## Date: June 12, 2017 To: The City Manager From: Gregory M. Turner, Assistant City Manager

## **Council Action Requested:**

Consideration of a Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Enter into an Agreement with AECOM to Provide Bicycle Master Planning Services.

## **Summary of Information:**

In 2005, the City of Winston-Salem and the Winston-Salem Metropolitan Planning Organization (WSMPO) adopted a Comprehensive Bicycle Master Plan to provide a vision for cycling in the community and to identify infrastructure improvements needed to make cycling a viable transportation option. Nearly all of the priority projects identified through that planning process have been implemented or have been funded.

Since the adoption of the plan in 2005, however, the field of bicycle transportation planning has evolved and become more sophisticated, and the City of Winston-Salem has developed into a hub for cycling activity. To leverage these recent developments, the City of Winston-Salem plans to develop a new bicycle master plan for the Winston-Salem Urban Area that will address the needs of the community in terms of infrastructure and programming with the ultimate goal of increasing ridership and becoming designated as a Silver-Level Bicycle Friendly Community. As a result of the 2005 bicycle master plan and the progress made in implementing projects and related programs, the League of American Bicyclists recognized Winston-Salem as a Bicycle Friendly Community at the Bronze level in 2013.

In November, 2016, the City of Winston-Salem accepted proposals from five professional planning firms and assembled a proposal review and selection committee, which eventually selected AECOM as the most qualified to provide professional planning services to assist with the bicycle master planning process. The City of Winston-Salem has negotiated a scope and fee with AECOM that provides the services necessary to complete a new bicycle master plan with an associated fee not to exceed \$147,700.23.

Committee Action:			
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