Resolution to Authorize the Use of Electronic Advertisement

for Contracts Subject to G.S. 143-129.

Whereas, contracts for construction or repair work, and for the purchase of apparatus, supplies, materials, and equipment that meet the monetary threshold established in G.S. 143-129 must be publicly advertised; and

Whereas, G.S. 143-129(b) authorizes the governing board to allow the use of electronic advertisement as an alternative to advertisement in a newspaper of general circulation; and

Whereas, in some cases, advertisement in the newspaper may be the most effective method of obtaining competition, but in other cases, advertisement by electronic means may be a more effective and efficient method of reaching prospective bidders; and

Whereas, it is in all cases important to provide citizens an opportunity to obtain information about major contracts to be awarded by this entity;

Therefore, the [governing board] of [the jurisdiction] resolves:

The [manager or other designated official] or his or her designee is authorized to advertise solicitations for bid using electronic means in lieu of placing an advertisement in a newspaper of general circulation whenever he or she determines it to be the most effective and efficient method of obtaining competition for a contract.

Advertisement by newspaper and electronic means may be used together or in the alternative, and the requirements of G.S. 143-129(b) shall be met as long as one of the methods used meets the specific requirements and minimum time for advertisement under that statute.

Adopted this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 200\_.