RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH DOWNTOWN GREENSBORO, INC. FOR SIDEWALK DINING BEAUTIFICATION AND ACCESSIBILITY

WHEREAS, following the aftermath of the COVID-19 pandemic, many downtown businesses created outdoor areas for use by their patrons, and the community has come to rely on these outdoor areas as the community continues to manage the after-effects of the pandemic. Due to significant financial constraints placed on these businesses at the time these outdoor areas were created, many of them lack basic design elements and fail to comply with accessibility requirements. Not all of these business owners have the resources necessary to bring these outdoor areas into compliance with accessibility standards, or to bring them up to a uniform design that would beautify the downtown landscape; and

WHEREAS, it is recommended that City Council authorize the City Manager to enter into an agreement with Downtown Greensboro, Inc. to administer a grant to beautify and make accessible areas adjacent to local businesses; and

WHEREAS, it is deemed in the best interest of the City to authorize as set forth herein; and

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

The City Manager is authorized to enter into an agreement with Downtown Greensboro, Inc. to administer a grant to beautify Downtown Greensboro.