

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PURCHASE OF PROPERTY AT LONG CREEK
PARK ALONG BETHANIA-TOBACCOVILLE ROAD**

WHEREAS, on December 7, 2023, The Conservation Fund acquired a single parcel of vacant land along Bethania-Tobaccoville Road; and

WHEREAS, the land is approximately 6.14 acres and adjacent to Long Creek Park; and

WHEREAS, the Conservation Fund has agreed to convey the property, noted in Exhibit A, to the City for \$16,550; and

WHEREAS, a condition of the purchase is that the property's use is limited by way of a deed restriction or conservation easement so that the property is maintained as buffer area to Long Creek Park, with its use limited to passive recreational activities, such as walking trails, which do not require prepared facilities such as sports fields or pavilions; and

WHEREAS, the property will be purchased with monies from the Park Land Acquisition and Park Development funds that were included in the City's 2018 General Obligation Bond for capital improvements projects; and

WHEREAS, the Recreation and Parks Director and the Recreation and Parks Commission are supportive of this proposal.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and the City Council of the City of Winston-Salem, upon the recommendation of the Finance Committee and the City Manager, hereby authorize the purchase of approximately 6.14 acres of property at Long Creek Park, as further described in Exhibit A, from the Conservation Fund. The acquisition is subject to the City Attorney's approval of the title to said property.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the appropriate City officials are hereby authorized to take the necessary steps and to execute instruments required to complete the actions described herein.