AGREEMENT

AN AGREEMENT FOR JOINT PLANNING COOPERATION, between
Washington and Benton Counties and all incorporated cities and towns which
might wish to become a part of the Regional Plan Area.

Article 1. Authorization

Under provisions of Act 26, Arkansas Acts of 1955, the agencies listed
above, herein called the parties to this agreement, agree to join cooperatively
in area planning and to establish a Regional Planning Commission.

As provided in Section 1 of said Act 26, any other civil jurisdiction, or
any public authority or agency operating within, wholly or in part, the area
of jurisdiction of the parties to this agreement, may join in this agreement,
and become parties to the agreement.

Article 2. Regional Planning Commission

In order to establish and maintain cooperation in area planning, the parties
to this agreement join in the creation of a regional planning agency as provided
under Section 1 of Act 26 to be known as the Northwest Arkansas Regional Plan-
ning Commission. The Commission shall have the powers, duties and functions
as provided in Act 26 for metropolitan area or regional commissions, and as
further provided in this agreement.

Article 3. Membership of the Commission

The Regional Planning Commission shall be constituted as follows:

Ex-Officio Elected Officials. The County Judge of each county signing this
agreement shall be an ex-officio member and entitled to vote on all matters.

Appointed Members. Each county judge shall appoint one member for each
10,000 persons living in rural areas. A rural area is defined as any unincor-
porated area or any incorporated area with less than 5,500 population.

The mayor or city manager of each urban area with the approval of his legis-
lative body shall appoint one member for each 10,000 population living in the
urban area. An urban area is defined as any incorporated area with a popu-
lation over 5,500.

A county judge or a mayor may appoint an additional member when the popu-
lation of his jurisdiction exceeds a multiple of 10,000 by 5,500.
Appointed members shall be entitled to vote on all matters. The initial membership shall be as follows: Fayetteville - 3; Springdale - 2; Washington County - 1; Rogers - 1; Bentonville - 1; Siloam Springs - 1; Benton County - 1; total - 10.

A majority of the members of the Regional Planning Commission shall hold no other public office except appointive membership on a city or other planning commission or board. As soon as the ten member commission has ascertained that other communities are giving a reasonable amount of financial support to the Regional Planning Commission, the commission may expand its membership at its discretion by appointing additional members to represent these communities. When such new appointments are added to the Planning Commission, the Commission shall establish such additional appointive membership as may be required to maintain the majority of appointive membership to conform to the requirements of Section 3 of Act 26.

Terms of Membership. The terms of ex-officio members shall be for the periods that they occupy their city or county offices.

The terms of appointed members shall be three years, except that the initial appointments shall be staggered in the following manner: Initial appointees shall draw lots for three terms of one year each, three terms of two years each, and four terms of three years each.

All members of the Commission shall serve as such without compensation.

A member of the Commission, once qualified, shall not be removed during his term of office except for cause and after a hearing held before the governing body by which he was appointed.

Vacancies occurring otherwise than through the expiration of terms shall be filled for the unexpired term by the official appointing the original holder of said membership.

Article 4. Officers, Meetings and Rules

Chairman. The Commission shall elect a Chairman from its appointed members, and such other officers as it may determine. The terms of the Chairman and other officers shall be one year. The Commission may create such committees as it deems necessary to the proper exercise of its functions.
Executive Committee. In the interests of effective functioning of the Commission, there may be an Executive Committee of the Commission, including the Chairman and other officers so designated by the Commission. The members of the Executive Committee other than the officers shall be designated by the Chairman with the approval of the Commission.

Meetings. The Commission as a whole shall meet regularly at least once every three months. The Executive Committee shall meet as required, except that the regular meeting of the Committee may coincide at appropriate times with the regular meeting of the Commission as a whole. All meetings shall be open to the public.

Rules. The Commission shall adopt rules for the transaction of business and shall keep a complete record of its functions and activities, which record shall be a public record.

Article 5. Means of Cooperation

The parties to this agreement shall cooperate on area planning through the Planning Commission, and shall furnish the Commission, on request, any information or documents in their possession or control, and shall aid wherever possible the work of the Commission in the cooperation of their officials, departments, and agencies.

As provided in Act 26, the Planning Commission may assist the parties to this agreement in carrying out any area plan or plans developed by the Commission, and may assist any of the parties of this agreement or other public bodies in the preparation or effectuation of local plans or planning consistent with the program and means of the Commission.

Article 6. Powers, Functions and Duties

The Planning Commission shall have the powers, duties, and functions as provided in Act 26 in connection with the preparation of area-wide studies and plans, in informing the public and promoting public interest and understanding, and in making official planning recommendations to the governing bodies of the parties of this agreement.

In further particular of the means and methods of operation and functioning, the Commission

A. May appoint a Director of Planning and such employees as it deems necessary, and engage consultants as it may require.

B. Shall prepare an annual report for the parties of this agreement, and prepare and publish studies and reports in connection with its work.
C. May acquire property and materials for its use and incur necessary expenses within the limits of its budget as appropriated by the parties of agreement and otherwise provided.

D. May receive for its own use and purposes any funds or moneys as provided under Section 4 of Act 26.

E. Shall prepare an annual budget to be submitted for approval to the county judges and governing bodies of the cooperating cities and agencies; this budget may be prepared to provide both for general funds and expenditures and for special funds and expenditures.

F. May prepare, under Article 5 above, when requested, carry out and administer uniform regulations for the subdivision of land, prepare standards and make recommendations for zoning and otherwise cooperate in the exercise of planning powers and duties in accord with Act 26.

G. May determine the area appropriate for the preparation of plans and determine appropriate planning districts within this area.

H. The primary emphasis of the Commission staff shall be on regional operations and functions. Initially, the staff shall not be used to perform detailed planning for individual communities or sub-areas without the express approval of the Planning Commission.

Article 7. Proportionate Share of Costs

The parties agree to provide funds for the operation and maintenance of the Planning Commission and to carry out the requirements of this agreement. The proportionate share of costs and expenses shall be as far as possible related to population of the several jurisdictions.

The acceptance of the budget by the parties to this agreement shall carry with it the authority for the Commission to encumber and expend funds as budgeted during the calendar year.

Whenever any other civil subdivision or public authority, agency or body shall join this agreement as provided in Act 26, their share of costs or contribution shall be agreed to at that time of joining.

Any contribution, bequest, gift or grant of funds to the work of the Commission may be designated for special as well as general purposes, and the Commission may make arrangements consistent with its program for special studies or planning work for any public body or appropriate agency, and may receive grants, remuneration or reimbursement for such studies or work.
Article 8. Addition of Other Public Bodies

In accord with the provisions of Act 26, any other public authority, board, commission, or agency, or body operating within, or adjacent to, the area covered by this joint planning cooperation may join this agreement through resolution of its governing body, board or commission.

Upon such resolution, this agreement may be amended, modified or added to, in order to provide for such other public body to become a party to this agreement without requiring any new action by any of the parties other than approval by resolution, order or other appropriate means.

Upon the joining of any other public body the membership of the Commission may be increased as provided under Article 3 above.

Article 9. Commission Planning Committees

Technical Advisory Committees.

The Commission may appoint persons with special technical knowledge to advisory committees to review the programs, work and recommendations of the staff and to give their advice and comment.

Citizens Advisory Committees.

The Commission shall appoint citizens' advisory committees representing any cities, school boards, special districts, or other agencies of government whether local, state, or federal, to review and comment upon programs, work, and recommendations of the Commission which might affect or interest such an agency of government. The Commission may also appoint representatives of civic or private organizations to such advisory committees when the Commission feels that the understanding, informations, advice, or reaction of such organizations is desirable and helpful.

Article 10. Amendments to the Agreement

This agreement may be modified and amended otherwise than as provided above through the recommendation of any of the parties of the agreement or through recommendation of the Commission to the parties and upon approval of the parties to the agreement, and such approval shall be by the same form in which this agreement is originally approved by the parties.

Article 11. Effective Date of Agreement

This agreement shall take full effect upon the appropriate action of the governing bodies of the parties to the agreement whether by ordinance, resolution, rule or order; provided, however, that when any two or more of the parties shall have taken appropriate action, there shall be established the Planning Commission as provided under Section 1 of Act 26, and the agreement shall take effect between such two or more of the parties and shall become operative in their behalf.
Fayetteville

Mayor

Clerk

Springdale

Mayor

Clerk

Rogers

Mayor

Clerk

Bentonville

Mayor

Clerk

Siloam Springs

Mayor

Clerk

Washington County

Judge

Clerk

Benton County

Judge

Clerk
AGREEMENT
(as amended 10-26-00)

AN AGREEMENT FOR JOINT PLANNING COOPERATION, between
Washington and Benton Counties and all incorporated cities and towns which might wish
to become a part of the Regional Plan Area.

Article 1. Authorization

Under provisions of Arkansas Code 14-17-301, et seq., the agencies listed above,
herein called the parties to this Agreement, agree to join cooperatively in area planning
and to establish a Regional Planning Commission.

As provided in Arkansas Code 14-17-301, et seq., any other civil jurisdiction, or
any public authority or agency operating within, wholly or in part, the area of jurisdiction
of the parties to this Agreement, may join in the Agreement, and become parties to the
Agreement.

Article 2. Regional Planning Commission

In order to establish and maintain cooperation in area planning, the parties to this
Agreement join in the creation of a regional planning agency as provided in Arkansas
Code 14-17-301, et seq. to be known as the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning
Commission. The Commission shall have the powers, duties and functions as provided
in Arkansas Code 14-17-301, et seq. for metropolitan area or regional commissions, and
as further provided in this Agreement.

Article 3. Membership of the Commission

The Regional Planning Commission shall be constituted as follows:

Appointed Members. The County Judge may serve or shall appoint one member for each
10,000 persons living in rural areas. A rural area is defined as any unincorporated areas.

The Mayor or City Manager of each urban area may serve or shall appoint one member
for each 10,000 population living in the urban areas.

Appointed members shall be entitled to vote on all matters. The initial membership shall
be as follows: Avoca, Beaver Water District, Bentonville, Bethel Heights, Cave Springs,
Centerton, Decatur, Elkins, Elm Springs, Farmington, Fayetteville, Gentry, Gravette,
Greenland, Highfill, Johnson, Lincoln, Little Flock, Lowell, Pea Ridge, Prairie Grove,
Rogers, Springdale, Sulphur Springs, Tontitown, Washington County, and West Fork.

As soon as the Commission has ascertained that other communities are giving a
reasonable amount of financial support to the Regional Planning Commission, the
Commission may expand its membership at its discretion by appointing additional
members to represent these communities. A minimum of two-thirds (2/3) of the Commission membership shall be elected officials, or those responsible to elected officials. When such new appointments are added to the Planning Commission, the Commission shall establish such additional appointive membership as may be required to maintain the majority of appointive membership to conform to the requirements of Arkansas Code 14-17-301, et seq..

Terms of Membership. The terms of County Judges or Mayors shall be for the periods that they occupy their city or county offices.

The appointed members shall serve at the pleasure of the County Judge or Mayor.

All members of the Commission shall serve as such without compensation.

Vacancies occurring otherwise than through the expiration of terms shall be filled for the unexpired term by the official appointing the original holder of said membership.

Article 4. Officers, Meetings and Rules

Chairman. The Commission shall elect a Chairman from its appointed members, and such other officers as it may determine. The terms of the Chairman and other officers shall not serve more than two consecutive terms in the same position.

Executive Committee. In the interests of effective functioning of the Commission, there may be an Executive Committee of the Commission, including the Chairman and other officers so designated by the Commission. The members of the Executive Committee other than the officers shall be designated by the Chairman with the approval of the Commission.

Meetings. The Commission as a whole shall meet every other month. The Executive Committee shall meet on alternating months. All meetings shall be open to the public. The Full Commission and Executive Committee meetings can be waived if the Director and Chairman determine 1) business does not warrant and 2) if a quorum will not be present.

Rules. The Commission shall adopt rules for the transaction of business and shall keep a complete record of its functions and activities, which record shall be a public record.

Article 5. Means of Cooperation

The parties to this Agreement shall cooperate on area planning through the Planning Commission, and shall furnish the Commission, on request, any information or documents in their possession or control, and shall aid wherever possible the work of the Commission in the cooperation of their officials, departments, and agencies.
As provided in Arkansas Code 14-17-301, et seq., the Planning Commission may assist the parties to this Agreement in carrying out any area plan or plans developed by the Commission, and may assist any of the parties of this Agreement or other public bodies in the preparation of effectuation of local plans or planning consistent with the program and means of the Commission.

Article 6. Powers, Functions and Duties

The Planning Commission shall have the powers, duties, and functions as provided in Arkansas Code 14-17-301, et seq., in connection with the preparation of area-wide studies and plans, in informing the public and promoting public interest and understanding, and in making official planning recommendations to the governing bodies of the parties of this Agreement.

In further particular of the means and methods of operation and functioning, the Commission:

A. May appoint a Director of Planning and such employees as it deems necessary, and engage consultants as it may require.

B. Shall prepare an annual report for the parties of this Agreement and prepare and publish studies and reports in connection with its work.

C. May acquire property and materials for its use and incur necessary expenses within the limits of its budget as appropriated by the parties of agreement and otherwise provided.

D. May receive for its own use and purposes any funds or moneys as provided in Arkansas Code 14-17-301, et seq..

E. Shall prepare an annual budget to be submitted for approval to the County Judges and governing bodies of the cooperating cities and agencies; this budget may be prepared to provide both for general funds and expenditures and for special funds and expenditures.

F. May prepare, under Article 5 above, when requested, carry out and administer uniform regulations for the subdivision of land, prepare standards and make recommendations for zoning and otherwise cooperate in the exercise of planning powers and duties in accord with Arkansas Code 14-17-301, et seq..

G. May determine the area appropriate for the preparation of plans and determine appropriate planning districts within this area.

H. The primary emphasis of the Commission staff shall be on regional operations and functions. The staff shall not be used to perform detailed
planning for individual communities or sub-areas without the express
approval of the Planning Commission.

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The parties agree to provide funds for the operation and maintenance of the
Planning Commission and to carry out the requirements of this Agreement. The
proportionate share of costs and expenses shall be as far as possible related to population
of the several jurisdictions.

The acceptance of the budget by the parties to this Agreement shall carry with it
the authority for the Commission to encumber and expend funds as budgeted during the
calendar year.

Whenever any other civil subdivision or public authority, agency or body shall
join this Agreement as provided in Arkansas Code 14-17-301, *et seq.*, their share of costs
or contribution shall be agreed to at that time of joining.

Any contribution, bequest, gift or grant of funds to the work of the Commission
may be designated for special as well as general purposes, and the Commission may
make arrangements consistent with its program for special studies or planning work for
any public body or appropriate agency, and may receive grants, remuneration or
reimbursement for such studies or work.

**Article 8. Addition of Other Public Bodies**

In accord with the provisions of Arkansas Code 14-17-301, *et seq.*, any other
public authority, board, commission, or agency, or body operating within, or adjacent to,
the area covered by this joint planning cooperation may join this Agreement through
resolution of its governing body, board or commission.

Upon such resolution, this Agreement may be amended, modified or added to, in
order to provide for such other public body to become a party to this Agreement without
requiring any new action by any of the parties other than approval by resolution, order or
other appropriate means.

Upon the joining of any other public body the membership of the Commission
may be increased as provided under Article 3 above.

**Article 9. Amendments to the Agreement**

This Agreement may be modified and amended otherwise than as provided above
through the recommendation of any of the parties of the Agreement or through
recommendation of the Commission to the parties and upon approval of the parties to the
Agreement, and such approval shall be by the same form in which this Agreement is
originally approved by the parties.
Article 10. Effective Date of Agreement

This Agreement shall take full effect upon the appropriate action of the governing bodies of the parties to the Agreement whether by ordinance, resolution, rule or order; provided, however, that when any two or more of the parties shall have taken appropriate action, there shall be established the Planning Commission as provided under Arkansas Code 14-17-301, et seq., and the Agreement shall take effect between such two or more of the parties and shall become operative in their behalf.
RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE AMENDED AGREEMENT OF THE NORTHWEST ARKANSAS REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

WHEREAS, the City Council for the City of ____________, Arkansas, authorized by Resolution the City's membership in the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission;

WHEREAS, the City Council for the City of ____________, Arkansas, endorsed an agreement (hereinafter referred to as "the agreement") for joint planning cooperation between Washington and Benton Counties and all incorporated cities and towns which might wish to become a part of the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission;

WHEREAS, the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission has, pursuant to Article 10 of the agreement, passed a proposed amendment to the agreement; and

WHEREAS, Article 10 of the agreement provides that an amendment to the agreement shall be upon approval of all parties to the agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF ____________, ARKANSAS, approves and endorses the amendment agreement set out in Exhibit "A," a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof as though set out herein word for word, and by doing so, the City of ____________, reaffirms its participation and membership in the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission.

PASSED AND APPROVED this _____ day of ________________, 2000

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk/Treasurer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

City Attorney
A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE AMENDED
AGREEMENT OF THE NORTHWEST ARKANSAS
REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

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RESOLUTION NO. 3-01

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE AMENDED AGREEMENT OF THE NORTHWEST ARKANSAS REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

WHEREAS, the City Council for the City of ________, Arkansas, authorized by Resolution the City's membership in the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission;

WHEREAS, the City Council for the City of ________, Arkansas, endorsed an agreement (hereinafter referred to as "the agreement") for joint planning cooperation between Washington and Benton Counties and all incorporated cities and towns which might wish to become a part of the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission;

WHEREAS, the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission has, pursuant to Article 10 of the agreement, passed a proposed amendment to the agreement; and

WHEREAS, Article 10 of the agreement provides that an amendment to the agreement shall be upon approval of all parties to the agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF ________, ARKANSAS, approves and endorses the amendment agreement set out in Exhibit "A," a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof as though set out herein word for word, and by doing so, the City of ________, reaffirms its participation and membership in the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission.

PASSED AND APPROVED this _______ day of March ___________ 2001

[Signature]
Mayor

ATTEST:

[Signature]
City Clerk/Treasurer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

[Signature]
City Attorney
A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE AMENDED AGREEMENT OF THE NORTHWEST ARKANSAS REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors for Beaver Water District of Washington and Benton Counties, Arkansas, authorized by Resolution the District's membership in the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission:

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors for Beaver Water District of Washington and Benton Counties, Arkansas endorsed an agreement (hereinafter referred to as "the agreement") for joint planning cooperation between Washington and Benton Counties and all incorporated cities and towns which might wish to become a part of the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission;

WHEREAS, the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission has, pursuant to Article 10 of the agreement, passed a proposed amendment to the agreement, and

WHEREAS, Article 10 of the agreement provides that an amendment to the agreement shall be upon approval of all parties to the agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR BEAVER WATER DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON AND BENTON COUNTIES, ARKANSAS, approves and endorsed the amendment agreement set out in Exhibit "A", a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof as though set out herein word for word, and by doing so, Beaver Water District of Washington and Benton Counties, reaffirms its participation and membership in the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 16 day of NOVEMBER, 2000.

[Signature]
President

[Signature]
Secretary/Treasurer
RESOLUTION NO. 4-24-01A

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE AMENDED AGREEMENT OF THE NORTHWEST ARKANSAS REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

WHEREAS, the City Council for the City of Bentonville, Arkansas, authorized by Resolution the City’s membership in the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission;

WHEREAS, the City Council for the City of Bentonville, Arkansas, endorsed an agreement (hereinafter referred to as “the agreement”) for joint planning cooperation between Washington and Benton Counties and all incorporated cities and towns which might wish to become a part of the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission;

WHEREAS, the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission has, pursuant to Article 10 of the agreement, passed a proposed amendment to the agreement; and

WHEREAS, Article 10 of the agreement provides that an amendment to the agreement shall be upon approval of all parties to the agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF Bentonville, Arkansas, approves and endorses the amendment agreement set out in Exhibit "A," a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof as though set out herein word for word, and by doing so, the City of Bentonville, reaffirms its participation and membership in the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 24th day of April, 2001

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

City Attorney
RESOLUTION NO. 11/21/00

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE AMENDED AGREEMENT OF THE NORTHWEST ARKANSAS REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

WHEREAS, the City Council for the City of Bethel Heights Arkansas, authorized by Resolution the City's membership in the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission;

WHEREAS, the City Council for the City of Bethel Heights, Arkansas, endorsed an agreement (hereinafter referred to as "the agreement") for joint planning cooperation between Washington and Benton Counties and all incorporated cities and towns which might wish to become a part of the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission;

WHEREAS, the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission has, pursuant to Article 10 of the agreement, passed a proposed amendment to the agreement; and

WHEREAS, Article 10 of the agreement provides that an amendment to the agreement shall be upon approval of all parties to the agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF Bethel Heights, ARKANSAS, approves and endorses the amendment agreement set out in Exhibit "A," a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof as though set out herein word for word, and by doing so, the City of Bethel Heights , reaffirms its participation and membership in the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 21st day of November 2000

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk/Treasurer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

City Attorney
RESOLUTION NO. 01-01

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE AMENDED AGREEMENT OF THE NORTHWEST ARKANSAS REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

WHEREAS, the City Council for the City of __Centerton__, Arkansas, authorized by Resolution the City's membership in the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission;

WHEREAS, the City Council for the City of __Centerton__, Arkansas, endorsed an agreement (hereinafter referred to as "the agreement") for joint planning cooperation between Washington and Benton Counties and all incorporated cities and towns which might wish to become a part of the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission;

WHEREAS, the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission has, pursuant to Article 10 of the agreement, passed a proposed amendment to the agreement; and

WHEREAS, Article 10 of the agreement provides that an amendment to the agreement shall be upon approval of all parties to the agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF __Centerton__, ARKANSAS, approves and endorses the amendment agreement set out in Exhibit "A," a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof as though set out herein word for word, and by doing so, the City of __Centerton__, reaffirms its participation and membership in the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 9th day of January, 2000

ACTING MAYOR

ATTEST:

City Clerk/Treasurer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

City Attorney
RESOLUTION NO. R-01-01

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE AMENDED AGREEMENT OF THE NORTHWEST ARKANSAS REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

WHEREAS, the City Council for the City of Decatur, Arkansas, authorized by Resolution of the City’s membership in the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission;

WHEREAS, the City Council for the City of Decatur, Arkansas, endorsed an agreement (hereinafter referred to as “the agreement”) for joint planning cooperation between Washington and Benton Counties and all incorporated cities and towns which might wish to become a part of the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission;

WHEREAS, the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission has pursuant to Article 10 of the agreement, passed a proposed amendment to the agreement; and

WHEREAS, Article 10 of the agreement provides that an amendment to the agreement shall be upon approval of all parties to the agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE CITY COUNCIL, FOR THE CITY OF DECATURE, ARKANSAS, approves and endorses the amendment agreement set out in Exhibit “A”, a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof as though set out herein word for word, and by doing so, the City of Decatur, reaffirms its participation and membership in the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 12th day of February, 2001.

[Signature]
Mayor

ATTEST:

[Signature]
Recorder-Treasurer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

[Signature]
City Attorney
RESOLUTION NO. 2001-1

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE AMENDED AGREEMENT OF THE NORTHWEST ARKANSAS REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

WHEREAS, the City Council for the City of Farmington, Arkansas, authorized by Resolution the City's membership in the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission;

WHEREAS, the City Council for the City of Farmington, Arkansas, endorsed an agreement (hereinafter referred to as "the agreement") for joint planning cooperation between Washington and Benton Counties and all incorporated cities and towns which might wish to become a part of the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission;

WHEREAS, the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission has, pursuant to Article 10 of the agreement, passed a proposed amendment to the agreement;

And

WHEREAS, Article 10 of the agreement provides that an amendment to the agreement shall be upon approval of all parties to the agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF FARMINGTON, ARKANSAS, approves and endorses the amendment agreement set out in Exhibit "A", a copy of which is attached hereto and make a part hereof as though set out herein word for word, and by doing so, the City of Farmington, reaffirms its participation and membership in the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 8 day of January, 2001.

Mayor

ATTEST:
City Clerk/Treasurer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
City Attorney
RESOLUTION NO. 11-30-00 B

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE AMENDED AGREEMENT OF THE NORTHWEST ARKANSAS REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

WHEREAS, the City Council for the City of Gravette, Arkansas, authorized by Resolution the City's membership in the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission;

WHEREAS, the City Council for the City of Gravette, Arkansas, endorsed an agreement (hereinafter referred to as "the agreement") for joint planning cooperation between Washington and Benton Counties and all incorporated cities and towns which might wish to become a part of the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission;

WHEREAS, the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission has, pursuant to Article 10 of the agreement, passed a proposed amendment to the agreement; and

WHEREAS, Article 10 of the agreement provides that an amendment to the agreement shall be upon approval of all parties to the agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF Gravette, ARKANSAS, approves and endorses the amendment agreement set out in Exhibit "A," a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof as though set out herein word for word, and by doing so, the City of Gravette, reaffirms its participation and membership in the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 30th day of November, 2000

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk/Treasurer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

City Attorney
RESOLUTION NO. 37-00
TOWN OF HIGHFILL, BENTON COUNTY, ARKANSAS

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE AMENDED AGREEMENT OF THE NORTHWEST ARKANSAS REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION, REAFFIRMING MEMBERSHIP THEREIN, ESTABLISHING THE MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE, AS THE TOWN’S APPOINTED MEMBER AND REPRESENTATIVE THEREON.

WHEREAS, the Town Council for the Town of Highfill, Arkansas, previously authorized by Resolution No. 03-00 the Town’s membership in the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission, and set therein the appointment of its designated representative and appointed member to that commission; and

WHEREAS, the Highfill Town Council endorsed an agreement (hereinafter referred to as the “Agreement”) for joint planning cooperation between Washington and Benton Counties, and all incorporated cities and towns which might wish to become a part of the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission; and

WHEREAS, the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission has, pursuant to Article 10 of the Agreement, passed a proposed amendment to the Agreement; and

WHEREAS, Article 10 of the Agreement provides that the Agreement may be amended from time to time upon approval of the parties to the Agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Town Council of the Town of Highfill, Arkansas, as follows:

The amended Agreement for Joint Planning Cooperation between Washington and Benton Counties and all incorporated cities and towns which might wish to become a part of the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission is hereby approved, endorsed and adopted in the form set out in Exhibit “A”, a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof as though set out herein word for word, and by doing so, the Town of Highfill, reaffirms its participation and membership in the Northwest Regional Planning Commission. The Mayor of the Town or his appointed designee (who shall serve at the pleasure of the Mayor), shall serve as the appointed member to the Commission as the designated representative of the Town of Highfill.

PASSED and APPROVED this 21 day of December, 2000.

APPROVED:

Scott E. Elliott, Mayor

ATTEST:
Cassie Elliott, Town Recorder-Treasurer
RESOLUTION NO. 2001-10

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE AMENDED AGREEMENT OF THE NORTHWEST ARKANSAS REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

WHEREAS, the City Council for the City of Johnson, Arkansas, authorized by Resolution the City's membership in the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission;

WHEREAS, the City Council for the City of Johnson, Arkansas, endorsed an agreement (hereinafter referred to as "the agreement") for joint planning cooperation between Washington and Benton Counties and all incorporated cities and towns which might wish to become a part of the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission;

WHEREAS, the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission has, pursuant to Article 10 of the agreement, passed a proposed amendment to the agreement; and

WHEREAS, Article 10 of the agreement provides that an amendment to the agreement shall be upon approval of all parties to the agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF Johnson, ARKANSAS, approves and endorses the amendment agreement set out in Exhibit "A," a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof as though set out herein word for word, and by doing so, the City of Johnson reaffirms its participation and membership in the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 13th day of March, 2001

[Signature]

ATTEND

[Signature]

Clerk/Treasurer
WHEREAS, Washington County, the Beaver Water District and certain municipalities situated within the geographic boundaries of Washington and Benton Counties are considering entering into an agreement manifesting an intent for joint planning cooperation; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lincoln is considering joining the effort at joint planning; and

WHEREAS, it is proposed that these certain entities establish a regional planning commission under A. C. A. 14-17-301, on which the City of Lincoln would have a permanent representative seat; and

WHEREAS, the proposal is in essence a reorganization, embodiment and formalization of the City's long-standing relationship with the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission; and

WHEREAS, participation in the joint planning agreement is in the best interests of the people of the City of Lincoln:

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF LINCOLN, ARKANSAS THAT:

Section 1. The Mayor and Clerk/Treasurer are hereby authorized to execute the original version of the proposed joint planning agreement, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein as fully as if it had been set forth word-for-word herein.

Section 2. The funding of the city's pro rata share of the operational costs of the planning commission is reserved for future action and year-to-year budgeting.
Section 3. The Mayor and Clerk/Treasurer are further authorized to take any and other ministerial action necessary and incident to the City's ongoing participation in the government and business of the Planning Commission.

APPROVED THIS 13 DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2000.

Vol D. West, Mayor

Sue Heisler, Clerk/Treasurer
RESOLUTION NO. 51-01

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE AMENDED AGREEMENT OF THE NORTHWEST ARKANSAS REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

WHEREAS, the City Council for the City of Little Flock, Arkansas, authorized by Resolution the City's membership in the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission;

WHEREAS, the City Council for the City of Little Flock, Arkansas, endorsed an agreement (hereinafter referred to as "the agreement") for joint planning cooperation between Washington and Benton Counties and all incorporated cities and towns which might wish to become a part of the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission;

WHEREAS, the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission has, pursuant to Article 10 of the agreement, passed a proposed amendment to the agreement; and

WHEREAS, Article 10 of the agreement provides that an amendment to the agreement shall be upon approval of all parties to the agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF Little Flock, ARKANSAS, approves and endorses the amendment agreement set out in Exhibit "A," a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof as though set out herein word for word, and by doing so, the City of Little Flock, reaffirms its participation and membership in the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission.

PASSED AND APPROVED this _____________ day of January _____________, 2001

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk/Treasurer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

City Attorney
RESOLUTION NO. 225

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE AMENDED AGREEMENT OF THE NORTHWEST ARKANSAS REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

WHEREAS, the City Council for the City of Pea Ridge, Arkansas, authorized by Resolution the City's membership in the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission;

WHEREAS, the City Council for the City of Pea Ridge, Arkansas, endorsed an agreement (hereinafter referred to as "the agreement") for joint planning cooperation between Washington and Benton Counties and all incorporated cities and towns which might wish to become a part of the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission;

WHEREAS, the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission has, pursuant to Article 10 of the agreement, passed a proposed amendment to the agreement; and

WHEREAS, Article 10 of the agreement provides that an amendment to the agreement shall be upon approval of all parties to the agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF Pea Ridge, ARKANSAS, approves and endorses the amendment agreement set out in Exhibit "A," a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof as though set out herein word for word, and by doing so, the City of Pea Ridge, reaffirms its participation and membership in the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 21st day of November, 2000

[Signature]
Mayor

ATTEST:
[Signature]
City Clerk/Treasurer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
[Signature]
City Attorney
RESOLUTION NO. 2000-27

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE AMENDED AGREEMENT OF THE NORTHWEST ARKANSAS REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

WHEREAS, the City Council for the City of Prairie Grove, Arkansas, authorized by Resolution the City’s membership in the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission;

WHEREAS, the City Council for the City of Prairie Grove, Arkansas, endorsed an agreement (hereinafter referred to as "the agreement") for joint planning cooperation between Washington and Benton Counties and all incorporated cities and towns which might wish to become a part of the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission;

WHEREAS, the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission has, pursuant to Article 10 of the agreement, passed a proposed amendment to the agreement; and

WHEREAS, Article 10 of the agreement provides that an amendment to the agreement shall be upon approval of all parties to the agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF Prairie Grove, ARKANSAS, approves and endorses the amendment agreement set out in Exhibit "A," a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof as though set out herein word for word, and by doing so, the City of Prairie Grove, reaffirms its participation and membership in the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission.

PASSED AND APPROVED this ___ day of November, 2000

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk/Treasurer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

City Attorney
RESOLUTION NO. R01-10

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE AMENDED AGREEMENT OF THE NORTHWEST ARKANSAS REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

WHEREAS, the City Council for the City of Rogers, Arkansas, authorized by Resolution the City’s membership in the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission;

WHEREAS, the City Council for the City of Rogers, Arkansas, endorsed an agreement (hereinafter referred to as “the agreement”) for joint planning cooperation between Washington and Benton Counties and all incorporated cities and towns which might wish to become a part of the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission;

WHEREAS, the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission has, pursuant to Article 10 of the agreement, passed a proposed amendment to the agreement; and

WHEREAS, Article 10 of the agreement provides that an amendment to the agreement shall be upon approval of all parties to the agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF ROGERS, ARKANSAS, approves and endorses the amendment agreement set out in Exhibit “A”, a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof as though set out herein word for word, and by doing so, the City of Rogers, reaffirms its participation and membership in the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 27th day of March, 2001.

APPROVED:

STEVE WOMACK, MAYOR

SANDRA FEARMAN, CITY CLERK
RESOLUTION NO. 30-01

A RESOLUTION APPROVING AMENDMENTS TO THE AGREEMENT FOR JOINT PLANNING COOPERATION AND PARTICIPATION IN THE NORTHWEST ARKANSAS REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Springdale, Arkansas, authorized by Resolution the City's membership in the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission;

WHEREAS, The City Council for the City of Springdale, Arkansas, endorsed an agreement (hereinafter referred to as "The Agreement") for joint planning cooperation between Washington and Benton Counties and all incorporated cities and towns which might wish to become a part of the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission;

WHEREAS, the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission has, pursuant to Article 10 of The Agreement, passed a proposed amendment to the agreement; and

WHEREAS, Article 10 of The Agreement provides that an amendment to the agreement shall be upon approval of all parties to The Agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF SPRINGDALE, ARKANSAS, approves and endorses the following amendments to The Agreement, and by doing so, the City of Springdale, reaffirms its participation and membership in the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission.

Section 1. All references to Act 26, Arkansas Acts of 1955, as amended in The Agreement be changed to refer to Arkansas Code 14.17-201, et seq.

Section 2. Article 3 of the Agreement be replaced with the following:

Article 3. Membership of the Commission

The Regional Planning Commission shall be constituted as follows:

Appointed Members. The County Judge may serve or shall appoint one member for each 10,000 persons living in rural areas. A rural area is defined as any unincorporated areas.

The Mayor or City Manager of each urban area may serve or shall appoint one member for each 10,000 population living in the urban areas.
Appointed members shall be entitled to vote on all matters. The initial membership shall be as follows: Avoca, Beaver Water District, Bentonville, Bethel Heights, Cave Springs, Centerton, Decatur, Elkins, Elm Springs, Farmington, Fayetteville, Gentry, Gravette, Greenland, Highfill, Johnson, Lincoln, Little Flock, Lowell, Pea Ridge, Prairie Grove, Rogers, Springdale, Sulphur Springs, Tontitown, Washington County, and West Fork.

As soon as the Commission has ascertained that other communities are giving a reasonable amount of financial support to the Regional Planning Commission, the Commission may expand its membership at its discretion by appointing additional members to represent these communities. A minimum of two-thirds (2/3) of the Commission membership shall be elected officials, or those responsible to elected officials. When such new appointments are added to the Planning Commission, the Commission shall establish such additional appointive membership as may be required to maintain the majority of appointive membership to conform to the requirement of Arkansas Code 14.17-201, et seq.

Terms of Membership. The terms of County Judges or Mayors shall be for the periods that they occupy their city or county offices.

The appointed members shall serve at the pleasure of the County Judge or Mayor.

All members of the Commission shall serve as such without compensation.

Vacancies occurring otherwise than through the expiration of terms shall be filled for the unexpired term by the official appointing the original holder of said membership.
Section 3. Article 4 of the Agreement be replaced with the following:

Article 4. Officers, Meetings and Rules

Chairman. The Commission shall elect a Chairman from its appointed members, and such other officers as it may determine. The terms of the Chairman and other officers shall not serve more than two consecutive terms in the same position.

Executive Committee. In the interests of effective functioning of the Commission, there may be an Executive Committee of the Commission, including the Chairman and other officers so designated by the Commission. The members of the Executive Committee, other than the officers, shall be designated by the Chairman with the approval of the Commission.

Meetings. The Commission as a whole shall meet every other month. The Executive Committee shall meet on alternating months. All meetings shall be open to the public. The Full Commission and Executive Committee meetings can be waived if the Director and Chairman determine 1) business does not warrant and 2) if a quorum will not be present.

Rules. The Commission shall adopt rules for the transaction of business and shall keep a complete record of its functions and activities, which record shall be a public record.

Section 4. Article 9 of the Agreement be replaced with the following:

Article 9. Amendments to the Agreement

This Agreement may be modified and amended otherwise than as provided above through the recommendation of any parties of the Agreement or through recommendation of the Commission to the parties and upon approval of the parties to the Agreement, and such approval shall be by the same form in which this Agreement is originally approved by the parties.
Section 5. Article 10 of the Agreement be replaced with the following:

**Article 10. Effective Date of Agreement**

This Agreement shall take full effect upon the appropriate action of the governing bodies of the parties to the Agreement whether by ordinance, resolution, rule or order; provided, however, that when any two or more of the parties shall have taken appropriate action, there shall be established the Planning Commission as provided under Arkansas Code 14-17-301, et seq., and the Agreement shall take effect between such two or more of the parties and shall become operative in their behalf.

Section 6. Article 11 shall be deleted in its entirety.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 27th day of MARCH, 2001.

[Signature]

Jerre M. Van Hoose, Mayor

Attest:

[Signature]

Denise Pearce, City Clerk

Approved as to form:

[Signature]

Jeff C. Harper, City Attorney
RESOLUTION NO. 00-07

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE AMENDED AGREEMENT OF THE NORTHWEST ARKANSAS REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

WHEREAS, the City Council for the City of Sulphur Springs, Arkansas, authorized by Resolution the City's membership in the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission;

WHEREAS, the City Council for the City of Sulphur Springs, Arkansas, endorsed an agreement (hereinafter referred to as "the agreement") for joint planning cooperation between Washington and Benton Counties and all incorporated cities and towns which might wish to become a part of the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission;

WHEREAS, the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission has, pursuant to Article 10 of the agreement, passed a proposed amendment to the agreement; and

WHEREAS, Article 10 of the agreement provides that an amendment to the agreement shall be upon approval of all parties to the agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF Sulphur Springs, ARKANSAS, approves and endorses the amendment agreement set out in Exhibit "A," a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof as though set out herein word for word, and by doing so, the City of Sulphur Springs, reaffirms its participation and membership in the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 9th day of November, 2000

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk/Treasurer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

City Attorney
RESOLUTION NO. 85

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE AMENDED AGREEMENT OF THE NORTHWEST ARKANSAS REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

WHEREAS, the City Council for the City of [City Name], Arkansas, authorized by Resolution the City's membership in the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission;

WHEREAS, the City Council for the City of [City Name], Arkansas, endorsed an agreement (hereinafter referred to as "the agreement") for joint planning cooperation between Washington and Benton Counties and all incorporated cities and towns which might wish to become a part of the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission;

WHEREAS, the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission has, pursuant to Article 10 of the agreement, passed a proposed amendment to the agreement; and

WHEREAS, Article 10 of the agreement provides that an amendment to the agreement shall be upon approval of all parties to the agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF [City Name], ARKANSAS, approves and endorses the amendment agreement set out in Exhibit "A," a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof as though set out herein word for word, and by doing so, the City of [City Name], reaffirms its participation and membership in the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission.

PASSED AND APPROVED this [Date] day of January, 200[4]

[Signature]
Mayor

ATTEST:

[Signature]
City Clerk/Treasurer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

[Signature]
City Attorney
RESOLUTION 2000-04

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE AMENDED AGREEMENT OF THE NORTHWEST ARKANSAS REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION.

WHEREAS, the City Council for the City of West Fork, Arkansas, authorized by Resolution the City’s membership in the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission;

WHEREAS, the City Council for the City of West Fork, Arkansas, endorsed an agreement (hereinafter referred to as “the agreement”) for joint planning cooperation between Washington and Benton Counties and all incorporated cities and towns which might wish to become a part of the Regional Plan Area;

WHEREAS, the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission has, pursuant to Article 10 of the agreement, passed a proposed amendment to the agreement; and

WHEREAS, Article 10 of the agreement provides that an amendment to the agreement shall be upon approval of all parties to the agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF WEST FORK, ARKANSAS, approved and endorses the amendment agreement set out in Exhibit “A,” a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof as though set out herein word for word, and by doing so, the City of West Fork, reaffirms its participation and membership in the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 7th day of November 2000.

ATTEST:

Paula Caudle
City Clerk

APPROVED:

Virgil L. Blackmon
Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Virginia Middleton, City Attorney