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

**WHEREAS**, two of the Cisco Blade Servers in the City data centers are end-of-life, no longer supported by the manufacturer, and are incompatible with modern cyber security systems and software; and

**WHEREAS,** new Cisco Blade Servers will improve speed, 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 the following vendors:

NWN Corporation \$ 376,450.48

Saitech, Inc. \$426,250.08

Brightcenta, Inc. \$ 438,847.36

Unicom \$ 470,885.41

Sunflower Lab, LLC \$ 473,203.14

Howard Technology \$479,814.00; and

**WHEREAS**, approval is requested to purchase two Cisco Blade Servers and associated hardware from NWN Corporation for \$376,450.48; and

**WHEREAS,** the Information Systems approved FY 23-24 budget includes allocated funds to cover the total cost of this purchase.

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## 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 Corporation for the purchase of Cisco server equipment in the amount of \$376,450.48.

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