



# Metropolitan Nashville and Davidson County, TN

## Legislation Text

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A resolution approving an application for a grant from the National Park Service African American Civil Rights (AACR) History grant program to the Metropolitan Government, acting by and through the Metropolitan Nashville Historical Commission, to provide for the completion of a countywide historical context about Nashville and Davidson County's involvement in the Civil Rights Movement.

WHEREAS, the National Park Service African American Civil Rights (AACR) History grant program is accepting applications for a grant, with an award of \$45,638.92 with a required cash match of \$5,159.44, to provide for the completion of a countywide historical context about Nashville and Davidson County's involvement in the Civil Rights Movement; and,

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

WHEREAS, it is to the benefit 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 application for a grant by and between the National Park Service African American Civil Rights (AACR) History grant program and The Metropolitan Government, acting by and through the Metropolitan Nashville Historical Commission, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein, is hereby approved, and the Metropolitan Nashville Historical Commission is authorized to submit said application to the National Park Service African American Civil Rights (AACR) History grant program.

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.

### Analysis

This resolution approves an application for a grant in the amount of \$45,638.92 from the U.S. Department of Interior to the Metro Historical Commission through the National Park Service African American Civil Rights (AACR) History grant program for the completion of for the completion of an historical context and National Register nomination(s) focused on Nashville resources associated with the Civil Rights Movement from approximately 1944 to 1966. According to the program description, this would include topics such as the Establishment of the Race Relations Institute at Fisk University, Election of Black Metro Council Members, Nashville Student Movement and Lunch Counter Sit-Ins, Movie Theater Stand-Ins, Freedom Rides, KKK Bombings, Silent March to the Courthouse, Visits from MLK and other Civil Rights Leaders, School Integration, Establishment of the NAACP/Nashville Christian Leadership Council, and Student Nonviolent Training at Fisk, TSU, American Baptist, Meharry Medical College, Vanderbilt University, and local churches. The end result would be to provide a centralized, publicly-available source of Nashville's Civil Rights Movement information.

If awarded, there will be a required local match of \$5,159.44.