RESOLUTION AWARDING CONTRACT FOR THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF SKATEPARK EQUIPMENT AT THE WINSTON-SALEM FAIRGROUNDS

WHEREAS, in August 2015, City Council approved the construction and installation of a permanent skateboard park at the Winston-Salem Fairgrounds through the American Ramp Company of Joplin, Missouri; and

WHEREAS, since the inception of the skatepark, Recreation and Parks conducts annual inspections of the equipment. In 2022, the pump track took on water and is beginning to deteriorate which can be unsafe for the citizens using this facility; and

WHEREAS, in order to minimize costs, one cost reduction choice is to purchase the skatepark equipment through a cooperative purchasing program where the City can buy direct and receive a discount; and

WHEREAS, N.C.G.S. 143-129 (e)(3) authorizes "purchases made through a competitive bidding group purchasing program, which is a formally organized program that offers competitively obtained purchasing services at discount prices to two or more public agencies"; and

WHEREAS, purchasing the equipment through the cooperative purchasing program saves the City \$9,324.57 off market price; and

WHEREAS, the American Ramp Company has been awarded a competitive bid contract through Sourcewell, a national formally organized and competitive bidding group purchasing program, and supplies their skatepark equipment through a certified distributor and installer; and

WHEREAS, it is the recommendation of the Finance Committee that a contract be awarded to the American Ramp Company, a certified North Carolina authorized installer, in the total amount of \$123,883.57 for the purchase and installation of skatepark equipment per contract specifications for the skatepark at the Winston-Salem Fairgrounds; and

WHEREAS, the funds have been allocated in the February 2022 issued Limited Obligations Bonds to cover the cost of this purchase.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and City Council of the City of Winston-Salem hereby authorize the City Manager to execute a contract with the American Ramp Company for the purchase and installation of skatepark equipment at the Winston-Salem Fairgrounds in the amount of \$123,883.57.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that award of this contract constitutes a preliminary determination as to the qualifications of the bidder. The City is not legally bound to perform the contract until the contract is duly executed by the City.