RESOLUTION R-03-16

A RESOLUTION OF INTENT TO ADOPT THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF APHIS REGARDING THE PROTECTION OF WILDLIFE AT THE PROPOSED NEW SITE OF THE CONWAY MUNICIPAL AIRPORT

WHEREAS; The Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service of the U.S. Department of Agriculture has expressed several concerns regarding risks to various types of wildlife that inhabit or spend some part of the year in the area around the proposed new location of the Conway municipal airport; and

WHEREAS, APHIS has recommended a series of actions that can be taken to remove or minimize those risks and protect the wildlife;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CONWAY, ARKANSAS THAT

Should the Conway municipal airport be relocated to West Conway east of the Arkansas River levy, The City of Conway shall adopt the recommendations of APHIS as follows:

- To construct a 10-foot-tallchain-link fence, with at least 6 inches buried underground, around the airport site to prohibit access to the airport site after construction of animals such as deer, coyote and other species;
- To drain any standing water from the airport site to reduce waterfowl attraction;
- To maintain grass levels at approximately 4 to 6 inches on and around the airport site in order to reduce the presence of rodents that attract birds of prey and to further deter various waterfowl species;
- To develop a wildlife management plan to address other wildlife concerns that may arise in the future and to put a monitoring program in place to address these concerns.

PASSED this 22nd day of April 2003.

APPROVED:

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ATTEST:

Michael O. Garrett. City Clerk