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RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ACQUISITION OF FEE SIMPLE RIGHT OF WAY AND EASEMENTS BY DEED OR CONDEMNATION FOR THE WEST FIRST STREET BRIDGE REPLACEMENT PROJECT

WHEREAS, in 2011, the City of Winston-Salem along with North Carolina Department of Transportation approved the replacement of the bridge on West First Street. Funding for this project is available from the Federal Highway Bridge Replacement Grant (FHWA) and City Bonds; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary that the City of Winston-Salem acquire fee simple right of way and easements of the properties specified in Exhibit A based on appraisal, which are incorporated in this resolution by reference, for the West First Street Bridge Replacement Project; and

WHEREAS, if the property owner declines the offer, then condemnation is authorized based on the appraised market value; and

WHEREAS, it may become necessary to purchase additional fee simple right of way or easement area for reasons such as unforeseen field conditions or recommended design revisions during construction.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and the City Council of the City of Winston-Salem, upon recommendation of the Finance Committee, hereby authorize the acquisition of said fee simple right of way and easements by deed or condemnation, as described in Exhibit A, for the total recommended appraisal-based purchase price of \$142,075.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in the event the market value offer is not accepted, then staff is hereby authorized to proceed with the condemnation of properties described in

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Exhibit A, and to charge all costs associated with the purchase or condemnation to the West First Street Bridge Replacement Project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that it is the intent of the City Council that the City Manager or his appropriate designee(s) proceed with the acquisition of fee simple right of way and easements by deed or condemnation, and that the City Manager or his designee(s) may acquire additional fee simple right of way or easement area in a dollar amount not to exceed \$14,208 for reasons such as unforeseen field conditions or design revisions during construction that results in net cost savings to the project.