



City of Winston-Salem City Council Council Agenda Item Summary

Title	Resolution Approving Additional Sole Source Vendors for FY26-27
City Council Committee	Finance Committee
Meeting Date	August 11, 2026
Staff Lead (Presenter)	Darren Redfield, Purchasing Manager
Department Head	Darren Redfield, Purchasing Manager
City Manager/ACM	Sharon Wojda, ACM

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Recommended Council Action	Resolution Approval
Suggested Action/ Motion Options	I move for approval of these additional sole source vendors for FY26-27
Strategic Focus Area	Good Government
Strategic Plan Objective	GG1: Delivering Efficient and Effective Core Services
Anticipated Fiscal Impact	No Material Fiscal Impact

Summary of Information

These are additional vendors to the June 2026 list. As additional sole source vendors are identified throughout the fiscal year, they will be presented to City Council for approval. N.C.G.S. 143-129 requires that sole source be approved by the governing board.

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. Accordingly, it is recommended that the City procure these goods and services on a sole source basis without soliciting formal bids or quotes.

The sole source recommendations for FY 2026-27, as identified in Exhibit A, are based upon the provisions of N.C.G.S. 143-129(e)(6) which states that “formal bid requirements do 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.”

The proposed vendors have been reviewed and approved by the City Attorney's Office and the Purchasing Manager.

Analysis of Fiscal Impact

City funds have been appropriated in various department operations budgets.

Attachments

- Resolution
- Exhibit A – List of additional Sole Source Vendors

Committee Action	
For:	Against:
Remarks:	