

RESOLUTION APPROVING SOLE SOURCE PURCHASE OF REFLECTIVE TRAFFIC
SIGN MATERIALS FROM 3M INC. AS AUTHORIZED BY THE SOLE SOURCE
EXEMPTION OF G.S. 143-129

WHEREAS, City Council approval is requested for the sole source purchase of reflective traffic sign materials from 3M, Inc. as authorized by the Sole Source Exemption of G. S. 143.129, approval of contract/agreement with 3M Inc. for the purchase of reflective traffic sign materials for the term of three years, and authorize the City Manager to renew the contract for up to two additional, one-year terms with possible price adjustments and to amend the contract consistent with the City's business needs and the purpose for which the contract was approved originally;

WHEREAS, G.S. 143-129 (e) (6) provides that formal bidding requirements do not apply when:

- Performance or price competition are not available;
- A needed product is available from only one source or supply; or
- Standardization or compatibility is the overriding consideration;

WHEREAS, Sole sourcing is necessary for this contract because of performance, standardization, and compatibility;

WHEREAS, 3M, Inc. retroreflective sheeting materials have a ten year warranty which meets Federal Highway Administration requirements and supports the adopted sign replacement schedule;

WHEREAS, 3M, Inc. is the only manufacturer of retroreflective sheeting materials that provides this warranty and the use of other sheeting materials in combination with 3M materials would void said warranty;

WHEREAS, the design and fabrication of signs requires the use of proprietary software and specialized hardware that is provided by 3M already owned by the City; and

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

That the purchase of retroreflective traffic sign materials from 3M, Inc. is approved under the Sole Source Exemption of G. S. 143.129, for a term of three years. And be it further resolved that the City Manager may renew the contract for up to two additional, one-year terms with possible price adjustments and to amend the contract consistent with the City's business needs and the purpose for which the contract was approved originally.