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

WHEREAS, the Winston-Salem Fire Department (WSFD) has a need to purchase 68 sets of firefighter protective turnout gear as scheduled replacement for gear that is near the 10 year expiration per NFPA 1851, for recruit classes, and for unforeseen ; 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 \$2,952 per set; and

WHEREAS, terms of the original bid received February 20, 2018, allows the WSFD to purchase additional turnout gear per original bid specifications for two additional 12-month periods providing both parties agree and funds are made available for that purpose

WHEREAS, Stevens Fire Equipment, Inc. agreed to maintain the same unit price of \$2,952 per set from the original bid for the additional terms; 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 68 sets of firefighter protective turnout gear during FY2019-20 at a total cost of \$200,736 with the option to purchase 90 sets of firefighter protective turnout gear during FY2020-21 at a total cost of \$265,680 making the total possible award amount of \$466,416.

WHEREAS, the City's FY 2019-20 capital equipment budget includes \$200,740 for the purchase of firefighter protective turnout gear and FY2020-21 would be subject to approved budget appropriations for the purchase.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Winston-Salem that a purchase of 68 sets of firefighter protective turnout gear during FY2019-

20 at a total cost of \$200,736 with the option to purchase 90 sets of firefighter protective turnout gear during FY2020-21 at a total cost of \$265,680 making the total possible award amount of \$466,416 is hereby awarded to Stevens Fire Equipment, Inc.

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 2019-20 capital budget and will be financed through the North Carolina Municipal Leasing Corporation with funding for the lease payments available in the FY 2019-20 General Fund budget and FY2020-21 would be subject to approved budget appropriations for the purchase.

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.