RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE EXPANSION
OF THE NAVAL AIR STATION JOINT RESERVE BASE (NAS JRB)
AND RELATED COMMUNITY INITIATIVES

WHEREAS, the Naval Air Station Joint Reserve Base Fort Worth (NAS JRB) is recognized as one of the strongest economic engines in the North Central Texas region, and the need to protect the installation from encroachment of incompatible land uses is recognized as vital to its long-term existence; and,

WHEREAS, NAS JRB is the premier Joint Reserve Base in the United States and is home to more than 2,100 active duty military personnel and more than 7,000 Reserve and Guard personnel representing the Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force, Army, and Texas Air National Guard; and,

WHEREAS, Lockheed Martin, which employs more than 14,000 local citizens at its Fort Worth facility, shares NAS JRB’s runway and utilizes the base’s air support operations; and,

WHEREAS, the military has defined compatible land use in noise and safety zones surrounding the installation through the Air Installation Compatible Use Zone (AICUZ) study; and,

WHEREAS, development that is incompatible with AICUZ recommendations in the noise and safety zones may result in negative training impacts, such as reduced operations, reduced number of available training days, reduced training realism, and/or complete loss of flying mission; and,

WHEREAS, the cities of Benbrook, Fort Worth, Lake Worth, River Oaks, Westworth Village and White Settlement, and Tarrant County, have joined together in a Joint Land Use Study regarding urban encroachment around the installation; and,

WHEREAS, the Joint Land Use Study Policy Committee was convened in August of 2006 to oversee the Joint Land Use Study around NAS JRB and make recommendations relating to the preservation and improvement of NAS JRB consistent with the AICUZ study and community needs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT:

Section 1. The JLUS Policy Committee endorses and supports (and recommends local government endorsement and support) of the current NAS JRB mission:

To provide a high quality training environment for active duty and reserve components of all branches of the Armed Services; to reduce redundancy and overhead by developing joint doctrine and operating procedures that create seamless functionality among host and tenant commands in base support and community service programs.

Section 2. The mission for the community in the next round of Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) is to ensure that NAS JRB not only remain an active
and vital military installation, but also that NAS JRB receive additional units, squadrons, equipment and related full-time active duty military, Reserve, and Guard personnel.

**Section 3.** The JLUS Policy Committee endorses and supports (and recommends local government endorsement and support) of the initiatives shown in Attachment 1 in support of the current and future mission of NAS JRB.

**Section 4.** Each cooperating local partner should develop a resolution endorsing these recommendations, including the attached initiatives, and transmit that resolution to NAS JRB and NCTCOG, and other study partners as soon as practical.

**Section 5.** This resolution shall be transmitted to each impacted local government, and NAS JRB, DOD Office of Economic Adjustment, immediately upon adoption.

**Section 6.** This resolution shall be in effect immediately upon adoption.

Chuck Silcox, Chair, Joint Land Use Study Policy Committee
Councilmember, City of Fort Worth

I hereby certify that this resolution was adopted by the Joint Land Use Study Policy Committee on September 24, 2007.

Keith Bailey, Secretary, Joint Land Use Study Policy Committee
Councilmember, City of Benbrook
Attachment 1
Recommended Initiatives in Support of the Current and Future Mission of NAS JRB

1. The Naval Air Station Joint Reserve Base Regional Coordination Committee: The cooperating local governments should form a Naval Air Station Joint Reserve Base (NAS JRB) Regional Coordination Committee. The purpose of the NAS JRB Regional Coordination Committee shall be to develop, implement and monitor policies, programs and projects which improve opportunities to expand operations at NAS JRB in the next Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) process. The Joint Land Use Study Policy Committee shall study and adopt an institutional structure for the board’s governance.

When each of the entities has appointed voting members to the NAS JRB Regional Coordination Committee, the Policy Committee will transfer all responsibilities/roles to that group and dissolve. Until such time, recommendations of this resolution related to the NAS JRB Regional Coordination Committee activities shall be carried out by the JLUS Policy Committee.

2. Host Community Strategies: The NAS JRB Regional Coordination Committee shall implement strategies that will (1) educate the community about the economic, real estate, and security benefits associated with hosting NAS JRB and Lockheed Martin, (2) exchange information about regular, sporadic, or other major noise events taking place at NAS JRB and Lockheed Martin, and (3) serve the needs of active duty and reserve personnel and their families.

3. Planning Updates: Each entity should, with support and guidance of the NAS JRB Regional Coordination Committee, initiate updates to and/or develop comprehensive plans, area and other special plans, land use maps, and transportation plans to be responsive to the Air Installation Compatible Use Zone (AICUZ) study and the 2007 JLUS planning project.

4. Zoning Changes: Each municipality should, with support and guidance of the NAS JRB Regional Coordination Committee, pursue city-initiated zoning changes compliant with recommendations found in Tables VI-1 and VI-2 of the AICUZ study and the 2007 JLUS planning project.

5. Building Regulations: Each municipality should adopt, with support and guidance of the NAS JRB Regional Coordination Committee, local development regulations/building codes to comply with the AICUZ study and the 2007 JLUS planning project. Codes should be applicable to all new buildings.

6. Height of Structures: The NAS JRB Regional Coordination Committee shall develop a model ordinance and best management practices regarding the height of structures built surrounding NAS JRB. The area of interest shall be defined by the Federal Aviation Regulation, Part 77, Imaginary Surfaces, and by Terminal Instrument Procedures (TERPS) surfaces surrounding NAS JRB. Each entity should adopt, with support and guidance of the NAS JRB Regional Coordination Committee, a local ordinance regulating the height of structures built in proximity to NAS JRB.

7. Light Surrounding NAS JRB: The NAS JRB Regional Coordination Committee shall develop a model ordinance and best management practices regarding outdoor lighting in
the Clear Zone, Accident Potential Zone 1 and Accident Potential Zone 2 to minimize night time visual interference with flight operations. Each entity should adopt, with support and guidance of the NAS JRB Regional Coordination Committee, a local ordinance regulating the emission of light in proximity to NAS JRB.

8. **Public Use Facilities:** The NAS JRB Regional Coordination Committee shall inventory all public use buildings, such as educational structures and other public gathering places within the noise and safety zones. The NAS JRB Regional Coordination Committee shall make building specific recommendations for renovation or relocation. The NAS JRB Regional Coordination Committee shall develop a model ordinance and best management practices regarding locating new public buildings/public uses within the noise and safety zones. Each entity should adopt, with support and guidance of the NAS JRB Regional Coordination Committee, a local policy regulating the location or relocation of their own public use buildings in proximity to NAS JRB.

9. **Storm Water Drainage Assessment:** The NAS JRB Regional Coordination Committee shall conduct a Storm Water Drainage Assessment surrounding NAS JRB and consider recommending a Low Impact Development Strategy to reduce the volume of runoff to the base. The NAS JRB Regional Coordination Committee will assist impacted local governments with the implementation of such recommendations.

10. **Real Estate Advisory Service:** The NAS JRB Regional Coordination Committee shall develop educational materials, resources and consultation programs to assist property owners who wish to meet building standards which are compliant with the AICUZ study and the 2007 JLUS planning project.

11. **Real Estate Disclosures:** The NAS JRB Regional Coordination Committee shall assist the real estate community to meet applicable State law related to disclosures.

12. **Surface Transportation Access:** The NAS JRB Regional Coordination Committee shall study and recommend improvements to surface access around NAS JRB to include roadway geometry, safety, accessibility, roadway maintenance, mobility, reliability, air quality, transit, and goods movement. The NAS JRB Regional Coordination Committee shall develop partnerships with the Texas Department of Transportation, Regional Transportation Council, Department of Defense, local entities and others to prioritize and implement individual projects.

13. **NAS JRB Regional Coordination Committee Development Review:** The NAS JRB Regional Coordination Committee shall develop a Memorandum of Understanding between all impacted local governments creating an NAS JRB Regional Coordination Committee Development Review process. In this process, the NAS JRB Regional Coordination Committee, all impacted local governments, NAS JRB, and Lockheed Martin, would review all comprehensive plan or area plan changes, development applications, zoning requests, and building permit applications from within the noise and safety zones from all entities. These reviews will be “comment only” and provide each entity the opportunity to be familiar with and comment on development plans throughout the noise and safety zones surrounding NAS JRB.

14. **Public Purchase of Land:** The JLUS Policy Committee endorses pursuing public acquisition of parcels and easements in the Clear Zone, Accident Potential Zone 1 and Accident Potential Zone 2 on all lands that are not compliant with the AICUZ study and
the 2007 JLUS planning project. The JLUS Policy Committee recognizes that this is a long-term goal to be accomplished by acquisition of parcels and easements by voluntary sale. Acquisition of mineral rights is not included.

Phase 1: The NAS JRB Regional Coordination Committee shall establish agreements and partnerships as necessary to assist local partners in the voluntary acquisition of residential lands and related easements in the Clear Zone, Accident Potential Zone 1 and Accident Potential Zone 2.

Phase 2: The NAS JRB Regional Coordination Committee shall study the need for additional land acquisition strategies in the noise and safety zones. The NAS JRB Regional Coordination Committee shall establish priorities, agreements, and partnerships as necessary to assist local partners in the acquisition, maintenance, and (as applicable) redevelopment to conforming land use.

15. Other Encroachment Mitigation Efforts: The NAS JRB Regional Coordination Committee shall consider and recommend to the study partners, DOD, and the community other strategies related to preserving and enhancing the mission of the base and adopt recommendations as necessary.

16. Updates to Noise and Safety Zones: The NAS JRB Regional Coordination Committee shall support all DOD recommended updates to the noise and safety zones surrounding the installation in support of current and future mission requirements.

17. Funding of Recommendations: The NAS JRB Regional Coordination Committee shall support the pursuit of funding to implement the recommendations contained herein. All such recommendations are dependent upon the identification and availability of funding.