

Metropolitan Nashville and Davidson County, TN

Legislation Text

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A resolution approving an Intergovernmental Agreement by and between the State of Tennessee, Department of Transportation, and the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County, acting the Department of Transportation and Multimodal Infrastructure, for a highway-railroad crossing separation on Sadler Avenue at CSX Railroad LM .103, State Project No: 19CIT-F3-003, Federal Project No: HSIP-R00S(550), PIN 132029.00. (Proposal No. 2021M-025AG-001.)

WHEREAS, the State of Tennessee, Department of Transportation ("TDOT") has programmed safety funds for the improvement of various railroad crossings throughout Davidson County; and,

WHEREAS, TDOT has partnered with The Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County ("Metro"), acting by and through its Department of Transportation and Multimodal Infrastructure, to construct a Highway-Railroad Crossing Separation Project at the Sadler Avenue CSX Railroad LM .103, State Project No: 19CIT-F3-003, Federal Project No: HSIP-R00S(550), PIN 132029.00; and,

WHEREAS, train traffic has blocked the crossing, which acts as the only point of vehicle ingress/egress into the neighborhood, on multiple occasions for over an hour in the past year leaving residents no way to exit or enter their neighborhood which was established prior to the rail line; and,

WHEREAS, the blockages have caused Metro Nashville residents to miss work, healthcare appointments, and have the potential to impact emergency services; and,

WHEREAS, the project estimate is \$7,129,900.00 in which the total cost is to be split \$800,000.00 for Metro, \$1,265,980.00 for CSX, and \$5,063,920.00 for TDOT through the Federal Highway Administration Section 130 Railway-Highway Crossings Program; and,

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 12-9-104(a)(2)(b), authorizes The Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County to approve an agreement with TDOT by resolution; and,

WHEREAS, it is in the interest of The Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County that this construction be carried out.

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

Section 1. That the intergovernmental agreement by and between the State of Tennessee, Department of Transportation and the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County, through the with Department of Transportation and Multimodal Infrastructure, attached hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated herein by reference, for railroad crossing safety improvements at Sadler Avenue CSX Railroad LM .103, State Project No: 19CIT-F3-003, Federal Project No: HSIP-R00S(550), PIN 132029.00, is hereby approved, and the Metropolitan Mayor is authorized to execute the same.

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

<u>Analysis</u>

This resolution approves an intergovernmental agreement between the Tennessee Department of Transportation (TDOT) and the Nashville Department of Transportation and Multimodal Infrastructure (NDOT) for a highway-railroad crossing separation of Sadler Avenue at CSX Railroad LM .103. Train traffic on has regularly blocked traffic at this crossing, which is currently the only ingress/egress to the neighborhood. State law authorizes Metro to approve intergovernmental agreements by resolution.

The cost of this project will be split between CSX, TDOT, and Metro.

Fiscal Note: The total cost of the project is estimated to be \$7,129,900. The cost is to be split with CSX contributing \$1,265,980, TDOT contributing \$5,063,920, and Metro contributing \$800,000.