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RESOLUTION APPROVING A CONTRACT WITH NWN CORPORATION FOR THE PURCHASE OF DATA CENTER SERVER EQUIPMENT

WHEREAS, the Information Systems Department manages a large application server farm within the City's two data centers that support enterprise and departmental business applications; and

WHEREAS, the oldest of the existing servers were purchased in FY14-15 and have reached end of manufacturer support; and

WHEREAS, replacing the aging servers with next-generation equipment will maintain manufacturer support and improve system performance, reliability, redundancy and security; and

WHEREAS, through an Invitation for Bid process, using hardware specifications provided by Information Systems staff, quotes and pricing for new equipment were received from the following five vendors:

NWN Corporation	\$188,878.98
Netxperts, Inc.	\$189,830.94
Netsync	\$192,415.60
Miracle Software Systems, Inc.	\$236,236.64
Dvteck	\$288,764.27

WHEREAS, approval is requested to purchase the new server equipment from NWN Corporation for a price of \$188,878.98; and

WHEREAS, the approved Information Systems Department FY21-22 budget includes leasing funds allocated to cover the cost of this purchase.

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 server hardware in the amount of \$188,878.98.

Winston-Salem City Council APPROVED January 3, 2022

BE IT FUTHER RESOLVED that the City Manager is

hereby authorized to execute the contract on behalf of the City.