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RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH GMV SYNCROMATICS FOR REAL-TIME PASSENGER INFORMATION FOR WSTA'S FIXED ROUTE BUSES

WHEREAS, the Winston Salem Transit Authority (WSTA) operates 45 Fixed Route buses; and

WHEREAS, in 2012 WSTA entered into an agreement with NextBus for Real-Time Passenger Automatic Vehicle Locator (AVL) services for these buses; however, NextBus no longer offers services; and

WHEREAS, WSTA participated in a Regional Request for Proposal (RFP) project with the Piedmont Authority for Regional Transportation (PART) and the Transit Systems for Burlington, Greensboro, High Point, Chapel Hill, Orange County and Davidson County for the design delivery and installation of Real-Time Passenger Automatic Vehicle Locator (AVL) advanced technologies and support equipment, software and hardware on August 30, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the RFP was developed and managed by PART with industry best practices and meets compliance requirements of the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) with designated evaluation criteria and independent reviews to confirm the RFP submissions that were both responsive and responsible; and

WHEREAS, there were five (5) responsible and responsive bids for AVL services; Transloc, Passio/Ecolane, Passio/CTS, Connexionz and GMV and based on the independent evaluations, price submissions, interviews of vendors and the Best and Final Offer (BAFO) submissions, the members of the RFP evaluation committee recommended the contractual award to GMV Syncromatics Corporation for Real-Time Passenger AVL technology; and

WHEREAS, existing grant funding is available to support contracting with GMV for Real-Time Passenger AVL for the following features: Base AVL hardware/Software installation,

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Automatic Voice Annunciators (AVA), LED Next Stop signs, Realtime Passenger Mobile App and LCD Outdoor and Indoor Monitors; and

WHEREAS, on May 26, 2022, the Winston-Salem Transit Board of Directors approved a resolution recommending award to GMV Sycromatics Corporation for Real Time Passenger AVL Technology in the amount of \$550,000.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and the City Council of the City of Winston-Salem hereby authorizes the City Manager and City Clerk to enter into an agreement with GMV Syncromatics Corporation for the Real Time Passenger AVL Technology with options in the amount of \$550,000.