

RESOLUTION APPROVING USE OF DESIGN BUILD AND SELECTION OF SAMET CORPORATION AS THE DESIGN BUILDER FOR THE SCIENCE CENTER GATEWAY PROJECT PHASE ONE

WHEREAS, on February 21, 2023, Council approved a resolution to allocate Twenty Million Dollars (\$20,000,000) in Parks and Recreation bond funds to the Greensboro Science Center for Phase 1 of its Gateway Project, which includes a rainforest biodome (Expedition Rainforest – The Greensboro Biodome) and a sea creature care, conservation, rescue, rehabilitation and reintroduction center (the ARCC – Aquatic Rehabilitation and Care Complex);

WHEREAS, on May 31, 2023, the City of Greensboro entered into a contract with the Science Center to obligate these funds so that the Science Center could begin the design and construction;

WHEREAS, the Science Center chose to use the Design Build method of construction, and pursuant to North Carolina General Statute (“NCGS”) §143-128.1A, it solicited for Design Builders on two separate occasions, and both times, only one firm, Samet Corporation submitted a proposal;

WHEREAS, Samet Corporation was selected as the design builder, and the design has been completed;

WHEREAS, NCGS §143-128.1A requires governmental entities to first “establish in writing the criteria used for determining the circumstances under which the design-build method is appropriate for a project” and to select the Design Builder;

WHEREAS, the Greensboro City Council hereby ratifies the Science Center’s application of the facts of the Biodome Project to the criteria identified in NCGS 143-128.1A as stated in the Agenda Memo for this Council Agenda Item, and its decision to pursue the Design Build method of construction as the best method of construction for this project;

WHEREAS, the Greensboro City Council hereby ratifies the selection of Samet Corporation as the Design Builder; and

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

The City Council ratifies (1) the criteria used by the Science Center to determine the circumstances for entering into a Design Build Contract as stated in the Council Agenda Item attached to this Resolution; (2) the Science Center’s decision to use the Design Build method of construction for Phase 1 of the Greensboro Science Center Gateway Project; and (3) the Science Center’s selection of Samet Corporation as the Design Builder for this project.