RESOLUTION AWARDING PURCHASE ORDER FOR ARMOR BALLISTIC VESTS

WHEREAS, the Winston-Salem Police Department has the need to purchase 120 armor ballistic vests and after extensive research and testing of several vests, the Safariland brand vest was selected and has been worn by City Police Officers for the past several years; and

WHEREAS, Lawmen's Distribution, LLC, the sole distributor for Safariland brand ballistic vest has submitted a quotation for the 120 armor ballistic vests at the cost of \$835 each for the total amount of \$100,200; and

WHEREAS, G.S. 143-129(e) provides that formal bid procedures "shall not apply to purchases of apparatus, supplies, materials, or equipment when performance or price competition for a product are not available; when a needed product is available from only one source of supply; or when standardization or compatibility is the overriding consideration"; and

WHEREAS, it is recommended that a purchase order be awarded to Lawmen's Distribution, LLC for the 120 armor ballistic vests at the cost of \$835 each for the total amount of \$100,200.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Winston-Salem that a purchase order for the 120 armor ballistic vests at the cost of \$835 each for the total amount of \$100,200 is hereby awarded to Lawmen's Distribution, LLC.

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

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City's FY 2017-18 operating budget includes sufficient funds for this purchase.