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**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF  
WINSTON-SALEM, NORTH CAROLINA MAKING CERTAIN  
STATEMENTS OF FACT CONCERNING PROPOSED BOND  
ISSUES**

**WHEREAS**, the City Council of the City of Winston-Salem, North Carolina (the “*City Council*”) is considering the issuance of bonds of the City of Winston-Salem, North Carolina (the “*City*”) which shall be for the following purposes and in the following maximum amounts:

\$30,500,000 of bonds to pay the costs of refunding in advance of their maturities all or a portion of the City’s (1) General Obligation Bonds, Series 2008, (2) Taxable General Obligation Recovery Zone Economic Development Bonds, Series 2010A, (3) General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2010B, (4) Taxable General Obligation Recovery Zone Economic Development Bonds, Series 2010D, (5) General Obligation Bonds, Series 2012A, and (6) General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2012B (collectively, the “*Refunded Bonds*”);

\$5,000,000 of bonds to pay the capital costs of improving and repairing certain streets and bridges located in the City (the “*Streets and Sidewalks Project*”); and

\$1,840,000 of bonds to pay the capital costs of constructing, renovating and improving certain parks and recreational facilities, including, among other things, golf courses and playgrounds throughout the City (the “*Parks and Recreation Project*” and together with the Streets and Sidewalks Project, the “*Projects*”).

**WHEREAS**, certain findings of fact by the City Council must be presented to enable the Local Government Commission of the State of North Carolina to make certain determinations as set forth in Article 4 of Chapter 159 of the General Statutes, Section 52.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mayor and the City Council, meeting in open session on the 20th day of April, 2020, has made the following factual findings in regard to this matter:

**Section 1.**     ***Facts Regarding Necessity of Proposed Financing.*** The proposed bonds are necessary and expedient to (1) reduce the City’s debt service costs related to the projects financed by the Refunded Bonds, and (2) pay the capital costs of the Projects.

**Section 2.**     ***Facts Supporting the Amount of Bonds Proposed.*** The sums estimated for these bonds are adequate and not excessive for the proposed purpose.

**Section 3.**     ***Past Debt Management Policies.*** The City’s debt management procedures and policies are good and have been carried out in compliance with law. The City employs a full-time Chief Financial Officer to oversee compliance with applicable laws relating to debt management. The City Council requires annual audits of City finances. In connection with these audits, compliance with laws is reviewed. The City is not in default in any of its debt service obligations. The City Attorney’s office reviews all debt-related documents for compliance with laws.

**Section 4.**     ***Past Budgetary and Fiscal Management Policies.*** The City’s budgetary and fiscal management policies have been carried out in compliance with laws. The City Council closely reviews annual budgets before final approval of budget ordinances. Budget

amendments changing a function total or between functions are presented to City Council at regular City Council meetings. The Chief Financial Officer presents financial information to the City Council which shows budget to actual comparisons annually and otherwise as the City Manager deems necessary or as a member of the City Council may request.

**Section 5.** *Retirement of Debt.* The schedule for issuing the bonds does not require a property tax increase.

**Section 6.** *Marketing of Bonds.* The proposed bonds can be marketed at reasonable rates of interest.

**Section 7.** *Financing Team.* The City Manager and the Chief Financial Officer, with advice from the City Attorney, are hereby authorized and directed to (1) retain Parker Poe Adams & Bernstein LLP, as bond counsel, and (2) retain Wye River Group Inc., as financial advisor. The City Manager and the Chief Financial Officer are authorized to retain and approve the services of other professionals that they deem necessary related to the issuance of the proposed bonds. The filing of an application by the Chief Financial Officer with the Commission for its approval of the proposed bonds is hereby ratified and confirmed.

**Section 8.** *Effective Date.* This Resolution will take effect immediately on its adoption.