RESOLUTION FOR A SPECIAL ORDER BY CONSENT (SOC) BETWEEN THE CITY OF GREENSBORO AND THE NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

WHEREAS, Water Resources requests approval to pursue and negotiate a Special Order by Consent (SOC) with the North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality;

WHEREAS, the T. Z. Osborne Water Reclamation Facility has a permit to discharge treated wastewater to South Buffalo Creek, a tributary to the Haw River, classified WS-V waters of this State in the Cape Fear River Basin;

WHEREAS, the discharge is allowed under National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit Number NC0047384 effective July 1, 2014, and expired on June 30, 2019, and administratively extended until reissued by the state;

WHEREAS, the City of Greensboro has voluntarily worked to reduce the concentrations of the unregulated constituent, 1,4-dioxane, discharged from the T. Z. Osborne Water Reclamation Facility;

WHEREAS, the SOC will officially outline the steps that Greensboro will continue to take to further reduce concentrations of 1,4-dioxane in order to protect downstream drinking water sources;

WHEREAS, the T. Z. Osborne Water Reclamation Facility agrees to maintain and operate the wastewater treatment system at its maximum level of efficiency during the interim period of the Special Order by Consent and thereafter; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GREENSBORO:

That the City is authorized to enter into a Special Order by Consent from the Environmental Management Commission and the City hereby authorizes Steven D. Drew, Water Resources Director, to sign and execute this document on behalf of the City of Greensboro.