

Resolution 19-0332

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**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ACQUISITION OF A VACANT LOT ON
BETHEL METHODIST CHURCH LANE FOR A NEW FIRE STATION**

WHEREAS, in order to provide increased fire protection in the southwestern portion of the city, it is necessary to build a new fire station in the area; and

WHEREAS, a suitable lot, which is owned by Bethel United Methodist Church (Church), has been located on Bethel Methodist Church Lane; and

WHEREAS, the lot is further identified as Tax PIN 6814-41-6315, contains 4.05 acres, and has been appraised for \$281,475; and

WHEREAS, the Church has need of infrastructure improvements on their church property and has agreed to accept \$210,050 in cash; and

WHEREAS, in lieu of accepting the balance of the appraised value of \$71,425, the Church has agreed to forego this balance in exchange for having rights of usage of the multi-purpose/community room to be constructed at the new fire station for their shared use for church fellowship meetings; and

WHEREAS, this arrangement would decrease the initial project costs of the fire station construction at that time while furthering community interaction.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and City Council of the City of Winston-Salem upon the recommendation of the Finance Committee, hereby authorize acquisition of a vacant lot containing approximately 4.05 acres, further identified as Tax PIN 6814-41-6315, from Bethel United Methodist Church for the sum of \$210,050, and that the appropriate City officials are authorized to take the necessary steps to effectuate the acquisition of the property, including a purchase contract, which shall be in a form approved by the City Attorney.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a lease by Bethel United Methodist Church of the multi-purpose/community room at the new fire station is authorized under the conditions described herein.