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## RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE CITY OF WINSTON-SALEM'S LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES FOR THE 2024 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

**WHEREAS**, the 2024 Session of the North Carolina General Assembly will formally convene on or about April 24, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the Winston-Salem City Council has identified the need for the enactment of the following bills and has approved submission of the same to the Forsyth County Legislative Delegation for introduction, support, and ratification by the General Assembly during its 2024 Legislative Session:

- 1. A Bill to Be Entitled an Act to Authorize the City of Winston-Salem to Exempt Certain Properties from or Provide a Reduction in System Development Fees for the Development of Affordable Housing. This bill, if enacted, will authorize cities to exempt certain properties from or provide a reduction in system development fees for properties developed for affordable housing purposes.
- 2. A Bill to Be Entitled an Act to Authorize Cities to Undertake Activities within their Stormwater Management Programs to Implement Flood Reduction Techniques that Result in Improvements to Private Property. This bill, if enacted, will authorize the repair of storm water systems on private property including the City's 70/30 program.
- 3. A Bill to Be Entitled an Act to Amend the Enabling Laws Relating to City-County Planning and Zoning in Forsyth County and the City of Winston-Salem. This bill, if enacted, will allow the Winston-Salem City Council, along with the Forsyth County Board of Commissioners, to authorize the City-County Planning Board to make final decisions regarding certain rezoning matters.

**WHEREAS**, the package also includes a resolution requesting funding consideration by members of the Forsyth County Legislative Delegation and the North Carolina General Assembly for certain initiatives and projects, including funding for a ladder truck for the fire department, stormwater projects, and additional funding for affordable housing.

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**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Mayor and Winston-Salem City Council hereby approve the submission of the resolution and the bills attached hereto and incorporated herein.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Mayor and Winston-Salem City Council hereby authorize City staff to work cooperatively with the North Carolina Metropolitan Mayors' Coalition and the North Carolina League of Municipalities on their duly adopted advocacy agendas, to the extent that the issues and goals identified therein are consistent with the interests of the City.

This Resolution shall become effective upon adoption.