City Council – Action Request Form

Date: May 9, 2022

To: Mayor, Mayor Pro Tempore, and Members of the City Council

From: Johnnie Taylor, Assistant City Manager

Council Action Requested:

Resolution Approving The City Of Winston-Salem To Enter Into A Memorandum Of Understanding With The Winston-Salem/Forsyth County School System For The Use Of A Mobile Facility For Job Training

Strategic Focus Area: Economic Vitality and Diversity

Strategic Objective: Enhance Skills of Workforce and Increase Employability

Strategic Plan Action Item: No

Key Work Item: No



Summary of Information:

The Winston-Salem/Forsyth County School System is currently planning a significant renovation project at Easton Elementary School. The project's scope includes several enhancements to the current facility, including eliminating several mobile units on the school's campus. At the request of Council Member Taylor, City staff has engaged representatives from the school system regarding obtaining the use of one of the mobile units to up-fit to serve the community by hosting activities such as small business development training, job skills enhancement courses, GED attainment, and other community and economic development-related activities.

A Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) has been created to clarify the proposed use of the mobile unit to address, amongst other things, ownership, utility cost, and other responsibilities of both the Winston-Salem/Forsyth County School System and the City of Winston-Salem. If the MOU is approved by both the Winston-Salem/Forsyth County School Board and Winston-Salem City Council, City Staff will be granted access to use the facility and make any necessary up-fits to the mobile unit to provide adequate job training and community activities.

Committee Action:				
Committee	Finance 5/9/22	Action	Approval	
For	Unanimous	Against		
Remarks:				

While the City uses the mobile unit for training, the Winston-Salem/Forsyth County Schools System will retain ownership of the mobile unit and will re-take possession, if the City no longer desires to use the facility.

Approval of the resolution will grant City Staff to execute a MOU with the Winston-Salem/Forsyth County School System.