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RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE BELVIEW RECREATION CENTER PROJECT

WHEREAS, in April 2019, the Mayor and City Council approved the appropriation of resources to meet \$33.09 million in emerging capital needs; and

WHEREAS, the Belview Recreation Center project was included in these capital needs; and

WHEREAS, the City of Winston-Salem would invest \$3 million to rebuild this facility. The proposed new facility would include a gymnasium, dedicated classroom and work space for the City's S.O.A.R. and Youthbuild facilities, computer lab, meeting room space for community groups, new playground, improved parking facilities, and improved lighting inside and outside of the facility; and

WHEREAS, after a spring community meeting there has been an ongoing discussion about expanding the gymnasium to provide for bleacher seating, an indoor walking track, and a wooden sport floor; and

WHEREAS, the architect provided several alternative plans, with varying costs, that included all of the desired elements; and

WHEREAS, the alternate that is being requested by Council Member Taylor will increase the gymnasium to provide for a two lane walking track along the perimeter of the court, renovate the existing building to provide office space and a tool storage room for the SOAR program, and to accommodate the future installation of bleacher seating for approximately 400 spectators; and

WHEREAS, to accommodate this expansion 1,760 SF of new SOAR space was eliminated and the community gathering space was reduced by 1/3; and

WHEREAS, the project was allocated \$3 million for design and construction. After

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encumbering funds for the design and contingencies there is approximately \$2,580,000 remaining for construction; and

WHEREAS, the estimated cost for the expanded gymnasium is \$3,557,600.00. To cover this additional cost Councilman Taylor has requested to use \$500,000 from Park Acquisition and Development Fund, which was approved as part of the 2018 bond referendum; and to use \$500,000 from the 2018 Southeast Ward economic development bonds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and City Council of the City of Winston-Salem, approve an increase in funding for the Belview Recreation Center project.