

# County Council of Cuyahoga County, Ohio

## Resolution No. R2015-0223

Sponsored by: **Councilmember Germana 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 2016, 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 October 28, 2015, The MetroHealth System Board of Trustees adopted Resolution 18923 approving annual joint purchasing policies and procedures for the year 2016.

WHEREAS, The MetroHealth System's current purchasing policy expires December 31, 2015, and in order that critical services provided by The MetroHealth System may continue uninterrupted, it is necessary that this Resolution become immediately effective.

**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 2016 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.** It is necessary that this Resolution become immediately effective for the usual daily operation of The MetroHealth System; the preservation of public peace, health, or safety in the County; and any additional reasons set forth in the preamble. Provided that this Resolution receives the affirmative vote of at least eight members of Council, it shall take effect and be in force immediately upon the earliest occurrence of any of the following: (1) its approval by the County Executive through signature, (2) the expiration of the time during which it may be disapproved by the County Executive under Section 3.10(6) of the Cuyahoga County Charter, or (3) its passage by at least eight members of Council after disapproval pursuant to Section 3.10(7) of the Cuyahoga County Charter. Otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

**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 Ms. Conwell, the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted.

Yeas: Brown, Hairston, Simon, Greenspan, Miller, Germana, Gallagher, Schron, Conwell, Jones and Brady

Nays: None

  
County Council President

11-12-2015  
Date

  
County Executive

11-12-15  
Date

  
Clerk of Council

11/10/2015  
Date

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