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A resolution appropriating a total of $174,796.00 from the Nashville Public Library to Black Lemonade for the provision of free and high-quality afterschool and summer programming through the Library's Nashville After Zone Alliance after school and out-of-school time coordinating system.

WHEREAS, Section 7-3-314 of the Tennessee Code Annotated states that metropolitan forms of government may provide financial assistance to nonprofit organizations in accordance with the guidelines of the Metropolitan Government; and,

WHEREAS, Section 5.04.070 of the Metropolitan Code of Laws provides that the Council may, by Resolution, appropriate funds for the financial aid of nonprofit organizations; and,

WHEREAS, the Nashville Public Library has accepted applications from nonprofit organizations to receive funding from the Nashville After Zone Alliance coordinating system for the provision of free and high-quality afterschool and summer programming; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant the passage of the budget ordinance of the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County for fiscal year 2026, BL2025-833, as substituted and amended, funds are available for the provision of high-quality after school and summer programming through the Nashville Public Library's Nashville After Zone Alliance after school and out-of-school time coordinating system; and,

WHEREAS, a previous grant contract with Black Lemonade was approved by RS2025-1324, and such grant contract contained a clause requiring Black Lemonade to provide an updated audit by August 18, 2025, to be entitled to payment under the grant contract, or the contract became void; and,

WHEREAS, Black Lemonade was unable to provide an updated audit by the date specified in the contract,

voiding the contract; and,

WHEREAS, Nashville Public Library wishes to enter into a new contract for after school and out-of-school time programing with Black Lemonade, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein; and,

WHEREAS, it is to the benefit of the citizens of The Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County that these funds be appropriated to Black Lemonade.

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

Section 1. There is hereby appropriated $174,796.00 from the Nashville Public Library to Black Lemonade.

Section 2. The Metropolitan Government is hereby authorized to enter into the grant contract, attached hereto and incorporated herein, with Black Lemonade for the amount provided herein and the purposes stated in the contract.

Section 3. 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 appropriates $174,796 from the Nashville Public Library to Black Lemonade for free and high-quality afterschool programs through the Library's Nashville After Zone Alliance ("NAZA") Program. Black Lemonade would provide a NAZA-aligned program prorated from October 20 to December 12, 2025, from January 7 to May 8, 2026, and from June 1 to 30, 2026.

A previous grant contract between the parties was approved by Resolution No. RS2025-134. The contract required Black Lemonade to provide an updated audit by August 18, 2025. The contract was voided after Black Lemonade was unable to provide the audit.

An updated audit is attached to the proposed resolution. Upon review of the updated audit, Metro identified several issues regarding internal controls. The parties agreed to an Administrative Practices Improvement Plan to improve and monitor specific financial goals during the term of the grant.