



Metropolitan Nashville and Davidson County, TN

Legislation Text

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A Resolution confirming the Metropolitan Council of Nashville and Davidson County welcomes the 2024 Republican National Committee National Nominating Convention to Nashville, Tennessee.

WHEREAS, Nashville, Tennessee, has recently been named by National Geographic magazine as being the number one place in the world to visit, furthering our international status as one of the greatest cities in the world, and has, for decades, been globally recognized as one of the most welcoming cities in America; and

WHEREAS, Nashville has flawlessly executed enormous citywide events including the NFL Draft, the 4th of July Celebration, the NRA Convention, the News Years Eve Bash, and numerous other events bringing tens of thousands of guests into the downtown area without incident; and

WHEREAS, Nashville has the unique and esteemed opportunity to host the 2024 Republican National Committee National ("RNC") Nominating Convention in the summer of 2024 and the opportunity to host the 2028 Democratic National Committee ("DNC") National Nominating Convention in the summer of 2028; and

WHEREAS, in consideration of this opportunity, a contract between the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County has been negotiated that fully indemnifies Metro from any and all financial obligations as the host of the 2024 RNC Convention, which shall be offered for consideration by the Metro Council under a separate ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the revenues from hosting this convention are estimated to exceed \$200 million dollars net to the Metropolitan government, and will further create additional and considerable revenue for the entire Middle Tennessee region; and

WHEREAS, the federal contribution for this convention is \$50 million, the State of Tennessee has committed \$25 million, and the Nashville Host Committee has agreed to cover any and all additional expenses Metro may incur; and

WHEREAS, it is common practice for any National Nominating Convention (RNC or DNC) to supply over 5,000 additional police, fire and EMT personnel to assist in the security of these conventions, and will operate under the direction of the Metropolitan Nashville Police Department; and

WHEREAS, in our capacity to host world class events, Nashville can further its stellar reputation for welcoming respectful civil discourse on an international stage by welcoming these conventions.

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

Section 1. The Metropolitan Council goes on record as being willing to further discuss Nashville hosting the 2024 RNC National Nominating Convention with the RNC, the 2024 Nashville Organizing Committee, and our State of Tennessee partners.

Section 2. The Metropolitan Council further resolves that it desires to discuss with our State of Tennessee partners enabling legislation related to our having the authority to impose impact fees consistent with the remainder of the counties in the Nashville metropolitan area.

Section 3. This Resolution shall take effect immediately, the welfare of the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County requiring it.