RESOLUTION NO. 2003 – 3

RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A POLICY FOR COMPETITIVE BIDDING FOR ARCHITECTURAL, ENGINEERING, AND SURVEYING SERVICES

WHEREAS, a 1987 law titled “Procurement of Architectural, Engineering and Surveying Services” (G.S. 143-64.31) established a general policy that competence rather than cost should be the major consideration when a local government chooses a service provider for architectural, engineering or surveying services; and

WHEREAS, G.S. 143-64.32 allows local governments to depart from this policy and to consider price when selecting an architectural, engineering, or surveying service provider in the case of: (1) Proposed projects where an estimated professional fee is in an amount less than thirty thousand dollars ($30,000), or (2) Other particular projects exempted in the sole discretion of the unit of local government, stating the reasons therefore and the circumstances attendant thereto; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Goldsboro deems it to be in the public interest to establish a Policy for Competitive Bidding for Architectural, Engineering and Surveying Services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Goldsboro, North Carolina, that:

1. The City of Goldsboro considers a process of open competition in the selection of architectural, engineering and surveying services to be in the best interest of the City. As authorized by G.S. 143-64.32, all architectural, engineering, and surveying services contracts of the City will be competitively bid. The award of these contracts will be made on the basis of demonstrated competence and qualification of the firm making the proposal and the fee proposed to provide the service required. The City exempts all projects where an estimated professional fee is less than $30,000 from the provisions of G.S. 143-64.31 which states that such services should be negotiated with the best qualified firm. For each project where the estimated professional fee is equal to or greater than $30,000, the City Manager will consider and have the authority to make the project exempt from G.S. 143-64.31 by stating the reasons and circumstances for the exemption.

2. This resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after the 3rd day of FEBRUARY, 2003.

Approved as to Form Only:                             Reviewed By:

City Attorney                                          City Manager

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