

**NWARPC RESOLUTION 2026-05**

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE NORTHWEST ARKANSAS REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION  
FORWARD 2050 METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLAN (MTP)**

**WHEREAS**, the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission (NWARPC), as the designated Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Fayetteville-Springdale-Rogers, AR-MO urbanized area, is responsible for the development of a long-range, multimodal transportation plan for the area and its future environs; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to 23 U.S.C. § 134 and 49 U.S.C. § 5303, metropolitan transportation plans must be developed through a continuing, cooperative, and comprehensive planning process; be updated at least every five (5) years in air quality attainment areas; and maintain a planning horizon of no less than twenty (20) years; and

**WHEREAS**, the Forward 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan represents an update to the previously adopted 2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan and has been developed through extensive public involvement, stakeholder engagement, and coordination with local governments, state and federal agencies, and modal partners; and

**WHEREAS**, the Forward 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan establishes the region's long-term transportation vision, goals, strategies, and project priorities to support anticipated growth and economic vitality through the year 2050.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE NORTHWEST ARKANSAS REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION/POLICY COMMITTEE:**

That the Forward 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) is hereby approved and adopted as the long-range transportation plan for the metropolitan planning area.

**PASSED AND APPROVED BY THIS \_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_, 2026.**

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Mayor Doug Sprouse, Chair, NWARPC

**ATTEST:** \_\_\_\_\_