County Council of Cuyahoga County, Ohio

Resolution No. R2012-0215

Sponsored by: Council President Connally on behalf of The MetroHealth System

A Resolution approving The MetroHealth System’s policies and procedures to participate in one or more joint purchasing associations for the purpose of acquiring supplies, equipment and services provided through joint purchasing arrangements in order to achieve beneficial purchasing arrangements for the year 2013, in accordance with Ohio Revised Code Section 339.05; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

WHEREAS, Ohio Revised Code Section 339.05 authorizes the Board of Trustees of The MetroHealth System to annually adopt bidding procedures and purchasing policies to obtain supplies, equipment and services routinely used in the operations of the Hospital, which, upon said adoption and the approval of the County Executive and County Council, may be followed by the Board of Trustees in lieu of following the competitive bidding procedures of Ohio Revised Code Section 307.86 to 307.92; and

WHEREAS, Ohio Revised Code Section 339.05 specifically authorizes the Board of Trustees of The MetroHealth System to annually adopt bidding procedures and purchasing policies for services provided through a joint purchasing arrangement; and,

WHEREAS, The MetroHealth System seeks to participate in one or more joint purchasing associations available to health care facilities in order to obtain the favorable volume pricing available to the member institutions, thereby reducing the Hospital’s overall expense for supplies, equipment and services; and

WHEREAS, on August 22, 2012, The MetroHealth System Board of Trustees adopted Resolution 18428, as amended by Resolution 18461, adopted on October 24, 2012, approving annual joint purchasing policies and procedures.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF CUYAHOGA COUNTY, OHIO:

SECTION 1. The County Council hereby approves The MetroHealth System’s adoption of a purchasing policy which authorizes the System’s membership and participation in one or more joint purchasing associations for the purpose of acquiring such supplies, equipment and services routinely used in the operations of the Hospital which are available through group purchasing arrangements in order to achieve economies, for the 2013 Calendar Year.
SECTION 2. That the purchases of such supplies, equipment and services through joint purchasing arrangements shall be exempt from the competitive bidding procedures of Ohio Revised Code Section 307.86.

SECTION 3. The MetroHealth System’s current purchasing policy expires December 31, 2012, and in order that critical services provided by The MetroHealth System may continue uninterrupted, provided that this Resolution receives the affirmative vote of eight members of Council, this Resolution shall become immediately effective upon the signature of the County Executive.

SECTION 4. It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council relating to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of the Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted such formal action were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

On a motion by Mr. Germana, seconded by Mr. Jones, the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted.

Yeas: Simon, Greenspan, Miller, Brady, Germana, Gallagher, Schron, Jones, Rogers and Connally

Nays: None

County Council President Date

County Executive Date

Clerk of Council Date

First Reading/Referred to Committee: October 9, 2012
Committee(s) Assigned: Public Works, Procurement & Contracting

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