RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH RATP DEV USA FOR TRANSITION AND START UP EXPENSES

WHEREAS, on May 6, 2024 City Council Approved an agreement with RATP Dev USA to provide full operation transit services for the Winston-Salem Transit Authority; and

WHEREAS, RATP Dev's contract is slated to be begin on August 1, 2024; and

WHEREAS, in preparation of the August 1 contract start date, RATP Dev USA must perform a number of transition tasks to prepare staff, facilities, fleet, and systems necessary to operate within their service delivery model; and

WHEREAS, examples of those transitional tasks include but are not limited to the following: onboarding current staff, training, fleet evaluation, and integrating IT infrastructure to support the transit operations; and

WHEREAS, these tasks must be performed prior to August 1st to ensure the successful transition of operational responsibility and avoid service disruption; and

WHEREAS, staff has reviewed RATP Dev's transition plan and fees as part of the Request for Proposal and has determined that it is necessary execute a transition agreement to allow them to begin the work as soon as possible; and

WHEREAS, the cost for this transition was included in the proposal approved by council at \$125,000.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and the City Council of the City of Winston-Salem authorize the City Manager, or designee, to enter into an agreement with RATP Dev for transit contract transitional expenses not to exceed \$125,000.