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RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH AETNA FOR THE PROVISION OF A MEDICARE ADVANTAGE PLAN FOR RETIREES FOR PLAN YEAR 2021

WHEREAS, the City of Winston-Salem offers a Medicare Advantage health insurance plan for retirees (age 65+) who are eligible for Medicare coverage; and

WHEREAS, this coverage supplements retirees' Medicare Parts A and B coverage and provides a benefit that closely matches the health insurance coverage provided for employees and pre-65 retirees; and

WHEREAS, the current provider of this plan is Aetna; and

WHEREAS, the Medicare Advantage plan provides coverage for 748 retirees and 221 retiree spouses; and

WHEREAS, the current premium cost for retiree coverage is \$127.67/month/retiree, the cost of which is borne by the City; and

WHEREAS, the annual cost of the current agreement with Aetna for retiree coverage is a not-to-exceed amount of \$1,145,965; and

WHEREAS, the current agreement with Aetna expires on December 31, 2020; and

WHEREAS, Aetna has submitted a proposal for a renewal rate of \$140.38/month/retiree, with no change in coverage, for an annual cost of \$1,260,051, which represents an increased cost of \$12.71/month/retiree for an annual increase of \$114,086, or 9.9%, over 2020; and

WHEREAS, City staff recommends that the City enter into an agreement with Aetna for the provision of a Medicare Advantage plan for retirees at a rate of \$140.38/month/retiree for plan year 2021; and

WHEREAS, funds are budgeted for these premiums in the Retiree Benefits Fund.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Winston-Salem that the City Manager is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with Aetna for the provision of a Medicare Advantage plan for retirees at a rate of \$140.38/month/retiree for an annual not-to-exceed amount of \$1,260,051 for plan year 2021.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Manager and City Clerk are authorized to execute the necessary documents pursuant to review and approval by the City Attorney.