

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF HYBRID ELECTRIC BUSES
FROM NEW FLYER OF AMERICA INC. FROM THE PIEDMONT AUTHORITY FOR
REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION BUS CONTRACT**

WHEREAS, the City of Greensboro desires to purchase five (5) 40-foot hybrid electric low-floor buses for use by the Greensboro Transit Authority (GTA) fixed route service; and

WHEREAS, Piedmont Authority for Regional Transportation (PART) developed an Invitation for Bid (IFB) solicitation in coordination and cooperation with the Cities of Greensboro, Burlington, Concord, and High Point and PART's public transit division for the ability to purchase heavy duty buses; and

WHEREAS, the Invitation for Bid (IFB) specifically sought prices based on detailed expectations of vehicle specifications for 35-foot and 40-foot hybrid electric low-floor buses for a five year period; and

WHEREAS, a total of three (3) heavy duty bus manufacturers participated in the solicitation and two (2) submissions were received and publicly opened on September 30, 2014; and

WHEREAS, on the 8th day of October, 2014, the PART Board approved contract award to New Flyer of America, Inc as the lowest responsive and responsible bidder; and

WHEREAS, each agency identified within the Invitation for Bid (IFB) will issue their own purchase orders with the awarded contractor, New Flyer of America Inc., at the submitted bid price; and

WHEREAS, on the 4th day of August, 2014, the 6th day of January 2015, and the 17th day of March, 2015, Greensboro City Council approved budget ordinances to support the purchase of new hybrid electric buses for GTA; and

WHEREAS, the purchase of these hybrid electric buses will allow GTA to continue its efforts to replace old diesel buses that have exceeded their useful life standard of 12 years/500,000 miles with hybrid electric buses; and

WHEREAS, upon approval by the City Council, the new buses will be ordered, with an estimated delivery date in August 2015; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Greensboro City Council approves the purchase of five (5) 40-foot hybrid electric low-floor buses from New Flyer of America, Inc.,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Council that the Purchasing Department is authorized to issue a purchase order to New Flyer of America, Inc. for the purchase of the buses, in an amount not to exceed \$3,312,756