

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CLOSURE AND TERMINATION OF DORIS STREET AT OLD WALKERTOWN ROAD FOR THE IMPROVEMENTS RELATED TO THE AT-GRADE RAIL CROSSING PROJECT RC – 2009A

WHEREAS, the North Carolina Department of Transportation's (NCDOT) Division 9 staff is managing the RC – 2009A project that will close the at-grade Norfolk Southern Railroad crossing of Doris Street on the south side of Old Walkertown Road at the Davis Road intersection; and

WHEREAS, NCDOT has conducted a safety analysis of the intersection and found significant crash patterns related to the railroad crossing in proximity to the intersection of Old Walkertown Road; and

WHEREAS, the project will terminate the Doris Street connection, across the railroad, to Old Walkertown Road while making further improvements to the upstream railroad crossing at Oak Ridge Drive; and

WHEREAS, NCDOT conducted a public meeting on April 22, 2025, at Ibrahim Elementary School where positive comments and project support were received; and

WHEREAS, for the project to move forward, the NCDOT Rail division will need tentative approval from the City of Winston-Salem to close Doris Street; and

WHEREAS, to further develop the project, which will include municipal agreements to permanently close Doris Street, NCDOT has requested a resolution of support for the future closing of Doris Street for the RC – 2009A project; and

WHEREAS, any City maintained right of way that will be formally abandoned with this project will be subject to the right of way abandonment process and considered by Council at a subsequent meeting.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and the City Council of the City of Winston-Salem hereby approve the closure of Doris Street at the Norfolk Southern Railroad crossing on the South Side of Old Walkertown Road subject to approved project design.