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## RESOLUTION APPROVING A CONTRACT WITH NWN CORPORATION FOR THE PURCHASE OF NETWORK EQUIPMENT

WHEREAS, many of the network infrastructure devices that enable secure and reliable communication between the City's data centers and facilities are end-of-life and out of date, no longer supported by the manufacturer, and incompatible with modern cyber security systems and software; and

**WHEREAS,** new network equipment will improve performance, reliability, and provide seamless integration with the existing Cisco cyber security infrastructure; and

**WHEREAS,** through an Invitation for Bid process, using hardware specifications provided by Information Systems staff, quotes were received from following seven vendors:

NWN	\$168,203.55
Totalcom	\$172,366.95
Mvation	\$175,713.99
Prohati	\$188,173.36
Graybar	\$199,517.00
Vergenovation	\$205,654.07
<b>GH Systems</b>	\$270,757.08

**WHEREAS**, approval is requested to purchase the new network equipment from NWN for a price of \$168,203.55; and

WHEREAS, the Information Systems Department's approved FY 20-21 budget includes NCMLC leasing funds allocated to cover the cost for this purchase.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mayor and City Council of the City of Winston-Salem authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with NWN for the purchase of network hardware in the amount of \$168,203.55.

**BE IT FUTHER RESOLVED** that the City Manager is hereby authorized to execute the contract on behalf of the City.

Winston-Salem City Council
APPROVED
March 22, 2021