

## **RESOLUTION AWARDING PURCHASE ORDER FOR TRANS-AID BUSES**

**WHEREAS**, the Winston-Salem Transit Authority (WSTA) has the need to purchase five trans-aid buses and one support vehicle bus as scheduled replacements for equipment that has exceeded its useful life and has regular down time with excessive maintenance and costly repairs; and

**WHEREAS**, on October 26, 2015, the Mayor and City Council awarded the contract to purchase trans-aid buses to National Bus Sales and Leasing, Inc., low bidder meeting specifications, at a total cost each of \$118,953; and

**WHEREAS**, terms of the original bid reserved the right for the City to purchase up to an additional 32 new trans-aid buses at a cost of \$118,953 each with the option to adjust pricing per the Producer Price Index for Truck and Bus Bodies, Series No. 1413 for a period of 5 years from contract effective date of November 2, 2015; and

**WHEREAS**, effective September 23, 2016, National Bus Sales and Leasing, Inc. was sold to Creative Bus Sales, Inc., who assumed the contract by executing an agreement to fulfill the remaining terms, performance and conditions of the original bid and contract; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 27, 2017, the Mayor and City Council awarded a contract to Creative Bus Sales, Inc., for the purchase of 12 additional trans-aid buses per the original bid specifications at a cost of \$120,833 each and on August 20, 2018, approved the purchase of five additional trans-aid buses per the original bid specifications at a cost of \$124,539 each; and

**WHEREAS**, eighty-five percent of this purchase will be funded using Federal Transit Administration Section 5339 Bus and Facilities grants and the local match (15%) is available in the WSTA fund; therefore, it is recommended that a purchase order for five trans-aid buses at a cost each of \$127,026.96 and one support vehicle bus at a cost each of \$138,307.96 for a total amount of \$773,442.76 be awarded to Creative Bus Sales, Inc.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Winston-Salem, that a purchase order for five trans-aid buses at a cost each of \$127,026.96 and one support vehicle bus at a cost each of \$138,307.96 for a total amount of \$773,442.76 is hereby awarded to Creative Bus Sales, Inc.

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

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that funds have been previously appropriated and are available in account nos. 816-816320-5352-6275 and 816-816220-5352-627905 to cover the cost of this purchase.