

City Council – Action Request Form

Date: January 11, 2021

To: Mayor, Mayor Pro Tempore, and Members of the City Council

From: Damon C. Dequenne, Assistant City Manager
S. Kirk Bjorling, Real Estate Administrator

Council Action Requested:
Resolution Authorizing Waiver of the Compliance Contained in a Deed Restriction on Property Owned by the Woman’s Division of Christian Service of the Board of Missions of the Methodist Church (East Ward)

Strategic Focus Area: Livable Neighborhoods
Strategic Objective: Support Inclusion of Community Populations
Strategic Plan Action Item: No
Key Work Item: No



Summary of Information:
 On January 4, 1965, the Redevelopment Commission of Winston-Salem sold property to the Woman’s Division of Christian Service of the Board of Missions of the Methodist Church (Methodist Church). The property at 520 North Cleveland Avenue (Tax PIN 6835-67-1915) is now home to the Bethlehem Center. The deed to the Methodist Church contained a restriction that makes the Methodist Church subject to a contract between the Methodist Church and the Redevelopment Commission regarding the use of the property and improvements to be constructed thereon. The Methodist Church now wants to donate the property to Bethlehem Center, but the property cannot be donated until the City of Winston-Salem waives the compliance contained in the aforementioned deed restriction. All of the terms of the contract mentioned in the deed have been met; and, therefore, staff is supportive of granting a waiver.

The attached resolution authorizes the waiver of the compliance contained in the deed restriction for the Bethlehem Center property at 520 North Cleveland Avenue.

Committee Action:

Committee	Finance 1/11/2021	Action	Approval
For	Unanimous	Against	

Remarks: