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**TO: Mayor and Members of City Council**

**THRU: Adam Lindsay, Assistant City Manager**

**FROM: Sheila Thomas-Ambat, PE, CCM, CFM, Public Services Director  
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Deloma Graham, FAMPO Interim Executive Director**

**DATE: June 14, 2021**

**RE: Updated Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Fayetteville Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (FAMPO)**

**COUNCIL DISTRICT(S):**  
All

**Relationship To Strategic Plan:**  
Desirable Place to Live, Work & Recreate

**Executive Summary:**  
The Fayetteville Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (FAMPO) is requesting approval of a revised Memorandum Of Understanding (MOU) with all its' member jurisdictions, including the City of Fayetteville. The significant change in this revised MOU is the member from Ft. Bragg becomes a voting member, as opposed to a non-voting member, on the FAMPO Transportation Policy Board (TPB). Other changes include updating position title descriptions that had changed since the prior revision to the MOU. The MOU was recommended for approval by the TPB that includes City of Fayetteville members CM Dawkins and CM Wright.

**Background:**  
The Fayetteville Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (FAMPO) has updated the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) that exists between the FAMPO and its municipalities including the Cities of Fayetteville and Raeford, the Towns of Eastover, Hope Mills, Parkton and Spring Lake, the Counties of Cumberland, Harnett, Hoke and Robeson, Fort Bragg Military Reservation, and the NC Department of Transportation in cooperation with the US Department of Transportation, to include the Fort Bragg Military Reservation as a voting member.

A representative from Fort Bragg has always been a non-voting member of the FAMPO

Transportation Policy Board (TPB). Fort Bragg initially requested to become a voting member of the FAMPO TPB due to the National Highway System (NHS) routes going through the post and the recent coordination of work on projects, to include the I-295 Outer Loop. The issue was taken to the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and they agree that Fort Bragg has the right to be a voting member given the fact that there are facilities on the post that are publicly funded and maintained and eligible for planning and prioritization. Other administrative updates were made to the MOU revising position titles for the City of Fayetteville.

The updated MOU includes Fort Bragg as a voting member on the FAMPO Transportation Policy Board as stated in Section 3 of the document. Presentations have been scheduled throughout May and June for each municipality in the FAMPO Metropolitan Planning Area for adoption. A final signed copy will be sent to each municipality upon completion.

**Issues/Analysis:**

City Council's approval of the revised MOU, along with the other member jurisdictions, will be required for the Ft. Bragg member of the TPB to become a voting member.

**Budget Impact:**

There is no budget impact associated with the approval of this revised MOU.

**Options:**

- Approve the revised MOU with FAMPO
- Reject the revised MOU and provide direction to staff

**Recommended Action:**

Staff recommends Council approve the revised MOU with FAMPO.

**Attachments:**

MOU Memorandum from FAMPO, Revised FAMPO MOU, Original Markup MOU with proposed changes