## RESOLUTION TO APPROVE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF GREENSBORO AND GUILFORD COUNTY REGARDING HAZARDOUS MATERIALS RESPONSE TEAM SERVICES

WHEREAS, the County's Board of Commissioners desires to provide the highest level of emergency services possible to the citizens of Guilford County in the most effective and efficient means possible;

WHEREAS, the County has a limited capacity to respond with a hazardous materials response team to serve unincorporated areas in the County and its smaller towns;

WHEREAS, the City maintains a hazardous materials response team to serve areas within its jurisdictional limits;

WHEREAS, the County has responsibility for fire protection and hazard mitigation in all areas of Guilford County, with the exception of the City of Greensboro and City of High Point, and there exists a need to provide a team of competent personnel with adequate equipment and training to respond to emergencies involving chemical, hazardous, radioactive and other toxic or highly dangerous materials in areas under the jurisdiction of the County and the City that are in addition to the specific class of emergencies for the City's regional hazardous materials response team;

WHEREAS, it is neither effective nor efficient for each unit of government to create and maintain the full response capacity required for response to such emergencies solely within its own jurisdiction, but it is both effective and efficient to provide for such responses within both jurisdictions using combined resources;

WHEREAS, the City has such an existing hazardous material response capacity and is willing to provide hazardous material response services to and in the County;

WHEREAS, the Parties, pursuant to the authority of Chapter 160A-461 *et seq.* of the North Carolina General Statutes, are authorized to enter into this Interlocal Agreement in order to pursue the above stated goals;

WHEREAS, in consideration of the above, the County shall pay to the City an annual retainer in the amount of \$30,000 payable in July of each contract year for the preparedness of their personnel and equipment capable of Hazardous Materials response. The County will agree to an annual increase of \$1,000 per annum; and

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

That the proposed contract between the City of Greensboro and Guilford County is authorized for the provision of hazardous materials response for the period of three years from July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2023, with payment of said contract to be made as set out above.