

**RESOLUTION AMENDING THE CITY OF WINSTON-SALEM'S MINORITY- AND
WOMEN-OWNED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PROGRAM PLAN**

WHEREAS, the City of Winston-Salem Minority- and Women-Owned Business Enterprise (M/WBE) Program was adopted in July 1983 to ensure that minorities and women have equal opportunities to participate in all aspects of City contracting; and

WHEREAS, Since the original date of creation, the M/WBE Program Plan has been amended by the Mayor and City Council several times to adjust to new legislative direction from the State, incorporate revisions suggested by the M/WBE Citizen's Advisory Committee (CAC) or to generally strengthen certain elements of the Plan, among other reasons; and

WHEREAS, the most recent amendment to the Program Plan occurred in July of 2012 upon the recommendation of staff and the CAC which reapportioned the amount of points awarded to certain elements of the "Good Faith Effort;" and

WHEREAS, as a part of an on-going effort to strengthen the City's M/WBE program, staff is recommending several modifications to the current Program Plan; and

WHEREAS, the changes of greatest significance are outlined in the chart in Exhibit A and have been reviewed and recommended for approval by the Mayor and City Council by the CAC.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Winston-Salem that the revised M/WBE Program Plan is approved consistent with the guidelines as set forth in the attached Program Plan.