

**City Council - Action Request Form**

**Date:** November 19, 2013

**To:** The City Manager

**From:** Gregory M. Turner, Assistant City Manager

**Council Action Requested:**

Consideration of a resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into an agreement with the North Carolina Department of Transportation for the maintenance of new landscape plantings along Highway 52 between Business 40/US 421 and Akron Drive.

**Summary of Information:**

The North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) is in the process of installing new plant material along their rights-of-way of Highway 52 between Business 40 / US 421 and Akron Drive. NCDOT will fund the purchase and installation of the new plant material, as well as provide maintenance for the first year after installation. The estimated cost of this project is \$530,000. This agreement states the City of Winston Salem will assume maintenance for the plant material, after one year from the date of completion, along the North Carolina Department of Transportation rights-of-way of Highway 52, from Business 40/US 421 to Akron Dr., according to the North Carolina Department of Transportation maintenance contract. Maintenance will include watering, mulching, pruning, fertilizing, weeding, pest control, mowing, and replacing plant materials. The City of Winston-Salem will accomplish this task using in-house services, as well as contracting services. Contracts are awarded through a bid process and all contractors meeting the basic requirements are allowed to bid on said work.

**Committee Action:**

<b>Committee</b>	<u>Public Works 11/19/13</u>	<b>Action</b>	<u>Approval</u>
<b>For</b>	<u>Unanimous</u>	<b>Against</b>	<u></u>

**Remarks:**