Metropolitan Nashville and Davidson County, TN

Legislation Text

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A resolution approving a contract for services by and between the Metropolitan Government, acting by and through the Metropolitan Board of Health, and Neighborhood Health, Inc. to provide homeless individuals with medical services at two or more clinics in or near downtown Nashville.

WHEREAS, Metropolitan Charter Section 10.104 provides that the Board of Health has the duty to contract for such services as will further the program and policies of the Board, subject to confirmation by Resolution of Council; and,

WHEREAS, The Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County, acting by and through the Metropolitan Board of Health, wishes to contract with Neighborhood Health, Inc. to provide homeless individuals with medical services at two or more clinics in or near downtown Nashville; and,

WHEREAS, it is to the benefit of the citizens of The Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County that this contract be approved.

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

Section 1. That the contract by and between the Metropolitan Government, acting by and through the Metropolitan Board of Health, and Neighborhood Health, Inc. to provide homeless individuals with medical services at two or more clinics in or near downtown Nashville, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein, is hereby approved.

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 a one year contract with Neighborhood Health, Inc. to provide various medical services to homeless persons. Metro has had such a contract since 2005 to provide a portion of the medical services, including examinations, diagnosis, and treatment of medical conditions of homeless persons seen at the downtown clinic. Neighborhood Health is to provide primary medical services to at least 3,500 individuals, which is to include a 24 hour on-call system for emergencies. This contract also includes the provision of dental care for at least 500 patient visits and mental health services to at least 600 homeless clients. Neighborhood Health will be also responsible for making transportation available to its homeless patients.

Fiscal Note: Metro will provide funding to Neighborhood Health, Inc. in the amount of $355,200 for the one year term of the contract.