

**RESOLUTION AWARDING PURCHASE ORDER FOR  
FIREFIGHTER PROTECTIVE TURNOUT GEAR**

**WHEREAS**, the Winston-Salem Fire Department (WSFD) has a need to purchase 102 sets of firefighter protective turnout gear as scheduled replacement for gear that is near the 10 year expiration per NFPA 1851 and for recruit classes; and

**WHEREAS**, on April 16, 2018, the Mayor and City Council awarded a contract to purchase firefighter protective turnout gear from Stevens Fire Equipment, Inc., located in Morganton, NC, and the lowest responsive, responsible bidder meeting all bid specifications from bids received February 20, 2018, at the cost of \$3,430 per set; and

**WHEREAS**, Stevens Fire Equipment, Inc. will maintain the same unit price of \$3,430 per set from the previous bid for the 102 sets requested for this purchase; and

**WHEREAS**, the City's FY 2018-19 capital equipment budget includes \$349,860 for the purchase of firefighter protective turnout gear; therefore, the Winston-Salem Fire Department is requesting the purchase of 102 sets of firefighter protective turnout gear at a total cost of \$349,860; and

**WHEREAS**, it is the recommendation of the Finance Committee that a purchase order be awarded to Stevens Fire Equipment, Inc., for the purchase of 102 sets of firefighter protective turnout gear at a total cost of \$349,860.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Winston-Salem that a purchase order for 102 sets of firefighter protective turnout gear per bid specifications for the Winston-Salem Fire Department is hereby awarded to Stevens Fire Equipment, Inc., in the total amount of \$349,860.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the award of this purchase order constitutes a preliminary determination as to the qualifications of the bidder. The City is not legally bound to the purchase until the purchase order is duly executed by the City.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the purchase is included in the FY 2018-19 capital budget and will be financed through the North Carolina Municipal Leasing Corporation with funding for the lease payments available in the FY 2018-19 General Fund budget.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the City may reimburse itself for the capital expenditures identified herein with the proceeds from the sale of tax-exempt obligations.