

Metropolitan Nashville and Davidson County, TN

Legislation Text

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A resolution approving an application for the Community Compost and Food Waste Reduction Pilot Projects Grant from the United States Department of Agriculture - Office of Urban Agriculture and Innovative Production to The Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County, acting by and through the Metropolitan Nashville Water and Sewerage Services Department, to reduce food waste going to landfills by piloting a community food scrap drop-off collection program at public Metro facilities.

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Agriculture - Office of Urban Agriculture and Innovative Production is accepting applications for the Community Compost and Food Waste Reduction Pilot Projects Grant with an award of \$66,000.00 and a cash match of \$16,500.00 to reduce food waste going to landfills by piloting a community food scrap drop-off collection program at public Metro facilities; and,

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Government is eligible to participate in this grant program; and,

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the citizens of The Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County that this grant application be approved and submitted.

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

Section 1. That the Metropolitan Government's application for the Community Compost and Food Waste Reduction Pilot Projects Grant with an award of \$66,000.00, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein, is hereby approved, and the Metropolitan Nashville Water and Sewerage Services Department is authorized to submit said application to the United States Department of Agriculture - Office of Urban Agriculture and Innovative Production.

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

<u>Analysis</u>

This resolution approves an application for the Community Compost and Food Waste Reduction Pilot Program Projects Grant from the U.S. Department of Agriculture - Office of Urban Agriculture and Innovative Production. If the grant application is awarded, the grant award would be \$66,000 with a required local cash match of \$16,500. The grant proceeds would be used to pilot food waste collection in public Metro facilities and expand community drop-off locations.