024-333, replaced Section C.3 of the grant contract related to Payment Methodology regarding the grant draw schedule.

The amendment under consideration would extend the term of the contract from 36 months to 48 months.

Sponsors: Porterfield, Gamble, Allen, Gadd and Toombs

8. [RS2025-1078](#)

A resolution to approve the Second Amendment to a grant contract for constructing affordable housing approved by RS2022-1443 between The Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County, acting by and through the Metropolitan Housing Trust Fund Commission, and Habitat for Humanity of Greater Nashville.

Analysis

This resolution approves the third amendment to a grant contract between the Housing Trust Fund Commission and Habitat for Humanity of Greater Nashville for the construction of affordable housing, originally approved by Resolution No. RS2022-1443 (Exhibit L to RS2022-1443).

The Habitat for Humanity of Greater Nashville grant agreement was one of many that the Metropolitan Housing Trust Fund previously executed pursuant to Resolution No. RS2022-1443. This grant provided \$2,990,007 for the addition of 26 affordable units for homeownership.

The first amendment, approved by Resolution No. RS2024-334, extended the term of the contract from 24 months to 36 months from the execution of the agreement.

The amendment under consideration would extend the term of the contract from 36 months to 48 months.

Sponsors: Porterfield, Gamble, Welsch, Allen, Gadd, Toombs and Benedict

9. [RS2025-1079](#)

A resolution to approve the Third Amendment to a grant contract for constructing affordable housing approved by RS2022-1443 between The Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County, acting by and through the Metropolitan Housing Trust Fund Commission, and Rebuilding Together Nashville.

Analysis

This resolution approves the third amendment to a grant contract between the Housing Trust Fund Commission and Rebuilding Together Nashville for the construction of affordable housing, originally approved by Resolution No. RS2022-1443 (Exhibit N to RS2022-1443).

The Rebuilding Together Nashville grant agreement was one of many that the Metropolitan Housing Trust Fund previously executed pursuant to Resolution No. RS2022-1443. This grant provided \$1,849,173 for the rehabilitation of 87 affordable single-family homes.

The first amendment, approved pursuant to Resolution No. RS2024-204, amended the scope of program approved by RS2022-1443 from 87 affordable single-family homes to instead state 87 owner-occupied single-family and two-family home units. The second amendment, approved pursuant to Resolution No. RS2024-301, extended the term of the contract from 24 months to 36 months from the execution of the agreement.

The amendment under consideration would extend the term of the contract from 36 months to 48 months.

Sponsors: Porterfield, Gamble, Welsch, Gadd, Toombs and Benedict

10. **RS2025-1080**

A resolution accepting the terms of a cooperative purchasing master agreement for promotional products and services for the Nashville Public Library.

Analysis

This resolution accepts the terms of a cooperative purchasing agreement for promotional products and services for the Nashville Public Library. The original purchase agreement is between the Regents of the University of California, which is a State of California public corporation, and Interlink Innovations, Inc. dba Gorilla Marketing. The anticipated project value is \$375,000.

According to the Cooperative Request Review form, the pricing in the cooperative purchase agreement was from a competitive RFP with 19 offers. It is unlikely that Metro would obtain a better value through a competitive solicitation. The agreement would expire on August 31, 2029.

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 form from the Division of Purchases, the anticipated project value is \$375,000.

Sponsors: Porterfield, Welsch and Toombs

11. [**RS2025-1081**](#)

A resolution accepting the terms of a cooperative purchasing master agreement for the purchase of mobile solar powered charging systems and related services for Department of General Services.

Analysis

This resolution accepts the terms of a cooperative purchasing master agreement for the purchase of mobile solar powered charging systems and related services for the Department of General Services. The original purchase agreement is between Beam Global and the United States General Services Administration. The anticipated project value is \$1,000,000.

According to the cooperative purchase request, Beam Global provides mobile solar-powered charging stations and related services that would provide additional charging options for more Metro departments. It is unlikely that Metro would obtain better value through a competitive solicitation. The agreement is valid through October 31, 2025.

T.C.A. § 12-3-1201(c) and M.C.L. 4.12.090(b) allow the Metropolitan Government to purchase goods, supplies, services, and equipment under the provision of contracts or price agreements of open federal contracts. 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 form from the Division of Purchases, the anticipated project value is \$1,000,000.

Sponsors: Porterfield and Toombs

12. [**RS2025-1082**](#)

A resolution accepting a grant from A Step Ahead Foundation of Middle Tennessee, Inc. to the Metropolitan Government, acting by and through the Metropolitan Board of Health, to provide reimbursement for certain costs associated with providing long-acting reversible contraception.

Analysis

This resolution accepts a grant from A Step Ahead Foundation of Middle Tennessee, Inc. to the Metropolitan Board of Health to reimburse certain costs associated with providing long-acting reversible contraception.

The grant would reimburse the Metropolitan Public Health Department (“MPHD”) for costs associated with long-acting reversible contraception that are not covered by other payors. The

grant agreement states that A Step Ahead Foundation of Middle Tennessee, Inc. would serve as the “payer of last resort” for these services when provided by MPHD. The agreement also states that MPHD would commit to provide family planning services to eligible recipients of reproductive age.

The grant award is an amount is not to exceed \$250,000. The contract term begins upon approval by all parties and filing with the Metropolitan Clerk and ends on December 31, 2026.

Sponsors: Porterfield, Evans, Welsch, Allen, Gadd, Huffman and Toombs

13. [RS2025-1083](#)

A resolution accepting a grant from the Tennessee Department of Health to the Metropolitan Government, acting by and through the Metropolitan Board of Health, to provide oral disease prevention services for school children in grades K-8 in qualifying public schools.

Analysis

This resolution accepts a grant from the Tennessee Department of Health to the Metropolitan Board of Health to provide oral disease prevention services for school children in grades K-8 in qualifying public schools.

The grant amount is \$1,840,200 with no cash match. The grant term is from July 1, 2024, to June 30, 2026.

Sponsors: Porterfield, Evans, Welsch, Gadd, Huffman, Toombs and Ellis

14. [RS2025-1084](#)

A resolution accepting a grant from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services to the Metropolitan Government, acting by and through the Metropolitan Board of Health, to provide for the prevention, surveillance, diagnosis, and treatment of HIV/AIDS and to administer a Minority AIDS Initiative program.

Analysis

This resolution accepts a grant from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services to the Metropolitan Board of Health. The grant will provide for the prevention, surveillance, diagnosis, and treatment of HIV/AIDS and will administer a Minority AIDS Initiative program. The funding is meant to provide “payer of last resort” resources.

The grant award is an amount not to exceed \$857,721 with no cash match. This award obligates partial funding for the next grant cycle. The grant period is from March 1, 2025, to February 29, 2028.

Sponsors: Porterfield, Evans, Welsch, Bradford, Gadd, Huffman and Toombs

15. [RS2025-1085](#)

A resolution accepting a grant from the Marjorie A. Neuhoff Private Foundation, Inc. to the Metropolitan Government, acting by and through the Metropolitan Board of Health, to provide

funding for the care of shelter animals at Metro Animal Care and Control.

Analysis

This resolution approves a grant from the Marjorie A. Neuhoff Private Foundation to the Metropolitan Board of Health to provide funding for the care of shelter animals at Metro Animal Care and Control.

The grant award is not to exceed \$10,000 with no cash match. The grant must be used to place cats and dogs in loving homes.

Sponsors: Porterfield, Evans, Bradford, Gadd, Toombs, Ellis and Hancock

16. [RS2025-1086](#)

A resolution approving amendment one to a grant from the Tennessee Department of Health to the Metropolitan Government, acting by and through the Metropolitan Board of Health, for public safety partnerships in high impact areas to use available data to identify populations at high risk for adverse consequences from substance abuse and employ evidence-based interventions that are responsive to population needs.

Analysis

This resolution approves the first amendment to a grant from the Tennessee Department of Health to the Metropolitan Board of Health for public safety partnerships in high impact areas to use available data to identify populations at high risk for adverse consequences from substance abuse, originally approved by Resolution No. RS2024-714.

The amendment under consideration decreases the grant amount by \$90,600, from \$235,400 to \$144,800. In addition, the amendment makes various changes to the terms of the contract. This includes a change in the scope of services to switch from a Navigation to Data Centered model. The grant attachments would be updated to reflect these changes.

Sponsors: Porterfield, Evans, Welsch and Toombs

17. [RS2025-1087](#)

A resolution accepting an in-kind grant from the Hillsboro-West End Neighborhood (HWEN) Association to the Metropolitan Government, acting by and through the Metropolitan Board of Parks and Recreation, to provide tags for existing trees and a sign for the HWEN Arboretum, to include Fannie Mae Dees Park.

Analysis

This resolution accepts an in-kind grant from the Hillsboro-West End Neighborhood Association (“HWEN”) to the Metropolitan Board of Parks and Recreation. The in-kind grant would provide a sign for the HWEN Arboretum, which includes Fannie Mae Dees Park, and provide tags for the arboretum’s existing trees.

The value of the in-kind grant is approximately \$4,000, with no cash match required. No funds related to this grant would be received by the Metropolitan Government. This grant was

approved by the Metropolitan Board of Parks and Recreation at its February 4, 2025, meeting.

Sponsors: Cash, Porterfield, Welsch, Allen and Toombs

18. [RS2025-1088](#)

A resolution accepting a grant from the Centennial Park Conservancy to the Metropolitan Government, acting by and through the Metropolitan Board of Parks and Recreation, to provide funding for educational conferences, travel, and other related expenses for Parthenon staff.

Analysis

This resolution accepts a grant from the Centennial Park Conservancy to the Metropolitan Board of Parks and Recreation. The grant would provide funding for education conferences, travel, and other related expenses for Parthenon staff.

The grant amount is \$15,581.16 with no cash match. The grant will be used to fund conferences, travel, and related expenses for Parthenon staff to attend conferences during the 2025 calendar year. The grant was approved at the February 4, 2025, meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Parks and Recreation.

Sponsors: Taylor, Porterfield, Gadd, Welsch and Toombs

19. [RS2025-1089](#)

A resolution approving a sole source contract between the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County and ZOLL Medical Corporation to provide Cardiac Monitors, AEDs, Accessories, and preventative maintenance & repairs, ZOLL Specific Software including ZOLL Cloud Services.

Analysis

This resolution approves a sole source contract between the Metropolitan Government and ZOLL Medical Corporation to provide cardiac monitors, AEDs, accessories, preventative maintenance and repairs, and software and cloud services.

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 contract under consideration has an estimated value in excess of \$250,000 and therefore requires Council approval.

The estimated value of this contract is \$2,500,000. 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, ZOLL products are currently in use across the Nashville Fire Department and replacing them with an alternative would be cost-prohibitive and create a substantial administrative burden that would impede with the department's function.

Sole source regulations also approve sole sourcing for brand name medical and scientific equipment and for the maintenance of high technology equipment and systems.

Fiscal Note: The estimated value of this sole source contract number 6563350 with ZOLL Medical Corporation for the cardiac monitors, AEDs, accessories, and preventive maintenance and repairs, ZOLL specific software including ZOLL Cloud Services is \$2,500,000 to be paid from Fund 30003, Business Unit 32214600. However, actual expenses may be paid from various department's fund and business unit numbers when purchase orders are issued.

Sponsors: Porterfield, Evans and Toombs

20. [**RS2025-1090**](#)

A resolution authorizing the Metropolitan Department of Law to compromise and settle the personal injury claim of Shelter Mutual Insurance as subrogee of Jaida Dumas against the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County in the amount of \$17,092.24, and that said amount be paid out of the Self-Insured Liability Fund.

Analysis

On May 2, 2024, Jaida Dumas was driving on I-40 West when traffic slowed and came to a stop. A Metropolitan Nashville Police Department ("MNPd") officer was driving behind Ms. Dumas and did not notice that traffic had slowed. The MNPd officer struck Ms. Dumas's vehicle.

Ms. Dumas was taken to the hospital with complaints of back and neck pain. She received x-rays and CT scans and was released. Her medical expenses totaled approximately \$5,000. Her vehicle received a repair estimate of \$9,514 and was declared a total loss.

The parties have participated in settlement negotiations and have agreed upon the settlement amount of \$17,092.24, subject to approval from the Metropolitan Council. The Department of Law recommends settlement of the property damage and personal injury claims of Shelter Mutual Insurance, as subrogee of Ms. Dumas, for \$17,092.24.

Disciplinary action against the MNPd employee involved is pending supervisor review.

Fiscal Note: The total settlement amount is \$17,092.24. This settlement along with Resolution No. RS2025-1075 would be the 23rd and 24th payments after approval by Metropolitan Council from the Self-Insured Liability Fund in FY25 for a cumulative total of \$1,274,879. The fund balance would be \$12,106,031 after this payment.

Sponsors: Porterfield and Toombs

21. [**RS2025-1091**](#)

A resolution accepting a Homeland Security Grant from the Tennessee Emergency Management Agency to the Metropolitan Government, acting by and through the Office of Emergency Management, to implement State Homeland Security Strategies by addressing the identified planning, equipment, training, and exercise needs required to prevent, respond

to, and recover from acts of terrorism.

Analysis

This resolution accepts a Homeland Security Grant from the Tennessee Emergency Management Agency to the Office of Emergency Management in an amount not to exceed \$43,470.99 with no cash match required. This grant will fund the implementation of State Homeland Security Strategies by addressing the identified planning, equipment, training, and exercise needs required to prevent, respond to, and recover from acts of terrorism. This grant supports the core capabilities across the five mission areas of Prevention, Protection, Mitigation, Response, and Recovery. The grant term begins on September 1, 2024, and ends on April 30, 2027.

Sponsors: Porterfield, Evans, Huffman, Toombs and Ellis

22. [RS2025-1092](#)

A resolution approving a preliminary engineering agreement between the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County and CSX Transportation, Inc. ("CSX"), a Virginia corporation with its principal place of business in Jacksonville, Florida, to facilitate the development of sidewalk improvements adjacent to CSX rail at Alabama Avenue. (Proposal No. 2025M-003AG-001).

Analysis

This resolution approves a preliminary agreement between CSX Transportation ("CSXT") and the Nashville Department of Transportation and Infrastructure ("NDOT") to facilitate the development of sidewalk improvements adjacent to CSXT rail on Alabama Avenue.

The agreement provides that CSXT will prepare and approve final engineering and design plans, specifications, drawings, agreements and other documents tied to sidewalk improvements on Alabama Avenue. CSXT would also prepare cost estimates for its work in connection with the project and review construction cost estimates, site surveys, plats, legal descriptions, assessments, studies, easements, agreements and related construction documents submitted by NDOT.

NDOT will provide funding participation in the amount of \$6,000 from the project budget. This proposal has been approved by the Planning Commission.

Ordinance No. BL2005-787 authorized approval of agreements between the Department of Public Works (now NDOT) and CSXT through a Metropolitan Council resolution.

Fiscal Note: Nashville Department of Transportation and Infrastructure ("NDOT") would reimburse CST Transportation, Inc. ("CSXT") the estimated cost in the amount of \$6,000 for the engineering and design services for the proposed sidewalk improvement adjacent to CSX Rail at Alabama Avenue.

Sponsors: Porterfield, Parker, Gamble and Toombs

23. [RS2025-1093](#)

A resolution approving amendment one to a grant agreement between the United States Department of Transportation (USDOT) and the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County, acting by and through the Nashville Department of Transportation and Multimodal Infrastructure (NDOT), for a Strengthening Mobility and Revolutionizing Transportation (SMART) Grant to install LiDAR and video camera technologies at key intersections and mid-block segments for “near-miss” data collection.

Analysis

This resolution approves the first amendment to a grant agreement between the United States Department of Transportation and the Nashville Department of Transportation and Multimodal Infrastructure (“NDOT”) for a Strengthening Mobility and Revolutionizing Transportation grant. The Metropolitan Council previously approved this grant through Resolution No. RS2023-2382. The grant is used to implement NDOT’s Leveraging Advanced Data to Deliver MultiModal Safety project through the installation of LiDAR and video camera technologies at key intersections and mid-block segments to understand near misses in Nashville.

The proposed amendment extends the contract end date from February 15, 2025, to August 15, 2025. No other changes would be made to the grant agreement.

Sponsors: Porterfield, Parker, Welsch, Huffman and Toombs

24. [RS2025-1094](#)

A resolution approving Amendment Number 1 to a sole source agreement between the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County and Vanderbilt University for partnering services for a Strengthening Mobility and Revolutionizing Transportation (SMART) grant from the United States Department of Transportation (USDOT).

Analysis

This resolution approves the first amendment to a sole source agreement between the Metropolitan Government (“Metro”) and Vanderbilt University (“Vanderbilt”). The agreement provides for partnering services for a Strengthening Mobility and Revolutionizing Transportation (“SMART”) grant from the United States Department of Transportation (“USDOT”).

Pursuant to Resolution No. RS2023-1937, the Council approved an application for a SMART grant to use video and other sensor data to identify safety issues outside of traditional crash reports, implement targeted safety measures, and evaluate these measures in downtown Nashville and North Nashville. The Council later accepted the grant and approved an intergovernmental agreement between Metro and USDOT to install LiDAR and video camera technologies at key intersections and mid-block segments for “near-miss” data collection through Resolution No. RS2023-2382. Metro then entered a sole source agreement with Vanderbilt valued at \$175,000 to partner to implement the SMART grant through a public website, pilot location testing, and data evaluation.

The proposed amendment increases funding for the contract with Vanderbilt by \$175,000, for a total contract value of \$350,000, and adds additional services, including design changes to

address connectivity issues and incorporation of the best possible location for sensors and cabling, and updates to the installed LiDAR sensors to more effectively identify vehicles. The amendment updates Exhibit A - Pricing Details to reflect the updated costs.

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 resolution with 21 affirmative votes. The proposed amendment increases the contract value by \$175,000 from \$175,000 to \$350,000, which brings the sole source contract value over \$250,000 and triggers the requirement for Council approval.

According to the sole source justification form, the services are provided by Vanderbilt specifically for the SMART grant in partnership with state and local authorities.

Fiscal Note: This amendment increases the estimated contract value of sole source contract 6562729 with Vanderbilt University by \$175,000 for a revised contract amount of \$350,000 to be paid from Fund 40442, Business Unit 42440700. However, actual expenses may be paid from various department's fund and business units when purchase orders are issued.

Sponsors: Porterfield, Parker, Gadd and Toombs

25. [RS2025-1095](#)

A resolution approving a contract between the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County and Infor, LLC for the provision of Asset Management software licensing, support and maintenance.

Analysis

This resolution approves a contract between the Metropolitan Government and Infor, LLC, for the provision of Asset Management software licensing, support, and maintenance for use by the Metropolitan Department of Water Services ("MWS").

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 contract under consideration has an estimated value in excess of \$250,000 and therefore requires Council approval.

The estimated value of this contract is \$ 1,053,287.71. The contract term begins on May 29, 2025, or upon approval of all required parties and filing in the Metropolitan Clerk's Office, whichever occurs last, and extends for a total of 60 months.

According to the sole source justification form, Infor is used by MWS for its asset management system. This software is proprietary to Infor and licensing, support, and maintenance can only be provided by Infor.

Fiscal Note: The estimated value of this sole source contract number 6528931 with Infor (US), LLC for the Asset Management software licensing, support and maintenance is \$1,053,287.71 to be paid from Fund 67331, Business Unit 65555030. However, actual expenses may be paid from various department's fund and business unit numbers when purchase orders are issued.

Sponsors: Porterfield, Parker and Toombs

26. [RS2025-1096](#)

A resolution approving a participation agreement between the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County, acting by and through the Metropolitan Department of Water and Sewerage Services, and Richland Building Partners, to provide sanitary sewer service improvements for Richland's proposed development, as well as other existing properties in the area (MWS Project No. 23-SL-0228 and Proposal No. 2025M-004AG-001).

Analysis

This resolution approves a participation agreement between the Metropolitan Department of Water and Sewerage Services ("MWS") and Richland Building Partners ("Richland") to provide sanitary sewer service improvements for Richland's proposed development, as well as other existing properties in the area.

Ordinance No. BL2022-1214 allows MWS to enter into participation agreements to fund infrastructure with developers by resolution of the Metropolitan Council. The Metropolitan Planning Commission has recommended approval of the resolution.

Pursuant to the terms of the participation agreement, Richland will improve the public water service to serve its development at 10th and Fatherland and existing properties in the area. The improvements would consist of designing and installing approximately 101 linear feet of new eight-inch sanitary sewer main and one manhole at 210 S 10th Street and the abandonment of approximately 208 linear feet of existing eight-inch (VCP) sanitary sewer main and one sanitary sewer manhole. MWS would agree to pay 50 percent of the actual project costs not to exceed \$51,500.

Fiscal Note: Metro will pay 50% of the actual project costs not to exceed \$51,500 as a contribution toward these improvements.

Sponsors: Capp, Porterfield, Gamble, Parker and Toombs

27. [RS2025-1097](#)

A resolution to amend Ordinance No. BL2022-1222 to authorize The Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County to modify the linear feet of water and sanitary sewer mains and sanitary sewer manholes to be abandoned and accepted, and to update Map and Parcel information, for now one property located at Chandler Road (unnumbered), also known as Chandler Reserve Phase 4 Rev. 1, (MWS Project Nos. 21-WL-124 and 21-SL-292 and Proposal No. 2022M-045ES-002).

Analysis

This resolution amends Ordinance No. BL2022-1222, which was approved by the Metropolitan Council on May 17, 2022. The ordinance authorized the abandonment of approximately 133 linear feet of existing eight inch sanitary sewer main (PVC) and easements, and the acceptance of approximately 1,194 linear feet of new eight inch water main (DIP), approximately 604 linear feet of new eight inch sanitary sewer main (DIP), approximately 244 linear feet of new eight inch sanitary sewer main (PVC), three fire hydrant assemblies, nine sanitary sewer manholes and easements, for two properties located at Chandler Road (unnumbered), also known as Chandler Reserve Phase 4.

The proposed resolution authorizes the abandonment of approximately one linear foot less of existing eight-inch sanitary sewer main, and the acceptance of approximately two linear feet less of new eight-inch water main (DIP), approximately 69 linear feet less of new eight-inch sanitary sewer main (DIP), approximately one additional linear foot of new eight-inch sanitary sewer main (PVC), one additional sanitary sewer manhole and easements. One of the previously approved properties at Chandler Road (unnumbered), located at Map 076-00 and Parcel 20, is no longer required for the project.

These changes been approved by the Planning Commission.

Sponsors: Eslick, Gamble and Parker

28. [**RS2025-1098**](#)

A resolution authorizing The Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County to accept a new public sanitary sewer manhole, for property located at 1532 Demonbreun Street, also known as Demonbreun Hill South (MWS Project No. 24-SL-202 and Proposal No. 2025M-014ES-001).

Analysis

This resolution accepts one new public sanitary sewer manhole for property located at 1532 Demonbreun Street, also known as Demonbreun Hill South.

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: Kupin, Gamble and Parker

29. [**RS2025-1099**](#)

A resolution authorizing The Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County to abandon an existing fire hydrant assembly, for property located at 800 Dickerson Pike, also known as East Nashville FSER, (MWS Project No. 25-WL-08 and Proposal No. 2025M-012ES-001).

Analysis

This resolution abandons an existing fire hydrant assembly for property located at 800 Dickerson Pike, also known as East Nashville FSER.

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: Parker and Gamble

O. **Bills on Second Reading**

44. [BL2025-688](#)

An ordinance to amend Chapter 2.147 of the Metropolitan Code of Laws regarding the Nashville Music, Entertainment, and Film Commission.

Analysis

This ordinance amends Metropolitan Code of Laws Chapter 2.147 regarding the Nashville Music, Entertainment, and Film Commission. This legislation contains recommendations from the Nashville Music, Entertainment, and Film Commission, as well as recommendations to the Mayor's Office from the Metro Nashville Board and Commission Working Group ("the Working Group").

The ordinance would rename the Nashville Music, Entertainment, and Film Commission to the Nashville Entertainment Commission ("the Commission"). Similarly, the Office of Music, Film, and Entertainment would be renamed to the Office of Entertainment. The name of the Commission's Music City Music Council would be renamed to the Music Advisory Council and the Diversity and Equity Council would become the Entertainment Diversity and Equity Council.

The scope of the ordinance's entertainment industry definition would be expanded to include the theatre industry. The ordinance's music industry definition would be expanded to mean "commercial activity that involves concerts, festivals, tours, clubs and any other performance, production, promotion, distribution, or sale of recorded or live music."

The size of the Commission would be reduced from 15 to 11 voting members, with:

- three members appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the Council - a reduction from four members;
- two members nominated and selected by the Council - a reduction from three members;
- two members nominated from the entertainment industry at large and selected by the Council - a reduction from four members; and
- one member nominated from each of the following organizations and selected by the Council: the International Alliance of Theatrical and Stage Employees, the Screen

Actors Guild - American Federation of Television and Radio Artists, the American Federation of Musicians, and the Nashville Songwriters Association International.

Until the reduced size of the Commission is reached, vacancies occurring following passage of this ordinance would not be filled for one member appointed by the mayor, one member nominated by the Council, and two members nominated by the entertainment industry at large depart the Commission after the enactment of this ordinance.

Per the Working Group's recommendation to the Mayor's Office, the proposed ordinance alters the existing structure for the selection of the Commission's executive director position. According to the Metropolitan Department of Law, the current structure for selection of the executive director authorizes the Commission to hire an individual to lead an office within the mayor's office, while retaining its own authority to supervise the individual, which is not workable. The ordinance under consideration would clarify that the mayor hires and supervises the executive director, and the Commission may consult with the mayor and direct the Commission's chair to participate in interviews for the executive director position.

Sponsors: Sepulveda, Preptit, Toombs, Evans-Segall, Vo, Porterfield and Capp

45. [BL2025-706](#)

An ordinance approving two greenway conservation easements between the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County, through the Metropolitan Board of Parks and Recreation, and Rogers Group, Inc. for greenway improvements at 0 Gwynwood Drive (Parcel No. 05900022600) (Proposal No. 2024M-056AG-001).

Analysis

This ordinance accepts two greenway conservation easements for property located at 0 Gwynwood Drive, owned by Rogers Group, Inc. The easements contain approximately 1.58 acres combined.

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 these conservation easements.

Sponsors: Toombs, Porterfield, Gadd, Gamble, Parker, Welsch and Allen

46. [BL2025-746](#)

An ordinance authorizing MDI Third Avenue Nashville, LLC to construct and install an underground encroachment at 311 3rd Avenue South (Proposal No. 2024M-020EN-001).

Analysis

This ordinance authorizes MDI Third Avenue Nashville, LLC to construct, install, and maintain an underground encroachment into the public right-of-way at 311 3rd Avenue South. The encroachment would consist of a utility vault.

The applicant must indemnify the Metropolitan Government from all claims in connection with the construction and maintenance of the encroachments and is required to post a certificate of public liability insurance in the amount of \$4,000,000, in aggregate, with the Metropolitan Clerk naming the Metropolitan Government as an insured party.

This ordinance has been approved by the Planning Commission.

Sponsors: Kupin and Gamble

47. [BL2025-747](#)

An ordinance authorizing the abandonment of Alley #1881 right-of-way between Joyner Avenue and Alley #1879. (Proposal Number 2024M-009AB-001).

Analysis

This ordinance abandons Alley #1881 between Joyner Avenue and Alley #1879. The abandonment was requested by Matthew McKinney, an abutting property owner. All abutting property owners have consented to the abandonment. The Metropolitan Government will retain all utility easements.

This ordinance has been approved by the Planning Commission. Future amendments to this ordinance shall 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: Welsch and Gamble

48. [BL2025-748](#)

An ordinance authorizing The Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County to accept new public water and sanitary sewer main, fire hydrant assembly, sanitary sewer manholes and easements, for two properties located at 310 and 312 Donelson Pike (MWS Project Nos. 24-WL-66 and 24-SL-218 and Proposal No. 2025M-003ES-001).

Analysis

This ordinance accepts approximately 545 linear feet of new eight-inch water main (DIP), approximately 559 linear feet of new eight-inch sanitary sewer main (PVC), one new fire hydrant assembly, four new sanitary sewer manholes and associated easements for two properties located at 310 and 312 Donelson Pike.

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

Sponsors: Gregg and Gamble

P. Bills on Third Reading**49. [BL2025-690](#)**

An ordinance amending Section 13.08.080 of the Metropolitan Code of Laws to pertaining to the use of a community safety camera network.

Analysis

This ordinance, as amended, amends Metropolitan Code of Laws Section 13.08.080 regarding the use of a community safety camera network. The ordinance would add a new subsection authorizing the Metropolitan Nashville Police Department (“MNPDP”) to enter into an agreement to participate in a community safety camera network to provide an integrated video management system to provide access to live or recorded videos.

Any participation in a community safety camera network must comply with the requirements and restrictions in the ordinance.

Public safety cameras, to be defined as cameras owned, installed, and maintained by a governmental entity and accessible by MNPDP, could not be installed in a location where there is a reasonable expectation of privacy. MNPDP would be required to post online a map of the locations of public safety cameras owned and operated by MNPDP.

Donor cameras, to be defined as a camera owned and maintained by a private entity where the private entity voluntarily elects to participate in the community safety camera network, could not be accessed by MNPDP if the donor camera: (1) views an area where there is a reasonable expectation of privacy, (2) focuses on an area not owned by a donor camera’s operator, (3) views an area other than a common area, (4) is installed upon a residential property and views an area including a front door or entry way of the residence, or (5) is installed upon the property of a multifamily residential use and focuses on an area other than a parking lot, parking garage, or other outdoor common area.

MNPDP could only access a donor camera (1) in a manner consistent with limitations set by the private entity who owns the donor camera and (2) for the purpose of responding to a public health and safety emergency or auditing the community safety camera network. The ordinance defines “public health and safety emergency” as “any event or situation that poses a significant threat to the safety and well-being of the general public that would typically require a response by Metro emergency services.” Cameras could only be accessed from within the Community Safety Center. In addition, MNPDP would not have access to live video from a donor camera if located upon the property of a solely residential use.

Video from donor cameras could not be shared by MNPDP with any individual, group, or entity except (1) in a manner consistent with limitations set by the private entity who owns the donor camera and (2) for the purpose of responding to a public health and safety emergency or auditing the community safety camera network.

MNPDP would be prohibited from recording a camera feed that it does not own or operate, and

the camera's owner would retain ownership of all non-evidentiary video footage. The ordinance would prohibit a community safety camera network from being used to identify individuals through facial recognition technology, artificial intelligence, or machine learning-based solutions, except for technologies that would make an image more interpretable. In addition, the network could not use artificial intelligence, machine learning-based solutions, or any other artificial mechanism to capture conversations through automatic lip reading. The community safety camera network could not be used to target, harass, or intimidate individuals based entirely because of actual or perceived characteristics, including race, color, religion, sex, age, national origin or ancestry, gender identity, sexual orientation, or disability. In accordance with MNPDP policy provisions regarding the duty to intervene, where video collected from the network captures any MNPDP employee utilizing excessive or unlawful force, the video must be preserved and provided to the MNPDP Office of Professional Accountability and the District Attorney General. The ordinance would require MNPDP employees to intervene and stop unlawful or improper use of a community safety camera network consistent with MNPDP policy regarding a duty to intervene.

MNPDP would be required to develop and publish online a policy that addresses authorized access to and use of the community safety camera network. The policy must include criteria for designating personnel who may access the community safety camera network, training standards for those personnel, and procedures for disciplinary action for failure to adhere to the policy. A separate policy would also be developed and published online regarding the retention of videos obtained through the community safety camera network and must acknowledge that MNPDP cannot set retention policies for donor camera video saved on systems that belong to private entities, reiterate existing MNPDP policies for retention of video from MNPDP cameras, and acknowledge that video with evidentiary value must be collected in accordance with established MNPDP procedures and legal requirements. MNPDP would be required to post a log of all changes to these policies and indicate what language was added, removed, or replaced as well as the date of the change.

Each officer responsible for accessing donor cameras would be required to document in writing (1) the date, time, and circumstance of each instance of access a donor camera and (2) a narrative detailing the purpose for accessing the donor camera.

The community safety center's commander would be required to regularly perform an audit of the community safety camera network at least once per quarter. An audit trail of access to donor camera must be kept for at least three years and include dates and times when a donor camera is access, the username of the person that accessed the donor camera, the purpose for accessing the donor camera, and the outcome of the incident which caused the camera to be accessed.

The ordinance would further require MNPDP to publish and provide an annual report to the Metropolitan Council no later than September 1 of each year. The report would be required include the number of donor cameras registered, the number of incidents which required access to a donor camera, and the outcome to incidents requiring donor camera access for the previous fiscal year. Any violations of the ordinance or access or use policies would be required

to be reported to the Mayor and the Council within seven days of discovery. The Mayor or the Metropolitan Council would be authorized to hire an independent firm to conduct an audit of the records created and kept under the ordinance.

Any contract to effectuate a community safety camera network would be required to be procured consistent with the Procurement Code of the Metropolitan Code of Laws. Any contract would be required to include a termination clause that would immediately end the contract upon written notice after a finding from MNPD or the Department of Law or a vote from the Council that the following has occurred: a change in applicable law would permit the use of the community safety camera network in a manner not specifically authorized in the agreement and applicable ordinances and policies, or the community safety camera network was used in a manner that the culpable individual knew or should have known was not specifically authorized by the metropolitan council under the contract and applicable ordinances and policies in place when the agreement was executed.

A public hearing would be required before an ordinance amending this new subsection is passed by the Council.

Sponsors: Horton, Weiner, Cortese, Gadd, Kupin, Spain, Bradford, Huffman, Evans, Nash, Hill, Ewing, Allen, Ellis and Benton

72. [BL2025-743](#)

An ordinance to amend Chapter 12.16 of the Metropolitan Code of Laws relative to drag racing.

Analysis

This ordinance would amend Chapter 12.16 of the Metropolitan Code of Laws to include a prohibition of drag racing and penalties related to drag racing.

Chapter 12.16 of the Metropolitan Code of Laws is entitled "Rules of the Road." This proposed ordinance would add a new section that would prohibit drag racing, as defined in Tennessee Code Annotated § 55-10-501. An individual who is found to have engaged in drag racing would be subject to a fine of \$50 per occurrence of drag racing and the impoundment of the vehicle used by the individual to engage in drag racing for a period of 30 days. The ordinance would also provide that if the vehicle used for drag racing is not owned by the individual, the vehicle will not be subject to impoundment on the individual's first offense. However, the vehicle would subject to impoundment for any subsequent offense.

Existing state law preempts this ordinance, and the ordinance would be void and unenforceable if enacted. Tennessee Code Annotated § 7-3-312 provides that certain offenses are state offenses and "[a]ny ordinance presently enacted to regulate any of the enumerated offenses or to be later enacted is hereby declared to be void and of no effect." The list of offenses includes drag racing, as defined by Tenn. Code Ann. § 55-10-501.

Sponsors: Huffman, Ellis, Styles, Spain, Horton, Benton, Kupin and Bradford

73. [BL2025-744](#)

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 Habitat for Humanity of Greater Nashville, Inc. for greenway improvements at 3028 Gwynwood Drive (Parcel No. 059080A90700CO) (Proposal No. 2024M-054AG-001).

Analysis

This ordinance accepts a greenway conservation easement for property located at 3028 Gwynwood Drive, owned by Habitat for Humanity of Greater Nashville, Inc. The easement contains approximately 0.06 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 conservation easement.

Sponsors: Toombs, Porterfield, Gadd, Gamble, Parker, Welsch and Allen

74. [BL2025-745](#)

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 August 20, 2024.

Analysis

This ordinance is a routine readoption of the Metropolitan Code to include all ordinances enacted on or before August 20, 2024.

Sponsors: Preptit and Gadd