RESOLUTION AWARDING PURCHASE ORDER FOR ARMOR BALLISTIC VESTS

WHEREAS, the Winston-Salem Police Department has the need to purchase 175 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, after receiving bids, the State of North Carolina awarded term contract 680C to Safariland, LLC for armor ballistic vests; and

WHEREAS, Lawmen's Distribution, LLC, was selected as the authorized distributor in the State of North Carolina for the Safariland brand and has submitted quotation #SQ-297809 for the 175 vests at the cost of \$835 each for total amount of \$146,125; and

WHEREAS, N.C.G.S 143-129(e)(9) provides that "The [bidding] requirements of this article do not apply to ... Purchases from contracts established by the State or any agency of the State, if the contractor is willing to extend to a political subdivision of the State the same or more favorable prices, terms, or conditions as established in the State contract."; and

WHEREAS, it is recommended that a purchase order be awarded to Lawmen's Distribution, LLC for the 175 armor ballistic vests at the cost of \$835 each for the total amount of \$146,125 per quotation #SQ-297809.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Winston-Salem that a purchase order for the 175 armor ballistic vests at the cost of \$835 each for the total amount of \$146,125 per quotation #SQ-297809 is hereby awarded to Lawmen's Distribution, LLC.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the award of this purchase order constitutes a

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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 2018-19 operating budget includes sufficient funds for this purchase.