

RESOLUTION APPROVING ADDITIONAL SOLE SOURCE VENDORS FOR FY26-27

WHEREAS, several city departments/divisions are requesting governing board approval to award sole source purchase orders or contracts to certain vendors for parts, repairs, maintenance, and support services related to software and equipment used in City operations. These goods and services are only available through authorized dealers, distributors or equipment manufacturers, including where necessary to maintain manufacturer warranties; and

WHEREAS, N.C.G.S. 143-129(e)(6) provides that formal bid procedures “shall not apply to purchases of apparatus, supplies, materials, or equipment when: (i) performance or price competition are not available; (ii) when a needed product is available from only one source of supply; or (iii) when standardization or compatibility is the overriding consideration”; and

WHEREAS, the specific vendors supplying parts, repair/maintenance services, equipment, software licenses/subscriptions, and support services used in City operations listed on Exhibit A have been identified as the only authorized dealer/distributor/partner or manufacturer and have been reviewed and approved by the City Attorney’s Office and the Purchasing Manager.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Winston-Salem, upon approval of the Finance Committee, that purchase orders or contracts for vendors supplying parts, repairs, and maintenance of equipment used in City operations from the period of July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027, are hereby awarded to each sole source vendor based on historical spend data as identified on

Exhibit A.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City is not legally bound to these awards until the purchase orders or contracts are duly executed by the City.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that funds have been appropriated in the fiscal year 2026-27 budget and are available in various operations accounts to cover the cost of these products and services.