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RESOLUTION AWARDING A CONTRACT FOR MOWING SERVICES GROUP FIVE

WHEREAS, City/County Purchasing issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) on behalf of the Vegetation Management Department to provide mowing services for contract group five, with proposals received on February 16, 2022, from the following firms: Going Green Lawn Care LLC, located in Winston-Salem, NC and Jalen Leroy Harper d/b/a Harper Landscaping and Grading, located in Winston-Salem, NC; and

WHEREAS, terms of the RFP specified detailed evaluation criteria and an evaluation panel of staff members from Vegetation Management, Planning, and the Office of Business Inclusion and Advancement reviewed the proposals received and gave the top score to Going Green Lawn Care LLC; and

WHEREAS, Going Green Lawn Care LLC declined acceptance of the contract due to lack of sufficient equipment and manpower and staff recommends the award of a contract to the second place scorer, Jalen Leroy Harper d/b/a Harper Landscaping and Grading; and

WHEREAS, terms of the bid specify reserve the right for the City to extend these contracts for as many as two additional 12-month periods, if both parties agree and funds are made available for that purpose; and

WHEREAS, it is the recommendation of the Finance Committee that a contract for mowing services per the prices offered in the RFP be awarded to Jalen Leroy Harper d/b/a Harper Landscaping and Grading in the total annual contract amount not to exceed \$68,000 and that terms of the contract reserve the right for the City to extend this contract for as many as two additional 12-month periods, giving the contract a total potential value of \$204,000.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Winston-Salem that a contract for mowing services per the unit prices offered in the proposal is hereby awarded to Jalen Leroy Harper d/b/a Harper Landscaping and Grading, in the total contract amount not to exceed \$68,000 and that the City reserves the right to extend this contract for as many as two additional 12-month periods, if both parties agree and funds are made available for that purpose, for a potential total estimated contract value of \$204,000.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the award of this purchase order constitutes a preliminary determination as to the qualification of the bidder. The City is not legally bound to perform the contract until the order is duly executed by the City.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that funds have been appropriated in the FY 2021-22 budget to cover the cost of this contract through June 30, 2022 and additional funding to cover future costs of these services is subject to future budget appropriation.