



Metropolitan Nashville and Davidson County, TN

Legislation Text

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A resolution accepting a grant from the Tennessee Historical Commission to the Metropolitan Government, acting by and through the Metropolitan Historical Commission, to provide a comprehensive, countywide cemetery preservation plan for Davidson County, Tennessee.

WHEREAS, the Tennessee Historical Commission has awarded a grant in an amount not to exceed \$40,000.00 with a required cash match of \$26,666.67 to the Metropolitan Government, acting by and through the Metropolitan Historical Commission, to provide for a comprehensive, countywide cemetery preservation plan for Davidson County, Tennessee; and,

WHEREAS, it is to the benefit of the citizens of the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County that this grant be accepted.

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

Section 1. That the grant by and between the Tennessee Historical Commission, in an amount not to exceed \$40,000.00, and the Metropolitan Government, acting by and through the Metropolitan Historical Commission, to provide a comprehensive, countywide cemetery preservation plan for Davidson County, Tennessee, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein, is hereby approved.

Section 2. That the amount of this grant be appropriated to the Metropolitan Historical Commission based on the revenues estimated to be received and any match to be applied.

Section 3. That this resolution shall take effect from and after its adoption, the welfare of the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County requiring it.

Analysis

This resolution accepts a grant from the Tennessee Historical Commission to the Metropolitan Historical Commission to provide a comprehensive, countywide cemetery preservation plan. The grant award is \$40,000 with a required local cash match of \$26,666.67. The cash match would be provided through staff time dedicated to survey assistance, grant administration, and community outreach.

This grant will fund Phase III of a comprehensive, countywide cemetery preservation plan. The countywide cemetery preservation plan will update survey information for more than 500 rural cemeteries, ascertain their maintenance needs, and create documentation that can be regularly updated. The grant would fund a qualified professional to survey cemeteries in three sub-areas of Davidson County and provide a final report to summarize and detail their major findings.

This grant period began October 1, 2023, and ends September 30, 2024. Two previous phases were funded through Tennessee Historical Commission grants, as approved by Resolution Nos. RS2022-1900 and RS2021-1188.