

ORDINANCE NO. BL2019-1525

An ordinance amending Section 4.12.010 of the Metropolitan Code pertaining to the definition of Competitive bidding in accordance with Title 12, Chapter 3, Part 12 of the Tennessee Code Annotated.

WHEREAS, T.C.A. § 12-3-1212 enables local governmental entities with a full-time purchasing agent to increase the threshold over which public advertisement and sealed competitive bids or proposals are required for purchases to an amount not to exceed twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000); and,

WHEREAS, in its August 17, 2018 report, the Metropolitan Nashville Office of Internal Audit recommended that the threshold over which competitive bidding is required for purchases be increased to the maximum amount permitted by state law.

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

Section 1. Section 4.12.010 of the Metropolitan Code of Laws is hereby amended by deleting the definition of “Competitive bidding” in its entirety and substituting in lieu thereof the following:

“Competitive bidding” means:

| Dollar Amount of Purchase | Requirements |
|---------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|
| Up to \$2,499.99 | A minimum of one written quotation required |
| \$2,500.00 to \$25,000.00 | A minimum of three written quotations required |
| Above \$25,000.00 | Competitive sealed bids or request for proposals. |

Section 2. This ordinance shall take effect from and after its final passage, the welfare of the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County, Tennessee, requiring it.

RECOMMENDED BY:

INTRODUCED BY:

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Member(s) of Council

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