

**RESOLUTION AWARDING A CONTRACT FOR UNDERGROUND FACILITY
LOCATING SERVICES**

WHEREAS, after due advertisement, bids were received and publicly opened by the City/County Purchasing Department on Wednesday, August 16, 2017, for a contract to provide the necessary materials, labor and equipment for underground facility locating services on the City's Traffic Signal System Fiber Optic Cable network located in public right-of-ways and off-street easements and the following bids were received:

	<u>City/State</u>	<u>Estimated Annual Cost</u>
USIC Locating Services, LLC	Indianapolis, IN	\$93,300
Tess Locating, LLC	Herndon, VA	114,000
S&N Communications, Inc.	Kernersville, NC	136,950

WHEREAS, it is the recommendation of the Finance Committee that a contract be awarded for the period from date of award through June 30, 2018, to USIC Locating Services, LLC, the lowest responsive, responsible bidder meeting specifications, in the estimated annual amount of \$93,300 with the option to extend for as many as four additional twelve month terms, if both parties agree and funds are made available for that purpose making the total award possible in the estimated amount of \$466,500.

WHEREAS, terms of the bid reserves the right to extend the contract for as many as four additional twelve month terms, if both parties agree and funds are made available for that purpose. If the contract is extended the contract price may be adjusted by an amount not to exceed the Consumer Price Index as reported in the latest available Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers on the U.S. Department of Labor Bureau of Labor Statistics website at the time the extension is pursued; and

WHEREAS, the FY 2017-18 budget includes sufficient funds to cover this contract through June 30, 2018, it is the recommendation that a contract be awarded to USIC Locating Services, LLC in the estimated annual amount of \$93,300 and that all other bids be rejected.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Winston-Salem, that the contract for underground facility locating services on the City's Traffic Signal System Fiber Optic Cable network located in public right-of-ways and off-street easements is hereby awarded to USIC Locating Services, LLC with the option to extend these agreements for as many as four additional annual periods, and that the City Manager and City Secretary are hereby authorized to execute the contract on behalf of the City with contract forms to be approved by the City Attorney.

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

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that funds are available in account no. 0142-527105 to cover the cost of this contract.