

**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WINSTON-SALEM,
NORTH CAROLINA, MAKING CERTAIN STATEMENTS OF FACT
CONCERNING PROPOSED BOND ISSUE**

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Winston-Salem, North Carolina (the “*City Council*”) is considering the issuance of bonds of the City of Winston-Salem, North Carolina (the “*City*”) which shall be for the following purposes and in the following maximum amounts:

\$1,590,000 of bonds to pay the capital costs of upgrades to and renovations of general government and public safety facilities and acquisition of land for future fire stations; and

\$1,750,000 of bonds to pay the capital costs of constructing, renovating and improving certain parks and recreational facilities, including, among other things, picnic shelters, playgrounds and swimming pools and including building, lighting, golf course and trail improvements located at parks and recreational facilities throughout the City; and

\$1,950,000 of bonds to pay the capital costs of resurfacing certain streets, installing sidewalks and repairing certain bridges.

WHEREAS, certain findings of fact by the City Council must be presented to enable the Local Government Commission of the State of North Carolina to make certain determinations as set forth in Article 4 of Chapter 159 of the General Statutes, Section 52.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and the City Council meeting in open session on the 15th day of May, 2017, has made the following factual findings in regard to this matter:

Section 1. *Facts Regarding Necessity of Proposed Financing.* The proposed bonds are necessary and expedient in order to pay the capital costs of (1) upgrades to and renovations of general government and public safety facilities and acquisition of land for future fire stations; (2) resurfacing certain streets, installing sidewalks and repairing certain bridges; and (3) constructing, renovating and improving certain parks and recreational facilities, including, among other things, picnic shelters, playgrounds and swimming pools and including building, lighting, golf course and trail improvements located at parks and recreational facilities.

Section 2. *Facts Supporting the Amount of Bonds Proposed.* The sums estimated for these bonds are adequate and not excessive for the proposed purpose.

Section 3. *Past Debt Management Policies.* The City’s debt management policies have been carried out in compliance with law. The City employs a full-time Chief Financial Officer to oversee compliance with applicable laws relating to debt management. The City Council requires annual audits of City finances. In connection with these audits, compliance with laws is reviewed. The City is not in default in any of its debt service obligations. The City Attorney reviews all debt-related documents for compliance with laws.

Section 4. *Past Budgetary and Fiscal Management Policies.* The City's budgetary and fiscal management policies have been carried out in compliance with laws. Annual budgets are closely reviewed by the City Council before final approval of budget ordinances. Budget amendments changing a function total or between functions are presented to the City Council at regular City Council meetings. The Chief Financial Officer presents financial information to City Council which shows budget to actual comparisons annually and otherwise as the City Manager deems necessary or as a member of the City Council may request.

Section 5. *Retirement of Debt.* The schedule for issuing the bonds does not require a property tax increase. The schedule for issuance calls for issuing all of the bonds in July, 2017.

Section 6. *Effective Date.* This Resolution will take effect immediately on its adoption.