A RESOLUTION TO REQUEST THE DESIGNATION OF CENTRAL ARKANSAS TRANSIT AUTHORITY D/B/A ROCK REGION METROPOLITAN TRANSIT AUTHORITY AS THE DIRECT RECIPIENT OF THE FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION’S URBANIZED AREA FORMULA PROGRAM (49 U.S.C. 5307) FOR THE CONWAY URBANIZED AREA.

Whereas, the Federal Transit Administration’s Urbanized Area Formula Program (49 U.S.C. 5307) provides qualifying urban areas with funds to operate and maintain a public transit service, and;

Whereas, the City qualifies for Federal Transit Administration (FTA) 5307 Urbanized Area Formula Funding Program monies as an urbanized area with a population over 50,000 and below 199,999, and;

Whereas, since 2013 the Arkansas Department of Transportation (ARDOT) has been designated recipient and the direct recipient of the Conway Urbanized Area Formula Grant (Section 5307) funds, and;

Whereas, the FTA will allow ARDOT to authorize another public entity as the direct recipient for Section 5307 funds (Circular 9030.1E), and;

Whereas, Central Arkansas Transit Authority d/b/a Rock Region Metropolitan Transit Authority (METRO) is a public entity that is legally eligible under federal transit law to apply for and receive grants directly from FTA, and;

Whereas, METRO is uniquely positioned as the state’s largest public transit agency and closest public transit agency to Conway to provide limited transit service to the city by entering into a partnership with the City of Conway and therefore allowing the City to tap transit funding for which it is eligible, and;

Whereas, the City of Conway desires to request that ARDOT approve the designation of METRO as the designated recipient of the Conway Section 5307 funds and to petition FTA for final concurrence and approval.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CONWAY THAT:

Section 1. The City of Conway will make all the appropriate requests and upon approval by ARDOT and the FTA, METRO will be designated as the direct recipient of the Urbanized Area formula grant for the City of Conway, with the condition that the annual allocation would revert back to Conway upon request and termination of the Memo of Understanding, between METRO and the City of Conway concerning the operation and management of a Conway to Little Rock Vanpool program.

Passed this 27th day of February, 2018.

Attest: 

Michael O. Garrett
City Clerk/Treasurer

Approved:

Mayor Bart Castleberry